



Chrome Books for all Tokomairiro High Students

Tokomairiro High School is excited to announce that our 1:1 program for 2018 is going ahead. This means that every student at Tokomairiro will have a Chromebook (laptop) that the school supplies and the students take home each day.

The staff and BOT are committed to offering the best possible education for each child and this initiative allows for modern teaching and learning with all committed to providing these opportunities equitably to all students. The amazing result is that the school is able to offer the unique situation where the school supplies the \$450 device to every student, as opposed to other schools offering 'BYOD' programs that require parents to find all of the money for this.

The school is asking parents to make a small contribution to help the school achieve this fantastic result. (See newsletter, page 2).

All students will bring \$20 (cash/EFTPOS) to collect their Chromebook by Monday 15th February so students are able to start to use the device for all classes.

The balance of the amount is paid by the end of Term 2. The chromebook replaces the Logbook this year, saving each student \$10.

For this amount, the students take the Chromebook home

every day to complete school work and homework. Included in this cost is a \$40 bag to store the Chromebook in and/or use to protect the Chromebook in school bags.

Staff are looking forward to having all students have immediate access to the internet and a device where they can share their work through google docs.



Peter Eaton, Digital Technology teacher, amongst the boxes of chrome books, with a chrome book and protective bag.



2018 SCHOOL START DATE

We welcome all children, parents and whānau back to school.

Term 1, 2018, starts on
Monday 29th January 2018 at 9am

Friday Funtime (our weekly four year old programme) restarts on Friday
16th February, 1.30-2.30pm in Room 1.

Our office will be open from
Wednesday 24th January
8.30am to 3.30pm

For any enquiries or enrolments
 please phone 03 4178720 or
 e-mail office@milton.school.nz



Tokomairiro High School 2018 Opening Arrangements

The following are the arrangements for the start of the 2018 school year. (see newsletter page 2 also)

Wednesday 24, Thursday 25 January

Course confirmation for senior students

Friday 26 January Teacher-only day

Monday 29 January Peer Support training day

Tuesday 30 January Year 7 begin, Year 13 Peer Support Leaders.

Wednesday 31 January 8.40am Full school assembly.

The Canteen will be open.

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Tokomairiro High School Newsletter ...

Kia ora kotou

New Year Greetings

I hope you have all had some opportunity to have a break over the summer. What an amazing summer it has been. To all the students and staff, I hope you have had a safe and happy holiday and you are now ready to return to school.

2018

Planning is well under way for the New Year and we are ready for the students. The timetable for this year has been completed and students assigned to option classes. All senior students should have been in to school by the end of Thursday this week to confirm their subjects for this year.

Year 7

We are very excited about welcoming our new year 7 students for 2018. We welcome them, and their parents, to be part of the Tokomairiro family. We are looking forward to working with you over the next seven years and see this as a team effort – student, school and whanau. We very much value the relationships we develop with whanau members and encourage you all to become part of our school community.

Welcome and BBQ for New Students and Staff

On Tuesday 30 January we will welcome our new students and new staff to the school with a mihi whakataua. Parents of all new students are welcome to attend – 9.00am in our school hall. After a brief welcome, students will be sent off to their classes and there will be an opportunity for parents to mingle with other staff. We are also holding a bbq for our year 7 students and their families at 2.00pm on Tuesday afternoon and we encourage you all to come along.

Chromebooks

The introduction of our chromebooks is an exciting new

initiative. Students from all levels will be issued a chromebook which becomes theirs to use at school and at home. Families do need to make a contribution towards the cost of these. Year 7 students - \$40 per year, Year 8 to 13 - \$80 per year, with a maximum of \$120 per year for a family. We ask that 50% of this amount is paid by 15 February, either by cash or EFTPOS to the school office, or by internet banking.

NCEA Results

Congratulations to all our senior students who did so well in their NCEA examinations. We will celebrate the results in assembly early in the school year. A special mention of Rhys Davie and Laura Scanlan, who gained an Excellence Endorsement for NCEA Level 2. Many of our students gained Merit Endorsements, both for NCEA and as course endorsements. Congratulations to them all.

Head Students

We have an exciting year ahead planned and we are looking forward to working with our new student leadership team of Anna Jordan (Head Girl), Reuben Wilson (Head Boy), Jorjah Mason-Waru (Deputy Head Girl) and Rhys Davie (Deputy Head Boy), along with their team of prefects.

Glenis Sim

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Head Students; Rhys, Reuben, Anna, Jorjah with Glenis Sim.



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Genesis 2018

Welcome to the first issue of the Genesis for 2018. Genesis is published to promote the activities of Tokomairiro High School and other schools in the district and to provide information of local activities and events.

We welcome articles / photographs about events and items of interest in the community and achievements that people have gained. Please ring the office if you would like help with an article.

Genesis is published by the High School and relies on advertisers, donations and sponsorship for support. If you wish to advertise please email the office for the rates, which have not increased over the last four years and are still very reasonable.

