



Kia ora e te whanau

Welcome back to Term 3, where we look forward to lighter mornings and milder days. Like the beginning of all terms, we emphasise the importance of re-establishing healthy and sustainable routines that lend themselves to positive outputs in the classroom. These routines may include good diet, regular exercise, enough sleep, and a monitoring of acceptable screen time.

Our senior students received their reports at the end of Term 2 and it would be wise of them to take on board the advice teachers have offered. The comments I have read on several reports offer specific guidance towards improving results and I challenge all senior students to respond accordingly during this term. Year 10 students will have now started their second semester of learning and will be adjusting to their new timetables. I hope they will enjoy the opportunity to explore a new range of learning opportunities for the second half of the year. Our Year 7-10 reports are currently being prepared and checked. They will be with families at the end of Week 3 and for Year 10 students will include the results from their first semester.

Well done to our junior netballers for their performance in Christchurch at the South Island Championships during the holidays. Both teams made the top 16 cut with our Year 9s finishing 8th and our Year 10s 16th. The girls were wonderful ambassadors for the college and my thanks to the coaches, managers and supporters who contributed to the tournament.

Congratulations to our Combined Co-Ed rugby 1st XV who triumphed over Otago Boys' 2nd XV on the first Saturday of the holidays. It was their first competition win in quite a while. The boys thoroughly deserved their win and played with absolute passion and determination in doing so; an excellent example of never giving up.

Several sports teams will be competing in the annual winter exchange with James Hargest next Wednesday, which will be held at Taieri College. It is one of the sporting highlights on our calendar and I wish everyone involved the best of luck. Also competing today are our Jazz Band who are performing in Dunedin as part of a regional school jazz band competition. Good luck to everyone involved.

Tickets are selling fast for our college production, "Man of Steel". It promises to be an entertaining spectacle and I encourage those who are looking for a fun night out to purchase tickets from our main office. Rehearsals are in full swing, and the countdown is on for opening night on Thursday 12 August 2021. The season will run for three nights.

Next week we are holding our Open Week where we invite families of prospective students to explore what Taieri College has to offer. It has become custom now that all secondary schools go through a marketing exercise at this time of the year. We have veered away from a choreographed Open Day and have chosen to show the college off in what could be considered a "normal school day." The healthy relationship our teachers have with their students, and our students' engagement with their learning is what we are proud of, and we look forward to sharing this with new families from Monday next week. Bookings for our tours can be made from our college website taieri.school.nz or by calling the main office (489 3823) for an appointment. If you can't make a prescribed tour time, please let us know and we would be happy to organise an alternative time.

Nga mihi

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

TEACHER ONLY DAY – MONDAY 16 AUGUST – COLLEGE CLOSED

Key Dates

2-6 August
Taieri College Open Week Tours

3 August
Taieri College Science Fair

4 August
James Hargest Interchange
Senior assessment due - L2PHY AS91168 Nuclear Physics

5-6 August
L2SPR Caving

10 August
NZ Holocaust Centre Visit

11 August
Mufti Day

12 August
Enviroschools Hui

12-4 August
Taieri College "Man of Steel" Production

13 August
Junior Reports Emailed Home
Year 7/8 Football with Tahuna

16 August
Teacher Only Day – College Closed

17-18 August
Parent Teacher Interview

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 we urge our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

SILVER SPONSOR OF THE MONTH

BEAUTY LANE MOSGIEL (Formerly Jane Lane Beauty)

Welcome to our latest new sponsor, Ann-Marie the owner operator of Beauty Lane, Mosgiel. Ann-Marie has chosen to be a valued TC Sports Council monthly sponsor. Beauty Lane is a boutique styled beauty therapy salon in the heart of Gordon Road. Ann-Marie welcomes any students or new potential clients to call in or contact her to check out the latest up to date services provided.

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



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40 Hour Famine Success

Miss Blick (staff member) at Taieri College said that if Taieri College students could raise \$2000 for the 40hr famine she would shave her head (our overall goal was \$3000). We raised \$3073 and therefore Miss Blick had to shave.

The money raised went towards the hunger crisis in Sub-Saharan Africa. We had over 100 students take part in the famine, the majority of which were Year 7/8.

