

Tokomairiro High School Newsletter & Community Noticeboard

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Outdoor Education - Ski Camp 2021

After school on Wednesday 11th August, twenty four Year 12 and 13 Outdoor Education students departed for our annual ski camp. This year we went to the Cardrona ski field which is located 45 minutes from Wanaka. Students participated in a lesson each morning meaning we had an early start on both Thursday and Friday. So early, in fact, on the first day we managed to get up the mountain before the Cardrona staff had arrived. An additional bonus to this was getting the best parking available. The weather was varied with on-off snow showers on day one and a 'blue bird day' on day two. The students enjoyed their lesson first thing in the morning before having the rest of the day to explore the Cardrona mountain. It was particularly exciting to explore the newly opened Willows Basin area of the Cardrona ski field. The blue bird conditions on day two meant we did not get home until 9pm on Friday. A special thank you to our PTA for subsidising this camp and to Tom Sinclair and Mark Davie for their assistance on this camp. This camp would not be possible without the help of all these people, so thank you!



Tokomairiro Early Learning Centre

The past month has been busy one for our centre community. Last week we had a visit from Constable Rochelle Gordon who talked to us about the role the police play in our local community and we also got to check out the inside of her patrol car.

Constable Gordon let us all try on her police vest and what surprised us was just how heavy this was at around 8kg in weight. The children also got to try on other pieces of a police uniform and had a turn at having their fingerprints taken. Next month we have Ambi Ambulance coming for a visit to talk to us about their role in our community and the aim of experiences like this is to create a connection for our tamariki, so if they should ever need the help of the emergency services in the future, this is less daunting for them.

On Friday, August 6th, we held a whanau night for all our centre families to celebrate Matariki, the Maori New Year. This was well attended, with our tamariki putting on a Above: Tom and Chelsea try on performance up on stage at the Coronation Hall, followed by a shared meal and the the police uniform. chance for whanau from both centres to relax and socialise with each other.



We have also had three children from our Johnson Street centre graduate during July - Kairon Kohey, Honor Brookland and Beau Adam, and we wish them all the best for the next stage in their learning journey.



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SCHOOL MISSION: Inspiring Excellence in Education, in Character and in Life.

Tena koutou katoa

Week four of term three – three busy weeks have been completed and we are now into week four. Senior students need to be aware that there are only ten weeks of classes left before the external examination period begins.

Cultural Celebration

Practices for the annual cultural celebration are underway with the competition planned for the afternoon of Thursday 26 August - parents and whanau are welcome to come along. This is a great chance for our young people to stand up and lead their houses as we celebrate our bi-cultural heritage in New Zealand.

Science Fair

Well done to all the students who were selected to take their Science Fair projects to the University of Otago Aurora Science Competition. A special congratulations to the ten students below who received 13 awards, with Lucy Clark, Callum Attwell and Viktor Mann receiving 2 awards each – a great effort.

Sebastian Gaudin, Ezekiel Scurr – Paper Friction - Aurora On Tuesday 14 September Tokomairiro High School is General award

Harrison Amende, Marcello Mapurunga - How Different Genders See Colour - Aurora General award

Running - Aurora General award



Lucy Clark - Would a Natural Fertilizer be Better to Grow Grass on our Farm than a Chemically Processed Fertilizer of Botany Award, Aurora

Callum Attwell, Viktor Mann -Removing Oil Experiments - NZ Institute of Chemistry, Aurora

Year 7 & 8 Olympic Celebra-

year 7 & 8 students completed their Olympic study unit with an Olympic

Tournament on Friday. Starting with a parade of each class to anthem, the activities then included such

events as Dart Archery, Hand Table Tennis and Blow Soccer, to name a few.

Senior Ski Trip

Twenty-four senior students, Ms Cowie, Mr Sinclair and parent Mark Davie, headed off to Cardrona last Wednesday afternoon. The students enjoyed their lesson first thing in the morning on Thursday and Friday, before having the rest of the day to explore the Cardrona mountain. The snow was good and Friday was a perfect blue-sky day.

Year 6 Students and Parents

Thank you to all those parents and Year 6 children who attended interviews over the past two weeks. It was great to meet you. For those of you who have not yet completed your enrolment forms, please drop these into school as soon as you can. We will continue to organise interview times. If you do not yet have an enrolment form, please collect one from the Tokomairiro High School office or ring the office (417 8620) and we will get one delivered to you.

