

Tena koutou katoa

It has been an interesting start to the school year with the flooding affecting travel to and from Tokanui. Now that we can get through Fleming Road, it isn't so far for those of us from out of town.

Our Year 7 & 8 students left for Cromwell Camp on Monday morning with Mrs Poole, Mrs McMullen and the parent helpers. I will be swapping with Mrs McMullen on Wednesday afternoon. It was really cold in the wind while the children waited to get on the bus but it wasn't far up the road before we got a message saying it was so hot – 25 degrees at Alexandra. They will have a great week with plenty of opportunity to get into the water and make the most of the warmer weather.

The children are learning about and making kites that they can enter at the Edge of the World Art Exhibition. This is a great opportunity for them to create something for a real audience. We are planning to get them down to see the Exhibition working around the SwimSafe programme which will take place in the afternoons this year.

SwimSafe is made available to us thanks to REAP who partially fund the programme and Home and School support this for our children also. It works very well because the children are taken in small groups based on their ability; something that the teachers can't do during class swimming because of the student to teacher ratio. The focus of SwimSafe is now around safety in and around water with the aim of reducing the number of deaths by drowning in New Zealand. Drowning is the number one cause of recreational death. "In 2018, 68 people lost their lives to preventable drownings and the five year average is 82 fatalities", according to Water Safety NZ. There are so many different water sports available to our tamariki and we have water for recreation wherever we go in New Zealand so I believe that it is very important that our children are confident in the water and have some swimming skills. Swimming Club has started again on Monday nights and I encourage all families to take up this local opportunity where your children can learn to swim. Swimming Club is not run by the school so if you are making enquires please contact Moira Short.

Ka pai to wiki – Have a great week,
Kate Stevenson
Principal

"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

Calendar of Events:

Monday 10th – 14th February - Team Papura Cromwell Camp
Tuesday 18th February - Year 7 Vision Screening
Tuesday 25th February - Board of Trustee Meeting – 7.30pm
Monday 2nd March - Book Bus
Monday 2nd – 13th March - Swimsafe
Wednesday 4th March - Art Exhibition visit
Friday 6th March - Southland Lit Quiz
Tuesday 10th March - Home & School meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 25th March - HPV Immunisation
Friday 3rd April - School Athletics

Class Reports:

Team Kikorangi: Mrs M is having a great time in the heat at Cromwell. Thank you to Oscar for bringing us some goat's milk to try for his news, we all tasted it. Some of us loved it and wanted more! We have been learning about the life cycle of butterflies and we will make butterfly kites. Thanks to Brooke for coming into our room in the afternoons to help us.

Team Kowhai: We are impressing our teacher with our awesome work skills and attitude towards learning. Next we are going to wow the world with our amazing kite making skills for the local Art Exhibition coming up shortly.

Team Karaka: This week in Team Karaka we began designing and creating our kites for the Waikawa Art Exhibition. Students are able to bring materials to school, for example feathers, ribbon etc. The kites must be completed at school.

Team Papura: Are having a great time on Camp.

Compost wanted for the school tunnel house.
If you can help please contact the School.

Book Club Orders – To be in by Monday 17th February

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Tokanui Medical Centre – Phone 2468 850

Doctor Day: Wednesday 26th February - Abraham
Please contact Balclutha Medical Centre to make an appointment and for repeat prescriptions (03) 4190 400

Anyone wanting a smear test, contact the Tokanui Medical Centre.

Emergencies phone 111 Ambulance, Fire and Police

Police Non-emergency Number 105

Odd Spot: Grapes explode when you put them in the Microwave



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This week's joke: Which musical instrument do you have in your body?

Your eardrum



Bev Hayes is celebrating her 80th birthday at the Niagara Hall on Saturday, 15th February and she'd love you to join her for afternoon tea from 2.00pm

The Edge of the World Exhibition

29th February - 8th March 2020

Waikawa Hall 9am - 5pm

Children & adult section: KITES

For an entry form or further info contact

Cala Paenga cala.sog@netspeed.net.nz or

2468 434

or www.southerndistrictart.wix.com/artstrust



Btpilates at Tokanui Community Hall Wednesdays, 9.30am

Term 1 of 2020: we're here from February 5th until end of term, April 8th

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SDAT - CHOIR

Practises will start up again on Thursday 20th February at 7.30pm in the
School Library. New members welcome

For more information contact Marylyn (03) 2468 446

Special thanks to everyone who contributed and helped deliver
the 27 Christmas Boxes around the area.

