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#### Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

We have really enjoyed leading lots of prospective students and families through our campus this week. It was a pleasure to show off our facilities and allow incoming students the opportunity to see Taieri College in full operation. My thanks to the prefects and TK students for assisting with the tours.

We have three van loads of students hitting the slopes this weekend on a college ski trip. Students will stay in the ski lodge at Coronet and ski for two days over the weekend. The group is a mix of experienced and learner skiers. I wish everyone a safe and fun ski weekend.

Next week we have several students heading to Invercargill as part of our annual winter sports exchange with James Hargest College. It is always an evenly contested interchange and I wish our teams all the best for their games.

Parent Interviews are fast approaching and bookings for them will go live next Wednesday 5 August 2020 at 4.00pm. The website for bookings is <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz">www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</a>. Parents and caregivers are warmly welcome to make bookings from next Wednesday in order to meet teachers and discuss where student achievement levels are currently at. The actual interview dates are Tuesday 11 August 2020 and Wednesday 12 August 2020.

Tomorrow the Dunedin Town Hall will come alive with glitz and glamour as the Taieri College Formal takes place. It is an exciting time for our seniors and a lot of effort goes into making it a special occasion. I will look forward to seeing everyone in his or her finery tomorrow evening.

Nga mihi nui

**Dave Hunter** PRINCIPAL

#### **Key Dates**

31 July – 2 August International Ski Trip

1 August Taieri College Formal

5 August James Hargest Interchange – Invercargill

7 August Spirit Week Mufti Day – aold coin

10 August Tertiary Open Day – Otago University and Otago Polytechnic – Year 13

11 August Kavanagh College Year 7/8 Interchange

11-12 August
Parent/Teacher Interviews
– information in newsletter

13-14 August L2 SPR Caving and High Ropes – Invercargill Level 1 Geography Field Trip

15 August 40 Hour Famine



#### Mufti Day Friday 7 August 2020

Spirit Week Mufti Day – gold coin donation and proceeds to a local charity. More information further in newsletter.









# Term 3 Parent Teacher Interviews Tuesday 11 August 2020 and Wednesday 12 August 2020 4.00pm-7:00pm

Bookings for interviews can be made at <a href="www.schoolinterviews.co.nz">www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</a> using the booking code **8aruc**. The booking code will become 'live' online **from Wednesday 5 August 2020 at 4.00pm**. If you are having trouble with bookings please contact the office and they will make them for you.

A separate email will be sent out next week with further information and maps of the college that indicate the rooms that teachers will be conducting the interviews.

#### Taieri College Sports Council

Mission: 'To promote and encourage sport at Taieri College and on the Taieri'

Taieri College's Sports Council is a committee made up of both parents and teachers. We rely heavily on the generosity of sponsorship to keep our programmes in place; to fund teams and individuals; to supply equipment; to upgrade playing areas, and to purchase school vans to transport our students. We aim to give our young athletes every opportunity possible.

Our Sports Council is always welcoming and very appreciative of any new sponsors wishing to come on board. If you think this is an area you can help, please contact The Sports Office (sport@taieri.school.nz)

There are four LEVELS of Sponsorship: PREMIER (amount is by negotiation) PLATINUM (\$2,000 + GST per year) GOLD (\$1,000 + GST per year) SILVER (\$500 + GST per year).

Each MONTH the Sports Council would like to SHOWCASE one of our valued sponsors. Where possible we ure our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

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Adam Letts and his team offer great physiotherapy support to our college sporting community, with winter sports getting under way if you need some professional advice or some rehabilitation help contact them!



Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors; LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Advanced Stopping, Braveheart Decorators, Bungard Building Ltd, DF Transales Engineering, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Reids Joinery, Waihola Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DC Motors, DS Builders, Norwood Farm Machinery, Promo-X, Cramond & Craig, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring.

#### **ICAS Examinations 2020**

Registration and fees for all subjects are due to the school office by Thursday 6 August 2020. All examinations this year are charged out at \$15.50.

There are no examinations available to Year 12 and 13 students in 2020. The Writing examination is not available in 2020.

#### Each subject will be open for a 5-day sitting window period

ICAS Science: Monday 17 August 2020 to Friday 21 August 2020

ICAS English: Monday 24 August 2020 to Friday 28 August 2020

ICAS Digital Technologies (Year 7-11): Monday 24 August 2020 to Friday 28 August 2020

ICAS Mathematics: Monday 31 August 2020 to Friday 4 September 2020

ICAS Spelling (Year 7 and 8): Monday 31 August 2020 to Friday 4 September 2020

Exact sitting dates will be confirmed with students and whanau closer to the time. Please contact ngowing@taieri.school.nz for further information.

#### Kamar Parent/Student Portal & Mobile Application

Over the last week we have been experiencing issues with the KAMAR Parent/Student Portal & mobile application. Users are unable to log in without getting an error message 'incorrect username & password'. Your login credentials are correct and this error is a symptom of the current fault.

We do apologize for the inconvenience. We have now had confirmation from Kamar today that the Parent/Student portal and mobile application is back up and running. Please use this to access student results and if anyone has any issues logging into Kamar can you please email <a href="mailto:support@cyclone.co.nz">support@cyclone.co.nz</a> or contact the college office on <a href="mailto:office@taieri.school.nz">office@taieri.school.nz</a>.

Kind Regards



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#### **Spirit Week**

Next week the Year 12 Health class are hosting a Spirit Week. We would love it if we could get as many students as possible to come along and join in.

Our Spirit Week is about social inclusion and cultural inclusion. We are hosting a sports/theatre sport day on Monday 3 August 2020. In Break One we want students to come along to the gym to play multi-sport. Break Two students can come to the PAC and play some fun theatre sports games.

Tuesday 4 August 2020 there is a music and cultural activities day. Students can come along to the library Break One to watch a Kapa Haka performance and then go and join in some fun cultural activities. Break Two we will be having a couple of the school bands perform live performances in the PAC so come along and watch!!!

Thursday 6 August 2020 is "Give a Cupcake Day" where we will be selling delicious cupcakes outside the library. Order a cupcake for your friend or someone just to say thanks for making life better. Cupcakes cost \$2. They need to be ordered at Break One and students will deliver them around to the lucky recipients Period Three.

On Friday 7 August 2020 we will be having a school wide mufti day. Bring a gold coin donation. All proceeds made will be going to a local charity. This mufti day is culturally themed so come dressed in clothes that represent the culture you come from or would like to be part of. You can dress in your normal day attire. There will also be a TK shared lunch where we will explore different meals from all around the world. This is just for TK students and the international students. It will be held Break One in



the Te Kainga quad. It's going to be a great week and we would love to see you all there celebrating difference and who you are.

Any questions please email Mrs H McHutchon on hmchutchon@taieri.school.nz

#### **Sport Column**

On Wednesday night the Taieri College Gold Girls 7s rugby team played in the final of their grade, and defeated Otago Girls' 41-7. Our Senior 7s team finished in third place, finishing with a strong win over Queen's High School. Both sides, now move to the 10-aside competition which starts next week. Keep up the good work girls and a big thank you goes to Lauren Roney and the coaching staff involved.

Our Taieri College swimmers who competed at the Otago Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs on Sunday at Moana Pool all performed considerably well as a group. The team relay of Jordy Kelliher, Emma Bain, Jessie Yee and Kylie Gale finished runner up in both the 200m mixed freestyle and the 200m mixed medley relay.

Special mention goes to Year 13 student Jordy Kelliher who swam two personal bests, gained two 1st place finishes, and broke the Otago Secondary Schools record in the 200 Individual Medley, awesome work!

Ryan Rosevear Head of Sport













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