

Tokomairiro High School Newsletter & Community Noticeboard

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Ross Pringle, Rotary President, hands over the first of two donations to Bruce Facilities Committee Chairman. Stephen Woodhead.

Rotary Donation for New Pool

Milton Rotary Club has committed \$50,000 to the fundraising for the new district pool.

Rotary President Ross Pringle says it is a crucial project for the Bruce district. To have a new fit for purpose pool that will operate all year round will be fantastic. The committee updated the Club recently and there was immediate and strong support from Rotary members to commit a substantial sum.

Ross said the Rotary Club are very pleased to be able to commit to this funding, which is to be split over two years.

Bruce Facilities Committee Chairman Stephen Woodhead said it is "a significant



Concept drawing of the new pool.

challenge to raise \$2.0m in our community, it is humbling to have the Rotary Club's support early on in our fundraising campaign, we thank them for their generous support".

Woodhead. The committee have been busy over the past month – businesses around the community have been very kindly selling raffles, we have undertaken catering and held a very successful Pre-loved Clothing sale. We are very grateful for the donations of clothing and other items from around the District which allowed sales of around \$2,700. We were able to donate the remaining good quality clothing to the Milton Hospice Shop and the Milton Opportunity Shop. We have also been undertaking working bees putting up signage on the Clutha Gold Cycle Trail extension.

The Committee is looking forward to meeting people at the Tokomairiro Show to update them on progress and explain the various ways they can be involved and support the project. We will have Donkey Bingo and Paint Ball activities at the Show. Other upcoming opportunities include a stock drive and signing up for Pay as you Go.





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Kia ora,

much happening. The grand finale will be our Prizegiving on Thursday evening and we look forward to celebrating the successes our students have managed to achieve. Before this we have our school cross country and also our first ever colour run. This is a fun event involving a run around a course with several stations where students will be showered in coloured powder. This is a safe product and is designed to wash out of clothes easily, a great way to finish off the day.

Last week we also managed to finish off our postponed athletics and swim sports events. Congratulations to all competitors and a big thank you to those senior students and parents who came along to support and help out. We also had our first cultural celebration where students experienced cultures from around the world including those of New Zealand. An informative and instructive day.

NCEA exams are now over, and we will have to wait until January for these results. The release date is usually around the 14th of January but in recent years this has been delayed a week due to extra time being given to students to complete work due to Covid interruptions throughout the year. Fingers are well and truly crossed for those students who need these results for University Entrance.

Students will finish slightly early on Thursday after a final junior assembly where we award those students in areas not normally covered in prize giving. They will then be released to



We have reached the final week of term and there is still so on offer. These offerings are to be delivered to the school hall that morning.

Once students leave staff will have another two days preparing for the NCEA changes next year. These two days should have been held a couple of weeks ago, but it was felt that this would have interrupted the flow of student learning too much.

Finally, a thank you to all who have been involved with the school his year in any way for helping us to make it through the year and provide the best opportunities we can in very trying and difficult circumstances. At a recent Zoom meeting I attended, one Principal stated that this was the worst year to be a Principal in 32 years. I am pleased to say I have gotten through slightly battered and bruised by the experience but much wiser and resilient. As a result I am

looking forward to 2023 where we will try and have a RESET to something normal and bring about some positive outcomes for our students.

I wish you all a restful and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Nga mihi, Declan Sheridan, Principal



Sports Round Up



TERM 4

FIXTURES

TOUCH RUGBY 8/12 Toko Kahurangi vs Wairepa Wasted Talent | 4pm | Clutha 8

RESULTS

1/12 1st v. 4th Rosebank Black vs. Toko Koura LOSS 1/12 1st v. 4th Waiwera South vs. Toko Kahurangi LOSS WHAT'S COMING UP Colour Run 8/12



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Athletics Day a Success

Well, the weather certainly played it's part last Tuesday for the Tokomairiro High School athletics day. Unfortunately the seniors have now finished for the year, which means most of the competing was done by our junior students. A few seniors did turn up to take their turn at some of the events. Nonetheless a great day was had by all, and students can be proud of their achievements on the day.















