



Equestrian Event



On Sunday March 18, a team from Tokomairiro High attended the Taieri District Pony Club Schools Team Event held at the Taieri Equestrian Centre. The event consisted of three activities - dressage, show jumping and games. There were 97 competitors from the whole of Otago. The Milton competitors were in a composite team, which also included riders from Wakatipu and the Catlins.

Our competitors were Stevie Gunion, Christina Catteral, and Claudia Scholten, who had to withdraw with horse issues. Our team came third over-all, an outstanding achievement. Stevie came second over-all in her class, a great outcome. Thanks to the families of these competitors for all of their work.

Above - Christina and Stevie.

A Night Out at the Lip Sync

The annual Lip sync is being held this year on Wednesday 11th April at 7pm in the Tokomairiro High School Hall. This year we have Ben and Renata returning to defend their title of 'Most Polished Performance' as well as numerous other acts that you are sure to be pleased with. It's an annual event not to be missed. Door sales only - price is \$3 per person. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

Genesis - because of Anniversary Day this week, your Genesis may not have been delivered to your letter box until Thursday.

Next week because of Easter there is **no** Genesis. The next edition is on 11 April.

Why do Church Bells Ring?

For centuries, church bells have summoned, celebrated, reminded and commemorated. Originally they served communities as a tool of communication for both spiritual and secular matters. Today though, the onset of modern communication like radio, television and the Internet has decreased the breadth of church bells' communicative role, they nevertheless retain much of their original meaning.

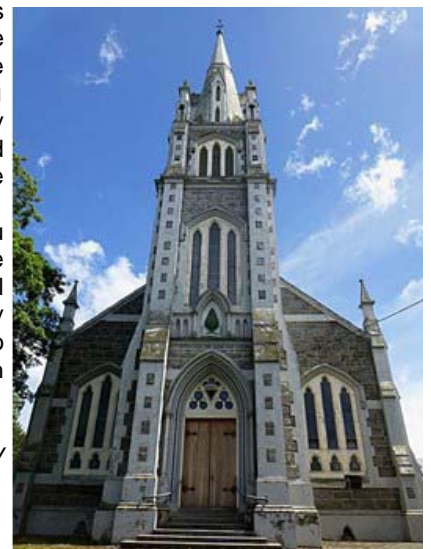
In the Middle Ages, the typical town was built around its church. The church bells announced certain community events and called the townspeople to prayer, Mass and worship. In Medieval churches different rings and bells indicated feast days, the type of church service and if a sermon would be preached. Bells were believed to symbolise God's voice calling the people to prayer, to church services and to Christ.

Several churches continue to ring their bells as calls to prayer and worship. Some churches ring their bells at 6am, noon and 6pm for the Angelus prayer or Hail Mary. Several churches signal the Angelus prayer with three sets of three chimes as a way to call to prayer and spread goodwill to everyone. Additionally, churches often ring bells at the start of services. The manner of ringing varies from church to church, though generally, the bells start ringing 15 minutes before the service begins.

The Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish comes together for weekly worship at 10:45am. The bell is rung for 10 minutes, 15 minutes before the service starts as a way of calling its' congregation to church. The Church bell has been rung periodically for morning worship and for different occasions over the years. Over the Christmas - New Year period the bell was rung in the evenings at 6pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday as a way of bringing joy to the town on a sunny summer's evening. As we move into the colder months, the bell is now just rung for Sunday worship with the odd exception of a service at different times.

We hope that you have found this article insightful and helpful in understanding why the Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish rings its bell.

*Contributed by
 Bronson Blackburn*



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Tokomairiro High School Newsletter ...

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It is now week 9 of the term and it is a very short one, with Good Friday this week. School will be closed Good Friday, Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday.

Assembly's Message

Last week Mr King led assembly and had a very motivational message for our school community:

Last week Stephen Hawking, the English theoretical physicist, cosmologist and mathematician, died aged 76. At the age of 22 Hawking was diagnosed with a rare early-onset form of motor neurone disease and was given two years to live. Instead, the disease gradually paralyzed him over the decades. Even after the loss of his speech, he was still able to communicate through a speech-generating device, initially through use of a hand-held switch, and eventually by using a single cheek muscle. Despite this, he became a popular ambassador for science and ensured that the general public had ready access to his work. His book A Brief History of Time became a best-seller, although I struggled to get to the end of it. He appeared in a number of popular TV shows and lent his synthesized voice to various recordings. When I consider the life of Stephen Hawking, my first emotion is one of embarrassment. I consider all the excuses I have made over the years to avoid tasks or through simple laziness. When you see such people who overcome such huge obstacles it reminds me of two sayings. Firstly, "winners are not people who never fail but are people who never quit." Secondly, "99% of failure comes from people who have the habit of making excuses."

How many excuses have you made already today? Was there one about being late to school? Was there one about why your homework is not done? The staff at this school listen

to excuse after excuse and we need this to change. So I challenge you to stop. There will be: No more "I'll do it tomorrow". No more "Buts". No more "I can't". No more "It's too hard". No more "I'm too tired". No more "waiting for it to get easier". No more "putting it off". No more "I'm not good enough". No more "I would if I could".

