



Kia ora everyone

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 Lit Quiz Team who performed well in Gore last Friday. They are a very enthusiastic group who are keen to keep up the reading and enter again next year. Well done to Hailey McPherson, Erica Leith, Anna McMullen and Caitlin Callahan. The questions were very hard, even including some about Shakespeare!

Congratulations to Miss T who is now Mrs McMullen! Tina and Sean were married at Pounaweia last weekend.

Mrs Short and I have been taking some lunchtime swims for those who are entered in the Zone and Southland swimming. Please keep sending along their togs so that they can get some lengths in and swim with confidence on the day. All children have the School Swimming Sports on Friday. I know that many of you will be there supporting your children, so please let the Office know if you **do not** require the bus on Friday afternoon.

Children are also getting prepared for athletics. Thank you to the many volunteer experts from our community who are helping the teachers in the afternoons. All the best to our long distance runners who have the 1500m run on Thursday.

On Thursday next week the teachers have paid union meetings to attend in Invercargill. The school will remain open with teachers covering for each other. With the Government proposing to overhaul our education system and with the shortage of teachers available throughout the country, this is an important meeting for our sector.

Have a great week.

Ka kite ano

Kate Stevenson

Principal

*Books are a unique portable magic – Stephen King*

#### Change of Address for newsletter advertisements

[patricia@tokanui.school.nz](mailto:patricia@tokanui.school.nz)

Advertisements cost \$5 each and to be at School Office or above address by 12 noon on the Tuesday.

#### Calendar of Events:

- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Tokanui School Swimming Sports – 1.00pm
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Southern Zone Athletics – Invercargill
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Southern Zone Athletics Postponement date
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Southern Zone Swimming Sports
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Easter break
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April - Team Kowhai Assembly
- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April - Swimming Championships
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Team Whero Assembly
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April - School Holidays

#### Easter Break

No school on Good Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March, Easter Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, children return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

#### REMINDER:

Parents – If you are taking your child/ren after Assembly, please come through the Office and let us know.

#### Below are the dates for our Zone events for 2018.

**Athletics:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, postponement date Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Run by Gorge Road/HMB.

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

**Cross Country:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Held at Pirates Old Boys Rugby Ground and ILT Stadium Southland, run by Ascot.

**Football Tournament:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November - Tbc - run by Tokanui.

#### Class Reports:

**Team Kowhai (1) Mrs McMullen & Team Whero (2) Miss McKenzie:** Team Kowhai/Team Whero have been working on preparing for our Swimming Sports and Athletics Sports coming up in the next week. Thank you to Mrs Barnes and Mrs E for having both classes while Mrs McMullen and Miss McKenzie were away.

**Team Karaka (3) Miss Cahill:** We were very lucky to actually see into our hive. We have over 20,000 Bees in the one hive. Our class has learnt so many facts about bee thanks to Murray Christensen.

**Team Papura: (4) Mrs Poole:** We have been practising for swimming sports on Friday, and also for Athletics when the weather lets us. We have started to think about Sustainability - what it means and how we can live more sustainably.

**Team Kakariki (5) Miss Van den Beld:** We are excited about swimming sports on Friday to show off our amazing skills, we hope to see you there. We have been trying to get in as much athletics practise as the weather allows and are looking forward to Athletics day next Friday.

#### Tokanui Swimming Sports

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 1.00pm start

There will be a demonstration of some of the skills learned during Swimsafe. All children will be competing in three events. Come along and see how your children have developed their swimming skills. **Don't forget to let the Office know if you don't require the bus on Friday afternoon by Thursday lunchtime.**

#### Athletic Sports

This is at Surrey Park on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of March. This year we are responsible for running the High Jump. We will need some parents to help us run both the Middle School and Senior School jumps. If you are able to help please contact Sue at school. A notice regarding the sports was sent out on Monday.

Worm juice for sale \$2.00 or a donation. See Miss Cahill if you wish to purchase some.