Laura Gale and Holli Bannister-Russell pictured with Miss Blick



Free Period Products to all School Students

From now on, every female school student in New Zealand schools is entitled to free period products. This is not just for in an emergency, it is free period products every month – full stop!

Taieri College is proud to support this initiative. Period products for the month are available from the school office for all female students. Please make the most of this opportunity and pick up what you are entitled to.



National Science and Technology Forum

Any Year 12 wishing to apply for the National Science and Technology Forum held in January 2022 in Auckland, needs to get an information pack from Mr Fitzgerald as soon as possible.

Taieri College Science Fair

The Taieri College Science Fair will be held on Tuesday 3 August 2021 this year in which students from Year 9, Year 7 and 8 Science GATE as well as some other students will have their projects on display. This will be held downstairs in C block. The Science Fair is open to the public between 11am and 1pm. All visitors must sign in as they enter C block and there will be a Covid Tracer QR code for scanning.



Vocabulary Strategies

Learning to spell correctly is a crucial skill for life. Students begin to learn the basics of the English language as soon as they start school. Their skills and knowledge are built upon as they progress throughout their education, but the English language is one of the most difficult languages in the world to spell. Many words in the English language follow specific rules and students will be taught these rules at school. It helps to cement the learning when these strategies are also used at home.

Root Word Trees

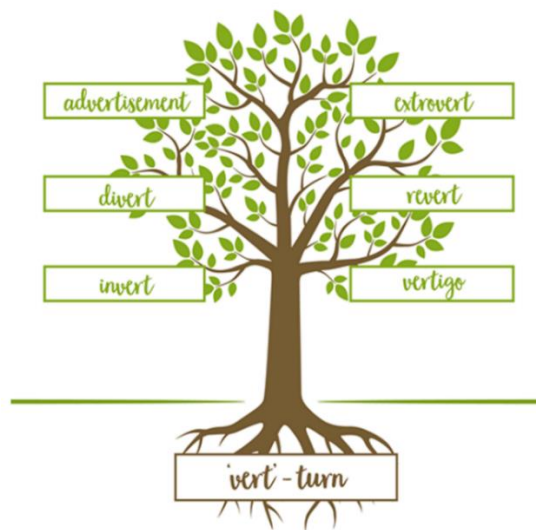
A root word is a basic word with no prefix or suffix added to it (a prefix is a string of letters that go at the start of a word; a suffix is a string of letters that go at the end of a word). By adding prefixes and suffixes to a root word we can change its meaning.

What you need:

- Drawing paper
- Markers or coloured pencils

What to do:

1. These word trees will help vocabulary learning take root. Begin by drawing on a board or piece of paper a large tree with roots, a trunk, and branches. Write a root word, such as 'meta', on the trunk of the tree. Students then generate words that contain the root and write them on the branches. For example, students might write metallic, metabolism, and metamorphosis.
2. Next, draw leaves on the branches where students can record other related words. For instance, if the branch says metaphor, you may add a leaf for metaphorical. You can add more words as you discover them.



SISS Dog Agility Championship

Last term Zara Deans competed with several of her dogs in the South Island Secondary Schools' Dog Agility Championship. Her results were:

Experienced Jumpers class: 5th, 6th and 9th

Open Handler Agility: 3rd

Open Handler Jumpers: 4th





Taieri College Jazz Band

Today our Taieri College students Seth Fleming, Robert Hannaford, Arana Kelly, Andrew Matheson, Rylee Outram, Jenny Petegem-Thach, Daniel Ruthven, Jayda Smither, Cameron Stewart, Tom Whaley and Maxwell White, are competing as part of the Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival. They will be competing in the Small Combo section performing Mambo No. 5, Rockin' Robin and in the Big Band section performing It's Still Rock n Roll To Me, My Dinner With Ronald and Buffalo Head.

The Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival (DYJF) is an annual celebration of the jazz made by young people in our city and consists of a competition for Big Bands and Small Combos, a workshop with the adjudicator Umar Zakaria, and a showcase concert featuring award winning groups, the Dunedin Youth Jazz Orchestra and a professional ensemble. All the best, you have all worked so hard and good luck!



