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Fifi Colston

On Wednesday 21 May, a few students from years 7-13 had the privilege to attend a presentation by Fifi Colston. She has a richly varied career as a writer, poet, Wearable Arts designer, film presenter and occasional columnist. Fifi Colston has also illustrated over 33 books and we were lucky enough to see some of her works and the process in which they were designed. It was interesting to learn that Fifi worked as a scriptwriter on 'Jane and the Dragon' and was then employed at Weta Workshop for the NZ production of 'Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' and then again as a costume illustrator on 'The Hobbit' in 2010.

She is currently working on a new costuming book using quick thinking ingenuity and recyclables. We were taught that there are many materials that can be used for art or design that people would normally class as waste.

Everyone had a great time and took with them the fact that we should express our creativity and work hard for what we want in life because it will not just be given to us. Anyone can be as successful as Fifi Colston, if they put the work in and enjoy doing it.

Courtney McLellan



THS Sports Talk Term 2

Cross Country

The School Cross Country will be held next Tuesday 3 June during periods 4 and 5, from 1.15pm onwards. This year participation in the Cross Country is compulsory for all students. For the competitive and active students the run will be held similar to last year's course. The other non-competitive option will be participation in a walk around the Milton area. Cross Country is a winter event so cancellation would only occur if the weather were extremely bad.

Blue Mountain Sports Exchange

Tokomairiro Sports teams will travel to Tapanui this year to participate in the annual sporting exchange on Wednesday 11 June. All five netball teams will compete, with hopefully enough boys for three rugby teams, a mixed soccer team and two basketball teams. If any parents can help out with coaching teams please contact Brian Buschl or Lisa McElrea at the school on 417 8620. This is always a very competitive exchange and it would be great to have as many supporters at Blue Mountain College to support our students.

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Tokomairiro High School Newsletter ...

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora kotou

Contact From School

This was certainly a different start to the week. We do try to make a decision about the school day as soon as we can. When the road conditions are bad there are problems with buses and those teachers who travel from Dunedin getting to school. Our school text system is the easiest way for us to contact parents. If you did not get a text regarding a late start on Monday, then we do not have your correct mobile number in our system – please contact the office to update your information.

Tokomairiro Website

Our Tokomairiro High School website is currently going through a revamp and also setting up a Facebook page to allow messages to parents and students. The new website is looking great, with a wealth of information about the activities at the school. Thanks to Connie Smith for her work on this.

Sickness

We have had lots of students and teachers off with the flu this term and this has been an interruption to the learning for many. If your child has missed work and they need support to catch up please write a note in their log book and we will make sure it is followed up. Tutoring sessions are also held in the Library after school and senior students are available to help those requesting it.

The Learning Curve

This week's lesson is very timely with our recognition of Pink Shirt Day – a day to show our stand against bullies. The focus for the Learning Curve lesson this week is on relationships,

with a particular emphasis on harassment. All students have a right to feel comfortable in school and feel good about themselves. There are some very clear messages about harassment in both the junior and senior logbooks. Please take time to read through these with your child.

Prefect Message

Last Monday we had the first of our prefect motivational speeches with Jordie Bungard, our head boy, sharing his views on what motivates him to push himself and achieve to his best. Jordie talked about the importance of having a goal, or a dream, and striving to reach it. Thank you, Jordie, for a great message.

Absences

We are now well into the second term and the colder weather has meant our absences have increased. Parents, please be sure to contact school if your child is not going to be at school. Students, wrap up and keep warm. Be sure to catch up on any missed work.

Nga mihi

Glenis Sim

Principal

DUNEDIN CAREERS EXPO


The Dunedin Careers Expo has an open public session on the evening of Wednesday 4th June between 7.00pm and 8.30pm at Bayfield High School, Shore Street, Dunedin. Any students and adults are welcome, free of charge. Year 10 will be attending the schools' session on Thursday 5th June.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

A defensive driving course will be run at Tokomairiro High School in August if there is sufficient interest. Students need to register their interest by this Friday 30th May.