Bible Reading for the Week

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. - 1 Chronicles 16:34

Camp Inspire

On Monday 28th November our year 10 students attended Otago Polytechnic's 'Camp Inspire'. The students made smoothies, mini burgers and trifle in their first rotation. We then moved on to sport and recreation to warm up before doing circuits at their gym. After an amazing lunch we spent time with the game building tutor learning about how to put a story line together for a game. They were all excellent activities and a lot of learning and fun was had.

This day gives students a taste of what Polytechnic life is all about. It opens young eyes to options for future training and career opportunities.



No Market This Saturday

This weekend, Milton's Saturday Market stallholders will be at the Toko A&P Show for the day. Small rural communities must work together combining skills and talents to get the best results for the whole community.

The annual A&P Shows encourage people to put their best work forward, home-crafted and home-grown, to show what they are capable of producing. Good stuff and good fun for all, for 156 years in Milton.

The A&P Show is a part of our common heritage that's worth preserving and supporting.

Let's hope that whoever is in-charge of the weather gets the message and everyone has a great day at the show.



Genesis Articles

We are very grateful for articles received about any news that is happening in the community. If you would like help to write up an article, please ring 417 4483 on Mondays or Tuesdays, or email genesis@tokohigh.school.nz



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Passion Projects

Below are more photos and articles from the week of Passion Projects that the junior students took part in during week six.

Drama Duels

Drama Duels was one of the Passion Projects undertaken by students on Friday.

Pictured are two groups of students working together to be the first team to cross from one end of the canteen to the other in a 'Floor is Lava' situation.

Other Duels included Slap, Click Click Orchestra Clap, Feud, the Fingertip Hula Hoop Drop Competition and the Sunny Side Street Crossing Challenge!





Gift Bag Making



Baking and Christmas Stockings







Christmas Decorations



Lego



Harmony helps Alyssa to make a bag of sour sherbet using icing sugar and raro!









Sumpter Moore – Barristers & Solicitors

Quote of the week: 'Dear Lord, I've been asked, nay commanded, to thank Thee for the Christmas turkey before us... a turkey which was no doubt a lively, intelligent bird... a social being... capable of actual affection ... nuzzling its young with almost human-like compassion. Anyway, it's dead and we're gonna eat it. Please give our respects to its family ... ' (Berke Breathed, Bloom County Babylon)

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Skin Care During this passion project, students created and carried out

After a delay due to the weather, this finally went ahead on Monday afternoon. The weather was perfect for a run, and everyone made the most of the opportunity to challenge themselves and take on a few rivals as they completed the course.





RSA News From the Trenches

Only a couple of weeks to go before Paddy gets to put his feathers up in preparation for Christmas , festivities.

We had a massive night on Friday with Handle Club hosting members with plenty of entertainment and

good times - make sure you join up to reap the benefits and get your personal drinking vessel. Our membership draw was struck for the 3rd week in a row

by Elaine Anderson, which is reflective of the large numbers of members attending our Thursday night raffles. Speaking of which the Joker draw is almost at \$1,000 - imagine how many Xmas Presents that would hold, so get a ticket for that. We also have our Xmas raffle selling rapidly, so you better be quick for that.

We had some visitors this week that slipped in from Australia - personally I would have expected Immigration NZto be a bit stricter as to who they allowed into the country. I don't think buying a pair of gumboots is a valid reason. Don't they have gumboots in Oz cobber??

Wayne Carr said to me today "Whats made of leather and sounds like a sneeze???

A shoe.....

Whenever Snow Cowie is upset, I let him colour in my black and white tattoos. Sometimes he just needs a shoulder to crayon!!!

- Private Pike



Toko Rugby Report

Last week we held our AGM with Bradley Frost R.F.C. being re-elected as President for another term. He

will lead a committee thats positive about where the club is heading in future years and there are a lot of projects upcoming in the next couple of years. Also like to acknowledge the massive contribution of Pat Scanlan who stepped down as Treasurer after over 30 years, he will leave a large legacy to follow.

This upcoming Thursday at 7pm at White Horse Inn, there will be a quiz night with funds going to the Club redevelopment project. Entry \$5 per person, maximum six in a team.

Last Friday Toko Premiers held a planning meeting for the upcoming season. There were almost 30 players there with some others unable to make it. Good to see some players return from having time off and there were some very promising juniors looking to tip their toes in Premier Rugby. Competition kicks off at the end of March, with three pre season matches lined up vs Green Island, Eastern and Taieri beforehand. Full pre season training kicks off 4th February, but coaches have an expectation of squad doing individual fitness prior. So if you're still wondering about coming along, bring your boots on Wednesday night for fitness and game of touch.