Community Cyber Safety Evening

hosting a Cyber Safety evening with Rob & Zareen Cope authors, parents and filmmakers of the 2020 documentary Our Kids Online: Porn, Predators & How to Keep Them Murphy Lister, Wyatt Mallon, Jacob Murray - Hit the Sound Safe". Rob and Zareen have been touring NZ, speaking in schools to parents and caregivers about what we have learned, and continue to learn on our journey, not only in relation to porn and predator exposure, but also with regard to certain social media, cyberbullying and the effect of being switched on 24/7 on the developing brain. Younger and younger students are now accessing the online world. At this evening you will be given practical solutions to keep your children safer online and learn what to do if your child has been exposed to something harmful. This presentation is open to parents from all schools across our community. I encourage you to mark the date in your diary now.

Period Products

These are available free of charge within the school. They can be collected from the School Office, the PE Office or outside the Careers Office.

Remember our doors are always open. Please come and talk to us if you have any concerns.

Regards. **Glenis Sim - Principal**

Ki to kohahi te Kākaho ka whati, ki te kāpuia, e kore e whati

Wednesday 25th August

Taha Tinana: Hakinakina/ Ki-o-rahi

Meet in the whare after school. All welcome!

When reeds stand alone, they are vulnerable, but bound together they

are unbreakable.

Dates to Remember...

Monday 23rd August Wed 25th - Thur 26th August Thursday 26th August Thursday 26th August Thursday 2 September Tues 7th Sept - Wed 8th Sept Thursday 9th - September Tuesday 14th September

Teacher Only Day (Date Change) Outdoor Education Tramp - Silver Peaks Cultural Competition OMAthalon - Edgar Centre NCEA Information / Careers Evening Outdoor Education Tramp - Catlins Wisp Loop Family Learning Conferences Community Cyber Safety Evening

Genesis

The Genesis is a free publication, delivered weekly to homes and businesses in Milton and Waihola, and is available on the school website, Facebook or via email. The Genesis office is open Monday and Tuesday 8:30am - 3:30pm. 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. If you want to leave a phone message for the Genesis outside office hours, please phone the Tokomairiro High School office (417 8620). Genesis Deadlines: Advertising - Monday 9am, Articles - Monday 12 noon. Articles/ advertisements can be emailed to the Editor at genesis@tokohigh.school.nz. Genesis is delivered free to your letterbox from Tuesday 4pm to Thursday 6pm.

New Kaans Menu for Lunches

After gathering feedback on free lunches from students at the end of Term 2, Tokomairiro High School approached Kaan's Catering to try some new menu options. These were implemented at the start of this term and are on the table below:

Week One		
Monday	Tuesday	
Ham, carrot and cheese Sandwich	Baked chicken, salad, and cheese sliders/Fresh chicken in wholemeal rolls	
Un - iced banana cake	Carrot sticks	
Grapes	Pea hummus	
Rice crackers - wholemeal	Cucumber sliced	
Named fruit each day	Named fruit each day	
GF: Rolls	GF: Buns and not crumbed chicken	
Veg & Halal: Carrot and cheese sandwhich with ½ Boiled egg	Veg: Hummus, cheese, and Falafel Sliders	
Week Two		
Monday	Tuesday	
Poke Bowl / Chicken baked tenderloins, corn, carrot, diced cheese and pumpkin w/ couscous	Wholemeal roll, lettuce salad and cheese, silverside and relish	
	Carrot sticks	
	Toasted Nutri Grain	
	Cucumber slices	
Yoghurt *		
Named fruit each day	Named fruit each day	
GF: as above	GF: Buns, GF cheese and toppings	
Veg: replace chicken with chickpeas and hardboiled egg	Veg & Halal: Replace corned silverside with edam cheese, hummus, egg mayonnaise	

In the Office...



Lisa McElrea has started working in the school office this week. Lisa is covering Connie's position while she is on leave.

