

13 September 2019

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

I enjoyed watching the performances of our senior and junior Kapa Haka groups at the Otago Polyfest that was held during the week in the Edgar Centre. It was clear from both performances that plenty of practice and preparation had gone in beforehand and I congratulate all students who took the stage. I would also like to recognise the tutors, supporters, and whanau who contributed to making the evenings so successful.

Our annual Year 7 and 8 sports exchange with Longford Intermediate from Gore took place on Wednesday in true winter conditions. All games involved a mixture of friendly rivalry and healthy competition and I commend students from both schools for the positive attitude that was displayed during the day. It was pleasing to see that Taieri triumphed in most fixtures and retained the trophy that is awarded to the school with the most wins.

The Who Loves Who Competition is a chance for Year 9 to 13 students to celebrate New Zealand music by recording their own unique and evocative interpretation of a New Zealand song. Two remixed songs from Taieri College made the top 20 in New Zealand which is a stunning achievement. Alex Cochrane's version of The Exponents, "Victoria" was successful, as was Roshan Dixon and Liam Boyne's take on the Crowded House hit "Don't Dream it's Over."

Nga mihi nui **Dave Hunter** PRINCIPAL



Senior Polyfest 2019

Key Dates

16 September

L2 PED MTB trip to Naseby

18 September

Antipodeans Information Evening

19 September

Winter Sports & Cultural Photographs

19-22 September

DOE Tramp - Divide/Greenstone

20 September

Year 8/9 Marae Trip

23-24 September

Farm Skills/Level 2 PRM Chainsaw Course

23 September

8VP/8WN Sinclair Wetlands Trip

24 September

8BL/8KJ Sinclair Wetlands Trip

25 September

8PH/8FY Sinclair Wetlands Trip

26 September

8WO Sinclair Wetlands Trip Gateway Function

27 September

Alzheimer's Charity Appeal L1SPR Day Walk End of Term 3

11-19 October

Shanghai Trip

13 October

Start of Term 4

14-30 October

Life Education Bus Visit





Teacher Profile Mrs Houltham

Mrs Houltham started gymnastics when she was two years old and began to get competitive when she was five or six years old and when she was eight years old, she performed in the Royal New Zealand Ballet.

Mrs Houltham went to high school at Rangi Ruru Girls' School in Christchurch where she played hockey and did gymnastics, but it got to the stage where she had to pick between the two and chose gymnastics. Her favourite part about gymnastics is the

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movement and "being able to express who she was at a young age and could get rid of lots of energy." The first time Mrs Houltham represented New Zealand in gymnastics was in 1999 and this was the most memorable moment of wearing the fern for the first time. Over the next couple of years Mrs Houltham competed for New Zealand four times; 1999 in Hawaii, Adelaide in 2000 and in Hawaii, where she got 1st and 2nd in her floor events and in Sydney for preparation for the Olympics. This was her last time competing. Mrs Houltham is no longer involved with gymnastics but enjoys watching and teaching it to children in Physical Education at school. Advice Mrs Houltham would give to young people focusing on gymnastics would be "follow your dreams and put your mind to it", just like she did of dreaming to wear the silver fern.

Rugby League

Congratulations to the year 7/8 rugby league team for winning the Otago Rugby League Shield for the first time. The season was completed as unbeaten.









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Year 7/8 Taieri vs Longford Intermediate Sports Exchange









Altrusa Literacy Grant

This week the Year 7 and 8 group received a very generous \$1000 grant from Jill Dodd, the Literacy Convenor of the Taieri Altrusa Club. The grant will be used to purchase new texts for our Paired Reading groups and core classes. We would like to thank Jill and the Altrusa Club very much for their support and contribution to the learning of Year 7 and 8 students here at Taieri College.



Netball Umpires

Congratulations to Renee Pitchers and Holli Hayward who gained their centre badge for netball and recently travelled to Nelson to umpire in the South Island Secondary Schools' senior netball tournament.









