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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

Over the last couple of weeks we have introduced our prefect group to assembly. An important part of our school culture is the responsibility our seniors have in role modelling high expectations and good behaviour to our junior students. They are an integral part of our overall pastoral system and assist us greatly in the way our college successfully operates. As well as our prefect team, we also offer a student driven peer mediation service and mentoring programme. I congratulate those who were awarded prefect badges, and would like to thank the seniors who have volunteered to be part of our 2020 Peer Mediators and Mentoring programmes.

Our prefects are assigned specific roles to become involved in. This week our environmental prefects attended the annual Dunedin Enviroschools Hui. Plenty of discussion around environmental sustainability was held and I look forward to that discussion being a springboard for fresh ideas and strategy for environmental sustainability at Taieri College.

Lots of cricket action (girls and boys) has taken place over the last fortnight with our Te Kainga teams and 1st XIs both being involved. Taieri College has been dominant in most games with our TK teams and boys 1st XI being unbeaten thus far. All have progressed to the next stage of the competition. I wish them good luck for their upcoming games.

Our Board of Trustees met for the first time this year and have agreed to start the process of replacing the artificial turf on our courts and our pool roof. These projects will incur a significant financial challenge to the college but will greatly enhance our environment for our students, and wider college community.

Next year is the 150th year that education has been offered on our current Mosgiel site. Mosgiel District High School, Mosgiel Intermediate, and The Taieri High School have now become what we know today, as Taieri College. We are looking to celebrate this significant milestone over Labour Weekend in 2021. Keep an eye out for developments as we start making preparations for our 150th anniversary.

Noho ora mai

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Key Dates

24 February 7RL/7SW Waihola Trip

25 February Taieri College Athletics Day (Postponement day – 26 February 2020)

27-28 February Level 1 PRM trip to South Canterbury

27 February Paid Union Meeting

28 February Learning Readiness Issued

29 February
Otago Secondary Schools'
Touch Tournament

2 March Tautuku Camp 2 – 10JH and 10TM

3 March Year 13 Otago University Careers Expo





Paid Union Meeting – 27 February 2020

The Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) have advised Taieri College Board of Trustees that a paid union meeting has been scheduled for the afternoon of **Thursday 27 February 2020**. The paid union meeting is part of the secondary teachers' collective agreement which Taieri College has no say in. This means that union members will not be available to teach that afternoon and we are advising parents that we will be closed for instruction from 12.30pm. **The buses will run at 12.30pm.**

New Teacher Profiles

Name: Josh Pendreigh Birthplace: Dunedin, School: Taieri College

Tertiary Qualification: Advanced Trade Qual in Timber Machining and technical plant

operations.

Teaching Subjects: Wood Building and Construction/Hard materials

Hobbies/Interests: Bodybuilding

Favourite Quote: the best way to predict the future is to create it

Name: Leith McGhee Birthplace: Dunedin School: King's HS

Tertiary Qualifications: BA in English and Film & Media

Teaching Subjects: Teaching: English

Hobbies & Interests: hiking, a good test match, movies, travel

Favourite Quote: "If you don't like someone's story. Write your own." - Chinua Achebe

Name: Jarrad Waldron Birthplace: Dunedin

School: Educated Kavanagh College and Otago University.

Teaching Subjects: Physical Education

Hobbies. Trail and mountain running, any adventurous activity, cricket, camping with family, horse racing, playing guitar, travelling in France, cooking in France and eating in France

Favourite Quote: 'Just because you are a character doesn't mean you have character'

or 'Anytime of day is a good time for pie'

Name: Brooke Hannah Birthplace: Dunedin

Schooling: Mosgiel West/Elmgrove then Taieri College

Tertiary Qualification: Bachelor of Education Studies endorsed in Social Studies education and a Graduate Diploma in Education and Teaching endorsed in primary education.

Teaching Subjects: TK Block

Hobbies/Interest: Baking and Running

Favourite quote: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change

the world". Nelson Mandela.









Introducing 2020 Social Prefects

Our Social Prefects this year are Ash Smith, Ben Hackfath and Jody Burrell. Ash, Ben and Jody will be helping to organise social activities with our Year 7 and 8 students and will also organise our college formal. The Taieri College Formal this year will be held in the Dunedin Town Hall on Saturday 13 June at 7pm. An estimated ticket price will be advertised over the next couple of weeks. We understand the expense for families with this event and our Social Prefects work very hard to keep the ticket price down. The ticket price is strictly set to cover costs of the event only; we do not set this to make a profit. The price of the ticket covers entertainment, access to photographer's website,

hire of venue, dinner and transport to and from the venue. The

exact ticket price will be advertised closer to the sales. Any questions regarding this please phone Monique Evans, Student Support Administrator 489 3823 ext 111.





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On Tuesday 11th February, 20 female students from Taieri College attended the inaugural Girls STEM expo. The idea behind the expo was to promote a range of possible career pathways for female students to take involving Science, Maths, Technology and Engineering. The expo was held at the Otago Museum and was in two sessions. The first involved students watching interviews with female scientists who are working on an



ocean mapping vessel. The second involved students being able to visit various stations/exhibits, where they carried out hands on practical activities to introduce them to a range of career pathways.



















