

Term 1, No 2, 2021
10th February 2021

From the Principal

Kia ora everyone

What awesome weather we had for the long weekend. I hope you all got to make the most of it. It sounds like there were plenty of visitors to this area. New Zealanders have certainly been making the most of our own backyard.

If you know of anyone wanting to receive the school newsletter please get them to contact the Office and get on the mailing list. We have over 250 people receiving our newsletter by email. It is our intention that this continues to be a community newsletter and we are keen to keep the circulation covering our wider community. While I understand that some people still prefer to read a paper copy of the newsletter, it is more cost effective for us to send it out online and more convenient for many to have it arrive in their email. We are not limited by space anymore and hope to have more children's work published throughout the year.

I have been studying the data for our student achievement in 2020 and I am very excited about the reading levels attained. 92% of our students were reading at or above their reading age at the end of the year. This is an outstanding effort by everyone from the teachers to the support that parents/caregivers are giving at home. The best way to continue to support your child's reading is to find books that interest them and encourage them to get 'mileage' (read lots of books). Considering this was a year with Lockdown, it has been an awesome effort.

It is a relief to have the Tiger Turf repaired and looking fabulous again. It has been glued right around the outside and should stay put from now on.

Assembly is on this Friday. You are welcome to come along and join us from 1:45pm. The children will be sharing some of their learning.

Ka kite ano
Kate Stevenson
Principal

"The difference between try and triumph is a little umph." - MARVIN PHILLIPS

School Calendar

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)
Friday 16th April - Last Day Term One
Monday 3 May - Term Two Starts

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

Jethro with Georgie - Team Kikorangi



Book Bus Timetable

Monday 1st March
Monday 29th March

Team Blurbs:

Team Kikorangi: Over the past week the tamariki of Team Kikorangi have been busy getting to know their new teacher, Mrs Andrews, and class pet, Georgie. We have been learning some new songs, one of which we will be performing for you at Friday's Assembly. We have finished our bottle top art and are looking forward to displaying these at the upcoming exhibition.

Team Kowhai: Team Kōwhai have been working super hard on their bottle top in preparation for the Edge of the World Art Exhibition. Homework went home on Tuesday, please have a look for it.

Team Whero: We are loving getting creative with our Taskmaster classroom tasks. We're beginning our learning maps and looking at who we have learning relationships with and how they help us. These will be shared at Parent Conferences.

Team Karaka: We have all completed our bottle top artwork for the Arts Trust festival at Waikawa. This week we are sketching portraits of a buddy. Mrs Stevenson is in our class today.

Year 8 HPV forms due back to school.

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.

Upcoming Events outside of school that may be of interest:

The following Secondary School events include a Year 7 and 8 section:

- Otago/Southland Wanaka Challenge (Triathlon)- 18th Feb
- Southland Triathlon Champs- 26th Feb
- Southland Surfing Champs 27th Feb
- Southland Golf Champs (handicap golfers only)
- Otago/Southland Road Cycling Champs-24th March

For further event details check out their website www.southlandschoolsport.org.nz



Medical Centre News

Doctors Days **February 10th & February 24th**

Clutha Health phone number 03 419 0500

PLEASE don't hesitate in phoning 111 in lieu of any emergency whether you are in ANY doubt of severity or not .

The Clinical nurse specialist/PRIME responder ((Primary Response In Medical Emergency)) will be paged immediately alongside St JOHN.

Community News/Events

Tokanui Bistro: The Bistro will be open from 5.00pm to **8.00pm** this Saturday 13th February. Please note the earlier closing time.

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
www.southemdistrictart.wix.com/artstrust
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

Is holding a children's work shop

For primary and secondary age children

Tutored by enthusiastic & well-known artist Janet de Wagt

Lots of fun to be had

Please contact Janice 0211670110 for more info

Drawing in 2D with ink then, making what you have drawn in 3D with paper and tape

Based on the local environment

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

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

CHILDREN'S AUDITIONS - INVERCARGILL MUSICAL THEATRE

This is a very exciting opportunity for some young performers to get on the big stage
The next round of Les Miserables auditions, being held from Feb 25-27, include the children's roles.

We are looking for children to fill three roles:

Young Cosette - Female, stage age 7, under 140cm

Young Eponine- Female, stage age 7, under 140cm

Gavroche - Male, stage age 9-12, under 155cm

Young Eponine does not sing.

Children auditioning for Young Cosette and Young Eponine must be at least 7 years old by February 28th.

Children auditioning for Gavroche must be at least 8 years old on February 28th.

Email us at : info@imti.co.nz for an audition pack.



Southland Fire Museum

215 Spey Street, Invercargill,

Face book: Southland Fire Museum

We are open Tuesday's and Thursday's from 11am to 4pm



www.wanakatrailride.org



The Tokanui Tamariki Trust, along with Southern REAP, invite **all pre-schoolers** in the Tokanui area to join us for:

Tokanui Mini Movers

Term 1 2021

Wed 17 Feb ~ Wed 17 March ~ Wed 14 April
10:00am in the Tokanui School Hall

These interactive, movement based sessions are based on the Perceptual Motor Programme (PMP) which uses a variety of movement based physical experiences to build gross and fine motor abilities, hand eye co-ordination, concentration and many other things that are important for a child's development. Sessions will be targeted towards mobile toddlers and older pre-schoolers but all are welcome to come along and join in. There will be a baby friendly play space.

Contact: Megan Lamb - meganlamb@outlook.co.nz - 027 353 8984



Join us on a local bush walk with Rex McGregor from Edendale Nurseries to learn about seed collection, processing and planting.

7pm | Friday 19th February

Meet at the Fortrose Boat Ramp

RSVP to office@thrivingsouthland.co.nz

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