



Westport South School Newsletter

Week 8 Term 1
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Hasn't the term gone fast?. Being busy with swimming sports events and camp has made time fly. Very successful camps were had by all who beat the weather. Those who had to have their sleepovers postponed will have the opportunity later in the year. Thanks to all the parents that made themselves available to help on camps. It has been great hearing feedback about how wonderful the children behaved and how well planned the staff were. A lot of work goes in to making camps successful and the people who help are key to that success.

NEW WORLD
Kids' TRYathlon
Duathlon & Mini
10 April 2021
SPORT TASMAN

Sick children: There are a few bugs going around at the moment. One that has been brought to our attention is a rash and sore head. If your child complains of these symptoms please get them checked.

As we are getting cooler mornings children are starting to wear jerseys to school. Can you please ensure that your child's clothing is named and then we can return it to them.

Easter is fast approaching and I just want to remind you that schools are closed on the Tuesday after Easter as well as the regular statutory days.

The school has had security cameras put in to help identify any people vandalising our buildings and grounds.

If you are aged 3 to 13 years old come join us!

EVERYONE GETS A MEDAL & A FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE!

Register online. Registrations close 9 April 2021

www.sporttasman.org.nz/kidstrybullen

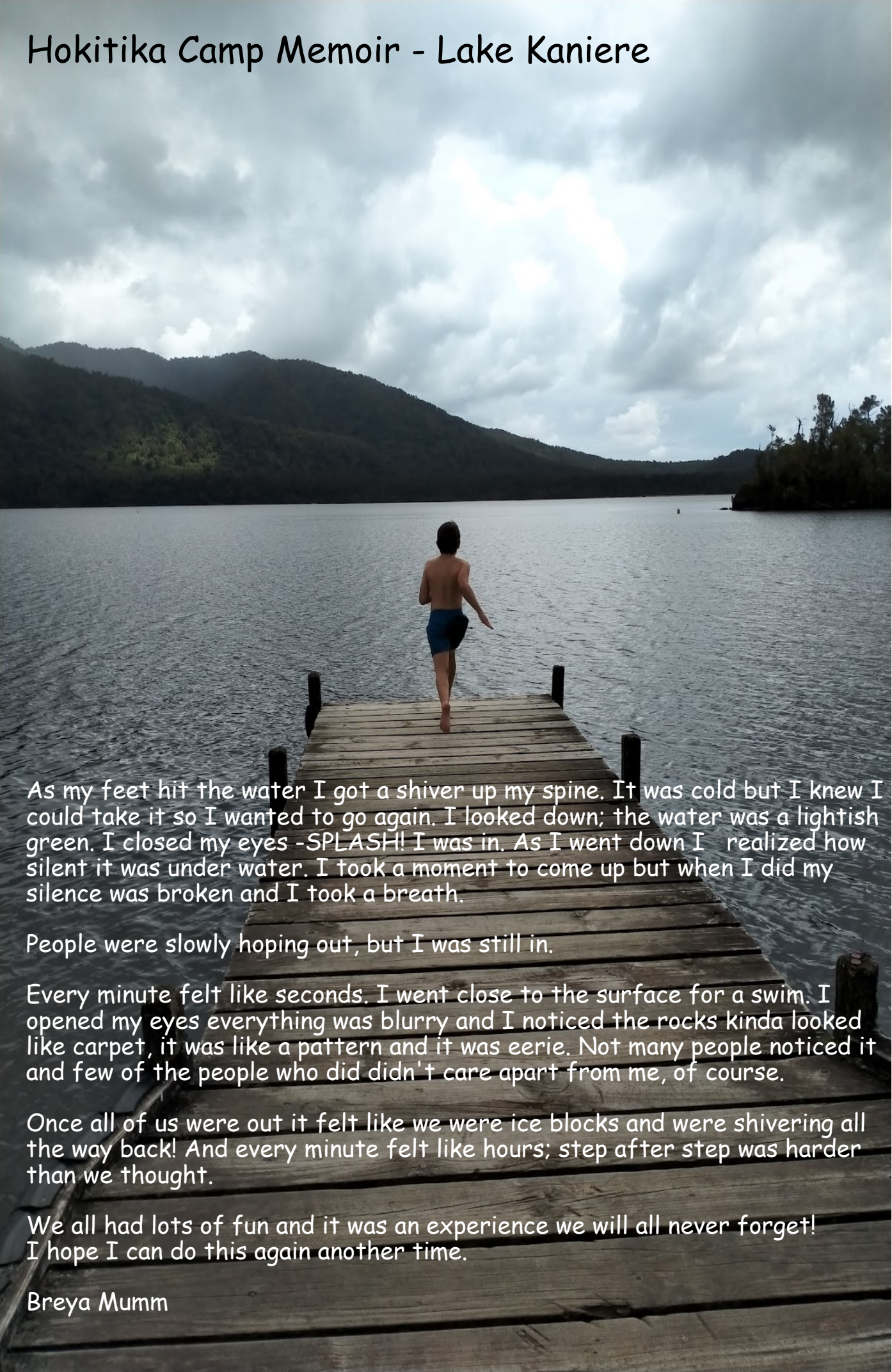


PropertyBrokers

Just a reminder that we have no problem with Parents paying off their account at the school office.

