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Mana Pounamu Awards

Last week we were delighted to celebrate two outstanding students at the annual Manu Pounamu Awards. These prestigious awards recognise the achievements and contributions of secondary school tauira Māori from across Otago.





Congratulations to Tyrell Fraser, who received the Taina Award, and Sarah Jane Norman, who was recognised with the Tuakana Award.
Both students have demonstrated commitment, leadership and pride in their culture, and we are incredibly proud to see them recognised alongside other exceptional rangatahi from across the region.

A large number of students and whanau were present to see these proud students receiving their awards.

Ka mau te wehi!

Let's Make Lemonade!

The Year 7/8 science class are on a new topic this week learning to identify the difference between mixtures and solutions.
Over the week they have been building on developing their understanding of what is pure and what is a mixture, by mixing two substances together to create Homogeneous and Heterogeneous mixtures.
On Thursday Miss Currall's 7/8Mil Science class made Lemonade with lemon juice (squeezing lemon juice out of lemons), water and sugar to identify whether it is a heterogeneous or homogeneous mixture. (It was a homogenous solution!)







Upcoming Events

End of Term 2
Friday 3rd July
Start of Term 3
Monday 20th July
School Ball
Friday 31st July
Blue Mountain Sports Exchange
Friday 7th August
Open Evening
Wednesday 12th August

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Tokomairiro High School Newsletter
1st July 2026

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Tēnā koutou katoa,
It is hard to believe we have reached the final week of Term 2. It has certainly been one of our busiest terms, with camps, cross country, our outstanding production of The Addams Family, winter sport, NCEA Common Assessment Activities, and preparations for tomorrow's Cultural Competition. Throughout it all our students have continued to demonstrate the enthusiasm, resilience and willingness to get involved that makes Tokomairiro High School such a special place.

As we head into the holidays, I would like to thank our staff, students, whānau and wider community for your continued support. Schools are always at their best when they work in partnership with their communities, and we are fortunate to have that here in Milton.

CAA Results
The first results from this year's Common Assessment Activities (CAAs) have now been released, with Reading being the first assessment available. Results for Writing and Numeracy will follow after the term break.
We are particularly pleased that every one of our Year 9 students who entered the Reading CAA successfully achieved the standard. This is a fantastic accomplishment and means these students have already completed one of the literacy and numeracy co-requisites required for NCEA.
Congratulations to all of the students involved. It is a wonderful reward for the hard work they have put in throughout the year. The second opportunity to complete the CAAs will take place in September.

Senior A Netball Tour
After many months of fundraising, planning and preparation, our Senior A Netball Team departs for the Gold Coast in a few days time.
The team has enjoyed an excellent season so far, and this tour is a fantastic opportunity to experience high-level competition while creating memories that will last a lifetime. Trips such as these are only possible because of the incredible support from families, coaches, volunteers and our local community who have supported numerous fundraising events throughout the year.
We wish the team safe travels and every success on tour. We look forward to hearing all about their experiences when they return.

School Ball
Preparations are well underway for this year's School Ball, which will be held on Friday 31st July.
If the enthusiasm of our Ball Committee is anything to go by, this year's Tropicana theme is going to be something special. Over the past few months, they have dedicated many hours to planning every aspect of the evening, determined to create a memorable celebration for our senior students.
For many members of the committee, this is their first experience of organising an event of this scale. Along the way they have developed skills in planning, problem-solving, budgeting and teamwork, while discovering just how much work goes on behind the scenes to create a successful event. Tickets are now on sale, and we look forward to seeing their ideas and hard work come together next term.

A Fresh New Look for the Gym During the July holidays, our school gymnasium will receive a long-awaited internal repaint. It has been many years since the gym was last refreshed, and this upgrade will give one of our busiest facilities a well-deserved facelift to complement our impressive new turf development.
While the gym will be unavailable during the holiday break, we are excited to see the transformation and know it will be appreciated by students, staff, and community groups who regularly use the facility.

