



Tokomairiro High  
School Newsletter &  
Community Noticeboard

# Genesis

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Wednesday  
6th December 2023

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## The Amazing Race

On Monday we turned Tokomairiro High School into a mini World so our junior students could take part in the Amazing Race. In teams students had to use their problem solving skills to solve clues to their destinations. Once they reached their destination they had to complete a task. The tasks were quite varied from Irish dancing to making marshmallow snowmen on sleds and required students to draw on a range of skills to be able to complete them successfully. It was great to see so many students working collaboratively, having fun and trying things outside of their comfort zones. Definitely a day for the photo albums!



### Dates to Remember...

#### **Thursday 7th December**

9:40am Final Junior Assembly / School finishes 1:20pm / 7pm Prizegiving

#### **2024 Dates**

**Wednesday 24th January**—Course Confirmation day

**25th & 26th January**—Teacher Only Days

**Monday 29th January**—Year 7's and Year 13's attend

**Tuesday 30th January**—School Starts

## Prize Giving 2023

Parents, caregivers and members of the community are warmly invited to attend our annual prize giving and celebration of student achievement, to be held in the Assembly Hall on Thursday 7th December. Please be seated by 6.45pm. Following the prize giving you are invited to stay for supper. Please note there are some seats reserved in the hall for PTA, invited guests and students.

### **Students Assemble**

Students are to assemble at 6.30pm in the gymnasium where their dress and appearance will be checked. Students who are not dressed to the required standard will not be able to go on stage to be presented formally with their prize.

### **No School on Thursday Afternoon**

To take the place of attendance at prize giving, there will be no school on the afternoon of Thursday 7th December. Students may go home after period 4 when they will receive their reports and school magazines. We will supervise students at school if they are unable to go home.

### **Inside this Week**

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# Tokomairiro High School Newsletter...

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## Tena koutou katoa

I am finding it hard to believe that our school year is drawing to a close and we are in the midst of preparing for Prize Giving on Thursday evening. It doesn't feel like 10 months since we welcomed our Year 7 students; it has been a real pleasure watching all of our new cohort settling into life at Tokomairiro High School. It is also with great sadness that we wish our Year 13 students well and bid them farewell as they take their next steps in their educational journey or into the workforce.

As I reflect over 2023 there have definitely been some highlights and some very proud moments. Below are a few pictures that I have chosen that I feel encapsulate what a successful year we have had.

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## Genesis

The Genesis is a free publication, delivered weekly to homes and businesses in Milton, and is available on the school website, Facebook or via email. The Genesis office is open Tuesday 8:30am - 3:30pm and Wednesday 8:30-12. If the office is unattended, any articles, advertising or payments can be taken to the school office or left in the secure box in the office door.

**Genesis Deadlines:** Advertising and Articles - Monday 12 noon. These can be emailed to the Editor at [genesis@tokohigh.school.nz](mailto:genesis@tokohigh.school.nz). Genesis is delivered FREE to your letterbox on Wednesday afternoons. Any payments or donations can be made to Tokomairiro High School, account number 03 1736 0009803 000. Please use GENESIS and your name as reference. - Carolyn Shanks, Genesis Editor

## Bible Reading for the Week

"Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ." - **Hebrews 10:23**

## SPORTS UPDATE



### RESULTS

#### TOUCH RUGBY : Finals

30/11 (3v4) Toko Kahurangi vs. Catlins Touchdown | WIN  
30/11 Toko Koura vs. Valley Vikings | WIN

### FIXTURES

#### FUTSAL

Two more games on 6th and 13th December

## Touch Team Celebrate Third Place Win

Toko Kahurangi played off for 3rd and 4th place against Caitlins. The game ended in a draw, so we had to go to a drop-off until the first team scored. Thankfully, we scored and won the game.



## Second Hand Uniforms on Facebook

Tokomairiro High School now has its own second hand uniform page on Facebook. There are a range of uniform items available, and members are invited to buy or sell their own items. You can join this page by following the link (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1056602061990214>) or searching for *Tokomairiro High Second Hand Uniforms*.

