



# @ a glance

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## Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

This weekend Taieri College is hosting the local heats for the 2019 Rockquest competition. Thirty acts will descend on the Performing Arts Centre this Saturday in an attempt to progress to the next round of competition. It is encouraging to see fifteen of those acts are from Taieri College. An excellent indication of how strong music is across the school. Good luck to all contestants.

All the best to our Senior A, Senior B, Year 10A, and Year 9A Netballers this weekend as they contest the Otago Secondary Championships at the Edgar Centre. I am sure the girls are well prepared and will play with their usual high standard, demonstrating pride and commitment.

Friday sees the collation of votes for our Board of Trustees election. We have been fortunate to receive seven parent nominations and our community can be assured that the incoming Board will contain a diverse range of trustees with a healthy breadth of experience. Results will be announced next week and I wish all candidates the very best in polling.

This week our college has celebrated "Rainbow Week" with a number of activities been held to celebrate the diversity that is Taieri College. My thanks to everyone who has organised activities and to those who have willingly participated.

Next week Taieri College has been given the privilege of hosting the Otago Southland Ngā Manu Korero Competition. Ngā Manu Kōrero is regarded as the most significant event on the Māori education calendar for nurturing the oratory skills and providing the stage for young people to express their views and to lay down their challenges to an admiring and critical audience of peers, parents, whānau and judges. The speech contests are intended to encourage the development of skills and confidence of Māori students in spoken English and te reo Māori. We look forward to being part of this auspicious occasion.

We have been advised by the PPTA that it has ceased its current industrial action in good faith as they resume negotiations with the Ministry of Education over the teachers' collective employment agreement. This means that the proposed rostering home of Year 10 students on Tuesday will now NOT take place. Let us hope that both parties can reach an agreement in the near future.

Nga mihi nui  
**Dave Hunter**  
PRINCIPAL



### Key Dates

8 June	Rockquest Heats	13 June	Careers Expo
9-10 June	Otago Secondary Schools' Netball Championships	13-14 June	Manu Korero – Performing Arts Centre
10 June	7RL Art Gallery Trip	14-16 June	NZ Secondary School Cross Country Championships
11-12 June	L3 Chemistry Otago University Trip	18 June	Muffi Day – Octacan Appeal
12 June	The Big Sing – Taieri College Choir		
	7NJ Art Gallery Trip		

### Muffi Day – Tuesday 18 June 2019

Please bring a can (to support the Octacan appeal) or gold coin donation to support this worthy cause. More information further in newsletter.

## Gold Guitars

Congratulations to Caleb Croy (Year 8) who was named the junior overall winner at the MLT New Zealand Gold Guitar Awards, after he won the junior vocal solo section.





## ODT Extra! Spelling Quiz – 5 June 2019

On Wednesday night, a group of Year 7 and 8 Taieri College students went to compete in the annual ODT Extra! Spelling Quiz. The most notable result was the team consisting of Max Martin, Keira Wallace and Tessa Bishell, who were leading the competition at the half way point. The students all showed a high level of sportsmanship and put forward their best effort. They can be proud of being chosen to represent Taieri College at this event.





# Taieri College Mufti Day – Tuesday 18 June 2019 – Octacan Appeal



**THURSDAY 20 JUNE**  
**7:30am – 2:30pm Lower Octagon**

OCTACAN APPEAL – Taieri College holds an annual mufti day to support the Octacan Appeal which is to help support the families in Otago who in winter find themselves having a gap where they can't afford to get everything they need, whether that be food, clothes or paying their bills. To help these people we are going to be collecting cans and coins to donate towards this worthy cause. This year the Student Council has decided they would like to raise more awareness for this cause by running different activities over the next week and finishing off with a mufti day, which will be held on Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Octacan's goal for 2019 is to reach 19,000 cans and \$5250, so anything you can contribute towards this will be greatly appreciated.

## Sport Report

We hope everyone is having heaps of fun playing their winter sports at the moment. With our social basketball teams, we had a rival game last week with the Lakers and the Celtics playing a match against each other, which is good to see with our social teams. We had another awesome win by our girls rugby 10s team, playing well with a good range of age groups. Our girls football team also had an amazing win this week, nice work girls. Good luck to our teams at Otago Secondary Schools' netball team this weekend. Reminder the Kavanagh Interchange is coming up on Thursday 20 June 2019 for our Year 7 and 8s. Thanks Maigan and Trey.



## Ngā Manu Kōrero



(Māori: "The Orators") is a Māori speech competition for secondary students. The competition encourages fluency in Te Reo Māori and English. It began in 1965.

On Thursday 13 June and Friday 14 June Taieri College will be hosting for the first time the Otago/Southland Regional Ngā Manu Kōrero Secondary Schools' Speech Competitions in our new performing arts centre.

There are 4 sections. Junior (Year 9-10) English, Junior (Year 9-10) Te Reo Māori, Senior (Year 11-13) English, Senior (Year 11-13) Te Reo Māori.

Savannah Simon will be representing Taieri College in the Junior English Section.

Come along and experience this amazing opportunity.

Thursday 13 June 2019:

Friday 14 June 2019:

Pōwhiri at 4pm, Performing Arts Centre

Starting at 8am, Performing Arts Centre





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**Taieri Under 13's**  
**rugby fundraiser**

**Friday 14th**  
**June**

\* Under 8's and below  
5.30-6.30pm  
\* Under 13's to  
Under 9's -  
6.45-7.45pm

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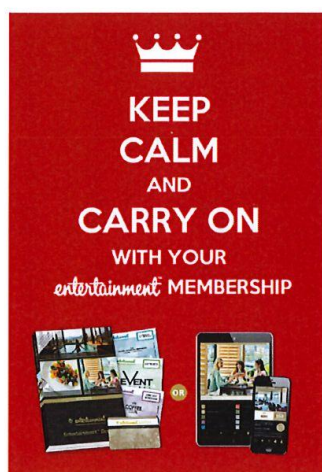
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## International Department



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

At the beginning of Term 3 (Sunday 21-24 July 2019), we will be hosting the southern leg of the 2019 Youth Leadership Summit at Taieri College. This summit brings together 60-65, 16-17 year olds from China and NZ secondary schools for an eight day programme held at St Andrew's College in Christchurch during the term holidays.

The final week of the programme will see students attend Taieri College for three days and we're needing homestay to billet them for three nights. This is a paid billeting scheme at \$45 per student, per night. Students will need to be in their own beds but rooms can be shared.

If you're interested in billeting, please fill out, sign and return the form to the Taieri College Office please.

I AM interested in billeting ☐ Number of students [ 1, 2, 3, 4 ] ☐

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Yours faithfully

**Siale Tunoka**

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PRESENTS



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- Building resilience that is right for your child
- Friendships, fears, fun and frustrations – the wellbeing world of your child
- Supporting your child through changes and transitions

**Presenter:** Dr Rod Galloway's research into children's strengths and wellbeing has been presented at international conferences, recognised by the Australian Educational Research Association and shared with many New Zealand schools. Rod is currently the principal of George Street Normal School.

**Tuesday 25th June,  
7.30pm  
Taieri Bowling Club  
12 Wickliffe St, Mosgiel  
Tickets \$10  
Purchase online at  
[ticketbooth.co.nz](http://ticketbooth.co.nz)  
or Green St ELC office**





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