

Term 4

No 7 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Kia ora koutou

As we are getting close to the end of the year, I have been working on classes for 2018. With Miss Jarvie leaving at the end of this year we have had a vacancy to fill and I am pleased to be able to tell you that we have employed Stacey McKenzie. Stacey has been working at Takitimu Primary and is from a rural background. We hope to have our new classroom completed by the end of term one so some of the classes will be swapping at the end of this year in preparation for moving out of Room Rima and in to the new room. The Juniors will be working in the new classroom once it is completed. Caregivers will get a notice home in the next couple of days informing you of your child's class.

I surveyed the two senior classes to find out what they wanted to name the classrooms once the new room is completed. They have voted to name them by colours. No doubt this will take a bit to get used to but I am sure that we will soon adapt.

Thank you to Logan and Kristie for inviting the Tokanui school children to have another go at the Mud Run. You can take your children along to their farm at 289 Collis Road at 4pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. The children that took part in the weekend were very excited about what a fun time they had. Please take along a donation for the Pool and Plunket as your entry.

Room Rima have taken on a Student Army project. They are supporting the food banks as they are in need of a lot of support this year. They are encouraging our community to give what they can to support someone in Southland that is not so fortunate. If anyone else in the community wants to donate to this food bank, please drop your non-perishable goods off to the School.

Thank you for your feedback on the Health survey. There was a low response so I expect that this means people are satisfied with the programme that we run. We try to tailor it to the needs of the current children.

Thank you also to those that replied to the Religious Instruction Survey. As indicated by the survey, while a few families do not support it, Religious Instruction will continue as it is run now for 2018.

The Board has moved to accept a proposal from Netspeed to run internet into the Waikawa Valley from our Ultra-fast Broadband. They specialise in rural solutions and believe that they can get us a very good result for this area including cell phone and radio coverage. If you want to know more, you can contact Zack Colvin: 0800 469434.

Alistair Crosbie has sold his business to McDermotts Coachlines and they will continue with our bus contract. They are a family business with a good reputation and will be continuing with the runs how they are now. They set high safety standards and are looking in to communication with the drivers while on the buses. With this lovely weather the swimming pool is getting a lot of use. Please help the Pool Committee and the Board of Trustees to keep our pool safe and running to the best standards by reporting any breaking of the rules, damage or pool maintenance problems to Sandra Earwaker or Roger Buckingham. Make sure that the door is closed behind you when you go in. Your key is for your own use only and anyone that you allow in while you are there is your responsibility. Please supervise the children and young adults in your care.

Have a great week

Kate Stevenson

Principal

A quote for Saturday's dancers!

"Success isn't defined by those who fought and never fell, but by those who fought, fell and then rose again." Nastia Luikin

# Calendar of Events:

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November- Sausage Sizzle

Friday 1st December - Assembly Room Rima presenting - 2.20pm

Wednesday 6th December- Tough Kids Competition

Thursday 7th December - Last day for Bible in Schools

Friday 8th December - Final Assembly

Monday 11th December - Book Bus

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Year 8 Dinner

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Breakup – 7.00pm

Thursday 14th December – Last Day School

Below are the dates for our Zone events for 2018.

Athletics: Friday 16th March, postponement date Monday 19th March. Run by Gorge Road/HMB.

Swimming: Thursday 29th March (Easter Weekend). Held at Gorge Road School, run by Myross Bush.

Cross Country: Friday 8th June, no postponement date. If the weather is bad Juniors will not attend, only Seniors who can qualify for Southland's. Held at Woodlands Research Centre, run by Woodlands.

Moffett Cup: Friday 3rd August. Held at Pirates Old Boys Rugby Ground and ILT Stadium Southland, run by Ascot.

Football Tournament: Friday 9th November - Tbc - run by Tokanui.

# Class Reports:

**Room Tahi:** We have Playcentre visiting today. We have been writing our Santa letters this week.

**Room Rua:** We are all really enjoying our swims and gaining a lot of confidence in the pool. Please remember to bring goggles if you have some at home. Also remember to pack your water bottles on these hot days.

**Room Toru:** The Year 8 students are working on their speeches. It was fun to see what they remember of their time at Tokanui. We are completing our poetry anthology which will be home this week.

**Room Wha:** This week we have been learning about how to write Christmas cards and are creating one for someone we don't know through the project #Sendinglove. We have all received our Secret Santa names today.

**Room Rima**: This week we have sent our letters to famous people in New Zealand. Something will be in your mailbox soon!

We have signed up as a drop off location for Terracycle. We will collect your old Colgate products and send them away to be recycled. This includes toothpaste boxes, empty toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, packaging for toothbrushes and empty floss containers.

Send them to School with your child or drop them at the School Office. Please remove any excess product before you send them to school. Thanks for your support.

If you have any unwanted Tokanui School hoodies or want to order a second hand hoodie (\$10) then please contact Beth 2468 558

Tokanui Home & School new updated telephone lists are now available from the School Office-\$10 per list.