As a school we need to stop making excuses and remember at Tokomairiro High School "We don't find an excuse, we find a way."

Teacher-only Day Friday 23 March

Thank you to the community for coping with school being closed for our Community of Learning teacher-only day last

Friday. The day began with Dr Alison Davis, a renowned New Zealand expert, leading a session with all the teachers on student agency and motivation. We looked at the concept of students being in the driver's seat and leading their own learning, in particular, in the field of writing. After the plenary session the teachers broke into groups to look at the requirements of the particular year levels of the students and, in secondary, the writing needs across different curriculum areas. It was a valuable day and great to develop some shared understanding and focus across the teachers of our Community of Learning.

Health & Safety Workshop

Last Friday we did have a group of 21 senior students attending a workshop here at the school. They worked with a provider from Safety Matters to gain credits towards NCEA level 2 and 3. It was great to see the group making use of the time out of class. Thank you to our Careers/Gateway teacher, Gill Ferguson, for organising the day.

Equine Event

On Sunday 18 March Stevie Gunion, Christina Catterall and Claudia Scholten represented the school in a combined equine team with students from Catlins and Wakatipu. They gained third place overall and Stevie Gunion gained second place in her class. Congratulations to these girls and a special thank you to Ms Sue Nelson for organising the team and supporting the girls.

Homework Centre

The Homework Centre is now operating Tuesdays and Thursdays after School in the THS Library. It is open from 3.10 - 4.10pm. This is a great chance to use the library, study and get help with your homework, supervised by our librarian, Mr Daniels.

Overdue Library Books

We still have a large number of books overdue from 2017. These need to be returned so other students can use them. Parents, please encourage your children to see that these are returned as soon as possible. Thank you.

Tokomairiro High School Swimming Sports

These are being held on Wednesday 28 March. This is our second major inter-house event for the year. Parents and whanau are welcome to attend to support the students. The programme will be posted on the school Facebook page.


Winter Sports

Sign-up for winter sports teams has occurred and teams have already started practising for some disciplines. We look forward to the start of the competitions and encourage the players to work hard at getting fit and practising skills before the season gets under way.

Be Motivated Be You

The Clutha Youth Council has organised an amazing opportunity for the young people age 14 to 25 of our district. This event is to be held 5 and 6 April at the South Otago Town and Country Club. All year 9 and 10 students will attend on Thursday 5 April (along with any senior students who have tertiary classes on the Friday) and year 11 to 13 students will attend on Friday 6 April.

Buses will transport students to and from the event. There are some outstanding speakers over the two days – Marcus Akuhata-Brown, Julie Woods, Nathan Wallis, Ian McGee are the plenary speakers. The young people also have the opportunity to take part in three different



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workshops of their choice during the day.

Thank you to Ruth Ratcliff, Youth Worker Malcalm Trust, and Jean Proctor, Community Support and Development Advisor, for their organisation of this great opportunity.

House Competition

The house competition continues to be of great interest in the school. The points situation on Monday morning shows Ross with a commanding lead, followed by Malcolm, Reid then Ayson. The members of Malcolm, Reid and Ayson need to "pull up their socks" if they are to keep up with Ross this year! With the Cross Country and Swimming competitions coming up there is plenty of opportunities for the students to earn points for their houses. There is also the photography and kahoots competitions which again provide opportunities for students to earn points. Many students are getting points for demonstrating the school values. I encourage them to keep up the great effort.

Thank you for your support for our school. Remember, our doors are always open. Please come and talk to us if you have any concerns.

regards

Glenis Sim

Principal

COMING EVENTS

Friday 30 March - Tuesday 3 April – Easter holidays (school closed)

Wednesday 4 April - Airforce Helicopter visit

Thursday 5 April - Y9 & 10 Be Motivated Be You

Friday 6 April - Y11 – 13 Be Motivated Be You

Saturday 7 April - Otago Primary Swim Champs

Saturday 7 April - Southland Primary Athletics Champs

Thursday 12 April - School Cross Country (pm)

Friday 13 April – Last day of term 1

Monday 30 April – First day of term 2

Garden Club

On Monday March 12, twelve members headed south to visit the Blue Mountain Nursery at Tapanui. Denis Hughes warmly welcomed us and showed us around the various areas, explaining to us; propagation, planting out and potting up. After our lunchbreak we were taken on a tour of the vast grounds of the Nursery, with rows and rows of trees, shrubs, flowers and the rhododendrons that he specialises in - from large to small, in all shades. Of course, many plants of all sizes were packed into car boots for the trip home.

Raffle winners - Judy Lloyd and Judy Walker.

On Saturday 17 March, four members travelled to Balclutha for the Kindred Group Day, which is a large gathering from all the groups in Otago. This was a very interesting and informative day with two speakers to listen to. Members each provided two or more plants for the sales tables which were laden with plants. Some very special goodies were purchased. After lunch we visited three immaculate gardens then afternoon tea concluded a special days outing.

On Monday April 9 we are visiting the Chinese Garden and the Early Settlers (where we are having lunch) and a visit to Momona stall on the way home. Transport leaves Elizabeth St at 9.30am. Members will be telephoned.