Taieri College Literacy Initiative

As part of our first school-wide literacy action, students will be seeing our 'See it, Say it, Spell it' campaign posters around the school and in every classroom. The objective of this action is to increase students exposure to a range of vocabulary in each subject, focusing on up to **three key words** per lesson. Research has shown that good literacy begins with words, so our intention is to make spelling more accessible for our students across the curriculum. By drawing attention to the words we are using and how those words look and function, we enable our students to connect on different levels with key vocabulary. We aim to provide students with the skills and strategies they need to be confident and literate when it counts.



Captain's Word: Jared Gibson - Senior A Boys Basketball

The Senior A basketball team has had results this season that do not reflect the performances and growth of the team. We have managed to keep our spot in the Premier Schools grade in Otago and have been competitive against every team we have come up against. We are a young team with a first-year coach, Esteban Erdödy, who is currently studying at Otago University and are being managed by Jenny Hooper, a very knowledgeable basketball head. Our most noteworthy games have been our dominant performance against Kavanagh to secure our sole win of the season and our two close games against St Kevin's College from Oamaru, that went down to the last minute. The team is itching to play against the James Hargest team travelling from down south and we hope to see big performances from our primary ball handler Ollie Sinclair, big man Josh Chiffers, from our exciting Year 11s Josh Munro and Jacoby Hooper and our captain Jared Gibson. Wish us luck and watch this team in future years!



New Zealand Secondary Schools' Swimming Championships

Over the school holidays Emma Bain attended the NZ Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs. These were held in Auckland at the National Aquatic Centre over six gruelling sessions from 22–25 July 2021. Emma's mother Chikako Bain supported Emma as her team manager on behalf of Taieri College. We thank Chikako for her supporting role with this sporting event. We congratulate Emma for making the extremely high standard of qualifying times at this national level.

Emma competed in the 14 year old girls' section where there were close to 40 swimmers in her age group from throughout New Zealand Secondary Schools. Emma competed in the 100m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 50m Freestyle, 50m Breaststroke, 50m Butterfly and 200m Freestyle events.

Emma's best placings were in the 100m and 200m freestyle with 16th place. We are very proud to have a student representing Taieri College at this national level in swimming. Well done Emma.

Emma would like to acknowledge the support from the Students' Council for their contribution in financially supporting her to attend this event.



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Network Waitaki Development Basketball Tournament

Over the second weekend of the school holidays, two Year 7 and 8 boys' miniball teams travelled to Oamaru to compete in the Network Waitaki Development Tournament.

It was a great weekend of basketball that saw some fantastic development from the Year 7 boys. The boys had some very close losses where they came within 4 to 6 points. For a team, that hadn't played together this season, they began to play as one and came away with a fabulous win on the last day beating Waimate 38-10. Will Campbell (7RL) was awarded the team's Fair Play Award. This award is picked by the coaching staff of each team and is given to players that not only show impressive talent but teamwork, leadership, and good sportsmanship.



The Year 8 boys continue their fine form, even stepping it up a notch to make it through pool play unbeaten. This secured them an automatic place in the final and a long wait on Sunday! What an intense final it was! It was close at half time with only 3 points in it, Hayden Webb (8GY) securing the lead with a 3-point shot right on the buzzer. The boys managed to chip away at that lead, over the second half to win 47-36. All the boys did themselves proud, in a very loud, pressure filled environment. Zac Cunningham (8GY) was awarded the finals MVP Award as well as the team's Fair Play Award. Ollie Michelle (8GY) and Hunter Compton (8HB) were also, awarded MVP Awards in our pool games throughout the first two days.



A massive thank you must go out to Jennie Roome, Aaron Pool and Kaylee Bezett for their time over the weeks leading up to, as well as their help over the weekend. Thank you also to the parents who travelled up to support the boys throughout the weekend.



South Island Secondary Schools' Junior Netball Tournament

In the first week of the July school holidays our 9 A and 10 A netball teams headed away to Christchurch to compete in the South Island Secondary Schools' Junior Tournament. This was a new experience for all players due to the event being cancelled in 2020. This is a large tournament with over 90 teams competing across three grades. Both of the Year 9 and Year 10 grades had 32 teams competing for placings. The first aim of both teams was to make the top 16. This was achieved on the first day with both teams having two wins.