**Zone Sports News** The Facebook Group called 'Southern Zone Schools Sport' has useful information, draws, news and some photos on it for those in Zone teams.

#### Toe Toes Pool is now open.

Season keys can be purchased at the School Office for \$70 (season runs until April 2018) or casual swim keys available from the Tokanui Food Centre.

# VESTS

If you have any orange or spare school vests, we would appreciate them being returned as soon as possible.

**ODD SPOT:** Less than one percent of the earth's water is fresh water.

**First Aid:** A First Aid Revalidation Course has been booked with the Red Cross for Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December. If you are interested, please let us know. This course will be half theory on line (4 hours) and half practical to be held at School (4 hours).

Book Bus – Please note the Book Bus will be at Fortrose Picnic Area 3.00-400pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> December.

# **Tokanui Medical Centre – Phone 2468 850**

Doctor Days – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Abraham

(please note: only one Doctor Day in December)
Flu vaccinations will be available on these days. You don't have to be enrolled in this practice to have this vaccination at Tokanui.

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

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# Curio Bay Christian Fellowship

Sharing the love of Jesus Sunday Service 10.30am All Welcome Ceilia & Paul Watson 2468 431



Waikawa House available for rental holiday Modern House, big section, sleeps 8 Contact 027 2469 457

Installer Services and Netspeed Internet and cell coverage is on the way, we will be out and about in the area over the next week popping in and/or dropping off our information pack to each home in the Tokanui, Quarry Hills, Fortification, Waikawa, Niagara, Progress Valley areas. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us on 0800 469 434, 021 642307 or email zack@isg.net.nz.

Toi Tois Scouts AGM Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 6.10pm Tokanui Tavern Apologies to Pip Blair





BIG DIG - Wednesday 27th December Sand Modelling from 1.00pm Big Dig 3.00pm

# Tokanui Golf Club

Twilight Golf - Wednesdays 6.00pm

All Welcome

# Saturdays Results:

Stableford

Graeme Tait 41 Julian Blair 40 Murray Peter 37 Rata Smith 37

Two's

Rata Smith Cor Arts

Ravensdown - nearest the Pin

Rata Smith



Otara Anglican Church Service, Sunday 10th December beginning at 2.00pm. Afternoon tea to follow. All welcome. No church service in January. Contact - Barbara Morrison 2468 403



GRAND OPENING  $\mathcal{FRIDAY}$  DECEMBER  $1^{ST}$ 

(and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am-4pm) Come and join us for a glass of bubbles and Generally Fab Stuff!

This week's joke: My brother has a great way of saving money. He forgets whom he borrowed it from!

We will be delivering Christmas Boxes around the area on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Please have any contributions to Jenny Wilson's home by 12.00pm on the above date.

Standing grass wanted for wintering silage handy to Curio Bay. All grass weighed and paid on cents per kilo basis. Phone Chris 03 2468 348

#### For Sale

# Raleigh Bella Girls 20" Bike

Purple. Suit approx 7-9 year old. Great bike. Some signs of wear and tear but still

in good order. \$40

#### **Bathroom Fixtures**

Second hand Bath, 900 mm vanity with sink and tapware, 900 x 600 mm mirror, heated towel rail. Make an offer for

all or some. Can send photos.

Ph: Rona or Martin 03 2468 500 or rmcowie@farmside.co.nz

# Southern Districts Ambulance Society

If you are a member of our scheme, and have used the Ambulance service, unless it is covered by ACC, you will be sent an invoice from St Johns.



Please forward the account to

Kathryn Marshall, 120 Crosbie Road, Waikawa Valley, RD 1, Tokanui 9884

If you are not a member, subscriptions for the Southern Districts Ambulance Society are only \$20.00 per year

# **Bugman Southland**

Boz Sanders spraying in District again - spiders, flies, borer etc

phone 03 2154 400 or 027 8767 191

or email bozsanders539@gmail.com.



#### The Wyndham A & P Show is on Saturday 2nd December 2017

The Flower Show Schedules can be found at the Local Shops or you can go online to htt://showday.online/.

There is a Colouring Poster for Children. Four sections - preschool to 13yrs. All entries receive a Prize.

Children's section 5yrs - 7yrs, 8yrs - 10yrs, 11yrs - 13yrs.

Junior Baking and Microwave Cooking (U 17yrs)

All Children's entries are Free

Pet Calf Classes commencing at 9am and Pet Lamb Classes

For more information contact:

Julie Clarke 027 4454 719 or Bev Howe 03 2064 947

# Introduction to Mindfulness, 4-week course

Learn how to engage the relaxation response to reduce anxiety, stress and depression.

Mindfulness helps you recognise mental habits which create distress such as worry, self

- criticism or criticising others, blaming, ruminating, predicting worst-case scenarios, moodiness, grumpiness
- and teaches methods to manage these and otherunhelpful patterns. For more info visit www.mindfulnessworks.co.nz

Christian Youth Camps Waihola – "Sweet As Summer Camps" Kayaking, Horse Riding, Flying on our Zipline, Archery, Bubble Soccer and much much more.

Enrol now to secure your spot

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