



Kia ora e te whānau

Welcome back to Term 4! It has been an important week for our Year 8-12 students as they have been selecting their course options for 2022. On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon we hosted, with the appropriate Covid-19 precautions, an opportunity for parents/whānau and students to come in and discuss their course options with senior teachers. Our Careers department were also on hand to provide valuable careers advice to those who sought clarification around what subjects may be required for further tertiary study or specific vocational pathways. Over the two afternoons we conducted over 350 interviews. It was pleasing to see the interest and involvement parents and whānau are having in their children's future.

We are pleased to announce that our annual Blues ceremony will take place next week to celebrate the successes of students who excelled in the performing arts or sport during 2020/21. My congratulations to those who were awarded Blues this week. Unfortunately, due to the continuing Covid restrictions we are unable to accommodate parents, whānau, and students together in our Performing Arts Centre to celebrate the occasion with us. However, we will attempt to livestream the event on Thursday 28 October 2021 at 11:30am and will email the college community further details regarding the livestream next week.

Also, this week the student body voted for their representative on the Board of Trustees for the next 12 months. This is an important role because it is essential that student voice on significant issues that affect the running of our college, is brought to the Board of Trustees. I would like to congratulate Andrew Matheson who was elected the Student Representative by his peers. I am sure that he will be a positive and constructive member to our wonderful Board of Trustees team.



Noho ora mai

Brenton Hackfath
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

- 25 October
Labour Day – College Closed
- 27 October
Mufti Day – Gold Coin Donation
- 26-29 October
Year 9 Hearing Screening
- 28 October
Blues Assembly
- 28 October – 4 November
Extra! Current Events Quiz

Senior Assessments Due Next Week

- L1MAS 91034 Apply transformation geometry in solving problems (in class)
- L2CHE AS91167 – Demonstrate understanding of oxidation - reduction
- L2PED AS91333 Risk Management Strategies
- L3CHE AS91388 – Demonstrate understanding of spectroscopic data in Chemistry
- L2 BIO AS91155 – Demonstrate understanding of adaptation of plants or animals to their way of life

Monday 25 October 2021 – Labour Day – College Closed

Wednesday 27 October 2021 – Mufti Day – 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 we urge our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

GOLD SPONSOR OF THE MONTH

Reece Building Consultants – Stefan Box



Reece Building Consultants provide specialist construction consultancy and project management for both commercial and residential buildings. If you have a project you are trying to tackle, maybe give Stefan a call as he has a wealth of experience & knowledge. Thank you Reece Building Consultants for your ongoing support to the Sports Council.

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Sports Academy Applications for 2022

A reminder for current Year 7s that the applications for Year 8 Sports Academy close on Tuesday 30 November 2021. This can be submitted online or you can collect a hard copy from the college office. For more information please contact Karen Dunlea (kdunlea@taieri.school.nz) Sports Academy Manager or Ryan Rosevear (rosevear@taieri.school.nz) Head of Sport.



Sport

Welcome to the start of Term 4 where summer sports are now in full swing. Many students have taken the opportunity to trial for competitive teams or register to compete socially with their peers. Many sports started earlier this week, and many more commence tonight and over the weekend. It is not too late to join in. Some of the sports on offer include cricket, touch, waterpolo, volleyball, futsal, golf, softball, tennis, and squash.

This week a shout out goes to the Taieri College Mountain Biking Club. Led by Mr Fitzgerald, this group of enthusiastic, eager and borderline crazy students tackle some challenging routes on a Wednesday after school. This week two van loads of students went up to Nichols Falls to test themselves on a steep climb but then were rewarded with a stunning downhill track and view.

Congratulations to Nikolas Guthrie (pictured right) who won Bronze for Taieri College in the 125 class at the Otago Southland Moto Cross event held over the holidays.

Lastly, with many sporting competitions having to adjust to alert level two regulations, this is seeing most sports employ a 'no spectator policy' to keep mass gathering sizes under 100 people. We appreciate parents following these rules so that the sports can go ahead. This also serves as a gentle reminder that sport is about the participants having fun, and initial feedback from students, volunteer referees and coaches is that in many cases, the enjoyment of the sporting experience has increased, when the students have simply just played, without the pressure of spectators/supporters.

Ryan Rosevear



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Literacy

At Taieri College, we are all about lighting up your literacy. One of the ways in which our writing can shine is by crisping up the way in which we use commas.

This great little mini-book can be a good reminder of the rules around commas. Print off onto A4 or A3 if you can and then fold it into a mini-zine. Instructions for that part of the process can be found on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lxqr9e3wCxl>).