The 9 A beat Verdon, Craighead and lost closely to Marian by 1 goal on the first day and followed up with a win against Nelson Girls' on the second day with losses to Christchurch Girls' and Villa Maria [who finished 3rd and 4th overall]. This put them in the top eight to play off on the last day. Losses to Otago Girls' and Cashmere saw the team finish a very credible eighth place overall and second top finishing Dunedin school.

The 10 A won against Motueka and Avonside Girls' on Day One, while losing to St Andrew's [who were second overall]. They then faced Marian, Marlborough Girls' and Rangī Ruru on the second day. Although they lost all three games the games against Marian and Rangī Ruru were very close. Two further losses to Mt Aspiring and Kaiapoi on the last day saw the team finish 16th overall and they were the third top placed Dunedin school.

Both teams need to be very proud of their results and behaviour at the tournament. A huge thanks to the coaches, Kahu Parmenter and Maigan Fright, as well as the managers, Tahnee Te Kanawa and Mali Chettleburgh for giving up their time to support the players. Many thanks also to the supporters who travelled up to enjoy the sun and netball.

Thanks also to our Students' Council, Sports Council who assisted with funding to both teams. The 9 A team would also like to thank Silver Fern Farms, CREDIFLEX and Core Building Solutions who assisted the team financially; your support and generosity is appreciated.



Have you got your tickets?

Here is a sneak peek from last week's dress rehearsal for this year's "Man of Steel" Taieri College production. Tickets are now on sale! Tickets can now be purchased weekdays at the Taieri College office.
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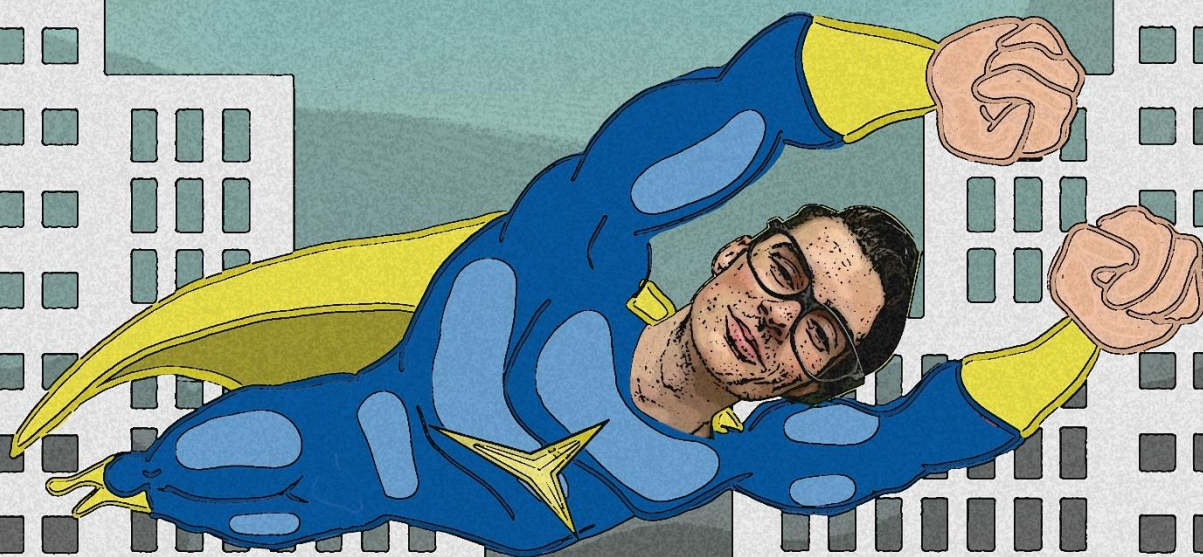
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Brighton Surf Life Saving Club

My name is Gabby Trotter and I am the chief instructor for the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club. On Sunday 1 August 2021 we are having an information morning for our become a lifeguard program.

The become a lifeguard program is for people aged 14+ years.

The programme is run weekly for approximately 10 weeks on a Sunday from 10:30 - 12:00 with a mixture of classroom and outdoors education, with the goal to acquire the skills and knowledge to successfully become a surf lifeguard at the end of the course. I have attached below the link to our Facebook event and was wondering if you would be interested in sharing this information to your students.

<https://fb.me/e/4fJIXWTxy>

Thank you
Gabby Trotter