It is with much excitement that I introduce a unique and life-changing opportunity for your child early in 2021. Taieri College is proud to announce the launch of another **Leadership and Service Expedition**, **this time to Nepal!** Set for April 2021, this transitional four-week journey will take a group of inspiring Taieri College students on the trip of a lifetime, setting them up for the next chapter as a senior student or as they move on from school life.

The programme will be run by industry specialists, <u>Antipodeans</u>, and we are very much hoping to see a large group of Taieri College students take up this exciting challenge. For four weeks, the students will lead their way around Nepal, partaking in an incredible, sustainable community project whilst working and living with local Nepalese families. They'll also trek the awe-inspiring Himalayas (surrounded by eight of the top ten highest mountains in the world), have countless adventures in Kathmandu and surrounding towns, and take in all that Nepal has to offer.

Regards, Kev Knowles & Georgie King

Student Representative Election for Board of Trustees 2020

Nominations are invited for the election of one student representative to the Board of Trustees.



Nomination forms can be obtained from the college office.

Nominations close at 12.00 noon on Friday 20 September 2019 and should be accompanied by a candidate's statement.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the college and can be viewed during hours the office is open.

There will also be a list of candidates' names for inspection, as they come to hand, on the noticeboard outside the college office.

The poll closes at 12.00 noon on Friday 27 September 2019.

Signed D Seddon Returning Officer







ODT's Extra Quiz

Four Year 9 teams were involved in the ODT's Extra Quiz held on Tuesday night at Union Hall at the University of Otago. Although all teams performed well none were able to make the podium. The students, as always, were great ambassadors for Taieri College.

Team 1 = Jemma West 9C.
Sam Duff 9CJ
Jackson Smith 9CJ

Team 2 = Abi McArthur 9CJ Ella Coudret 9CJ Leo Burkett 9HM

Team 3 = Emily Evans 9NE

Caden Anderson 9NE

Nadia McCutcheon 9GT

Team 4 = Jakob Joyce 9CJ Fletcher Beulink 9CJ William Helm 9HM









CAREERS INFORMATION

Contact Sue Craigie, 03 489 3823 ext 139 or email careers@taieri.school.nz

Urgent advice re: Hands On at Otago scholarships

<u>due date</u> – this has been **extended** to **Sunday 29 September**



Polyfest

On Tuesday night 10 September our Year 7&8 Kapa Haka (Ngā Taiariari) students performed at the annual Otago Early Childhood and Schools Māori and Pasifika Festival (Polyfest). They performed for the first time in their new uniforms thanks to help from Mosgiel Rotary Club as our students helped with their book sale. A huge thank you to Danya Kerr, Hayley O'Connell and Layla Witehira-Davis for tutoring, along with Toni Crompton, Mr Sutton and Miss Tuhega.

On Wednesday night 11 September our Year 9-13 Kapa Haka (Ngā Piko o te Taiari) performed at the annual Otago Early Childhood and Schools Māori and Pasifika Festival (Polyfest). This year was a huge change as they had new tutors come in from Otago University - Tutawake Dickel-Smith, Shakayla Andrews and Haami Turner. Even though they were a small group this year they have big hearts. Well done to everyone who performed. Thank you to Miss Tuhega for all of her help and support, we really appreciate it.



Young Writers' Awards Entries are due Wednesday 25 September 2019 3:00pm to the English Department Office

Short Stories: Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 200 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience or fiction. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity.



Project: Also completed individually, this is an investigation into a subject of your interest. It may derive from your classwork in any subject, or it may be a hobby topic, e.g. the Royal Family, the Albatross colony, a mathematics investigation, the Maori Battalion, etc. It does not have to come solely from classwork. Be creative with how you present your work – it could be in the form of a report, brochure, poster, diorama.



Article: This section is completed individually. Present your ideas and opinions about a subject such as Road Safety, Uniform, Conservation etc. You could be aiming to persuade the reader to act/behave/think in a different way. Or you could present information and ideas about a subject such as Taieri history, animals, your family, your job, an historic event etc. Entries may relate to some study you have done. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity. Submitted would should have a catchy title and be formatted in paragraphs.