They looked amazing and lifted people's spirits at Christmas

Many thanks Jenny Wilson

Recycling/Rubbish

Rubbish bins will not be picked up till the 20th February. If you have
extra rubbish that won't fit in your bin, you can put it in black rubbish
bags with your bins. They will have a runner in the truck to pick bags
up. Please do not put large items only what fits in a rubbish bag, and
not too many bags.

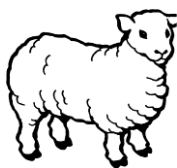
Thank you Leona

Tokanui Rugby Club We will be holding our Annual Prime Lamb
Competition on Friday 21st February in conjunction with the "Barkup"
Fundraiser for Australian Fires at the Tokanui Rugby Club.

Collectors will be in touch and will collect lambs on Wednesday or
Thursday that week.

Prize giving will be at 7.00pm on Friday 21st February at the Tokanui
Rugby Club.

We will also be auctioning a prime and fertile Poll Dorset 2 Tooth
ram who is ready to go into service.



We really appreciate the contribution the
community makes towards our annual fundraiser
and value your individual contributions.
Any questions to Daryl Johnstone
027 4549 024.

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the Emergency Management
Welfare Centre at the Tokanui Hall 5th and 6th February. Thank you to everyone
who showed up at the hall to lend a hand, I'm not going to name names as I'd
fill up the Newsletter. So a big thank you to everyone who opened their homes
to strangers, leant caravans, mattresses, bedding and food.

Thank you to the Hall Committee, Rugby Club and Lions for opening up their
buildings for the use of sleeping people etc.

It shows what Communities can do when needed.

The left over supplies that were flown in to help look after our guests will be
donated to the Woman's Refuge and the packs of left over water have been
given to the Tokanui Fire Brigade.

Thank you once again

Leona Brunton - Emergency Management Contact



We mow lawns

Phone Pani and Finch (03) 2468 855 in evenings
or please leave a message

Otara Church Anglican Service

Sunday 16th February beginning at 2.00pm

All welcome. Afternoon tea to follow

Any inquiries ring Barbara at 2468 403

Shianna and Charlee Templeton are selling tickets to this available from,
03 2468 466 Or 027 825 0117



Winton Primary & District High School 150th Jubilee

For any ex students and staff of Winton Primary & District High School,
who may now live in the area, our 150th Jubilee celebrations are to be
held Labour weekend 2020. Events, at present, will include Friday evening
registration with social mix and mingle including drinks and nibbles,
Saturday - decade photos, tour of the school, dinner and dance, Sunday
morning - informal assembly/service. Pre-registrations can now be made
via the link on the school website

or https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LUW7LfXeD8KIKr9v-kRv_z_C2XKQR7k2yE89KHg4U3g/edit

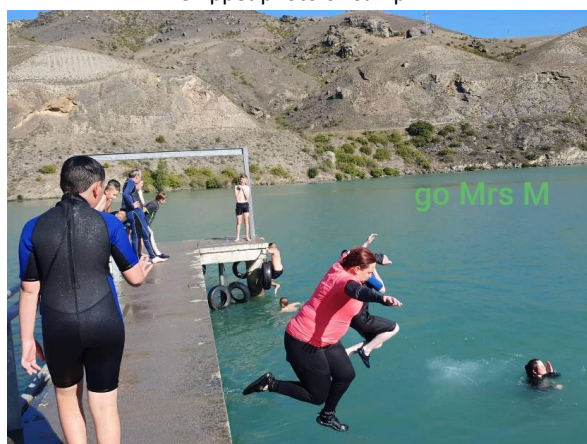
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STARTS: 7pm
WHERE: Civic Theatre, Bay Street, Invercargill
TICKET PRICE: \$25
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Phone: 032 111 692 (additional booking fees may apply)
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