



Kia ora e te whanau

Welcome to the first newsletter of Term 2. It has been pleasing to see how well students have quickly settled into classroom routines.

This term we are now operating without an official mandate to wear masks. Despite the lifting of the mandate, as a college we still strongly recommend the use of masks during inside activities. We will continue to support staff and students who choose to wear masks. We have also decided that mask wearing will now be about individual choice. We won't be punishing those who choose not to wear masks, but as previously stated, supporting those who choose to. Please feel free to contact the college if you have any questions around this.

It was great to be able to hold our first Year 9 and 10 assembly this week. Outside of junior prizegiving it is the first time we have assembled since July last year. My thanks to Pearl Harris-Blain who began the assembly with an excellent prefect reflection. As well as giving out some certificates, we focused on reminding students of the expectations we have around standards of behaviour and being tolerant of others.

Despite the 20-degree temperatures this week, winter sports season is now upon us. Good luck to all teams who are embarking on their new season. I trust all participants embrace the challenges ahead and play with a healthy competitive spirit. Have fun and play to win! It is also important to be considerate towards those people who give up their time to make sport happen, this includes showing respect for coaches, officials, and your opposition.

Finally, a reminder that next Friday (13 May 2022) is a teacher only day and Taieri College will be closed for instruction. This teacher only day is part of a nation-wide programme that was implemented to prepare for upcoming NCEA changes.

Nga mihi nui
Dave Hunter
Principal

Key Dates

10 May 2022
Toitu Day Trip No. 1

12-13 May 2022
L2SPR Mountain Biking Trip –
Naseby

13 May 2022
Learning Readiness emailed
home
Teacher Only Day – College
closed

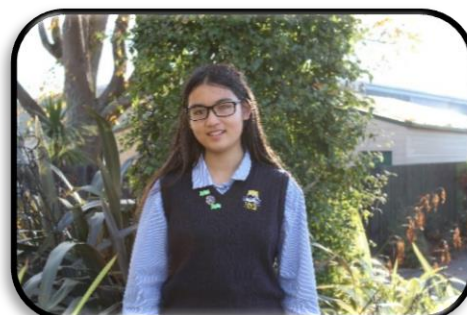
Senior Assessments Due Next Week

10 May 2022
L3PHY AS91521 Carry out a
practical investigation to test
a physics theory relating to
two variables in a non-linear
relationship Day 1

11 May 2022
L3PHY AS91521 Carry out a
practical investigation to test
a physics theory relating to
two variables in a non-linear
relationship Day 2

Music News

Congratulations to Jenny Petegam-Thach who has achieved Grade 7 Clarinet with Distinction.



Teacher Only Day
Friday 13 May 2022 – College Closed

Prefect Reading Pearl Harris – Blain, May 5 2022

Kia Ora Koutou,

I hope that you're all settling well into your first week back and that your holidays were a time to relax and recharge for a fulfilling term ahead. Today, as we get stuck into some new concepts, new learning, new information, I want to talk to you about the importance of honesty. Now honesty is more than not-lying – it's about using integrity and good judgment to make decisions that are true to who you are and what you stand for. When the going gets tough, too many of us opt out of the challenging road and look for the easy, bare-minimum approach. All this is doing is selling yourself short of your full potential.

Maybe you're finishing that multi-page assignment and instead of spending a short 20 minutes bumping your achieved grade up to a merit, you decide meh, TikTok is calling me. Or maybe you're out on that pre-rugby or netball season run, get puffed and decide, meh, I'm going to walk the rest of the way. There is a difference between giving up and knowing when you've had enough. You, yourself know your limits. Be honest about them.

Don't be that meh person, who cheats themselves out of what they're truly capable of. Because you are capable, when you choose to believe it. I want you to ask yourself, am I doing everything in my power to be the best version of myself today? If the answer is consistently no, maybe that's something you need to work on. If the answer is yes, I applaud you and encourage you to keep up the good work.

Be real, be honest and of course, be kind with yourself, but not too kind!

I'll leave you with the wise words of Sir Edmund Hillary, "people do not decide to become extraordinary. They decide to accomplish extraordinary things." Thank you.

Taieri College 2022 Formal

The Taieri College formal this year will be held in the Otago Business School (Otago University Campus) on Saturday 28 May 2022 at 7.00pm. Ticket price is \$105.00 per person. Payment and permission slips have been given out to students. Please return these by Friday 13 May 2022 to the Student Slide with your payment.