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 are updating telephone lists and will be available from the School Office asap- \$10 per list.



If you wish to subscribe to our online newsletter, please go to [tokanui.school.nz](http://tokanui.school.nz); what's on; newsletter and subscribe.

**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.

#### Tokanui Home & School Entertainment Book Fundraiser

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

\$60 for the Otago/Southland Version - we receive \$12 back to the Home & School for every book that we sell.

Once the books arrive we will be in contact with you to collect them.

**Odd Spot:** Hair grows slowest at night.

Swimming Club Distance Night will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March NOT Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March as previously thought which is also the last night of club swimming. Remember certificates and could all families please bring one item per family for the thank you gift.

Ross Fox has been a Scout Leader for 31 years and the Toi Tois Scouts wish to congratulate him for being awarded the Silver Tui at Founders Day Awards



#### Tokanui Medical Centre – Phone 2468 850

Doctor Days – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Abraham

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

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### This week's joke:

Why did the school Secretary put bananas on her feet?  
*She wanted a pair of slippers.*

Congratulations to Shianna Templeton has made it into the New Zealand Under 16 Mixed Touch team travelling on Gold Coast and Brisbane in September AND Prue Buckingham has been named as a trialist for the Under 18 Mixed Youth World Cup team

Fundraising for Shianna Templeton's touch trip to Australia  
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Thanks in advance for your support  
We will have some raffles coming up to help with fundraising as well so look out for them around the place. Thanks

### Tokanui Search and Rescue Coastal Walk

Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup> - Waikawa Estuary to Dummy's Beach approx. 17kms  
Meet at Basil & Sarah McLeans Woolshed 416 Progress Valley Road- 9.45am brief.  
All participants must register, this can be done on the day.  
\$55 per adult, \$30 per child (under 16 must be accompanied by an adult)  
For further information please contact Todd Lyders (03)2468 442 027 357 2476  
Or email toadselma@xtra.co.nz



### Curio Bay Christian Fellowship

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

### Arts Trust Choir

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm  
School Library. Everyone welcome  
Contact Anette 2468 497



Tokanui Junior Rugby Meeting  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March - 7.30pm  
At Tokanui Rugby Club rooms  
All welcome  
Apologies to Kylie Manson 027 323 7270

The donation Penguin from the Waikawa Museum has been stolen between 3 - 5pm on Monday afternoon, if you know the whereabouts of this please let Gaye Lamb know. This has been reported to the police as well.  
\$10 reward offered for the return of the Penguin.

Fortrose Cafe, 5 Moray Terrace, Fortrose, 03 2469 888  
St Patricks Day Special running this weekend Friday - Sunday  
Open Monday-Friday: 9.00-4.00pm  
Saturday-Sunday: 9.00-5.00pm  
Contact us for private bookings, all inquiries welcome.

### Hot Cross Buns - Pack of 6 Traditional or Double Chocolate \$4/pack

Amelia has the opportunity to travel to Florida & New York in 2020 with her dance school. \$1 from each pack will go towards her fundraising goal. Orders by Sunday 11th March, delivery week of 19<sup>th</sup> March  
If interested contact Kate 2468-595 or [nkfarm@outlook.com](mailto:nkfarm@outlook.com)



### Tokanui Rugby Club

Thank you to everyone who donated lambs or money to the Prime Lamb competition.  
Your donation is gratefully accepted and the rewards will be put to great use at the club rooms.  
Thank you to Steve Ferguson and Craig Milne for judging and to Alliance Group for purchasing all the lambs.  
Results:  
Heaviest Lamb – 1<sup>st</sup> Brodie Anderson (69kgs), 2<sup>nd</sup> Adrian Short (68.5kgs)  
Prime Pair – 1<sup>st</sup> Pam Callahan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mal Dermody, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Ruddenklau  
Prime Lamb – 1<sup>st</sup> Roger Buckingham, 2<sup>nd</sup> Martin Rabbidge, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sean McMullen



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