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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

There has been further success for our musicians with our Taieri College band "Schlappers" (Liam Boyne, Roshan Dixon, Hamish Burgess and Keisha Hollands) gaining a place in New Zealand's top 20 school bands.

The top 20 bands are now tasked with submitting a video with two more of their songs to be used for national final selection judging. From these videos, the top seven bands (announced on Monday 7 September 2020) will be selected. Their two best songs will be collated and streamed all together for the national final. This online national final will be streamed on Thursday 24 September 2020. Good luck!

Our Year 9 debating team also achieved an excellent result recently and have made the finals of the Dunedin wide competition. This is a fantastic result and I wish the team (ably coached by Miss Hurst) all the best for their upcoming debates.

Good luck to the hockey, netball and rugby players who are participating in a winter tournament next week. I am sure they will represent Taieri College with pride.

Preparation should be under way for revision for senior examinations that begin on Monday. Examinations are not about luck; they are about preparation and hard work. I challenge all senior students with examinations to prepare thoroughly and give themselves every opportunity to obtain the results they are capable of.

Noho ora mai

Dave Hunter PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

- 30 August 1 September Netball Tournament
- 30 August 2 September U15 Rugby Tournament
- 31 August 4 September Hockey Tournament Senior Assessment Week
- 8 September Mufti Day
- 9-11 September L3SPR & L3PED Ski Trip
- 11 September
 Otago Primary and Secondary
 Schools' Cross Country Champs
 Learning Readiness Issued
- 25 September 2020 Senior Reports Issued End of Term 3
- 12 October Start of Term 4

Mufti Day Tuesday 8 September 2020 Gold coin donation





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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) and SILVER (\$500 + GST per year).

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

GOLD SPONSOR OF THE MONTH TAK Flooring Ltd

Thank you to Greg Tomlinson from Tak Flooring for his continued support! Carpet and Vinyl is what they do, so please if you are doing renovations and need a professional on the job then give Greg a call or go see him at 95 Crawford Street, Dunedin.



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

Outgoing Sponsors

Sports Council would like to acknowledge and thank our outgoing sponsors, BUNGARD BUILDERS LTD, ADVANCED STOPPING, DF TRANSALES ENGINEERING, REIDS JOINERY. You have all contributed to our College community with your generosity over your time as a sponsor and for that we thank you and wish your businesses every success.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome on board as a silver sponsor Loan Market. Thank you to Gary Beattie and Sally Thomson from Loan Market for joining our sponsorship team.

If you are in a position to help with sponsorship, all money is invested 100% back into our young people to help subsidise sporting costs, support upgrades to sport facilities around our College, purchasing of sport equipment and provide vans for transportation for all of our College students. Please contact the Sports Office to register your interest.







School Magazine \$20.00

We are taking payment now for our annual school magazine which is distributed at the end of Term Four. This is a 270 page colour printed A4 magazine which records the activities throughout the school year and includes form class and sports team photos.

All students have been invoiced \$20.00 for this magazine but if you do not want a copy, or only want one copy per family please email <u>accounts@taieri.school.nz</u> to have this charge removed.

Please make payment by 25 September 2020 to confirm your order.

Payment can be made by internet banking to 03-1725-0106800-00 using your **name** and **magazine** as the reference, or by eftpos/cash at the office.



Celebrate Design

Celebrate Design was a big success with so many positive comments about our students' work. Bailey Halligan and Janika Reburiano both won a Highly Commended Award, giving them direct entry into the Communications, Fashion or Architecture degree courses should they wish to enter. These courses have limited places and are very popular and each year we have students who enter. Well done Bailey and Janika, and all whose work was selected.





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Inspiring Young Women Breakfast run by the National Council of Women

Five of our Year 13 students got the opportunity to attend the above breakfast on Wednesday 26 August. It was an eye watering early start with us setting off at 6.20am to the Otago Polytechnic Manaaki Restaurant in Harbour Terrace. We, along with other secondary schools, got to listen to a talented guest speaker lineup from all walks of life tell us about their careers and how they got there. It was interesting to listen to their stories and how many of them have ended



up doing jobs they did not envisage doing. The biggest thing to come of this was their ability to embrace change, believe in their own abilities and how empathy, communication and not being afraid to go in a different direction can lead to some amazing experiences. The breakfast put on by the Polytechnic was very good and worth the early start. A big thanks to Miss Hurst for giving up her time and joining us for the function.





