



# @ a glance

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## Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora tatou

This week we begin the first of our Learning Readiness Reports. For parents and caregivers who are new to Taieri College the following is a brief explanation of their purpose.

Learning Readiness reports are e-mailed to parents and caregivers (including secondary caregivers) every fortnight. Their predominant purpose is to give regular updates on a student's preparedness for learning. This is an obvious and crucial element in allowing them to progress in the classroom. It is important to emphasise that Learning Readiness Reports are not a measurement of academic attainment. Academic attainment reports get sent to parents mid-year and at the end of the year.

We use a very simple three point system that gives an indication on how a student is managing themselves and relating to others during class time. For 'Self-Management' this may include punctuality, having correct equipment, completing set tasks with minimum fuss, and to the best of their ability. For 'Relating to Others', the parameters may include appropriate communication with teachers and peers, following instructions (again with minimum fuss), and using good manners.

Parents and caregivers should be looking for lots of 3s across their sons/daughters Learning Readiness Report. Whilst a positive Learning Readiness Report does not guarantee academic success, it sure does increase the chances of students realising their academic potential. If, as a parent or caregiver, you have questions, queries or concerns over your child's progress, please contact the college.

We have had an excellent response to the fitness conditioning sessions that are being held on Wednesday and Friday mornings (7.00am start) at the Indoor Training Centre. These sessions are taken by professional fitness trainers and cover several components of fitness that will be helpful for wellbeing and pre-season winter sports preparation. All Year 9-13 students are welcome to attend. There is no cost for the sessions.

Noho ora mai

**Dave Hunter**  
PRINCIPAL

### Key Dates

17-21 February  
Tautuku Camp 1 10HK & 10PN

17 February  
Super Smash Cricket

18 February  
NZC Cup Year 7-8 Boys  
Cricket

19 February  
NZC Shield Cup Year 7-8 Girls  
Cricket

24 February  
7RL/7SW Waiholo Trip

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

27-28 February  
Level 1 PRM trip to South  
Canterbury

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



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## New Teachers Profiles

Name: Brooke Martin  
 Birthplace: Dunedin  
 Schooling: Taieri College  
 Tertiary Qualification: Batchelor of Education endorsed in Primary at the University of Otago  
 Subjects Teaching: Year 7 Form Teacher  
 Hobbies/Interests: netball, walking the dog and baking huge cakes  
 Favourite Quote: "There is more in us than we know. If only we can be brought to realise this, we may never settle for anything less." - Kurt Hahn



Name: Tyler Bezett  
 Birthplace: Dunedin  
 Schooling: Taieri College  
 Tertiary Qualification: Bachelor of Teaching, endorsed in Primary Education from the University of Otago  
 Subjects Teaching: Year 8 Core  
 Hobbies/Interests: sport, reading, getting outdoors  
 Favourite Quote: "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose." Dr Seuss



Name: Marina Roxburgh  
 Birthplace: Karamea, moved to Dunedin 25 years ago  
 Schooling/Tertiary Qualification: BSc / MSc in Chemistry, MTchgLn  
 Subjects Teaching: Science, Maths and Chemistry  
 Hobbies/Interests: Big walks with my dog Bobby, music and pottery  
 Favourite Quote:  
 He aha te mea nui o te ao  
 What is the most important thing in the world?  
 He tangata, he tangata, he tangata  
 It is the people, it is the people, it is the people



Name: Bridget West  
 Birthplace: Dunedin (Queen Mary)  
 Schooling: Verdon College (Y9-11), St Kevin's College (Y12/13)  
 Subjects teaching: Careers and English  
 Teaching Qualification: BA English, Grad dip Secondary Teaching (University of Otago College of Education)  
 Hobbies/interests: running, squash, reading, netball, outdoors  
 Favourite quote: 'People are products of their thoughts. What they think, they become.'





## 7KM/7HU/7MR Waihola Trip

After camp being called off due to the terrible rain on Tuesday, we were able to make it to camp on Friday. We all had a fantastic time especially once the sun came out. We all had a go at an activity that pushed the boundaries of our comfort zone, but by the smiles on everyone's face the activities were thoroughly enjoyed. We would all like to send a special thanks to the parent helpers and senior leaders who joined us for the day.

Miss M Kenny  
TK10 - 7KM





## Art

Emma Jackson had a big success over the summer, selling her amazing painting "Boy with fish" to a purchaser in America. Her painting was on display at the Otago Art Society and online. It is such a beautiful image and thrilled that Emma goes from strength to strength in her Art.