Mid-Year Reports
We are currently making some significant changes to the structure of our mid-year reports for Years 7–10.
These changes are designed to better align with the new English and Mathematics performance indicators being introduced nationally. Because data from the new SMART testing system will not be available until close to the end of term, mid-year reports will now be published at the beginning of next term.
In the meantime, NCEA students can continue to monitor their progress through the NZQA portal, while the Parent Portal provides families with up-to-date assessment information throughout the term..

Ngā mihi,
Vicki Wish
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SHOWING KINDNESS

I believe that even a smile can improve someone's day, as it's important to remember that you never know what someone else is going through; the littlest good deed can make a difference.

ACTING WITH INTEGRITY

I believe it's important for everyone to have integrity, not just students. Having a moral code to stick by helps you every day in becoming a better person.

BEING COMMITTED

I have found that to be committed, I need to have passion for what I'm working on. Passion majorly helps me stay engaged because I actually enjoy what I am doing.

GOING THE EXTRA MILE: DOING MORE THAN WHAT'S REQUIRED

When I'm unsure about what I've learned in class, I study for at least 30 minutes at home, becoming more confident in what I know.

BEING PREPARED

Being prepared has always put my mind at ease. It's important to understand what you're learning, and being organised greatly helps me in my academic life.

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Bible Reading for the Week

"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."
-John 8:36

Sports Results



Hockey
Toko Wahine 1st XI v St Hilda's Collegiate 3rd XI - Loss
Tokomairiro Gold (Yr 7 & 8) v Tahuna kiwikiwi - 7-2 WIN

Basketball
Tokomairiro Timberwolves v EOHS Snr Boys - Loss

Netball
Toko Tahake v SOHS Green - 20-20 DRAW
Toko Senior A v SOHS Alpha - 33-33 DRAW
Toko Senior A v QHS Senior B - 38-25 WIN
Toko Steel (Year 7 & 8) v BPS Red - 14-5 WIN



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Toko Rugby Club Report

Last Saturday Toko Premiers took on Clinton in a match where nothing less than a bonus point victory was needed in order to staying in contention for Top 4 standings. There was only 3 games left in the regular season.
This was one of the most complete 80 mins performance-seen in years by the whole team. The victory final score was 89 12 to Toko and has sent a resounding warning to the rest of the teams, not to take Toko lightly. Toko scored 13 tries in the match with Jared Hayes converting 12 of them. Toko ran amok in the second half scoring 56 unanswered points. The forward pack brought the power running and intensity in both attacks and defence. This gave the backline room and space which they took advantage of to show their pace and skills.
For Toko Jimmy Agnew scored a hat trick of tries. Toby Greene aka Richie McCaw had an outstanding match. Quinn Johnston used blinding pace to score 2 fantastic tries. In fact everyone played exceptionally.
This coming Saturday is Toko Club Day with all Toko teams playing from 10am onwards in a festival of footy. Toko Premiers take on Valley in a massive match so I call on every Toko supporter to get there to support the boys
The Judge



Toko Junior Rugby Club

Results - Round 10

POD = Player of they day
ROD = Rippa of the day
TOD = Tackler of the day
CC = Coaches Choice

Yr3/4 Toko Blue
POD: Finnley Jones
TOD: Liam Calteaux

Yr3/4 Toko Gold
POD: Charlie Leckie
TOD: Chelsea Martin

Yr 5/6 Toko Blue
POD: Talisa Pulu
TOD: Jayden Sinclair

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Milton Indoor Bowls

There was no Interclub this week, instead the qualifying rounds of the Open Singles were played. There were very good entries with quite a few newer players taking part. After playing four games each there were six who qualified for post section play and this will be played at a later date. Successful players were Raymond Perry, Maree Hill, Barbara Read, Gary Foster, Russell Copland and Ray Low.
Last Sunday the five Sub Assns in South Otago fielded teams of Fours and played round robin to find the winner of the Sub Assns Rep games. Milton won the trophy with 22 points, runnerup Balclutha 17, 3rd Owaka 16, 4th West Otago 14 and 5th was Lawrence on 12.
The next round of 5's were also played last week. T& C leads with 53 while Clutha Valley and Waitapeka have 50 points, Glenledi and Lawrence have 48, Katea 45, Moneymore and Paretai have 40 and the Country Club are on 38. Te Houka has 28, Finegand 25 and Hillend 18.