Children's Illustrated Book: This may be a combined effort of up to two people (e.g. a text writer and an illustrator). The book must be at least six pages long, but the page size is not restricted. It should be suitable for pre-school children to read or to have read to them. (i.e. the text and pictures may be quite simple).



Poetry: Completed individually, entries can be any length, rhymed or unrhymed. Very short poems, however, may not be judged as favorably as longer ones reflecting greater effort. Use a suitable title. The subject may be serious or humorous. It may be shaped on the page.



Drama Scripts: Collaborative efforts of up to three people may submit entries in this category. Drama scripts may be any length – a simple sketch or a piece of dialogue or monologue, and could contain one or several scenes. Stage directions must be included. It should be set out as a play script with dialogue and stage directions, as well as a captivating title.

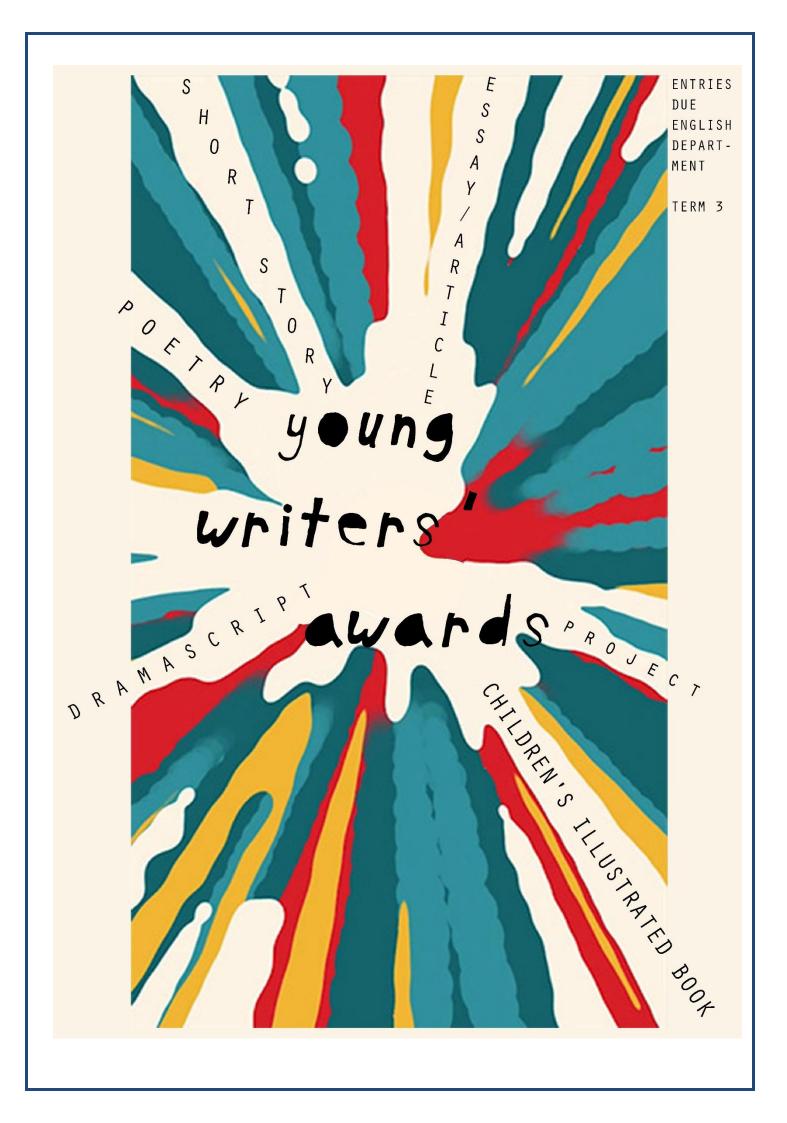


Questions can be directed to Miss Hurst in C10 or by email: ehurst@taieri.school.nz









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Plecement test registrations for our 2020 Intake are also now exallable. Held at both our Auckland and Christichurch Learning Bases, candidates are assessed on English Comprehension, Mathe and Physics, and

Dates for the placement tests are below. Please visit

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- Instructor led activities
- Most current students.

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