## 2023 School Magazine

FREE copies of this years' magazine are now available at the school office for senior students to collect. A huge thankyou to the PTA for funding this colourful record of the school year. Junior students will receive their copies on Thursday. Copies will also be available at prizegiving on Thursday night.

## Genesis Christmas Information

The last Genesis for 2023 will be printed on Wednesday 20th December. The office will be closed from then until Tuesday 16th January 2024, with the first Genesis for the year being printed on Wednesday 17th January.

## Milton Primary School Wheel-a-thon

On the 15th of November Milton Primary School students participated in a Wheel-a-thon to raise funds for the new Bruce Community Pool. With the help of Project Bruce, a group of senior students had tasks to complete to get the fundraiser underway.

They did a fantastic job of organising the day, which was a huge success – a massive \$4000 was raised! The energy and determination was awesome! Huge thanks to family members who came to watch the kids complete their laps and to Constable James, and Ginny from Sport Otago who provided their knowledge and support.

The funds raised through the sponsored laps will be a fantastic contribution to the construction of the Bruce Community Pool, providing a space for recreation, relaxation, and community activity. Milton is fortunate to have such passionate and caring young people who understand the value of giving back.

On behalf of the entire community, we extend our deepest thanks to each participant, supporter, and organiser who made the Wheel-a-Thon a tremendous success. Your wheels of generosity are propelling us closer to making a splash at the new pool.

*Steph Daniel – Project Bruce Community Worker*



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## Food Tech Update

This year has seen some amazing progress in the skills that our students have been learning in the Food Tech room. Below are some photos of their presented work. This was most evident in the recent Great Toko Bake Off, where the following students showed off their skills and completed their baking to a very high standard.

**GOLD** - Phoebe Jeffery (

**SILVER** - Rory Hancock, Nevaeh Hayward, Reily Mathieson, Lilly Tiffany, Kyle Tunnah, Elizabeth Walker, Arni-ka Williams, Izzy Leyden

**BRONZE** - ,Hayley Evans, Troy Mallon

**Merit Achievement** - Josh Tiffany, Keanu Attwell.

Congratulations to these students for a job well done!



### Articles and Reports

The Genesis relies on articles and reports supplied by the community to fill our pages. Please email these to [genesis@tokohigh.school.nz](mailto:genesis@tokohigh.school.nz) so we can share what is happening in our area.

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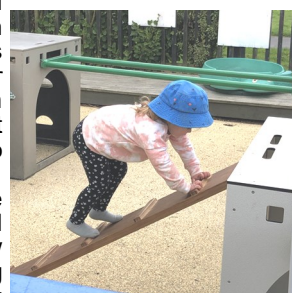
## Playground Makeover at Kindergarten

This past few months have been super exciting for us at Milton Kindergarten as we have had a playground makeover!

It started off with our new softfall being laid, which was exciting in itself, but watching the process unfold was a huge highlight for our Tamariki. It ended with receiving a grant from the Trust Community Foundation to upgrade our climbing equipment. The tamariki have enjoyed the new challenges in the playground by testing out all the new provocations and setting themselves goals on what they are wanting to achieve.

Climbing is so important for children's holistic development as it engages multiple parts of the brain and helps children develop skills such as; spatial awareness, hand-eye coordination and it's enabling children to understand risk taking and being able to take risks. We feel so grateful for all the hard mahi that has gone on to make this happen.

To follow what we get up to at Milton Kindergarten, follow us on Facebook, just search Milton Kindergarten.





## Art on Show

Visitors to the school have an opportunity to view some of the art work that students have created.

Ms McEntyre has added a variety of the student's pieces to the foyer and hallway which have added a pop of colour to the walls.



## Milton Elder Care

Yes, we are all looking forward to the Christmas break, although a few of our members have had the misfortune to be ill during the last few weeks. All now on the up.

A fortnight ago, the group went to Beaumont for a look at the new bridge and then to the hotel for lunch, which everyone enjoyed.

