



Tena koutou katoa,

The last week of term is here and we are ticking off the end of year events. What a lovely group of Year 8's we are sending off to High School. They all spoke so well at the Year 8 Dinner, last night. Our guest speaker was DEOW, Danny Owen, the Graffiti Artist that was a guest Artist at the Waikawa exhibition two years ago. His message to the students was to work hard at school and to follow your passion. Some of the Year 8's will be sharing their speeches at the Break up on Thursday night.

We farewelled Miss Kate Jarvie at the Final Assembly on Friday last week. She was given a lovely painting done by Ana Berguis, from the Staff, Board and families. Kate has been a real asset to the school over the last three years and she will definitely be missed by the staff and students. She has taken Choir, sports teams, guided the staff in Te Reo and led the way to becoming a Bronze Enviro School. We wish Kate all the best as she moves off to Limehills School.

Kayden Barker has been achieving outstanding results in his gymnastics. At Nationals which was held in Christchurch, he came 2<sup>nd</sup> with mini trampolining, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the synchronised trampolining where he worked in time with another athlete and 7<sup>th</sup> in the individual trampoline. Kayden is a quiet achiever and we never hear about these results from him. Congratulations Kayden!

Two of our bus drivers will be finishing up after Thursday. Grace Todd will be heading off in her own bus instead of taking children to and from school and Ross Fox is finishing up also. Thank you to both of these drivers who have taken children safely to school for a number of years and all the best with your new challenges.

I hope to see many of you at our Break Up on Thursday night, starting at 7pm. Have a wonderful Christmas and enjoyable holidays with family and friends.

Ka kite ano  
Kate Stevenson  
Principal

### Brad Paisley

Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one.

Break Up – Thursday 7pm Parents please bring a plate for supper. Parents of Year 8 children are asked to please do the hall clean up and serve supper.

Pool Use - over the holidays, please take care of our pool and respect the use of it, leaving it clean and tidy for the next users. The buoy is for saving lives only and not to be played with. If you see someone not following the rules, please report it to the Pool Committee or a Board member.

### Calendar of Events:

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Breakup – 7.00pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day School  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February – First Day 2018  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Waitangi Day

### 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:

We would like to wish everyone a restful break and an enjoyable Christmas, looking forward to the New Year.

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

**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.

### Tokanui School Sport T-Shirts.



Can everyone please return their school t-shirts (clean, washed & dried) back to school this week.

Please ensure you pop them in a bag and include your child's name/s on the outside of the bag as this helps greatly to sort them out and work out which are missing.

Lost, misplaced or very damaged t-shirts may be charged for as these are a huge cost to Home & School at approx \$35 per top to replace them.

### Bus Drivers

Thanks to all the drivers this year, especially Ross Fox and Grace Todd who are retiring after their last trip on Thursday afternoon.



I would like to thank the parents and children of the Waikawa School Bus for the gifts and flowers in appreciation of my time driving the bus.

Grace Todd

Good luck to all the children for the future.

Book Bus – Please note the Book Bus will be at Fortrose Picnic Area 3.00pm-4.00pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> December.

The South Catlins Charitable Trust are holding an Open Day at the new Tuma Toka Curioscape Visitor Centre on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> between 11.00am and 2.00pm

We welcome the local community to come to see our new building and other changes at Curio Bay. Meet our business partners and operators of the new enterprise, James, Angela and Richie.

### Tokanui Medical Centre – Phone 2468 850

Doctor Days –Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Abraham

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December - Abraham

The Medical Centre will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

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.

Emergencies phone 111 Ambulance, Fire and Police.

### Christmas Eve Service

Come and join us for carols, coffee and cake at 7.30pm

Curio Bay Community Centre



Fortrose Cafe & Restaurant is open seven days a week from 9am. Friday and Saturday our opening hours are 9am to late. The restaurant opens every Friday and Saturday night from 5:30pm. Happy hour is every Friday from 6pm - 7pm.

This year we are closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and we are open on New Years Day.

The special for this weekend is \$10 breakfast from 9am - 11:30am. Also, add Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December to your calendar as we are having a locals night. Come on in, we would love to see you.

Finally, we'd just like to say THANK YOU, for all your support over the year. We are very grateful.

Tokenui Foodcentre  
Will be closed on Christmas Day



Tokenui Service Centre will be closed from  
25<sup>th</sup> December and will re-open 3<sup>rd</sup> January.  
24 hour pumps will still be available  
Thanks Adam and Cindy.



**CHANGE OF DATE**  
Waimahaka Collie Club  
Annual Dog Trials  
Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup> at R.J. Cook's

Burns Night – Scottish night to celebrate Robbie Burns'  
Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm – Niagara Hall  
\$5.00 charge (adult) BYO  
Contact Steven Hayes 2468 446 for more information



### Curio Bay Christian Fellowship

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

### Tokenui Choir

Sharing our Christmas Songs this Season

**Tuesday 19th December**

Fortrose Cafe & Restaurant : **10.00am**

Curio Bay Visitors Centre : **12.00pm**

Niagara Falls Cafe : **1.00pm**

**Southern District Arts Trust**

for more information contact

Anette (03)2468 497



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Bluegrass Festival – February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
Starting at 1.00pm at Niagara Falls Café.  
Come and enjoy a relaxing day of music and good food.  
\$10 Entry fee per adult – children free  
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Isabel and Colin wish to thank family and friends who have  
supported us in this long journey of recovery. We much  
appreciated your visits in hospital and at home with flowers,  
meals and food, and also those who took me out for  
coffee. Wishing you all a merry Christmas, and safe and  
happy New Year.

**BIG DIG - Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December**  
Sand Modelling from 1.00pm  
Big Dig 3.00pm



**This week's joke:** Laura: Whenever I go to my local shop the  
shopkeeper shakes my hand.  
Lionel: I expect it's to make sure you don't put it in his till.

Anyone interested in spraying the Fortrose Cemetery.  
Please contact Ann 2469 506 or 021 395 196



### **DO YOU LOVE SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

Join us on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am at the  
Tokenui Church to sing and celebrate the **Reason for the  
Season!**

Morning Tea to follow. All welcome.

### **Tokenui Church Service January 2018**

The service will be held on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am  
All welcome.

### Lamb and Ewe Crutching

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healthier and happier this summer.

### **TOKANUI BISTRO**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our new & existing customers  
for your continued support throughout the year.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas

And a Happy and safe New Year.

Suzie, Nigel & the team.



### School Holiday Program

Have fun and learn skills in Hockey, Archery & Football

Day One: 19<sup>th</sup> December Yrs 4, 5 & 6 - cost \$10 per person

Day Two: 21<sup>st</sup> December Yrs 7, 8, 9, & 10.

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