Accounts

Statements of account were issued today. A charge of \$20 has been made to each student for the annual school magazine which will be issued at the end of Term Four. The due date for payment to confirm your magazine order is 25 September 2020. If you do not want a copy of the magazine or only want one copy per family please email accounts@taieri.school.nz to have this charge removed.

Prompt payment of the balance owing would be very much appreciated.

The first two camp instalments of \$85.00 for Year 8 students should be paid by now with the final instalment of \$90.00 due by 19 October 2020. Please note that financial assistance is available in some cases so if you have any concerns at all about paying your account please do not hesitate to phone the college on 489 3823 and speak to Mr Peacock (extn 101).

If you have a query about your account please email <u>accounts@taieri.school.nz</u> or phone the Finance Office on 4893823 extn 206 or extn 129.

Thank you.







Year 7 Writing Trip

Our writing focus this term is creative writing (setting descriptions). On Monday 24 August 2020 every Year 7 class went on a trip to places around Dunedin such as the Octagon, St Kilda Beach and the Woodhaugh Gardens. This was so we could see the settings in person and get more details and descriptive ideas to improve our writing skills. Overall, it was a good day even though the weather didn't cooperate. Thank you to the parents and teachers for taking us on this trip.

Zac Cunningham 7RL

















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Taieri College

BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE 2020/21

Nominations are being called for our Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2020/21

Nominations close on Friday the 11 September 2020 at 12.00 noon

Forms available from the Student Slide

Sport Column

We are very lucky that tournament week across the region is able to be conducted next week, where we have four Taieri College teams with the opportunity to put their best foot forward. Our Taieri College A Netball team & U15 Rugby Tournament team, are down in Invercargill the early part of next week. Small number of spectators are fortuitous enough to both of these events. In Dunedin, our girls and boys 1st XI Hockey teams are competing all week long at the Hockey turf. We wish all our teams the best, knowing they will wear our colours with pride. Results from all these teams will be available on Taieri College Sport all week.

We do have many senior students in these four teams who are also juggling school exams next week. I ask that families at home support these students as best we can, as their performing to their best is very important in both facets next week.

This afternoon our annual Year 7 & 8 Cross Country is being held on school grounds. Results from this event will be on Taieri College Sport Facebook page later this afternoon.

Ryan Rosevear Head of Sport



Play it Strange Competition

Congratulations to
Hamish Burgess and
Liam Boyne who have
placed in the top 50 in
New Zealand, for their
song "Gloomy", in The
Lion Foundation - Play it
Strange national
secondary schools song
writing competition.







Smokefree Rockquest 2020 - Top 20!

Congratulations to Liam Boyne, Roshan Dixon, Hamish Burgess and Keisha Hollands, the 'Schlappers'. Who have placed top 20 in New Zealand, for this year's Smokefree Rockquest 2020. They will now resubmit two new songs by video submission for selection for top 7 National Finals.



If you want to check out more go to: https://smokefreerockquest.co.nz/results/



Young Writers' Awards 2020

Entries are due Wednesday 23 September 2020 at 3:00pm.

Entries into the Short Story, Poetry, Essay/Article, Drama Script, and Project (where possible) sections need to be e-mailed as a Word document attachment to wwa@taieri.school.nz. The subject line must indicate the category and year level.

Entries for Children's Illustrated Books and Project (if not in electronic format) need to be delivered to the English Department Office.



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.



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.



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 work should have a catchy title and be formatted in paragraphs.



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).



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



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 your English teacher or to Miss Hurst in C10 or by email (ehurst@taieri.school.nz).

Year 10 Art















Covid-19 Alert Levels 2 and 3

Until 11.59 pm Sunday 30 August 2020 the Auckland region (Auckland Council area) is at **Alert Level 3**. The rest of New Zealand is at **Alert Level 2**. Find out more on the Unite Against COVID-19 website.

Stay home if you're unwell

Play it safe. Stay home if you're feeling unwell. Don't go to work, and keep unwell children home from school or early childhood education. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, get tested. See information about the common <u>COVID-19 symptoms</u> and <u>who to contact to talk about whether you need a test</u>.

Use basic hygiene

Basic hygiene measures include: good hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, avoid touching your face, and clean surfaces.

Wash your hands with soap and water often (for at least 20 seconds) and dry thoroughly. Use an alcohol-based sanitiser and rub hands together if soap and water is unavailable.

Cough or sneeze into your elbow or cover your mouth and nose with tissues. Put them in a bin immediately.

Avoid touching your face, including your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean. Surfaces may have infectious droplets.

