

Term 1, No 1, 2021
3rd Feb 2021

From the Principal

Tena koutou katoa,

Greetings all! I hope that you have all had a wonderful break from routines and some fun family times over the school holidays. It is great to be back and especially to see the childrens' happy faces here again.

This year we welcome Mrs Julianne Andrews to our staff. Mrs Andrews is teaching our junior class and can be found in Team Kikorangi. The first day of term was very exciting as Mrs Andrews brought along Georgie, her beautiful green parrot.

We have a number of opportunities for whanau to come along to school and be involved in the childrens' learning this term. John Parsons will be working with the children on the 17th February teaching them how to be Cyber Safe. He has a wealth of knowledge and any parents that have attended in the past have found it very helpful teaching them how to support their children safely online. John will once again be holding a parent session at school from 2-3pm. I highly recommend that all parents attend. Goal Setting Conferences will be held on the 24th and 25th of February. The opportunity to book for these will come out in the newsletter nearer the time. Our Year 7 & 8 camp will be held during Week Five in Dunedin. Southern Zone Athletics will be held on 12th March at Ascot School for 9 year olds and above. We planned to have it at Surrey Park but the date we had booked was too close to Southland Athletics and the High Schools get priority over us. A junior athletics will be held at school one afternoon later in the term. We plan to finish the term with, "Creative Connections" on the last Thursday of term. This will involve an art session where parents can come along and join in.

We have four teacher only days booked in this year. They will be on 1st April, 11th May, 5th August and the 19th November. Note that the 1st April is the day before Easter giving families the opportunity to have a longer Easter Break. Two of the other Teacher Only Days are midweek to fit in with presenters that we have booked and they are run by our Kahui Ako.

The Kahui Ako ran an excellent night for parents/caregivers in January with outstanding presenters. This was a follow on from the Teacher Only Day and the same presenters made themselves available for the parents as part of our 'Growing Great Kids' theme. Unfortunately, the holiday period wasn't successful at getting good attendance.

Note that due to Waitangi Day falling in the weekend, we have a holiday on Monday. Enjoy the long weekend.

Ka pai to wiki

Kate Stevenson
Principal

"Yesterday you said tomorrow. Just do it." - Nike

School Calendar

Monday 8th Feb - Waitangi Day observed
Wednesday 17th Feb - John Parsons Parent session 2pm
Wednesday 24th Feb - Goal Setting Conferences 3pm - 5pm
Thursday 25th Feb - Goal Setting Conferences 2.30pm - 7pm
Monday 1st March - 5th March -Year 7 & 8 on Camp
Friday 12th March - Southern Zone Athletics (for those going)
Monday 15th March - 26th March - Swimsafe (togs to be brought to school each day)
Wednesday 31st March - School Swimming Sports
Thursday 1st April - Teacher Only Day (Note, this is the Thursday before Easter)
Friday 9th April - Zone Swimming (for those that qualify)

Assembly Timetable

Assemblies are held on the following Fridays at 1.45pm. Parents/caregivers/visitors are to sign in at Office and please inform the Office if your child/ren are not going to be on the bus that afternoon.

12th February
26th February
19th March
9th April

Book Bus Timetable

Monday 1st March
Monday 29th March



Team Blurbs:

Team Kikorangi: We have had a fun first week here in Team Kikorangi! On Tuesday we read the story of Nana Mihi and the rainbow and this inspired the tamariki to go on their own scavenger hunt around the school grounds to see whether we could create our own rainbow. Here are the results. Tino pai, tamariki mā, as Nana Mihi would say.

Team Kowhai: Team Kōwhai welcomes everyone back for the new year. A special welcome to Kyla, who has joined our class this year. We are swimming on Wednesdays. This is also our library day.

Team Whero: Welcome back families. Team Whero have started the year with a great attitude and a good bond. The children are happy to see each other again and enjoying odd challenges and being a team. We look forward to an awesome year ahead.

Team Karaka: Welcome back to 2021. We have been busy getting our devices organised and working on our class treaty. We have begun designing our bottle top art with Team Whero.

Year Seven Vision Screening: The Vision Hearing Technicians from Population Health, Southern District Health will be visiting Tokanui School to screen ALL Year Seven students for distance vision. This determines how well your child is able to see at a distance. It involves reading an eye chart. (Not required if your child wears glasses/ or is currently under care for their vision) If you DO NOT want your child to be screened fill out an opt-out slip, which are available from the Office before our visit.



Medical Centre News

Doctors Days February 10th & February 24th
Clutha Health phone number 03 419 0500

Community News/Events

Southern District Arts Trust Edge of the World Art Exhibition 2021

SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS TRUST
EDGE OF THE WORLD ART EXHIBITION 2021

Guest Artist
Jane & Mario Downes

Guest Artist
Ross Murray

Saturday 27th February
to
Sunday 7th March 2021
Waikawa Hall
Open 9 - 5 daily
Entry Adults \$3 Children \$1
For more info & entry forms go to
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Facebook page (Edge of the World)
or
Janice 0211670110 broads@netspeed.net.nz
Christine 03-2468886 cdatcatlins@gmail.com

Dinner with Guest artists
Niagara Café 27th Feb
Bookings essential Ph Janice 0211670110



SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS TRUST
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
EDGE OF THE WORLD ART EXHIBITION

DINNER WITH THE GUEST ARTISTS
NIAGARA CAFE 27TH FEB 7 PM

\$45 TWO COURSE MEAL TO BE PAID ON THE NIGHT TO CAFE
COME ALONG AND ENJOY A GREAT MEAL
WHILE LISTENING TO OUR VERY TALENTED GUEST ARTISTS
JANE & MARIO DOWNES & ROSS MURRAY
TELL THEIR STORIES
BOOKING IS A MUST,
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM TRUST MEMBERS
OR CONTACT JANICE 0211670110



Southern district Art Trust
In conjunction with
Edge of the World Art Exhibition
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Please contact Janice 0211670110 for more info
Drawing in 2D with ink then, making what you have drawn in 3D with paper and tape
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Where Waikawa hall
When 27th Feb, 10 am be there at 9.45 am
Cost \$20 for the day, all materials supplied, just bring your own lunch



We still have a couple of places left for Limestone carving 20th & 21st Feb If you are interested ring Lianne 2469 703

Niagara Falls Cafe Bluegrass Festival - this weekend 6th & 7th February. Starts 11am both days. Admission \$12.00 per day per adult (\$20 pass for two days) Primary School children free

The Waimahaka Historical Committee are well into the planning of an information kiosk showing the history of the district. This is to be situated beside the Waimahaka Hall, and hopefully will be underway very shortly. If you have any photos of the district that would be of interest we would love to have you share them with us, and ultimately the community at large. Any photos would be considered.

For further information please contact Marj Smith Ph 2469 739

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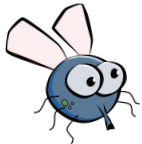
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