TOKANUI School RESPECT INTEGRITY COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE Term 3 No 7 2nd September 2020

Kia ora everyone

Spring is here and so is the snow on the Mountains!

I have just returned from Stewart Island with children in Year 7 & 8 from seven schools in our Zone. This is one of our Year 7 & 8 experiences that we have run to encourage the children to mix with others their age that they may end up at High School with or even if they don't, it helps them to put themselves out there and approach other people, learning to make friends. They took on a challenge and all met that challenge at their own level. The children all had to organise their tents and sleeping arrangements, meals and cooking in pairs or in three. I think that they particularly loved the cooking part. Archie thought that he was 'glamping' as he had hot chocolate with marshmallows and pudding, however I didn't see any showers or flush toilets. They toughed it out camping out in heavy rain and cold winter temperatures. There was snow on Mt Anglem when we woke in the morning. Some of the highlights include: a bumpy crossing that wasn't particularly pleasant for some of our travellers but they soon bounced back, Ulva Island with no predators was spectacular; lots of birds and we got to see birds that we haven't seen before including the Saddleback and Kakariki, outstanding leadership by the Halfmoon Bay students who guided us, a rough boat trip from Ulva Island to Port William - the boat cut its power at the top of one of the big waves, camping, playing cards by torchlight, magnificent scenery and while walking out we were so fortunate to see a Kiwi. Our fastest walkers were sent off ahead to drop their packs and come back to help carry the packs of those who were injured or finding the walk tough. They were heroes and many of the Tokanui Students were among them! I saw our children all grow through this experience. They were very good at supporting each other when the going got tough, they connected with children from other schools, they persevered, they did their share and left no rubbish behind, and they managed themselves in all aspects including looking after their own gear.

The next Year 7 & 8 event will hopefully be a sports tournament held at the Stadium later in the year.

All children will be learning some First Aid on Thursday. Make sure that you ask them about this when they get home from school.

Ka pai to wiki.

Kate Stevenson

Principal

"In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks." — John Muir



A Reminder to Families around Communication:

The School App is used for immediate notification to families of any information. You can contact Marylyn at the Office if you have a notice, relating to school, to go out on the App. Those without the app should have made arrangements with Marylyn about how to be contacted. If you have concerns or complaints, please arrange a time through the Office to meet the person concerned letting them know what the meeting is about so that they can gather information. Complaints via email/Messenger will not be investigated or actioned. "Four websites that can help when you're feeling stressed or anxious or out of your depth for 12 to 19 year olds. They are NZ, free, safe and private. <u>thelowdown.co.nz</u> youthline.co.nz sparx.org.nz commmonground.org.nz"

Headlice: Once again these nasty critters are at school so, could you please check your child/ren's hair. It is recommended that hair be checked two or three times weekly as eggs can hatch in that time. If you want information on how to treat or even what to look for contact the School Office

Calendar of Events:

Wednesday 9th September – Get Wiggy Child cancer – dress up with a wig or wild hair – gold coin donation Friday 11th September – Assembly Monday 14th September – Book Bus Wednesday 16th September – Southland Speech Finals – 6.30pm Tuesday 22nd September – Board of Trustee Meeting 7.30pm Friday 25th September – Last Day Term 3 - Assembly Monday 12th October – First Day Term 4 Monday 23rd October – Book Bus Friday 23rd October – Pet Day Monday 26th October – Labour Day Thursday 29th October – Zone athletics for those who qualify

This week's joke: Why did the music teacher go up the ladder during music class?

To reach the high notes!

Class Reports

Team Kikorangi: We have really enjoyed writing letters to people in our school to thank them for things they have done for us. Each day we have two people in our class that go around the school and deliver the mail to everyone. On Friday we created some awesome Spring Artwork. Team Kowhai: We have been writing some Haiku poetry about Spring. We've also got some awesome wee athletes in Team Kowhai who have impressed our wonderful volunteer parents. Thanks for your help! Team Karaka: has started their science fair projects this weeks, this is also the last week of athletics practice.

Team Papura: The campers had an enjoyable time on Stewart Island even though the crossing was rough. They are a bit tired, stiff and sore today. We are finishing off Athletics practice this week.

We are in need of a Beekeeper to help support our school hive. If anyone in our local community is interested in helping our hive get back up and running please contact the school.

We're fundraising with the Entertainment Book APP. Normally 20% of the sale price goes back to our fundraising but from now until 13th September we get an extra \$10 for any single city membership or \$20 for the multi-city membership! If you haven't had one before, this is a great APP with heaps of discounts at local restaurants, cafes, retail outlets, accommodation, car rentals, and tourist attractions. Your digital membership can be accessed from up to four different devices so it's perfect for sharing with friends/family. There's never been a better time to help

us: <u>https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9b31766</u>

SCHOOL VESTS

Could we please have all borrowed school vests returned as soon as possible.