Bible Reading for Today

Matthew 28 verse 6

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.

Come and see the place where he lay.



Join the Gym for Winter

Happy Easter Holidays. The days will be shorter following the Easter break so if you're keen to come to the gym for your exercise regime we have a great range of cardio and weights equipment to suit all your needs.

Have you thought about taking up a family membership? By committing to a one year membership you can have four people in the family using the gym and pay \$60 /month. Set up an online payment. Think about this option as it makes it quite affordable. The longer you commit to a membership, the cheaper it becomes. Call in and see us for other options.

Gym hours remain at 7 am till 8 pm Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. 8am till 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. 9am till 12pm on Saturdays and Sundays. We have great shower facilities if you would like to make use of those after your workout. Call in to see us for a look around and feel free to ask any questions.

Our Keep Moving class has been well attended on Tuesdays lately which is great to see. I am enjoying putting the exercises into place from the course I went to at Well South. The class runs on Tuesdays from 2.30 to 3.30pm. If Tuesdays don't suit some people, I would like to start running the class on a Thursday again at the same time – 2.30 – 3.30pm. If there is sufficient interest we will do this. Phone the gym on 417 7066 if a Thursday suits you. See you at the gym.

Summer League Indoor Bowls

A grand night was had for the last night of Summer League Indoor Bowls. It was quite fitting that on the last night there were no three winners and both Barbara Read, Ray Macnee, Ryan Bloxham and Trevor Carr along with Russell Copland, Sue Giles, Jimmy Phillips, and Raymond Perry both had two wins and an aggregate score of 14. Next was David Gorton, Christine Rogan, Alwyn Read and Greta Jenkins who had a win and a draw and the loss they had they failed to score! Kevin Giles sneaked in with a draw. His team was Stephen Souness, Keith Rogan and Jacky Sutton.

Over the nine weeks since Christmas, Keith Rogan was the winner with 27 points, Russell Copland had 18, and Greta Jenkins was third with 17, Raymond Perry had 15 and was fourth.

Don't forget Indoor bowls starts soon. The opening snowball is on Thursday 5th April and all entries should be into Molly. Interclub starts on 10th April.

Golf

4th March 2018 Best Net

Seniors 0-19

64 G Findlay 65 W Tatupu

66 E Mills & J Cooper

68 P Sheath 69 S Taylor

Juniors 20-42

64 D Curd

68 T Twaddle

69 G Sheath

70 B Carruthers

71 N O'Connor

72 V Stanley on c/b to M J

Adam, K Haselmore & F Taylor
Sumpter & Moore 2nd shot
closest to Pin 9-18: W Tatupu
inGOLF Longest putt: B Adams
Two's: Not struck

Net Eagle: No17 Not struck

Hidden Birdie: No6 Not struck

Next week: Saturday 31st March
Easter Stableford. Also an
amendment to the original
programme, the Easter Monday
tournament is cancelled.

SM

Sumpter Moore - Barristers & Solicitors

Quote of the week

"People are more violently opposed to fur than leather, because it is safer to harass rich women than motorcycle gangs." **Unknown**

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Bridge

President Pairs 22.03.18

A Broome & L Clark 64.29%	48.41%
V Stanley & J Parkinson 55.56%	T Morland & J Walker 42.86%
M Kean & S Agnew 54.76%	P Mallon & K Powell 41.27%
J Scott & K Roughan 53.17%	C Harrex & L Rutherford 39.68%
J Turnbull & T Peterson	No bridge next week

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Tokomairiro Waiora Break Away School Holiday Programme

A free three day programme running from 16-18 April 2018
9am - 3.30pm

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Escape Room, Ten Pin Bowling, Games and Swimming
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Forms are also available from the Tokomairiro High School Office.

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Genesis Publication after Easter - there will be NO Genesis on Wednesday 4 April.
The first edition in April will be Wednesday 11th.

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**Toko Gym AGM
Please note change of date**

Tuesday 24th April 2018
7.30pm at the Gym
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Milton District Sports Trust

A meeting of the above trust will be held at the Milton Elder CARE Rooms on 18 April at 7.30pm.
All interested most welcome.
Apologies to 027 417 7231

**Daylight Saving ends
Sunday 1 April**



Waste Services for Easter

The following arrangements will apply for waste services provided by the Clutha District Council over the Easter holiday period.

Mt Cooe Landfill	Closed on Easter Friday 30 March only.
Wheelie Bin Service	No collection on Friday 30 March Wheelie bins usually collected on Friday will be collected on Saturday 31 March instead.
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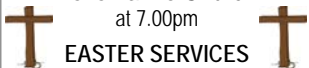
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Church Services ...

Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday 29th March
A combined service in the Tokomairiro Church at 7.00pm



EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday 30th March

A combined Worship Service at Waihola Community Church at 9.30am

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Sunday April 1

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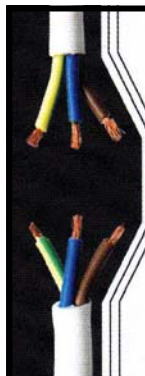


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