During last week, volunteers and trust members had an evening with a light, delightful spread of finger food. This was a thankyou to the volunteers, who do a great job.

As the year is fast coming to a close, we have a trip to Balclutha for a seniors lunch at Rosebank Lodge, and also a speaker, 'That Blind Woman' Julie Wood, from Dunedin.

Our last day is Tuesday 19th December with a Santa Claus, and then a break until January.

The trust would like to thanks all the volunteers and people who come and entertain during the year.

Finally, if you know someone out in the community who would like to come and join us, please feel free to get in touch.

Happy Christmas!

### Genesis Articles

We are very grateful for articles received about any news that is happening in the community. We try our best to publish articles on the week provided but due to space restraints we are not always able to. If your article is not printed in the week submitted, our goal is to publish it in the next Genesis issue.

## Water Treatment Plant Action

Clutha District Council takes immediate action regarding a water quality concern at Milton Water Treatment Plant. Clutha District Council has taken immediate action to address drinking water detailed in a Compliance Order served by Taumata Arowai for the Milton drinking water supply.

Taumata Arowai served the compliance order on Friday 24 November following the regulator's review of Milton's drinking water safety plan (DWSP).

Clutha District Council Chief Executive Steve Hill said staff had been working on addressing the biggest concern expressed in the Compliance Order being the Clean in Place (CIP) recycling into the system.

Council has stopped the practice of recycling CIP waste back into the treatment process to address concerns raised by the regulator. The waste is being stored in an onsite tank for transport and disposal.

Mayor Bryan Cadogan said the Clutha District Council is committed to achieving compliance with a plan and actions moving forward.

"We are working closely with Taumata Arowai to achieve the goal of meeting the requirements of this order," Mayor Cadogan said.

The order also identified non-compliant issues regarding monitoring, recording and record keeping and necessary infrastructure upgrades.

Actions have been identified in conjunction with Taumata Arowai and a plan is in place that is being implemented. The Compliance Order requires actions to be taken by certain timeframes.

In summary, the compliance order requires the Council to:

1. Install appropriate monitoring infrastructure.
2. Keep and maintaining accurate records of monitoring data.
3. Amend and implement the supply's DWSP.
4. Identify all necessary infrastructure upgrades, including for recycling waste streams.

The Compliance Order sets out what's needed to meet the requirements of the Water Services Act and Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules and provide assurance to the regulator that Clutha District Council is providing a supply of safe drinking water to its community.

This along with other compliance work already underway would address the first deadline of 31 January 2024.

The Clutha District Council has until 31 January 2025 to ensure all directions or conditions relating to the order have been rectified.

## The Rebus Club of Milton

The speaker at the November meeting, Colin Brown, is known to many members having lived in and around Milton. He and two partners devised the system known as TracMap (now Tabula) which is used worldwide for the precise application of fertiliser and sprays in agriculture and horticulture and also for aerial pest control.

It started small with a Hyslop truck, a fish finder and other tools. Over the years the team has grown to 25. Colin handed over responsibility in 2015 and moved to the USA to continue marketing with some success; Americans being slow to adopt the technology. The business today employs 60 staff with over 60,000 jobs undertaken in a busy month. The cost saving to users is 15% and the printed maps show up where inefficiencies occur that can be rectified. The system could be used for other businesses.

Colin has been supportive of cycle trails and became involved with planning for the trail development between Waihola and Mosgiel, chairing the committee. Negotiation involves many hours with landowners and regulatory bodies.

The length of the trail is approximately 46 km and the cost \$10.8 million. The resulting ride will provide plenty of different sections with wetlands, farms and the Silverstream to enjoy.

Colin was thanked by Lex Adam and given a gift of fruit.

December's meeting (a week earlier than usual) is on Tuesday December 12 at the Kink in the Road. Members are asked to be seated by 11.30 am for the General meeting, followed by a meal and musical entertainment. Please ring Jill (4178080) if you have to pull out of attending.