Accounts

Statements of account will be issued by 6 March 2020 showing school costs. You can make payments at any time now to your school account and these payments will be allocated to the costs as they are charged.

You can also view accounts at any time via by logging in to the Taieri College Kamar site via our website and selecting the Taieri College useful links tab.

Payment can be made the following ways:

- internet banking/automatic payments to our Westpac bank account number 03 1725 0106800 00
- eftpos/cash/cheque at the office
- cash/cheque using the envelope system at the office by students

When making payment by internet banking/automatic payment please include the student's name as the reference and if the payment is for a specific cost eg. camp, please note this also in the reference. You can also quote the student's ID number which is printed on the statement (to the left of their name).

If you are paying regular automatic payments it would be appreciated if they are of a sufficient amount to cover all costs by the end of Term 4. You may need to make additional payments for any sports fees which are due at the beginning of the playing season and for any camp/trip costs which are required before the event.

If you have a query about your account please email <u>accounts@taieri.school.nz</u> or telephone the Finance Office extn 206 or extn 129.

Please note that financial assistance is available in some cases so if you have any concerns at all about payment please don't hesitate to phone the college on 489 3823 and speak to Mr Peacock (extn 101).

Thank you.

Taieri College Athletics Day - Tuesday 25 February 2020

On Tuesday 25 February 2020 Taieri College will be having our annual Athletics day at Memorial Park. This is a fun athletics day in which students seek to not only gain points for their form class, but also qualify for athletic championships later in the year. If there is poor weather then Wednesday 26 February 2020 is set aside as a reserve day.

On the day, the school canteen will be operating at Memorial Park so students will be able to purchase food and drink at the ground.

On The Day

- Students Year 7 10 are to compete wearing normal PE Uniform, while Year 11-13 are to wear appropriate mufti.
- Students are to go directly to Memorial Park at the normal times for school. Your form teachers will be doing a roll at the start and end of the day.
- Sun hats are encouraged to be worn. Remind students to bring good food and water.
- Students will not be leaving the fields during the day unless signed out by a parent. This can be done in the Mosgiel Football Clubrooms.
- if the weather is bad, postponements will be made before 7am and will be posted on the Taieri College Sports Page, Taieri College Website and Facebook page. Postponement day is the following day.
- No BBQs are allowed at the event.
- There is no face paint permitted at the grounds.
- Students travelling on buses will be dropped off and picked up from Memorial Park.

Taieri College Canteen for Athletics Day

On the Taieri College Athletics day the college canteen will be operating at Memorial Park.

Please see the below menu of what will be on offer on the day.

Sausage Rolls	\$3.00	Cake & Slices	\$2.50	
Pies	\$4.00	Chips	\$1.50	
Chicken Bun	\$3.50	Doritos	\$2.20	
Cookies	\$1.40	Donuts	\$2.00	
Drinks				
Pump Water	\$3.00	Fizz	\$2.00	
Cool Change	\$1.50			
E2	\$3.00	Juices	\$1.30	
Lipton Tea	\$3.00	Twisters	Twisters \$1.00	
Cool Sips	\$1.30	Paddle Pops	Paddle Pops \$1.00	

Sorry there is NO EFTPOS on the day – Cash Only.

Taieri College Athletics Day 2020

Track Events

Track events start at 9.00am as the day progresses events will be called over the public address system for marshalling.

Back straight Sprints— U14G, U15B, U16G, U16B, U15G, U14B
Front straight Sprints— U12G (75m), U12B (75m), U13B, U13G, O16B, O16G
200m Heats - U12G, U13G, U14G, U15G, U16G, O16G U12B, U13B, U14B, U15B, U16B, O16B
400m - U12G, U13G, U14G, U15G, U16G, O16G U12B, U13B, U14B, U15B, U16B, O16B
100m Finals
200m Finals
400m Finals
Interform Relays

Field Events

Age Group	High Jump	Long Jump	Shotput	Discus	Javelin
U12G	9.00am	11:15am	12noon	9:45am	
U12B	10:30am	1:30pm	9:45am	12noon	
U13G	9:45am	2:15pm	12:45pm	10:30am	
U13B	9:45am	12noon	10:30am	12:45pm	
U14G	12noon	12:45	9.00am	10:30	2:15pm
U14B	12noon	10:30am	12:45pm	11:15am	1:30pm
U15G	1:30pm	10:30am	11:15am	1:30pm	12:45pm
U15B	11:15am	9:45am	1:30pm	9.00am	12noon
U16G	1:30pm	2:15pm	12noon	9:45am	9.00am
U16B	12:45pm	9:45am	1:30pm	10:30am	11:15am
O16G	2:15pm	9.00am	9:45am	12:45pm	10:30am
O16B	1:30pm	9.00am	10:30am	12noon	9:45am

Students are reminded that if they have a track and field event on at the same time they must go to the track event first.