Bible Reading for Today

'Lord, be gracious to us; we long for you. Be our strength every morning, our salvation in time of distress' Isaiah 33:2

Canteen Improvements Progressing

Tokomairiro High School students will be noticing a few changes when they line up to buy morning tea now. Over the last school holidays, the interior of the canteen was painted in a pink and grey colour scheme which was chosen by the students last term, and two new sliding servery windows were also installed. New furniture is on its way too and should be ready for use by the end of September.

As the school now offers free lunches to all students, the canteen is only open for morning tea and sells a range of hot and cold foods including filled rolls, muffins, toasties, pies and sausage rolls with prices ranging from \$1-\$4.

The canteen is open for students to collect their lunch, and once the new furniture is installed, will be a comfortable (and weatherproof) place to eat and socialize.

Students also have a new face to greet them at the canteen. Dale Cullen took over from Debbie Howie when she left at the end of Term 2.



Soft Materials Technology

Chelsea Brookland is experimenting with plaster to create moulds for her Technology project in her senior Materials class.

In this project, Chelsea has to demonstrate planning and processing to create a product.



Bruce Stewart Leadership Programme

Supporting future leaders.

Are you a future leader of the Tokomairiro region? Check the eligibility criteria and apply online.

brucestewartleadership.org

2 FUNDING ROUNDS PER ANNUM

Grants Awarded May and October each year

Senior Materials Technology

There is planey happening in the tech room at the moment. Senior students are working on their projects after completing their planning stage.

Mathew Štephen (below left)) is making a rocket stove for camping, and Ryan Clark (below right) is beginning to assemble a frame for a Go-Kart.





Year 13 Biology



While studying trends in human evolution, Morganne-Lee Greene (above left), and Alena Johnston (above right), compare their handmade primitive stone tools to those collected from the Olduvai Gorge in Africa. They agreed they could call themselves Oldowan tool makers, but still have a little learning to do before they are masters in the craft!



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Milton

Special Mention in Writing Competition

Irie De Seymour (Year 7) received a Special Mention in a national writing composition run by Lingogo, a bi-lingual story app.

Her story was judged by Stacey Morrison (off the telly!) and Stacey sent Irie a personal message congratulating her and saying how much she loved her writing style. Irie was the only entrant out of over 1000 to get a personal message! Here is her composition:

> Ko te matahi o te tau Te kohinga whetu ki te uma o Ranginui E piataata mai ana i te rangi He tohu ana o te tau hau Māori He wā whānau, He wā maumahara...

> > Matariki

The first dawn of the Māori New Year The constellation of stars in the chest of Ranginui Shining bright in the sky A sign that Māori New Year is here A time for whānau A time for remembering ancestors and passed ones

Toko 2021 Mini-Olympics

The Year 7 and 8 Homeroom teams held the Toko 2021 Mini -Olympics last Friday. Athletes entered events such as Pinky Weightlifting, Table Football, Balloon Volleyball and Paper Dart Archery. Each class designed and ran the games. The medal ceremony was held on Monday.

Gold Medalists

Table Tennis: Liam Keoghan, Kalel Beer-Williams *Pong:* Tyrese Gemmell, Connor Clark, Nevaeh Hayward *Balloon Volleyball:* Pippa Green, Caitlyn Scott, Sophie Clark *Table Football:* Saffron Healey, Lucy Clark

Paper Dart Archery: Josh Tiffany Pinky Weightlifting: Ryan Shanks, Harmony Pickering-Birch Coin Rugby: Weylah De Seymour Tech Deck Skateboarding: Brody Harwood

Team Flags: Irie De Seymour









Sports Round Up



Hockey

9/8 Toko Girls 1st XI vs. St Hildas B | 5-0 WIN 10/8 Toko Boys 1st XI vs. OBHS Blue | 0-1 LOSS 10/8 Toko Jnr Boys vs. LPHS | 6:00pm | 10-2 WIN 13/8 Toko Blue vs. Tahuna Kowhai | *score unknown* 13/8 Toko Gold vs. Tahuna Kakariki | *score unknown* **Rugby**

RESULTS

14/8 Second XV vs. JMGC 3rd XV | 51-12 WIN 14/8 U15 Red vs. West Otago | 25-50 LOSS 14/8 U14 vs. MAC | 12.45pm | 53-30 WIN Netball