Using commas correctly can make a huge difference to the meaning of a sentence, can't it? Check out this classic example of someone who should have printed off their own Comma Rules booklet: —————>



<p>COMPOUND SENTENCES</p> <p>Before a coordinating conjunction that connects two sentences</p> <p>EXAMPLE: We stopped by Mark's house, but he was not home.</p>	<p>INTRODUCTORY ELEMENTS</p> <p>After clauses, phrases, and words that appear before a main clause</p> <p>EXAMPLE: In the meantime, I will stand in line to buy tickets.</p>	<p>NONESSENTIAL ELEMENTS</p> <p>Before and after elements that are not important to the meaning of the sentence</p> <p>EXAMPLE: This house, which was built in 1996, is haunted.</p>	<p>DIALOGUE</p> <p>Before and after direct speech</p> <p>EXAMPLE: "The door is red," Sue said. Sue said Sue. "The door is red."</p>
<p>ITEMS IN A SERIES</p> <p>After three or more items in a series; not after the last item</p> <p>EXAMPLE: I packed a comb, a brush, and a toothbrush.</p>	<p>DIRECT ADDRESS</p> <p>After or before addressing or speaking to a person</p> <p>EXAMPLE: Dad, I need help. I need help, Dad.</p>	<p>GREETINGS & CLOSINGS</p> <p>After greetings and closings in a letter</p> <p>EXAMPLE: Dear Julie, Yours truly, Roberto</p>	<p>COMMA USAGE</p> <p>Mini-Book</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>© 2019 www.TeacherThrive.com</p>

Te Kainga Mural

Pyper Greer has done a wonderful job designing the Te Kainga mural alongside Mrs Spittle during Term 3. Many elves also helped during breaktimes in the Art room. Thanks to all who helped in some way or other, including our caretakers! This mural is now proudly displayed on the TK1 wall just behind the playground.

Keep the ideas coming, Sally Spittle.



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AIR CADETS

The sky is the limit for our **Air Cadets**. If you are interested with flight as well as all of what NZCF offers then this is for you. You get to learn about flight and can work towards your badge for Gliding, powered Flying, or Navigation.



ARE YOU 13-15 (OR AT HIGH SCHOOL) & WANT TO KNOW MORE?

With 98 units across New Zealand, NZCF is accessible wherever you live.

42 Squadron is the Air Cadet unit in Dunedin

We meet on Monday nights from 6:45pm to 9:00pm

At the Kensington Army Hall on Bridgman St

Find us on facebook

No. 42 City of Dunedin Squadron Air Training Corps

Our National website www.cadetforces.org.nz

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New Zealand CADET FORCES



If you are 13-15 years old then you can join CADET FORCES

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Friendship
Adventure
Fun
Teamwork
Leadership

"Cadet Forces inspire young people to challenge their limits and go further in life"

WHAT ARE THE NEW ZEALAND CADET FORCES?

NZCF is made up of the **Sea Cadet Corps**, **New Zealand Cadet Corps** and the **Air Training Corps**. It is a uniformed voluntary organisation open to all young people.

Currently over 2,700 cadets based in 98 units across New Zealand get in involved in fun and challenging activities and at the same time make new friends, learn new skills and challenge themselves fostering teamwork and leadership.

All Units have a structured training plan, with topics such as firearm safety, bush craft, general service knowledge, drill, leadership, radio procedures, military history etc.

All three corps have the offer of international Cadet exchanges.



LEARN MORE, DO MORE

NZCF is a unique organisation. Supported by the NZDF - but not part of it - you will get access to world class training from committed volunteer cadet officers and support staff as well as being able to access NZDF training areas and bases.

Each Cadet is loaned a service pattern uniform to be responsible for its upkeep.

There are opportunities to visit Defence establishments and to see what life in the services can be.

There are Defence sponsored leadership courses which are offered to our potential young leaders.

The NZCF values we live by are:

- Courage
- Commitment
- Comradeship
- Integrity



EXPERIENCE MORE, TRY MORE

All Units take part in:

- Camps (local, area and national)
- Tramping
- Shooting
- NZCF skills/leadership courses
- Anzac & commemorative parades



NAVY CADETS

As well as the standard cadet experiences open to all, **Navy Cadets** get to experience all things nautical. You can get involved in sailing, kayaking, sea navigation, visiting RNZN vessels, boatmanship and gain boating qualifications.



Armistice Day

11 NOV 2021



10.55am: Assemble at the Cenotaph

11.00am: Opening Address followed by a 2-minute silence. Kevin Thompson

Prayer: Rachel Judge

Armistice Day Address: Kevin Thompson

The Ode: Jennifer Thomas

Wreath Laying & Poppy Ceremony {open to everyone}: Johnny McIntyre plays the pipes

The Last Post: Phillip Craigie plays the Bugle followed by a short silence, then the Reveille

Blessing / Closing Address: Rachel Judge

29 OCTOBER 2021

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**UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO UNCERTAIN
COVID-19 LEVELS, THE COMMUNITY
CARNIVAL IS TO BE CANCELLED FOR THIS
YEAR.**