## Last Week, Act Now

This week is the last chance to get tickets for the "Win a Swift" raffle to raise money for our new pool. Ticket sales must finish on the 10th December and the raffle will be drawn the next week. So get in now, there are many still available!

A reminder, to become a super supporter, purchase 10 or more tickets and get your name in the new building as permanent recognition of your support. If you have previously purchased a couple of tickets, you can purchase more to take you up to 10 and you'll automatically become a super supporter. We will be in touch about details.

There are 3,000 tickets and four prizes so it's a 1-in-750 chance of winning something, amazing odds. The major prize is the Suzuki Swift, and also up for grabs is a NCM Moscow Plus E bike, a Queenstown adventure package and a night at Cascade Creek Retreat.

We will be at the Tokomairiro A&P Show this Saturday, see you there!

## Consultation on Speed Limits

The Clutha District Council is asking for submissions on proposed changes to speed limits over the whole district. The intention is to improve safety, and reduce fatal and serious accidents, in line with the Government nationwide 'Road to Zero' campaign.

There are four draft Speed Management Plans, covering "Safe Speeds Around Our Schools", "In Our Urban Towns", "In Our Rural Towns", and "On Our Rural Roads".

There are 2 significant changes proposed. One is to reduce speed limits on streets near our urban schools (i.e. within about 100 metres of a school) to 30 km/hr from 50 km/hr, and reduce to 60 km/hr near schools in rural areas that currently have a higher limit. It is proposed that these will be permanent reductions, that would apply at all times. Note that the proposal is only for Council controlled roads, not any State Highways. The State Highways are controlled by NZTA/Waka Kotahi, and will be the subject of separate consultation.

The other significant proposed change is to lower the speed limit on all gravel roads in the district to 80 km/hr, where these currently have a 100 km/hr limit.

The draft Speed Management Plans are available on



## News from the Trenches

This report will be solely covering our Awards Presentation held on Saturday morning which was attended by RSA National President Wayne Buck Shelford, General Dunn, Martin Donohue CEO Royal NZ RSA and Lox Kellas Otago RSA President. This event was run superbly with a crowd of close to 100 there to acknowledge the massive contribution that both Bert Pringle and Icky Carruthers have given over many years as they were both given special awards which were thoroughly deserving. The special guests made comments how great this occasion was.

From Don Wilson piping the official party, and the speeches given by both Rick Cameron and Icky's brother, it was a moving occasion. It was fantastic that Kim Pringle from Australia was in attendance along with extended family for Icky Carruthers who travelled as far as the West Coast.

Thank you to those who attended and helped add to the special day, which will live long in the memory. Now we must refer to Icky Carruthers as Lord Ian of Milton!!!!

**-Private Pike**

## Cricket Report

The Clutha Comets clinched their inaugural victory in the Clutha Vets South Otago Premier T20 Competition, triumphing over the Waihola Swans by 7 runs at the Royal Landfill in Kaitangata. Opting to bat after winning the toss, Clutha's opening duo, Caleb Carson and Kelan Smith, notched up a promising 42-run partnership, but quick wickets, including Carson's pivotal dismissal, left them at 62 for 3. Despite valuable contributions from the middle order, Clutha posted a challenging total of 118/9 in their twenty overs, with Carson leading the scoring at 29, and Smith contributing 21. Waihola's Ryan Clark starred with the ball, claiming four wickets for 14 runs.

Waihola's response faltered early, losing both openers at 22. Persistent pressure from Clutha's bowlers saw Waihola at 34 for 4, but a resilient 28-run partnership between Rowan Craw and Jared Cunningham offered a glimmer of hope. However, Craw's dismissal at 62 tilted the match in Clutha's favor. Levin Coulter-Butler's composed innings brought Waihola within ten runs of the target with an over remaining, but Kelan Smith's cool-headed bowling secured victory for Clutha. Coulter-Butler top-scored for Waihola with 30. Clutha's Nick Manston was instrumental in the middle overs, claiming three wickets for 19 runs.