14/8 Toko Snr A vs. KVC Snr A | 30-16 LOSS FIXTURES

Hockey

16/8 Toko Girls 1st XI vs. St Hildas B | 6:00pm | LFT 17/8 Toko Boys 1st XI vs. Logan Park | 5:30pm |KHS 17/8 Toko Jnr Boys vs. Bayfield Gold | 4:30pm | KHS B 20/8 Toko Blue vs. *not available yet* 20/8 Toko Gold vs. *not available yet*

Netball

21/8 Toko Snr A vs. not available yet

RSA News From the Trenches

RETURNED AND SERVICES

While it's been a bit quiet on the front line this week, the start of the whitebait season on Sunday gave a different direction for some RSA members tactical discussions. May the whitebait be running well this

season and remember I'm rather partial to a pattie or two so feel free to drop some off to me.

Thirsty Thursday is still the busiest night at the Milton Bruce RSA where witty banter and a thirst quenching cold one assists with rallying the troops. The Joker draw is building up nicely so come along for your chance to turn the card or have a go at winning a meat raffle. Of course the members only draw is also up for grabs each Thursday so come on down troops and try your luck. Be careful where you leave your gumboots though as I heard on my wireless that a pair recently walked away.

The NPC Rugby pics have started off with a hiss and a roar with competitors jostling for top position two weeks in. The *pick the rugby game score* wasn't won at last weekend's Bledisloe cup match so have another go this week rugby enthusiasts - good luck.

According to my wireless, Sunday 29th August is Clay Bird shooting troops, so not long to wait now - enjoy yourselves and be careful where you aim. Friday evenings is Handle Club night with regular members attending to ensure headquarters are well represented. A big thank you to members having a turn at driving the courtesy coach - it's great to see the safety of troops getting home from headquarters being taken seriously, cheers.

There are still plenty of spaces on the bus going to Wingatui races for Melbourne cup on Tuesday, 2nd November so remember to add your name and pay your deposit to ensure your spot. RSA membership is open to anyone so come on down, talk to our friendly staff, fill out the application form and enjoy the wit of our members. Well troops, as always, stay healthy, have a good week and make sensible decisions.

- Sergeant Smith.

Clarendon-Waihola WI

Our June meeting was held on the 21 June with a good attendance of members. Two mottos were given – "Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory" and "Hospitality is making your guests feel at home, even when you wish they were (at *their* home)"

The speaker was Amy Ruthven the coordinator of the Dunedin Hospice. Amy spoke about their work in the wider Otago area, number of staff, fundraising, and their Op shops. Amy was given a large assortment of goods to take back to the Hospice.

Our July meeting was also well attended and we welcomed two visitors. July's mottos was "Good times with a true friend are some of the best times in life"

Six members had been to Mosgiel for Movie Day and had enjoyed watching a NZ made film called "A Second Hand Wedding"

The roll call was for our favourite meal that we look forward to in winter. These included porridge, casseroles, roasts, soups, curries, lamb shanks, shepherds pie, steak and kidney pie, and silver side (with mustard sauce).

Our speaker was John Cosgrove who showed us photos taken while following the Amazing Race in Asia. While we were watching the photos he explained what went on in the background as photographers managed to follow the competitor's progress and to record the highs and lows of the race. This meeting finished with Fish and Chips, supplied by the Waihola Fish Shop.

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Bridge

Toko Champs 12.08.21

V Stanley / K Roughan	76.39%
J Turnbull / L Clark	52.78%
T Reynolds / J Scott	51.39%
T Tetlow / D MacAulay	51.39%
P Mallon / K Powell	48.61%
T Morland / M Cain	44.44%
C Harrex / A Broome	25.00%

Milton Senior Citizen's Club

Our meeting on Friday 13th August started at 1:30pm. Sue from the Milton Op Shop + came to promote this new business which is starting in November in Milton. People will be able to donate their unwanted belongings - many questions were asked and answered. We wish them all every success with this new venture.

The President opened the meeting and the minutes were read from the previous meeting, followed by housie and a cuppa.

Our next meeting is Friday 27th August at 1:30pm in the Milton Senior Citizen's rooms. All welcome.



11th August 2021

Winner: C Bloxham (Owaka) Loser: Di (Balclutha) Raffle: Di (Balclutha)

4th August 2021

Winner: E Morton Loser: R Jenkins Raffle: I Mason