News from the Trenches

And finally after three months of stress and frustration the winner of our Super Sports Comp has been announced. Nick McKay hung on to maintain his lead over the final few weeks to take out the championship. Closely behind Nick as seems to be the case was Casey Irvine 2nd and a tie for 3rd between Hoot Papuni and Colin Calteaux. There were only 7 points covering Top 4 so it went right down to the wire. The prize giving was a great night with a packed RSA enjoying the festivities.
Our next competition kicks off this Friday with our new NPC in addition to International Rugby being the major focus. So make sure you sign up and try to knock Nick off his perch. Remember if you phone your picks in, make sure right team is chosen. I'm anticipating another highly competitive comp. Already by Sunday afternoon we had numerous entrants so excitement is building.
Also starting this week is our annual All Blacks pick the scores so make sure all you so called rugby experts, have a crack.
Finally there has been a couple of mysteries around town this week. One surrounds a vehicle that moved from the owners residence to a local supermarket without owner knowledge. Sounds like a ghost at work. Finally another member was at a funeral riding a motorbike. When motorbike failed to start despite numerous times to kick start, it was noticed the key wasn't in the ignition. So be wary of strange happenings around town
Don't forget to sign up to the NPC Comp, your deadline is Friday 7pm. Don't miss out, you will regret it. - Pr*ivate Spike Pike*



Euchre Results

17th June 2026
Winner: Russell
Loser: Kay
Raffle: Lyn

24th June 2026
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Raffle: Raelene

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JULY 2026

Daily Scavenger Hunt
All Day & All Ages
Can you find the 9 whetū (stars) of Matariki hiding in the library?

7th TUES

CRAFTS 3PM – 4PM
Make your own cup-and-ball toy with a froggy twist.
Ages 7+

8th WEDS

PLAY DOUGH PLAYTIME 10AM – 11AM
Squish, roll, and stamp your own play dough creations.
Ages 2 - 7

LEGO CHALLENGE 3PM – 4PM
Show off your Lego building skills.
Ages 7+

9th THURS

KITE DAY ALL DAY
Create a manu tukutuku (kite) to celebrate Puaka Matariki.
All Ages

13th MON

STORY TIME WITH JESS
10AM - 10.30AM

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15th WEDS

MAKERSPACE CARDBOARD ARCADE
3PM – 4PM

Make your own cardboard arcade.
Ages 8+

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16th THURS

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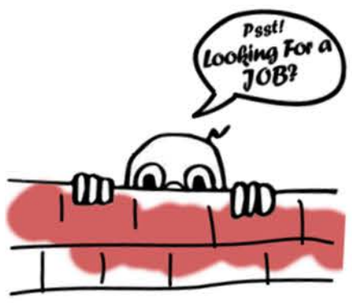

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Applications close Friday, 17 July. We will be assessing applications as they come in, so apply now!

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Check out the latest What's On Guide.

The Winter What's On Guide is here.

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Sunday 5th July - Support group for parents/caregivers of neurodivergent children@ Te Whare Puawai, 34 Spenser St 1-3 pm
Wednesday 8th July - 2pm, Tokomairiro Historical Society meeting
Monday 13th July - Taieri Mouth Amenitities Society Meeting. 7pm at the Leitch Memorial Hall

Wednesdays
WOMEN'S SPACE at the Toko Hub 2-4pm
JP Service Desk at the Library, 3pm-5pm
3:30-4:30 Board Game afternoon @ the Library

Thursdays
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BRIDGE at the Senior Citizens Rooms, 6:45pm—All welcome
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Fridays
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Friendship Group meets at 1:30pm at old Senior Citizens Rooms. Ph Christine 021 028 46101

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Every Thursday 10:30-11:30 Toddler Time-Milton Library
Thursday and Fridays, term time. 9.15-12: Playgroup @ Te Whare Puāwai, 34 Spenser Street, Milton, 0-5yrs, Free, Morning Tea provided