Buoyed by this win, Clutha Comets now set their sights on the upcoming forty-over competition, while Waihola seeks inspiration for future South Otago finals. In the third vs fourth playoff, the Kaitangata Kings secured a narrow six-run victory over the Owaka Bandits.

## Draft Milton Reserve Management Plan



Clutha District Council has developed a Draft Reserve Management Plan for the reserves in Milton, and we want to know what you think.

The draft plan describes the reserves, their purpose, and the activities that are permitted at each reserve.

Visit [www.cluthadc.govt.nz/milton-reserve-management](http://www.cluthadc.govt.nz/milton-reserve-management) to read the Draft Milton Reserve Management Plan and submit your feedback. You can also send your written submission to PO Box 25, Balclutha 9240, or email to [help.desk@cluthadc.govt.nz](mailto:help.desk@cluthadc.govt.nz).

Consultation period closes Friday 2 February 2024 at 5:00pm.



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### Quote of the Week:

*"An opinion should be the result of thought, not a substitute for it." -Jef Mallett, Frazz, 04-04-07*



## Genesis Terms of Trade

The end of our financial year is 31st December. Full payment of your account by this date would be greatly appreciated. Eftpos is available at the high school office during school hours, or payments can be made online to Tokomairiro High School, account number 03 1736 0009803 000 (please use *Genesis* and your name as reference). Cash payments can be made at the high school office or Genesis office.

## Euchre



22nd November 2023

Winner: Raelene  
Loser: Adele (Balclutha)  
Raffle: Kathleen

29th November 2023

Winner: Pat (Owaka)  
Loser: Di  
Raffle: Loraine G

## Genesis Classifieds ...

### Church Notices

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#### Tokomairiro Co-Operating Parish

**Sunday 10th December—Advent 2**

9.30am A Combined Service in the Waihola Church  
2.00pm A Remembrance Service in the Milton Church  
*All Welcome!*

### Public Notices

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#### **Genesis Deadlines**

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Combined Parishes & Milton Lions Club

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## St Mary's School

would like to invite the local community to their Major Production

# "Charming"

to be held at  
Coronation Hall on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
at 10 am.  
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# Christmas Pool Party

Milton Swim School invites you to join us for our Christmas Pool Party to raise funds for the new Bruce Community Pool

**8th December 4-6pm  
Milton Centennial Pool**

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### Show Day Saturday 9th December

- 10.00am Show officially opens
- 10.00am Agrikids Challenge
- 10.00am Keily Smith on stage
- 10.45am Indy Ivamy on stage (2022 Talent Quest Winner)
- 11.00am Toko Talent Quest on stage
- 12.45pm Pet fancy dress
- 1.00pm Mullet Competition on stage
- 1.30pm Indy Ivamy on stage (2022 Talent Quest Winner)
- 1.45pm Keily Smith on stage
- 2.00pm Dog Race in the main ring
- 2.30pm Grand Parade
- 3.00pm Lolly Scramble
- 3.00pm Big dig



### Other Entertainment

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### MILTON SATURDAY MARKET

Your community marketplace

No market this weekend. See you at the A&P Show. Mama's Donuts will be here as normal. For stall bookings, contact Sandy on 022 457 4616



We are excited to add further dates for our Milton Podiatry clinic at the Tokomairiro Community Hub, 61 Union Street, Milton. Please call us on 03 478 1030 to arrange an appointment.

- Tuesday 9th January
- Tuesday 12th March
- Tuesday 13th February

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Hato Hone St John Milton Area Committee Chairperson, Marie Smith says it is important that local fundraising is used to give back to our local residents and students.

"Otago University and Otago Polytech are a stone's throw from Milton. A large portion of our local high school students typically study some form of health-related study there.

"After tremendous local fundraising, we wanted to give back to the local Milton-Bruce District, and to support the healthcare industry nationwide."

Applications can be submitted from Monday 27th November until Thursday 14th December 2023. The minimum age for applicants is 16 years old.

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