

Tokomairiro High School Newsletter and

Community Notice Board



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ANZAC Day Learning

78Mo and 78Pr have spent the weeks leading up to Anzac Day learning about Anzac Day and World War 1. As part of their Social Science work, they were to take their new knowledge and plan a commemorative event for Anzac Day, that could be held within their bubble. Students were encouraged to be creative in their preparations for their event.

The events were varied to suit the individual families within each bubble. Many families created artwork for their windows and fences while others baked and spent special time with their families. Riley Phillips looked at some family history about his Great Grandfather who was in the Navy and also did some Anzac baking. Brendon Greer made poppies out of New World bags and baked Anzac biscuits. Millanian Potae made huge poppies outside their gate with some white crosses with 'Lest We Forget.' Awen Wallace reflected on his parents trip to Gallipoli in 2015.









Clutha District Council

COVID – 19 Alert Level 3 HELP IS STILL AVAILABLE

It is only natural that we will need some extra help as we move through the Alert Levels and prepare to return to everyday life

Do not hesitate to get in contact if you are needing help. Support is available for: FOOD COSTS:

To get help with food costs contact the Otago/Clutha Welfare Helpline on 0800 322 4000 or if you prefer you can contact your nearest Clutha District Food Bank directly.

- Balclutha Foodbank: 03 418 3871 (between 10am and 2pm) or email: southotago.cm@salvationarmy.org.nz
- Lawrence Foodbank: Andrew Harrex 027 626 7144 or Mel Foster - 0272329963 or email: mel.foster@cluthadc.govt.nz
- Milton Foodbank: June Caldwell 027 517 7343 or 03 417 7343
- Tapanui Foodbank: Sue Wink 0273013685
- FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you are experiencing hardship contact the Government Helpline 0800 779 997 (Bam-10pm 7 days a week) or check out the Work and Income website (www.workandincome.govt.nz) and follow the red link to their COVID-19 page.

The Otago/Clutha Welfare Helpline 0800 322 4000 can advise about welfare support including but not limited to: accommodation costs (rent, mortgage, board, emergency housing), repairing or replacing appliances, emergency dental treatment, emergency medical treatment, health travel costs.



ANZAC Day Reflections

We made lots of wreaths to go on our fence. Mum thought they would be weather proof but they didn't like rain.

Mum and I got up at twenty to six so we could stand at our gate. Mum offered to be a trumpet to play the last post but I said 'No, I'll play it on my tablet'. Mum put the outside lights on so we could see where we were going. It was dark. It was cold and when trucks past went it was And we could not noisy. hear the last post so we went back inside and watched it on the tv standing to attention. By Lucy Flett



We made a bear and wreaths out of tyres. My dad screwed two tyres together and screwed pots on for ears and we painted them. My brother made milk bottle lights with poppies on them for Tokoiti School and we displayed them together. We made ANZAC biscuits and that night visited the memorial at the cemetery in Tokoiti. It was cold and dark and no one was around.

By Cambell Savage



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SCHOOL MISSION: Working together to inspire excellence in education, in character and in life.

Tena koutou katoa

Online lessons are continuing for all students as we continue in Lockdown Level 3. There are some great reports coming through from teachers as to the engagement of many students and their involvement in online Google Meets. I encourage all students to go online with their teachers. It is a great opportunity to ask for help if you need it. Your teachers are also happy to answer emails if you have some questions you need answered. If you haven't been online with your teacher yet, now is the time to start. They are there to support you and your learning.

Online Student Assemblies – Thank you to the Prefect Team for their Thursday online assemblies. They are holding some exciting competitions and it was great to see the results of the Tik Tok competition last week. Each week Meg puts up a new audio clip to be used to present your own Tik Tok. Check this out on the school Facebook page.

Staff Professional Development – A number of our teachers and support staff are taking part in online professional development at the present, so their learning is very much like that of the students. Thank you to all the teachers who are providing online lessons for the students and also undertaking their own learning.

John Parsons link - Safety in the digital world is important for all us and not more so than for our young people. John Parsons is a NZ guru who has been working in the area of digital safety, especially for young people, for some time. Live streaming is everywhere around us at present.



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Milton Butchery would like to advise all our customers that our shop will still be closed during Covid-19, Level 3. We are still working though, doing Online and Phone orders for delivery in Milton or Click and Collect. We have most things in stock, so please let us know your requirements and we will endeavour to do our best. You can contact us via our website or phone 417 8213. Hope we can get back to normal ASAP. Take care and be safe.