Cricket News

This year has been a busy year already in terms of our cricket teams. We had a large growth in the numbers of students playing cricket which has seen an increase number of weekly competitions. Over the last couple of weeks our cricket teams have been playing in the first round of the New Zealand Cricket knock out tournaments for the different ages.

The Year 9-13 girls team had a good first off win before losing their second game. Meanwhile the Year 7 & 8 team was able to go one better winning both of their games on Wednesday against Tahuna and 8 + 1 = 1 Hilda's to progress to the next round.

The Year 9 - 13 boys team has also has progressed into the semi final stage of the NZ Super Smash competition after two good wins against Logan Park and South Otago High School. The boys will travel to Alexandra in a couple of weeks for the next stage of their competition.

The Year 7 & 8 boys team played Kavanagh College on Thursday. This saw a very good game between the two schools in which Taieri College boys won to advance to the next round.





Touch Nationals

Last weekend a selection of Taieri College students represented Otago in the National Interprovincial Touch Tournament. Logan Kakahi was part of the Otago Under 16 Boys Team who got 6th. Charlotte Williams, Eilish Fright and Ollie Mackenzie were part of the Otago Under 16 Mixed Team who got 10th. Gabby Kakahi and Georgia Robertson were part of the Otago Under 16 Girls Team who also got 10th.















Netball Trials 2020

We are still finalising the dates for netball trials across all of the year levels. All trials will be held in the ITC. Please keep an eye out in the notices and the Taieri College Sport Facebook page. At the moment we are tentatively planning the following schedule:

Year 8	Tuesday 25 Feb 3.30pm -5.00pm [only if Athletics is postponed] Wednesday 26 Feb 3.30pm -5.00pm [If Athletics is held on Tuesday] Subsequent trials will be notified, but possibly Monday March 2, 4.00pm – 5.30pm
Year 9	Sign up - Week 5.
	Trials - Week 6 [Days to be confirmed]
Year 10	Trials-Week 7 [Days to be confirmed]
Year 7	Sign up - Week 6
	Trials- Week 8 [Days to be confirmed]
Senior	Thursday 27 February 2020 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Sunday 1 March 2020 – time to be confirmed

Otago Secondary Schools' Triathlon Championships

On 12 February the Taieri College Year 9 – 13 Multisport team took part in the Otago Secondary Schools' Triathlon Championships, held in Wanaka. This event would have to be one of the best events on the school calendar not only is it well run by the people who run Challenge Wanaka but the students also get a whole lot of really good free gear. Our students, as always, performed

exceptionally well on the day.

U19 Boys team 2nd Otago Championship

U16 Girls: Shinae Stanley 5th

U16 Boys: team 3rd Otago Championship

U16 Girls: 2nd Otago Championship U14 Girls: 3rd Otago Championship

U14 Mixed team: 1st Otago Championship

U14 Boys team: 5th

Adaptative Duathlon - Dylan Lloyd 1st

A big thanks to Mr Hackfath, Miss Edgar and Miss Miller for providing expert assistance on the day.







Year 7 and 8 Girls Cricket

The Year 7 and 8 Girls' Cricket team played in the first round of the NZ Shield on Wednesday 19th February, at Bayfield Park in Dunedin. The NZ Shield is a knockout competition which is played in a nine aside T20 format. The team's first game was against Tahuna Intermediate which they won by eight wickets. They then went on to play St Hilda's Collegiate who they beat by seven wickets. The team now progress through to the next round, where they will have a home game against a team still to be confirmed. Overall it was a fantastic day of cricket with some excellent skills on display. Well done to everyone involved.



Netball Coaches

I am running a netball skills and drills refresher session for Netball Coaches out at Taieri College for Netball coaches who are based out on the Taieri and thought that your school team community and student netball coaches might be interested in attending.

This is a session where I will be delivering to players, and the coaches attending will be on the sideline, taking notes, videos, asking questions etc.

It is on the 24 February 2020, in the Taieri College Indoor Training Centre in-conjunction with the Taieri Netball Club - 7.00pm– 8.30pm.

All coaches are most welcome and the link to register is www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/98725

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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AGM: Monday 2 March 7.00pm Taieri College Library Please come along!



The Taieri Plain's Junior Netball Committee is a small group of volunteers without whom the Saturday netball games would not occur.

Most official positions have been filled, however, there are several 'vacancies' in the assistant positions which help with the day to day running of Saturday netball.

If you would like to join our committee either on an official basis or as a helping hand on Saturdays please come along on Monday 2 March at 7.00pm and meet us all.

The successful running of Saturday netball depends on volunteers to spread the load.



Can you HELP!?

Netball Coaches and Managers

In order to continue to develop aspiring netball players at all levels, we are seeking expressions of interest for coaches and / or managers.

If you are interested in assisting us to continue our strong netball tradition please email krosevear@taieri.school.nz

Teams available from Year 7 to Senior level.

Strong support networks are in place to assist all levels of coaches and aspiring coaches.

