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Friday 13th June 2025: Term 2 Week 7

Kia ora, whanau/ hello everyone!

Well we've had that cold snap and a bit of rain over Kings Birthday and this week so hopefully, we should be good for a wee while now!

The biannual **fundraiser** for the community pool is being held this Sunday. Currently we need a few more teams to enter to make a go of it.

The weather is looking good so, organise a team today.

It is **Matariki** next week on Friday the 20th of June. Just a reminder to everyone that there is **no school Friday**, no buses will be running. School will resume on Monday as normal for the last week of Term.



GORGE ROAD & DISTRICTS GOLF TOURNAMENT
Sunday 15th June 2025
10.00am Registration GORGE ROAD COUNTRY CLUB
A fun golf day out to fundraise for the Gorge Road Community Swimming Pool

- ✓ TEAM OF FIVE \$300
- ✓ HOLES AT DIFFERENT FARM LOCATIONS
- ✓ RAFFLES, AUCTIONS & PRIZES INCLUDING 'Best Dressed Team'
- ✓ PRIZE GIVING AT GRCC
Meals & Courtesy Coach available

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For more information contact Grant Black on 022 064 6873



Well done to all our students who have been working hard this week! 😊

SOME OF LAST YEARS TOP MOFFETT CUP PARTICIPANTS

We are on the lookout for anyone who would be interested to coach one of our netball teams for **Moffett Cup**. Moffett Cup is being held in Invercargill on Friday 25th July. Commitment is: at least 1 practise a week, at school with the team during school hours. Then of course coaching the team on the day at the stadium. It isn't high performance sport. The person can be a family member, a friend, even a neighbour, someone who knows something about netball and keen to share knowledge, enjoyment and the spirit of the game. If interested or you know of someone, can you please let either Brendan or Belinda know.

The sooner the better to start practices and get familiar with the team. 😊



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We are currently nailing down a date before the end of term for our **Waituna Ambassadors** to have an outing. This would possibly have a focus on pest control or to see what lurks in our waters (eels and giant kokopu) that are special to our Waituna Catchment.

Matariki ki te Wai—Matariki and Water—is the unifying theme for New Zealand’s **2025 Matariki celebrations**. This year’s focus honors the life-giving and spiritual role of wai (water) in te ao Māori, drawing inspiration from three stars in the Matariki cluster: **Waitī** (freshwater), **Waitā** (saltwater), and **Waipuna-ā-rangi** (rain). These stars connect us to rivers, oceans, and skies, reminding us of our deep relationship with the natural world and the cycles that sustain life. In farming communities we know the importance of this connection better than some others.



We will be holding a Matariki celebration, on Thursday the 19th of June at 5:30pm in the Gorge Road Community Centre. A chance for families to come together and have kai/food, Children to sing songs and bring their thoughts about what Matariki means to them. This is a pot luck/bring a plate dinner, please come as a family and enjoy some time with your school community. Children are to be supervised by a parent/caregiver.

We were proud to host a REAP learning and development day session here at Gorge Road on Friday the 6th of June. Bella came and took some lucky students from Gorge road and Tokanui through the processes used in **cartooning**. Character creation, themes, variations and other creative tools. Was a very fun day with some great extra students keeping us on our toes. Morning tea and lunchtime were quite noisy compared to normal. Great to meet the other fantastic people in our COL.

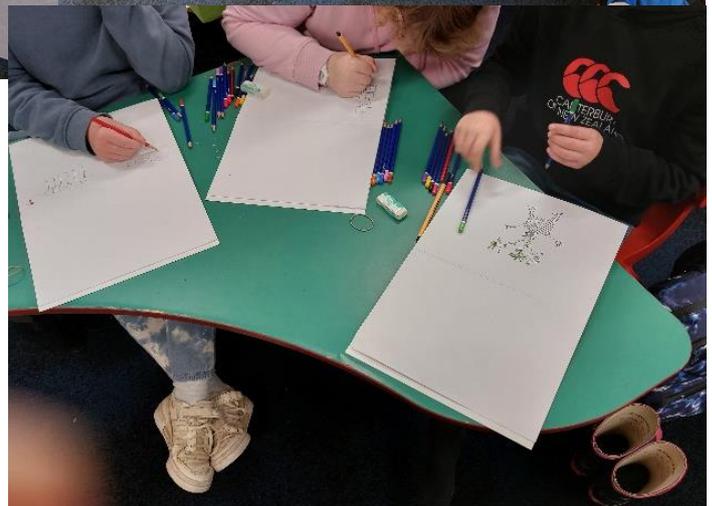


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Book Bus Timetable
 11 Aug; 3 Nov; 1 Dec
 Waikawa Reserve 10am-10.45am;
 Tokanui School 11.15am-12.30pm;
 Fortrose Picnic Area 1.15pm-2.00pm;
 Gorge Road School 2.30pm-3.30pm