Tiny & Wendy

In this video, John Parsons shares his thoughts on Live Streaming: Understanding the Risks for Children. I encourage parents to take the time to see this and discuss with your young ones. Here is the link: <u>https://</u> www.facebook.com/

johnparsonsS2E/ videos/244747619971043/



Students Pastoral Support – Be sure to reach out to your teachers if you need some help. Your House Group Teachers and Deans are there to support you, along with our Guidance Counsellor, Mr Mackinnon, if you need someone to talk to – ross@tokohigh.school.nz Parents – also feel free to contact with your children's teachers or any of the senior leadership team. Finally, stay safe, stay strong in your bubbles. We are looking forward to the time when we have you all back with us here at school.

Nga mihi nui Glenis Sim Principal

Genesis Information

Goals of the Genesis

- *To provide news and information about our community *To communicate and promote the activities of our
- schools, specifically Tokomairiro High School. *To provide a medium for communication about local
- activities and events. *To provide a medium for advertising for local businesses.

Material for Publication

First and foremost, the Genesis is a community newsletter and noticeboard. Any articles and stories are a bonus. Please remember that the Genesis has no paid reporters, we rely on *you* – members of our community – to write articles and news items. Contact can be made with the Editor if you need assistance with your article.

Suggestions for articles include;

Club or group report Meeting report An article about people or events in our community Information on a new development or venture Book/ music reviews Recipes A letter to the Editor The above will be included at the discretion of the Editor, and must be worded positively.

Conclusion

The main objectives of the Genesis are to communicate school news and events, and to act as a community newsletter and noticeboard. The Genesis relies on *you* to provide *us* with news and articles.

Advertising

Every care will be taken to ensure the insertion of advertisements in accordance with scheduled instructions. No liability is accepted for any loss occasioned by omission, misplacement or positioning of the advertisement. Any advertisement or article which the Editor considers unsuitable for publication, will be rejected.

Genesis Office

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Genesis Office is still closed and there are no paper publications being delivered. We welcome any articles/ photos so please feel free to email these to genesis@tokohigh.school.nz.

Stay Safe!

Online Learning



Zoom meetings are a part of our lives on lockdown and in education, and there's nothing like injecting a bit of fun into learning! This photo shows Mrs Moodie holding a Silly Hat Day zoom meeting.

A letter from Ashlea Grove

Hi all,

Everyone here at Ashlea Grove hopes our community are safe and well in these strange times.

Everyone is well here, we have continued with our activities program during the lockdown to try and fill in our days.

It is a tough time for all, being away from family and not being able to venture out and about.

Times like this more so than ever we all need to be kind to each other and look out for one another.

I thank all our families and friends for their understanding and I appreciate the difficulty you are all facing with our new normal.

We hope to be able to review our visiting policy when we are reduced to Alert Level 2. We will have restrictions of some form for some time, so please, if you have any

questions don't hesitate to give me (Angie-lee) a call on 4177988.

I would like to take this time to thank our staff for their amazingness during this time as they have all pulled together, stayed strong and soldiered on.

Please all take care, keep smiling and if anyone needs anything or just a chat give us a call.

Regards

Angie-lee Boulton



Bible Reading for Today

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

Otago Community Trust

Otago Community Trust approved grants of just over \$525,000 in support of a wide range of community projects in its April funding round.

Social service agencies not currently receiving multi-year funding, were awarded annual grants to support the essential services they continue to provide across Otago.

Grants included:

-Aroha Ki Te Tamariki - \$65,000 to assist with the cost of delivering counselling services to children, young people, and their whanau in Otago.

-Catholic Social Services - \$50,000 to support the agency's growing services across Otago.

-The Dunedin Curtain Bank Trust

-Skeggs Foundation - \$14,400 to support the first round of funding which supports Otago coaches and officials to grow and improve representative sport across Otago. -Wanaka Tennis Club Inc - \$30,000 to support court

resurfacing and an upgrade of lighting at the club.

The Otago Community Trust gave a total of \$525,600 to 16 community organisations in April 2020.

COVID-19 Response Fund

Otago Community Trust has had a steady flow of applications to its dedicated COVID-19 Response Fund with nearly \$400,000 of grants awarded to date. A number are to assist with technology, whereas others are related to

increased demand for essential services and the increased costs associated with this.

The fund is very much focused on supporting community organisations meet the additional costs of delivering

services, projects or activities to members of the community 'most in need' as a result of COVID-19."

We are also providing funding support to those community organisations who are incurring or have incurred additional costs related to expansion of services as a result of COVID-19, said Bridger

Otago Community Trust has also granted \$25,000 to each of our five territorial local authorities who reside within the Trust's funding area.

Trust chair Ross McRobie said this is in recognition of the fact that while much of the costs of the Civil Defence and Welfare efforts are being met by Central Government at this time, councils faced extra costs as they respond to the immediate welfare needs of their individual communities."

"Overall, we are pleased with how the Response Fund is tracking and we encourage community organisations to contact the trust is they have any questions around funding support."

To date, the Otago Community Trust have awarded \$397,434 to 29 community organisations since the dedicated COVID-19 Response Fund opened in early April.



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