Bank account number 03 1354 0404349 00 Please make sure that you put your child's name as the reference.

Hokitika Camp Memoir - Lake Kaniere

A photograph of a person running from a wooden pier into a large lake. The person is seen from behind, wearing blue shorts. The pier is made of wooden planks and extends from the bottom center towards the middle of the frame. The lake is calm with some ripples. In the background, there are dark, forested hills under a sky filled with large, white, fluffy clouds. The overall mood is serene and adventurous.

As my feet hit the water I got a shiver up my spine. It was cold but I knew I could take it so I wanted to go again. I looked down; the water was a lightish green. I closed my eyes -SPLASH! I was in. As I went down I realized how silent it was under water. I took a moment to come up but when I did my silence was broken and I took a breath.

People were slowly hopping out, but I was still in.

Every minute felt like seconds. I went close to the surface for a swim. I opened my eyes everything was blurry and I noticed the rocks kinda looked like carpet, it was like a pattern and it was eerie. Not many people noticed it and few of the people who did didn't care apart from me, of course.

Once all of us were out it felt like we were ice blocks and were shivering all the way back! And every minute felt like hours; step after step was harder than we thought.

We all had lots of fun and it was an experience we will all never forget! I hope I can do this again another time.

Breya Mumm

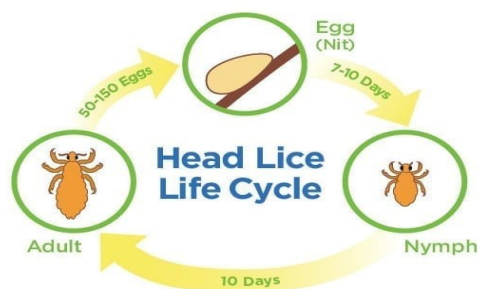
Health Message

Head Lice are a common problem in schools and pre school, they are small flat insects about 2-3mm long that breed all year round and live on the human scalp

Headlice

- > Cannot jump, fly or swim
- > do not carry disease
- > do stay on the head after swimming or bathing/showering
- > do not live beyond 48 hours off the scalp

Life cycle



Stop Head Lice from spreading by

Check your child's hair/scalp every week also look around hairline at the back of the neck & behind ears.

During outbreaks check daily

Brush their hair every day

Don't share brushes, combs, headbands, hair ties hats or helmets

Have short hair or wear hair in a ponytail

Children should keep cloths apart from other children at swimming or sport changing rooms

If you do get head lice in your family, advised close friend's and the school/pre school

Treatment

You need a special shampoo or lotion (containing insecticide). These are available from the chemist or free on prescription from your doctor. **Always do a second treatment 7-10 days later** to kill any head lice that may have hatched after the first treatment.

Wet combing must be **repeated each week** until you don't find any more head lice or eggs.

More information contact Lynley Pratt , Public Health Nurse ph 0275208444

Head Lice: These are doing the rounds again. Please check your child's hair on a regular basis. I have had a Grandparent contact me with the following treatment.

Mayonnaise and Gladwrap.

Coat hair in Mayonnaise wrap in gladwrap and leave for a couple of hours. Wash off and comb hair. Repeat 2 days later and then another 2 days after that. This apparently cooks the lice and breaks their backs. Worth a try.

Coming Events:

22-24 March Y7 Room 1 and 4 Hokitika Year 7 students

24 March West Coast Swimming sports at the PERC for selected students .

2 –6 April NO SCHOOL DUE TO EASTER.

7 April Normal school day

12 April West Coast Athletics in Greymouth for selected students

13 April Board of Trustees AGM

16 April End of Term 1

3 May Term 2 Starts.



Principals Awards:

Lilly Kinsella: Consistently showing H.E.A.R.T.

Eden Sara: Being a fantastic role model, a kind and caring friend, a wonderful helper in Room 7/8.

Jasmin Freeman: Applying herself to all tasks and working to the best of her ability.

Joe de Witt: An outstanding score in the PAT Listening Test - 34/35!

Katrina Watts: An outstanding score in the PAT Listening Test - 34/35!

Noah Cropp: Excellent results in PAT Maths. Ka Pai!

Jack Waugh: More focused learning week this week. Ka Pai!

Nick Syron: Saving the day and agreeing to play cricket at the last moment. Thanks.

Mikah Blom: Outstanding note-taking during our legend writing session!

Amber Patterson: Being a positive and hardworking class member.

Amika Soster: Her hard work and diligence in all classroom subjects.

Darren Avery: Working independently at writing time. Tumeke Darren!

Mason Hawken-Jones: Outstanding attitude towards learning new strategies in maths.

Kieran Ashton: Developing skills in reading and working hard to understand new concepts in maths.

Asher Jones: Being a responsible, mature class member. A fantastic role model.

Alyssa Emmerson-Hill: Making gains with hearing and recording letter sounds.

Camerin van der Jagt: Super effort in literacy. Kai Pai!

Riley Hawes: His positive willingness to give new things a go. Ka Pai!