Stand by there could be announcements coming up in the future in regards to purchasing Toko RFC merchandise. - The Judge

The Rebus Club of Milton

Dale Wyber, the Nurse Manager for District Nursing in Milton, was the guest speaker in November. She has been working for Milton Community Health for 26 years. Milton Community Health Trust is separate to the Doctors' Practice but the two services work together on a day-to-day basis where needed. The areas covered under the umbrella of the Milton Community Health Trust: District Nursing, Palliative Care, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Meals on Wheels, and they coordinate the community Volunteer Driver service. There has been an increase in needs locally and COVID has had a significant impact.

The Trust gives great community support in both health and social service areas, as do Project Bruce and The Hub who provide space for up to 18 different services. The Hub also offers a drop-in centre type service (with over 250 people or families a month popping in). There is free food and donated clothing for young children available. Food is donated by Kiwi Harvest, Balclutha Countdown, Food bank, the Community Garden, the Otago Corrections Facility and local people.

Dale is on the volunteer organising team and is the nurse for the Aspiring Leadership Forum for 18- to 26-year-olds which is held in Wellington each year. The Clutha District sent three young people this year. Two supported by the Clutha District Council and the Otago Community Trust, and one from Milton who was very grateful to be funded from the Bruce Stewart Leadership Fund. Dale also volunteers for Blessed Box, a local charity in Milton which prepares and delivers a special food box to new Mums in the Clutha District. Last, but not least, she is involved with the Bruce Community Facilities Trust which is the Trust set up to assist the community with fundraising for the new District Pool which will be built in Milton.

There is always a need for volunteers so if you are able to offer your services, give Dale a call at Milton Community Health Trust.

Dale was thanked by Jenny Forde and given a gift of fruit. The December meeting is on Tuesday December 13 at the Waihola Tavern with James Pemberton, a Dunedin Hospital cardiologist, as the speaker. Please be seated by 11.30 am. This will give us time for a short meeting before the meal. For those who have asked for transport, please be ready by 11am to be picked up at the RSA carpark or the Ashlea Grove cottages. Please be there on time!

Milton Angling Club

4th December - Toko River Factor Fish

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530 kg trout factor of 56 1.005 kg trout factor of 44

Next competition 11th December, Taieri River. miltonangling@gmail.com





Homestay Wanted for International Student Term 1 2023

Do you enjoy meeting people from other countries and learning about other cultures? Do you have a spare room in your home?

We have a 17 year old girl from Japan who will be attending Tokomairiro High School for Term One (approximately ten weeks) in 2023. She is very keen to practice her English and to learn about New Zealand culture. If you are interested in hosting this student and would like to know more or if you think you may be interested in hosting a student in the future, please contact the Acting Director of International Students, Mary Hart, on 4178620.



Milton Op Shop+

This month, profits from the Op Shop are being donated to MILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



So bring your donations along to the Op Shop and mention Milton Primary School to show your support. More stock is always welcome!

* Through everyone's kind donations and wonderful support, we were able to donate \$1,458.78 to Tokoiti Primary School for November!

If your group or club would like to benefit from a donation from the Op Shop, please email us at miltonopshop@outlook.co.nz

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES



- Combined Advent Service at Waihola Sunday 18th December: 10.45am - Combined Christmas Carol Service, Milton Church Christmas Eve - Saturday 24th December: 7pm - Combined Christmas Eve Family Service, Milton Church Christmas Day - Sunday 25th December: 9.00am Combined Christmas Day Celebration Service, Milton

*Note: There will be no Worship Services at the Waihola Church from Sunday 18th December to 5th February 2023.





Sunday Service - 10am. 110 Union Street. All Welcome! For information - follow us on Facebook - 021 249 6312

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Team Member Position Available Four days per week Includes a weekend shift

Duties and skills include:

-Customer Service -Garden Centre & Plant care -Paint sales -Pricing and displaying stock

-Stock Data Entry -General cleaning duties -Computer skills

Applicant will need to be flexible to help cover extra hours when needed and work school holidays. If you are self-motivated and a people person, then please apply in your own handwriting with CV and references to: The Manager- Robyn Calder

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