## Netball 2020

We are currently beginning to think about netball at Taieri College for 2020.

At present we have called for names of senior girls wishing to trial and for Year 10 girls wishing to trial. Other year levels will be called gradually over the next few weeks. Trial dates will be posted in the newsletter and Taieri College Sport Facebook page once they are confirmed.



If any parents and extended whanau wish to help with coaching or managing teams please contact [krosevear@taieri.school.nz](mailto:krosevear@taieri.school.nz)

Our Year 7 and 8 pupils play in the Taieri Plain Junior Netball competition held at Taieri College on a Saturday. The TPJN committee is looking for volunteers to help join the committee and/ or to help on Saturdays. They are holding a meeting at Taieri College Library at 7.00pm Monday Feb 17. Please contact [krosevear@taieri.school.nz](mailto:krosevear@taieri.school.nz) if you would like to help in any way. You are also most welcome to attend their meeting on Monday.

## Audition Information - Mamma Mia in the Arena

Kia ora,

On behalf of Taieri Musical you may have already seen/heard across social media and The Hits radio station, we are producing Mamma Mia in the arena in October 2020. Below is audition information. Please note, they MUST be 16 at the time of auditions (6-8 March 2020).

*Mamma Mia is the world's most loved musical EVER grossing over \$4 billion worldwide and having over 65 million people all around the globe falling in love with the characters, the story and the music.*

*But Mamma Mia has **never** been licensed as an 'ARENA' product, which means thousands of people nationally will be treated to this global first right here in Dunedin at the More FM Arena.*

*The story-telling magic of ABBA's timeless songs propels this enchanting tale of love, laughter and friendship, and brings endless fun, night after night which is why Mamma Mia has become the ultimate feel-good show!*

*The tale unfolds on a Greek island paradise. On the eve of her wedding, a daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago.*

We are now looking for our stunning cast to bring this brand-new production to life and ensure Mamma Mia is Dunedin's biggest party musical of 2020. Register at [www.mammamiaarena.co.nz](http://www.mammamiaarena.co.nz)

Regards,  
Charlotte Hayward



## 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](mailto: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.



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### Mosgiel AFC Junior Football Registration 2020

Registration online at  
<http://www.sporty.co.nz/mosgielafcjuniors>



First Kicks and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to Youth Grade are required to register online before the 6<sup>th</sup> March to guarantee a place in a team.

Anyone without a computer can register on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 5.30pm – 7.30pm** at Memorial Park Clubrooms. Eftpos available.

Subs:	
First Kicks - Memorial Park	\$ 50.00 (Includes free ball)
First Child (6 <sup>th</sup> - Youth Grade)	\$ 95.00
Subsequent Child/ren (6 <sup>th</sup> - Youth Grade)	\$ 65.00 (\$95.00 + \$65.00=\$160.00)

Any questions contact:  
Nicky Standing 027 2740220  
Tania Outram 027 4880784



# NORWOOD

## Farm Machinery Centre



### Challenge

A **free** youth leadership programme for Year 9 students, with an emphasis on using outdoor activities and challenges to promote and enhance leadership skills such as trust, cooperation, problem solving and communication. Working together is crucial as all tasks require more than one person to complete. This is run on Wednesday evenings 6.30pm to 8.00pm, from 19 February 2020 – 1 April 2020, with a camp 27-29 March 2020. Want to know more? Please contact Larissa at Youth East Taieri on 021 0867 1157, or email [yetworker@gmail.com](mailto:yetworker@gmail.com)

Larissa Pearce  
Youth Worker

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### Taieri Amateur Wrestling Club

## WANT TO WRESTLE?

Season begins Monday 2 March 2020



#### TAIERI AMATEUR WRESTLING CLUB

**Come along boys & girls to try wrestling!**

**Wear t-shirt and shorts (no zips)  
Bring a water bottle**

**Facebook: Taieri Taniwhas Amateur Wrestling Club**

**When: 6.30pm Monday 2 March**

*Thereafter Mondays & Wednesdays*

*6.30pm - 7.30pm Juniors*

*7.30pm - 8.30pm Seniors*

**Where: Taieri College - Hollamby Hall  
(next to the ITC), Taieri College, Green St, Mosgiel**

Hollamby Hall is the name of the wrestling training room (sign is above the door). It is named after Brent Hollamby who competed in wrestling and placed 10th at the Seoul Olympics in 1988. He grew up in Mosgiel and went to Taieri High School.