Please see the back page for the hours and deadlines at the Genesis office. Contact details are on the front page. Messages can be left at the phone number or email address, or come into the office on Monday or Tuesday at the north end of the High School.



Prizegiving Snippets

At the Tokomairiro High School Prizegiving at the end of 2017 the Head Prefects, Morgan Hale and Kaleb Hayes gave their end of year speeches.

Following are some snippets from what they shared with the school and whanau.

"Every time I see students make the right decision, every time I see students achieve personal excellence, every time I see students overcome an obstacle that has occurred; it has inspired me. Without your knowledge you have inspired me to work that little bit harder, or to be more grateful, or to be kinder.

To the staff, I would like to thank you for your guidance over the past seven years. You are the core of my success... you have seen the potential in me that I never saw.

You do not earn success as a right, the truth is, success is something you earn through effort."

Morgan Hale

"I had to step out of my comfort zone to take on this role but as Muhammad Ali once said, " He who is not courageous enough to take risks will achieve nothing in life."

This year I was lucky enough to go on a rugby tour with Taieri College, this is because I took advantage of an opportunity that came my way.

I've had many teachers over the years and thanks must go to each and every one of you.

This isn't the end, it is merely a new chapter in my life."

Kaleb Hayes



Bible Reading for Today

Psalm 139 verse 1

You may not know Me,
but I know everything about you.

Milton Senior Citizens

On Friday 15th December 2017 we held our Christmas Dinner at the Milton Country Club, which was served by Kelly Wicks and her helpers. A lovely meal was served to 26 members and five honorary members. The menu consisted of hot ham (off the bone), hot mutton, peas, carrots and potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower done in a sauce. For our sweets we had pavlova, fruit salad and apple short cake with custard and whipped cream. There were two lucky sweet plates and these were won by Eva Evans and Audrey Adam. After our meal we ventured back to our club rooms for cake, the drawing of the raffles, and the Elves Christmas presents. We also sang Happy Birthday to seven of our members. Iwi Mihaka (one of our Honorary members) then entertained us with a sing-a-long and he played his guitar. An afternoon tea was then served with Christmas goodies and Christmas cake (made by Greta Jenkins and iced by Pam Wells.)

The raffles were won by: Ian Reeves, Ngaire McGruther, Erin Griffin, Olive Williamson, Margaret Wright, Raelene Jenkins and Moira Hastie.

Our first meeting for the year was held on Friday 19th January. We had 19 members present and the usual business was attended to. An invitation was received from the Catlins Senior Citizens to their meeting on Wednesday February 28th at 2.30pm. The board was put around at the meeting, so if you would like to go there is still time to have your name put down. We will travel by cars. Also an invite to the Bruce Hub Social evening on Friday February 9th. Four members are having birthdays before the end of January. The raffle was won by Margaret Wright. Some members then bought along a Handy Kitchen Gadget for a Show and Tell. There were some very interesting tools for the kitchen showed to us. As it was our first meeting for the year we then played several games of "Housie". One of our birthday girls supplied a lovely afternoon tea which was enjoyed by all. Our next meeting is February 2nd. We will be having a Bring and Buy stall. Our next committee meeting is February 14 at 10am.

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were Barbara Read, Lesley Dalwood, Ray Macnee, and Keith Rogan while those who hadn't missed a night were Barbara, Keith, Russell Copland and Alwyn Read. Summer bowls will start again on 24th January, don't forget you are all welcome.

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Farewell for Father Michael Hishon

A farewell with a 'pot-luck finger food' tea is being held at St Mary's Hall on Wednesday 24th at 5.30pm for Father Michael Hishon who is leaving after nine years as Parish Priest. Parishioners and friends welcome. A monetary collection at the door.

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME

FUNDING LOCAL ARTS ACTIVITIES

CLUTHA DISTRICT COUNCIL IS
CALLING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR
THE THIRD ROUND OF CREATIVE
COMMUNITIES FUNDING
FOR 2017/2018.

CRITERIA FOR APPROVED PROJECTS INCLUDE

- Providing opportunities to engage with and increase participation in local arts activities
- Supporting the diverse artistic traditions of our local communities
- Enabling young people (under 18 years) to engage with and participate in the arts

Applications close Friday 23 February 2018

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Dance Scottish

Lawrence Scottish Country Dance group starts the 2018 season with two fun open nights of easy dances (all called) suitable for anyone. Wednesday 31st January and 7th February, 7.00pm Waitahuna Hall. Everyone welcome, all ages, no partner needed, wear soft-soled shoes. Lifts from Lawrence can probably be arranged. More info call Quentin 03 485 9646 or email lawrence@dancescottish.org.nz

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Contact Lynda on 027 201 8580 or lynda@tokotraining.co.nz



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We are looking for qualified, registered teachers who are looking for casual day relief work, Years 7-13.

Please contact the school office 03 417 8620 or David Gilling 027 417 8566 with expressions of interest.

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