COMING EVENTS

Thursday 29th May – Y12 Careers Expo in Balclutha (pm)
Thursday 29th May – Otago Secondary Schools Duathlon
Monday 2nd June – Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)
Tuesday 3rd June – Cross Country P4&5 (parents welcome)
Wed 4th - Fri 6th June – Y12 PE Camp
Friday 6th June - Manu Korero Competition
Wednesday 11th June – Blue Mountain Sports Exchange
Wed 25th & Thurs 26th June – Science Fair
Tues 1st – Thurs 3rd July – Y12/13 Geog Camp
Friday 4th July – End of Term 2



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LandSAR Tautuku Cup

On Saturday 17 May the Clutha Search and Rescue Team competed at Herbert with five other teams for the Tautuku Cup. Our team included Lance Nicholas (Scrutineer for another team), Bryan Phillips (Team Leader), Tim Weil (Track and Clue), Stephen Gillies (Assistant Track and Clue), Craig Anerich (Radio), Bruce Vollweiler (Navigator), Peter Tonkinson (Right marker), Raewyn Devlin (Left marker) and Annette Gillies (First Aid). Jenny and Matthew Phillips were our support team with vehicles and equipment.

We registered at 8am and were told that we were Team 4. Our assessor was Brian Benn who is in charge of all of Otago for Search and Rescue - Scary! He would come with us while we searched and we would all be evaluated. There was a First Aid Assessor waiting with the injured 'lost' person to assess myself. We were given a scenario which was that a tramper was lost in our area of bush. He was 59, 182cm tall and weighed 95kg. He had no medical issues or allergies. We were given his name so we could call it out while searching.

After being driven to the start point we were briefed by our Team Leader and compass bearings were taken from the map. We each had a GPS which would track us and radios and compasses so we could talk to each other and the base. We were given a start point and we set off up the hill through the pine needles, blackberry and fallen trees looking for clues and blowing our whistles every 15 minutes then listening for a response. There was great excitement when a pair of jeans was found and even more when we got a response to our calling out. We all made our way down towards where the shout came from which was at the bottom of a very steep hill beside a creek.

While Bruce recorded everything on the Patient Report Form, I got my rubber gloves on and started doing a primary assessment on our patient. He was confused - said it was Sunday and it was only Saturday and said his leg hurt. I looked for blood and felt for other injuries. He said his back was sore. When we took off his boot we found a very realistic broken leg (a bit of broken wood) which would have been very sore and very serious. Our team leader thought we should stretcher the patient to the nearest point that an ambulance could get to. The stretcher was assembled and we carefully rolled our patient onto it. It was very difficult getting the patient down to the track beside the creek on the stretcher. Fortunately, he was securely strapped in and Craig was helping to take his weight on a rope attached to the back of the stretcher and around a decent sized tree.

Once on the track our Assessor said that we had done enough and our 'patient' staged a miraculous recovery! All the bandages and the cardboard splint were discarded and he got up and walked (slipped and slithered in the mud) all the way back to the road where the cars were waiting to take us back to Camp Iona. They fed us there constantly until 8pm. Our packs were inspected, we did an observation exercise where we were expected to locate 25 items (we got 20) and there was a quiz about LandSAR.

The results were announced - Dunedin's Team 1 got the Cup, Catlins second and Clutha got third. It was a fantastic day and a great result for Clutha and a couple of first timers such as Stephen and myself.

Annette Gillies



Bible Reading for Today

Nehemiah 1:6

May your ear be attentive and your eyes be open to hear
the prayer of your servant.....



This week the school has been working on zero rubbish in the school. Everyone has been looking in their lunchboxes to see how many of the wrappers can be recycled and how much is rubbish. We have been making graphs to work out how much rubbish, we have and if it is getting less. It will take a long time but it will be good to see no rubbish around our school. It will be beautiful. If we have a pottle we can wash it out and reuse it. Some lunch bags can be reused too.

By Aimee

Milton Garden Club

On Monday 12 May, members met in the Senior Citizens rooms for the monthly meeting.

The speaker for the afternoon was Rachel Askew, Clutha Leader reporter, who gave an interesting talk on her working life, beginning with five years University, graduating with a Bachelor of Law, working in the Beehive, a reporter and producer on Radio New Zealand and now as a reporter with Clutha Leader in Balclutha. Rachel is enjoying her new life in Balclutha, meeting the local people that she is writing about, visiting functions and attending sports meetings etc. She is a very enthusiastic young lady and a most enjoyable and entertaining speaker. She was thanked and presented with a gift by Frances Grant. Rachel then joined us for our usual sumptuous afternoon tea.

Competition Results

Bloom; 1st F Grant, 2nd V Cullen 3rd O Williamson
Spike; 1st B Matheson, 2nd I Robinson, 3rd O Williamson
Shrub; 1st C Flett, 2nd V Fisher, 3rd C Beattie
Raffle winners; B Matheson, L Pringle, M Paul

On Monday June 9 we are travelling to Waihola for our mid-winter luncheon at the Waihola Tavern. The speaker will be Bruce Stewart on farm forestry. Transport leaves Elizabeth Street at 11.45am. Members will be notified by phone.