Clean surfaces regularly. This includes items frequently touch like door handles and phones.

Keep a record of where you have been

If cases of COVID-19 are confirmed, we need to stop the spread. Keeping a record of your movements will help the Ministry of Health to do contact tracing quickly and efficiently.

It is recommended you keep a record of where you have been, when you were there and who you were with.

The Ministry of Health has created a tracing app — <u>NZ COVID Tracer</u> which you can download for free in the Apple App Store or Google Play. We encourage people to use the app and businesses to display QR codes, as it is an easy way for people to track their movements.

You can also keep track of your movements in a number of others ways including; keeping a list in a safe place, keeping a diary, noting in your phone calendar, using another app to record your movements, or taking time-stamped photos of where you have been.

Find out more about the NZ COVID Tracer app

Senior Exam Timetable 2020

Time	Monday 31 August	Tuesday 1 Sept	Wednesday 2 Sept	Thursday 3 Sept	Friday 4 Sept
9:00 – 12:00	L1 ENC 58 (2 hours) L1 ENE 29 (3 hours) L1 ENG 80 (3 hours)	L1 SCI 127 (3 hours) L1SCP 21 (3 hours)	L1 MAT 70 (2½ hours)	L1 DRA 26 (2 hours)DRA L1 ECO 38 (3 hours) L1 MET 23 (2 hours) D7 L1 TXT 10 (2 hours) D3	L1 DRA 26 (2 hours) L1DVC 19 (2 hours) D6
	L2 HIS 18 (3 hours)	L2 ART 4 (3 hours) D2 L2 DRA 18 (2 hours) L2 ECO 6 (2 hours) L2TAW 9 (2 hours) D7	L2 PHY 29 (3 hours)	L2 GEO 24 (3 hours) L2 MED 6 (3 hours) L2 TXT 3 (2 hours) D3	L2 APH 11 (3 hours) D1 L2 HEA 35 (2 hours)
	L3 ARD 12 (3 hours) D1	L3 ART 5 (3 hours) D2 L3 GEO 18 (3 hours)	L3 APH 18 (3 hours) D1 L3 HEA 26 (2 hours)	L3 DRA 14 (2 Hours) L3 MAS 29 (2 hours) L3 TXT 2 (2 hours) D3	L3 HIS 15 (3 hours) L3 MAC 17 (2 hours)
1:00 – 4:00	L1 ART 16 (3 hours) D11	L1 ARD 26 (3 hours) D1 L1 HIS 26 (3 hours)	L1 GEO 58 (3 hours) L1 TXT 7 (2 hours) D3	L1 ACC 15 (3 hours) L1 HEA 30 (2 hours)	L1 JAP 19 (3 hours) G5
	L2 MAS 50 (1½ hours) L2 MAT 37 (2 hours)	L2 ENC 47 (2 hours) L2 ENG 63 (3 hours)	L2 BIO 65 (3 hours) L2 TXT 3 (2 hours) D3	L2 CHE 50 (3 hours)	L2 ARD 25 (3 hours) D1
	L3 CHE 28 (3 hours)	L3 ENC 36 (2 hours) L3 ENG 27 (3 hours)	L3 CLS 3 (3 hours) L3 PHY 16 (1½ hours) L3 PRM 6 (3 hours) L3 TXT 6 (2 hours) D3	L3 BIO 33 (3 hours)	L3 ECO 10 (3 hours) L3 MED 5 (3 hours)

Exams will take place mostly in the ITC apart from specialist rooms where indicated.

Year 11, 12 and 13 students have study leave while exams take place.

Students must stay for the entire length of exam if 2 hours or less. Students must stay for 2 hours if in a 3hr exam.

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Understanding Neurodiversity

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PRESENTED BY SARAH SHARPE

HOSTED BY THE COMMUNITY OF NORTH DUNEDIN SCHOOLS

This seminar provides an understanding of neurodiversity, with a focus on dyslexia, dyspraxia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, but also touching on ADD, ADHD and ASD.

RSVP using the link bit.ly/sharpe-neurodiversity

Tuesday
15th September 2020
6-7pm



VENUE: Dunedin North Intermediate



Sarah Sharpe is a Core Education Facilitator and teacher at Kapiti College. She has initiated and established neurodiverse friendly practices which have gained nationwide recognition for their effectiveness in producing high levels of academic success. Sarah has presented at workshops, conferences and symposiums throughout the country and collaborates with organisations and experts, both in New Zealand and overseas.