Upcoming Events Dates subject to change	
Friday 13 th June	Southland Cross Country
Thursday 19 th June	Gorge Road School Matariki Celebration – Community Centre 5.30pm
Friday 20 th June	Matariki NO School – No Buses
Monday 23 rd June	SB meeting (BOT)
Friday 27 th June	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 14 th July	First day of term 3
Friday 25 th July	SZ Moffet Cup
Tuesday 19 th August	Polyfest @ ILT Stadium Southland Booked in for 12:10pm – 12:30pm
Friday 29 th August	COL TOD NO School – No Buses
Friday 19 th September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 6 th October	First day of term 4

LUNCH FOOD LIST

Pies (Mince & Cheese) or Mince	\$1.50	Popcorn lightly salted 12g	\$1.00
Pizza (Ham/Cheese) or Hawaiian	\$2.50	Choc Chip Cookie	\$2.00
Juicies (wildberry or tropical)	\$1.50	Small Sausage rolls not always in stock	\$3.00
Moosies (Strawberry or Chocolate)	\$1.50	Toppas not always in stock	\$3.00

All lunch orders must come from home via a note/envelope (written by an adult). Money can be paid in cash or via a bank deposit to 03 1745 0027472 00 with Name and lunch as reference. We will no longer use credits as money will be sorted on the day and sent home within the week. Mr Mason will take charge of doing the ordered lunches. **Please if ordering Juicies note down the flavour on order**

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TOI TOIS TOKANUI LIONS

LIONS HAY & BALEAGE AUCTION

Contact your friendly neighbourhood lion with any donation (small & large)

JOIN US AT TOKANUI TAVERN

Friday 4th July

Heaviest SWEDE competition for the up to 16yo.

SUPPORTING STHLD / OTAGO RESCUE HELICOPTER SERVICE



TOI TOIS TOKANUI LIONS HAY & BALEAGE AUCTION *ET AL.*

To be held on Friday 4th July at 4pm in the warm confines of the Tokanui Tavern and we thank them for that.

Currently soliciting donations of *BALEAGE & HAY [small & LARGE]*.

This's one of our major fundraisers for your community and ours.

Recipients this year----

STHLD / OTAGO RESCUE HELICOPTER SERVICE TOI TOIS TOKANUI LIONS 'COMMUNITY BANK'. [concentrating on youth et al].

Plus for **junior---** *Heaviest swede competition* for up to 16yo.

We thank all our sponsors for their continuing support and you for your generous donations.

Feel free to contact that neighbourly friendly Lion with all offers. See ya'll there.

STOP PRESS

Toi Tois Tokanui Lions are establishing a CLUB database [cellphone # or & landline phone # but that's not all + VHF / CB #] for members.

Interested contact **ANNE JOHNSTONE @ 0276881338**. Fortuitously it's also recruitment 'month' and if you want your # therein *contact that neighbourly friendly LION* as a 'PROSPECT' and you're potentially logged.....

SOUTHLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL
2025 OPEN DAY
THURSDAY 24 JULY 3PM-6PM
TOUR THE SCHOOL
MEET THE STAFF AND CURRENT STUDENT INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCES
VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO WWW.SOUTHLANDGIRLS.SCHOOL.NZ

ABSENTEES: To report an absence please use the **Skool Loop** (preferred option) or phone the land line 032395763 opt 1 or 3 before 9.30am, text 0274674373 or email office@gorgeroad.school.nz It is a Ministry requirement to have a reason recorded for the absence; e.g. appointment, sick, dentist...

SCHOOL UNIFORM TOPS: We no longer carry these in stock, they can be purchased from the UniformNZ website then collected at their shop which is now at 142 Otepunui Avenue.

<http://gorgeroad.uniformnz.com> this is the polo top we wear to sports day but can be worn every day as a uniform if you wish. Note the sizing is on the small side. We also have the option of a grey/red hoodie with logo on front. These hoodies are warm and the perfect garment for these cooler days.

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MENZIES COLLEGE

BASKETBALL TRAINING CAMP

\$15 per session

Thursday 3rd July

1.00pm - 2.30pm Year 3 - 6 Students

2.30pm - 4.00pm Year 7 - 10 Students

Thursday 10th July

1.00pm - 2.30pm Year 3 - 6 Students

2.30pm - 4.00pm Year 7 - 10 Students

The Menzies Senior Boys Basketball Team will be running training camp sessions at the Menzies College Gym.

Boys and girls welcome, no experience required.

- You can pay online in advance or bring cash on the day.
- All participants must be registered beforehand as there is a number limit.
- Please email Andrea at andy.vaughan@xtra.co.nz or 027 6507 441 to register or if you have any questions.
- All funds raised will be used to support the team to attend the New Zealand Basketball Secondary Schools Southern Cup A Tournament.

Thanks for your support!