Rugby Report

Premier Team

Toko started well putting Clutha under pressure early in the game with a good try in the first three minutes to Scott Siden. As our luck would have it a front arrived just after kick off with horizontal rain and strong cold wind for at least 30 minutes of the first half, we were lucky to have our backs to it.

Tries to Ben Adam and Blaze Grant saw us up 15 to 5 points at half time. It would be the coldest game we have played for a long time, it was not a good day to be a back.

Unfortunately Clutha used the wind well in the second half and scored three quick tries and conversions and took the game 29-15.

Forwards to stand out were Brendon Sheath and Kane Adam. A good all-round effort from the backs with Blaze Grant standing out with a high work rate around the paddock.

We have the long weekend off and our next game is at home against Owaka on Saturday 7 June. This is the final game of the first round.

Euchre Report

14/5/14

Raffle; J George
Winner; I Mason
Booby; J George

21/5/14

Raffle; J Thornthwaite
Winner; I Mason
Booby; E Morton

Now that the local swimming pool has closed, are you wondering how you are going to get your early morning exercise in, why not come along to the Tokomairiro Rec Centre, we are open 6.30am Monday - Friday, we have a great wee facility right at your back door with everything you need to have a great workout. Sign up as a member (our prices are reasonable) or come as a casual for only \$10.00, have a workout then jump into a hot shower to start your day. Can't afford a membership, then come along to our keep moving class, this class is on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 2.30 - 3.30 and at a small cost of only \$3.00 what more could you ask for, this class is not just for the elderly it is for all ages that want to do some light exercise. Don't forget we are having our AGM on the 11th June 7.30pm at the Rec Centre, come along and have a listen we would love to see some new faces.

Take care and have a good week. *Shar*

Lions Annual Golf Tournament

The Lions Club of Milton annual Anzac Day Golf Tournament attracted 59 players. There were concerns about the weather earlier in the week but conditions were very good until the last hour or so. Catering was of the usual high standard- thanks ladies. There were a large number of raffles (oysters and meat were popular) and as usual every player received a prize. Half of the profit will be given to Camp Quality, a camp for children with cancer and the rest will be given to local appeals. We appreciate being able to enjoy the amenities at the Toko Gold Club - a big thank you.

Best nett - men; C Lockhart, ladies; P Keddell, other men; G Hastie

1st Division runner up; G Dow, 2nd Division runner up; T Moffat

Ladies runner up; C Kennedy

1st Division gross; C Moore, 2nd Division gross; O Carter

Ladies gross; G Edwards

1st Division 3rd; S Sanders, 2nd Division 3rd; N O'Connor

Ladies 3rd; H Vollweiler

1st Division 4th; L Morris, 2nd Division 4th; A Miller

Ladies 4th; M Sellwood

1st Division Stableford; M Aluesi, 2nd Division Stableford; T Blackmore

Ladies Stableford; L Rogan

Nearest pin - men; L Morris, ladies; J Good

Longest drive - men; S Burton, ladies; J Calder

Best second shot - men; B James, ladies; R Reid

Indoor Bowls Report

Last Thursday night Milton Sub Association played against West Otago at Clinton. Milton came out the winners with 16 points. West Otago had 14 points. There were some very close games played. A Philip and P Hunter teams had two wins for the night. Representative players for June 3 to play Taieri at Milton Country Club, 7.30pm.

J Thompson, M Little N Hopkins, M Hastie

J Altenburg, A Wells, B Read, L Cameron

P Hunter, S Scott, H Lyon, P Mathieson

M Scott, J Phillips, P Wells, G Jenkins

D Hayes, R Low, K Giles, R Perry

A Philip, K Hopkins, D Orr, J McLaren

A Allison, D Gorton, M Heads, P Wolfe

All players a plate please. Any player not available please contact M Hastie 417 8542.

Dates for your diaries

Thursday 29 May, 7.30pm Sub-Assn pairs - duty team Kiness

Tuesday 3 June, 7.30pm Rep game Milton v Taieri - duty team MCC

Thursday 5 June, 7.30pm Snowball - duty team Moneymore

See ya all on the mat.

'Kitty'

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Milton Elder CARE Trust
Annual General Meeting
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Tokomairiro Community Recreation Centre
is holding their AGM on the 11th June, 7.30pm at the Rec Centre. Everyone welcome to attend.
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