

Term 4 No 5 11th November 2020

#### Hello everyone

Our Polyfest entry was a little different this year with our children performing at school and a recording of this sent off to the Polyfest who put it up on their Facebook page. It was great to see them performing in their own environment.

Note that there is a Teacher Only Day on Friday 20th of November. This is to support the teachers with report writing. Children will not have school this day so you may wish to take advantage of the long weekend.

We are excited about the Enviro-day that is coming up on 27th November. This day will start at 10.00am and the children will be involved in four different activities through the morning. The children will be working in their house groups which are mixed age. This is a good way to foster our family atmosphere and encourage positive relationships across year levels. The older children will be able to support the younger ones especially with things like tying and weaving. At around 2.00pm we will be having another native tree planting. Families and friends of the school are welcome to come along during the day and in particular to help with the tree plantings. We want to put some shelter around the vegie gardens and the Hebes that have been donated from Harry Hoover, will be planted along the fence line beside the gardens. The BBQ lunch will be available from 12.00pm so bring some money if you wish to purchase lunch.

Last Friday we sorted through the worm-farm that we have set up in the bath. It has been doing really well and the worms had multiplied enough to take some out and start another farm. The children all got to be a part of the sorting process. They wore gloves so as to not let the oils in their hands upset the worms. The castings that the worms were separated from, went on the vegie gardens and in the tunnel-house. The children learnt that worms are hermaphrodites, which means that each worm is both male and female. This awesome fertilizer is going to grow some very delicious vegetables.

Ka pai to wiki Kate Stevenson Principal

"He that plants trees, loves others besides himself." Dr Thomas Fuller

### **Calendar of Events:**

Friday  $13^{th}$  November – Healthy Eating Magic Show

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Southland Girls High School, Southland Boys

High School, Verdon College & James Hargest

College - New Entrants Day

Friday 13th November - School Photos orders due in

Saturday 14 $^{\rm th}$  November – Southland Athletics

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November – **No Technology** 

Wednesday 18th November – Board of Trustees Meeting – 7.30pm

Friday 20th November – Teachers Only Day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Enviro School Day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Menzies College Discovery Day

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – HPV Seniors

Tuesday 1st December – Last Day for Year 7 & 8 Technology

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Mitre 10 Tough Kids – Year 8

 $Monday\ 7^{th}\ December-Book\ Bus$ 

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Year 8 Leavers Dinner

Friday 11th December – Final Assembly

Tuesday  $15^{th}$  December – Break Up

Tuesday 15th December – Final Day – End Term 4

### Out of School Events Coming Up that may be of interest

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Southland Secondary Schools Junior Adventure Race – Sandy Point (Year 7-10)

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Northern Southland Cycle & Celebrate – Lumsden – all ages

Sunday 6th December – Family Adventure Race - Sandy Point – all ages

### Class Reports

**Team Kikorangi**: This week we had Mrs Callahan in on Tuesday. Today we have REAP at school to take us for a PMP programme. This is a program which helps younger students improve their eye/hand and eye/foot coordination, fitness, balance, locomotion and eye-tracking skills.

**Team Kowhai:** This week we would like to celebrate all our amazing mathematicians and readers. We have also been working on self-managing throughout this year and made some huge improvements so well done Team Kowhai! Keep being awesome!

**Team Karaka:** enjoyed getting out in the garden and planting our seedlings with Greta. We have also been learning about the worm farm and our class had the opportunity to separate our current worms and put them in our new worm farm which Team Karaka built.

**Team Papura:** We are beginning the painting phase of our projects this week. This is part of our unit on ways we can make our school more beautiful. The kowhai seeds have sprouted and we have approximately 20 kowhai seedlings which will eventually be planted in the school grounds as part of this as well.

#### **KEEPING SAFE ONLINE**

One of the major concerns about young people's use of phones relates to online bullying.

Here are several resources that can help address online bullying:

- Bullying Free New Zealand Student Voice for ways to empower young people to deal with cyber bullying.
- Netsafe for ways to stay safe online
- Keep It Real Online for advice on managing difficult conversations such as online grooming, pornography, harmful digital content and online bullying.
- Anyone who experiences harm through digital communications is encourages to contact Netsafe for advice and support.

This week's joke: What's the difference between a piano and a fish? You can tune a piano but you can't tuna fish!



## Library Books

There are still a large number of Library Books overdue.

We ask parents to help children to look for any Tokanui School books including readers.

While looking through your book shelves if you find any books that are suitable to be included in a "Book Swap" we would appreciate them as we are going to have one near the end of the year.

We would like to thank Harry Hoover for donating Native Hebes for our wooded area. These are very much appreciated.

Twighlight Golf – at Fortrose Wednesdays at 6.00pm

Wanted: School age children interested in being part of the Arts Trust Improv Night (loosely based on "Whose Line Is It Anyway") on December 5<sup>th</sup> at Tokanui Hall. If this sounds like you – contact Marylyn (03) 2468 446 or Janice (03) 2469 566.

There will be a couple of run-throughs before the night.



The Tokanui Golf Club would like to acknowledge and thank Community Trust South for their support in the re-roof of our clubhouse.



# **Harvesting and Log Cartage**

Southwood Export wish to advise they are resuming log cartage from the SPFL Fortification Forests area. Initially the transport will be from Lyder and Cave Forests via Collis and McManus Road. Followed by transport from Walker Forest via Fortification-Waimahaka Road.

Please expect logging trucks along these routes during November and the remainder of the summer months

### Tokanui Medical Centre -Phone 2468 850

Doctor Days: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Abraham Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Abraham Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Abraham

Tokanui Medical Centre is part of Southern 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



Curio Bay Christian Fellowship Sharing the love of Jesus Sunday Service 10.30am All Welcome. Pot Luck Lunch Paul & Celia 2468 431 /021 0238 9 558

**Odd Spot:** 50,000 cells in your body will have died and been replaced while you have been reading this sentence



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The Toe Toes Pool will be open this Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Come and check out the fantastic new fibreglass lining and non-slip black lane markings. Season keys are available from Tokanui School for \$70 or casual swim keys available from the Tokanui Food Centre.

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The Pool committee acknowledges the wonderful support of
Community Trust South and The Trusts Community
Foundation for the pool refurbishment.







Tokanui Swimming Club Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November Times fifteen minutes earlier than last term Inquiries to Moira 2468 707



### Movement for Learning & Active Play

The Tokanui Tamariki Trust, along with Southern REAP, invite all pre-schoolers in the Tokanui area to join us for 3 sessions at the Tokanui School Hall.

Wednesday 11th Nov, 25th Nov and 2nd Dec at 10:00am

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 - <a href="meganlamb@outlook.co.nz">meganlamb@outlook.co.nz</a> - 027 353 8984 Please RSVP by Friday 6 November to register your interest.

Tokanui Rugby Club - AGM
The AGM for the Tokanui Rugby club will be held on
Tuesday 17th November at 8.00pm at Tokanui Rugby club rooms.
Any questions, apologies, or items for discussion please contact
Daryl Johnstone 027 454 9024.

### Southern District Ambulance Society Meeting

Monday 16th November at 7.30pm in the Fire Brigade Rooms. All welcome. Apologies to Marylyn Hayes 03 2468 446. This is to discuss crew workload so your input would be valuable

> Catlins Cleaners Contact Kim Strang 027 2468 089





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