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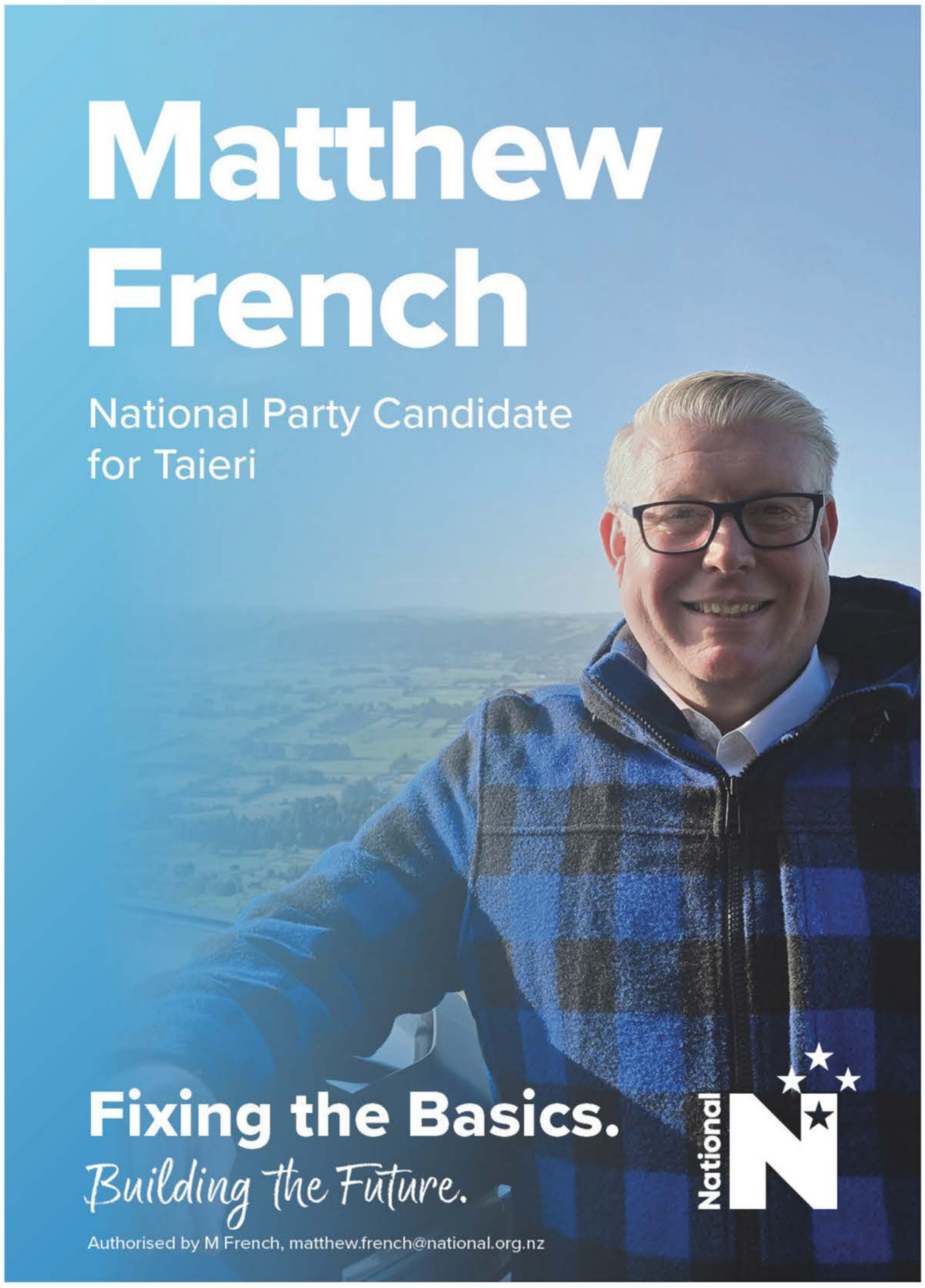

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