School Cleaner Required

20 hours per fortnight – 5 days per week Please contact Kate 2468 738 for further enquiries.



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Tokanui Medical Centre - Phone 2468 850

Doctor Days: Wednesday 9th September - Abraham Wednesday 23rd September - Abraham Wednesday 7th October - Abraham Wednesday 21st October - Abraham



A reminder that Tokanui medical centre can see ANY patients regardless of whom your GP is (or isn't!)

The clinical nurse specialist will liaise and talk to anyone's GP in regards to management of care as well as discussing treatment with the relevant specialities at KEW if required.

No fees apply at all, however charges do apply for overseas visitors

Full vaccination service and Plunket is always available

We are open for a walk in service 9-12 Monday to Friday and are available by phone 9-5pm 03-246-8850.

Tokanui medical centre is part of southland DHB .

All medical emergencies ring 111 and we will be paged immediately alongside St. John providing 24 hour emergency cover

Jony Lawson RGN.dip/hsc

Clinical Nurse Specialist – Tokanui / Stewart Island

Smear Tests at Tokanui Medical Centre – 7^{th} October – appointments necessary. To make an appointment phone 03 4190 400

Skits in the Paddock

The SDAT are planning on holding a "Skits (and one act plays) in the Paddock" on the 4th and 5th of December. We hope this will be an opportunity for the audience to bring along a picnic tea or buy some chips and watch a few skits and plays performed outside. This will be an opportunity for actors to be involved in a shorter version of acting than previous years with practices being able to be more versatile with timing and length, as in the main you will only need to work in with your group. The Arts Trust hope that this will present an opportunity to act in a fun event without being too time consuming. Please register your interest with either Marylyn Hayes 03 2468446 or Janice Broad 021 167 0110

Odd Spot: The pupil of an eye expands as much as 45% when a person looks at something pleasing.



Curio Bay Christian Fellowship Sharing the love of Jesus Sunday Service 10.30am All Welcome Ceila & Paul Watson 2468 431

Southern Pest Eradication Society

At our Annual Meeting Allan Marshall was elected as chairman To contact Allan 03 2468 498

cell 027 223 7073 no home line

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Contractors details so any sightings can be reported ASAP to contractor Dave Kowalewski cell 021 075 5124 home line 0206240

Dave Kowalewski John Toole Hayden Taylor

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Pest tallies for past year Rabbits 1515 Hares 865 Possums 228

Committee 2020 If you have any concerns please contact one of the following.

- A. Marshall, D. Cook, P. Golden, J. Wallace, M. Rabbidge,
- P. Dooley, B. Lamb, N. Dodd, C. Gill, D. Jennings,
- T. Buckingham, K. Buckingham (life Member)

NEWTON SLINK SKINS

Due to the Covid 19 there will be <u>NO</u> collection of calves and lambs this season as there is no value for pelts ABD RENDERING PRODUCTS. Collectors Les, Danna and Claire. Sorry for the late notice.





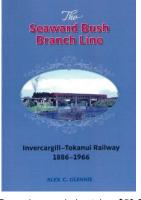
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TOI TOIS TOKANUI LIONS CLUB presents THE SEAWARD BUSH BRANCH LINE INVERCARGILL-TOKANUI RAILWAY 1886 – 1966 by ALEX GLENNIE





Toi Tois Tokanui Lions Club along with Alex Glennie are involved in producing this book. Over 280 pages full of colour photographs, documents and printed matter on the history of the railway.

The book launch is Saturday 17 October 2020, 2pm at the Tokanui Hall, if you would like to attend please RSVP by 30th September 2020. Books will be available to purchase on the day. Eftpos available.

Pre-orders are being taken \$59.95 + \$8 postage& packaging. Payment to be made by internet banking prior to receiving the book. Toi Tois Tokanui Lions Club

03-1355-0588848-01, reference your surname and initials please. To place an order or RSVP to the book launch please email <u>toklions@yahoo.com</u> or phone/text 0272135657, please leave your name, address, email address and

contact phone number. Thanks.

BOOK LAUNCH WILL ONLY PROCEED IF WE ARE IN COVID 19, LEVEL 1.

DRAW FOR TOKANUI JUNIOR RUGBY THIS SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER Both Games at tokanui again

Callahan Transport Tokanui Rippa U7's v Waikiwi, 10.30am Titiroa Transport Tokanui U10's v Waikiwi, 10.30am Both teams please arrive 10 minutes earlier for team photos. Tokanui Bistro Players of the day last weekend were: U7's Phoenix Paisley, and U10's Jack Robinson.



Braydon, Marc, Archie and Michael having a break from the walk

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