Kia ora, whanau/ hello everyone!

What a nice upgrade the **new carpet** has provided to our working classrooms. The tint of blue gives some colour and it is already a favourite to sit on for the juniors. It has a nice "squishy" quality so I have been told. Hopefully, now that the heating and the lighting upgrades have also been completed that is the end of disruptions for a while.

Huzzah!!! It is Kings Birthday weekend already.

Just a reminder to everyone that there is **no school Monday**, no buses will be running. School will resume on Tuesday as normal.



Well done to all our students who have been working hard this week! <sup>(C)</sup>

**Southern Zone Cross Country** was held last Friday. All of our tamariki put in fantastic effort to train and we had 10 participate on the day. The weather held out and it was a great day getting to see what it's like in the big fish pond of life. Some schools use the zone as their school cross country and the whole kura/school participates.





A special mention goes to **Ben Black** for placing 4<sup>th</sup> in the 9yr boy's race. You qualify and go to Southland cross country at 10 years, so although he doesn't progress this year, next year could be a new challenge.

9 YR BOYS		
PLACE	NAME	SCHOOL
1	Jackson Hillman	Tisbury
2	Charlie Morris	MB
3	Benji Barclay	MB
4	Ben Black	GR
5	Gage Habgood	MB



Thank you to the parents who got their tamariki to cross country. A massive thanks to Lachie for being the biggest, best, cheer squad and representative for Gorge Road School! We are truly lucky to have fantastic multifaceted staff members at Gorge Road School.

**Change over days are** coming soon across the motu for a lot of farming families. Moving from one district to another can be a tough time for some children. We like to acknowledge tamariki when they are leaving, so please let us know if and when your last day is with us. If you don't want too much of a fuss made, let us know also. We have had **Aria & Jam,** move on this week. For Aria & Jam, Gorge Road was the first introduction to Aotearoa, the culture, schooling and people.



Mum Ava was always a joy to deal with and along with Dad Jame, allowed us to look after and instruct two young wonderful wahine. Both of which have very caring souls and are bright beyond their years. We had a shared lunch yesterday and everyone shared tales, ate and laughed.

Well done Gorge Road, the children, staff and wider school community/ tānga whenua. These are tamariki / children that go on their journey taking our teachings and the experience with them.



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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----

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*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......

Upcoming Events Dates subject to change			
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	SZ Cross Country		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Kings Birthday NO School – No Buses		
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Southland Cross Country		
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Matariki NO School – No Buses		
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	SB meeting (BOT)		
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Last Day of Term 2		
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	First day of term 3		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	SZ Moffet Cup		
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Polyfest @ ILT Stadium Southland Booked in for 12:10pm – 12:30pm		
Friday 29th August	COL TOD NO School – No Buses		
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Last Day of Term 3		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	First day of term 4		
UNCH FOOD LIST			

Pies (Mince & Cheese) or Mince

Pizza (Ham/Cheese) or Hawaiian

Moosies (**Strawberry** or <del>Chocolate</del>)

Juicies (wildberry or tropical)

\$1.50Popcorn lightly salted 12g\$1.00\$2.50Choc Chip Cookie\$2.00\$1.50Small Sausage rolls not always in stock\$3.00\$1.50Toppas not always in stock\$3.00

<u>All lunch orders must come from home via a note/envelope (written by an adult).</u> 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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o download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose School once installed.

### To ensure our students are able to take their place in the world, they will be Resilient, Resourceful, Respectful and Responsible

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025: Term 2 Week 5

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 <u>office@gorgeroad.school.nz</u> 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 Otepuni Avenue.

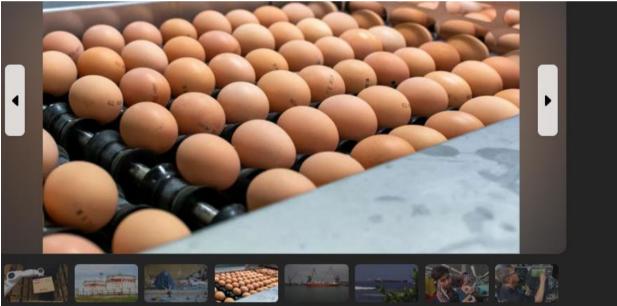
<u>http://gorgeroad.uniformnz.com</u> this is the polo top we wear to sports day but can be worn every day as a uniform if you wish. Note the sizing is on the small side. We also have the option of a grey/red hoodie with logo on front. These hoodies are warm and the perfect garment for these cooler days.

Book Bus Timetable 19 May; 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



We're excited to share our FREE online SAFETY magazine with you. We want to get to as many parents, whanau and caregivers as possible to keep reinforcing messages to the tamariki.

The publication is aimed at primary aged Tamariki and we thank Safekids Aotearoa (Starship Digital and Community Engagement) for editorial.



#### New Zealand – dairy, eggs, and honey

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New Zealand is highly reliant on its agricultural sector, which accounts for almost all of its 10 most lucrative exports. At the op of the list are dairy, eggs, and honey, which collectively represented \$12.2 billion (£9.7bn), or 30.7%, of its total trade ast year.

he world's biggest exporter of dairy products is the New Zealand-based firm Fonterra.



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