Payment can be made by internet banking 03 1725 0106800 00 (Particulars: Student's surname), Code: (Student's first name), Reference: **Formal** or cash/efitpos using the envelope system at the office.

Any questions regarding this, please telephone Monique Evans, Student Support Administrator 489 3823 ext 111.



From the Taieri College Careers Café

Our four Careers classes all enjoyed a careers luncheon to complete Term One and we want to thank our special guest, Mr Bruce Todd who has shared his very interesting career story and given awesome practical advice to each group. Mr Ryan Rosevear and Ms Fiona Smeaton have also shared career stories and given valuable advice. Each of the students also shared with the group what their current career pathway plans are and, if they are in Gateway, some details of the business they will be working with.

We have opened the Careers Room L1 during breaks with mixed success. The idea is to get our Year 12 & 13 students to call in for a career chat and to explore our new online tool Career Central. We will keep this up during the winter terms and host some special events. Please encourage your children to call in!

Please also encourage your children to explore Career Central, our new interactive online careers tool;

- Login-go to cc.school.nz (or website link below)->log in as a student-> Taieri College->school email-> usual school password
- This opens student's dashboard-explore step 1 About Me(personal skills, qualities, interests, career values, outside classroom, work experience, cv builder. Step2-Jobs (heaps of related information, save jobs you are interested in). Step 3 Next Steps-various pathway plans, employability skills, ready to leave school.
- There are also three Bulls Eye online quizzes that assist students to get ideas of suitable careers-Future Pathway (may need University qual), Vocational Pathway (no University study intended), Work Cluster Quiz-simple language, visual (younger students, English as a second language)

Parents/Caregivers can also access Career Central and get access to their children's profiles and saved work. There are also some great links to explore (or you can open these directly here);

[Sign up for tips to help young people with study and career decisions \(CareersNZ\)](#)

[Helping young people make decisions \(CareersNZ\)](#)

[Video - Parents as Career Coaches](#)

[Ted Talk "Why some of us don't have one true calling" - Emily Wapnick](#)

Parents/caregivers can login using the Caregiver login button on our website <https://careercentral.school.nz>

Coming Careers Events

- Friday 27 May, **Dunedin Hospital Rebuild** seminar
- ~~Monday 30 May~~, **rescheduled Monday 1 August Tertiary Open Day**, all Year 13s, some Year 12s (Otago Poly & Uni)
- Thursday 2 June, **Careers Expo**, all Yr11's

Please contact us directly if we can help in any way.

Taieri College Careers Team

Steve Walker- Head of Careers & Pathways, email swalker@taieri.school.nz,

Fiona Smeaton- Careers Admin & Gateway Coordinator, email fsmeaton@taieri.school.nz

Theatresports 2022

If you are interested in Theatresports then please come along and join in – No sign up required, just arrive! This is run by some very talented senior students and is available to all students. It is held every Tuesday, 3pm to 4pm in the Drama Room. Here is a snapshot of this week's class.



Level 2 Biology and Geography Aoraki Mt Cook Trip

Last term, 50 students and 5 staff embarked on our annual trip to Aoraki Mt Cook. The focus for the trip was to learn about the biophysical environment of the Aoraki Mt Cook National Park and how various tourist related activities impact on it. The students also learnt about the different ways the Department of Conservation are making those impacts more sustainable.



On the way up we stopped at Loch Laird for lunch which is just below the Benmore Dam. Then it was up to the Mt Cook village where presenters from DoC talked about how the village operates in terms of accommodation, sewage, water supply and rubbish management. After this, it was back to the Glentanner Lodge where we were staying for the trip some 20km back down the road. Due to covid restrictions, we had the lodge to ourselves. Students cooked for themselves and it was great to see the quality of home cooked food by each group.

Thursday was our big day. We left Glentanner at 7:30pm and dropped a couple of groups off for their Tasman Glacier plane trip at the Mt Cook airport. This usually involves a glacier landing but due to a lack of snow and warm, dry conditions, the plane was unable to land. Instead, the plane trip involved an extra long trip up the Tasman Glacier to the saddle, across to the Fox and Franz Joseph neve and then back across the eastern face of Mt Cook. Truly an awesome trip! A small group opted for the Glacier Explorer boat trip instead of the plane trip. This involved an hour long jet boat trip on the Tasman Glacier lake where students learnt about the glacier's formation, movement and earth-shaping nature in situ. The trip also took students underneath the large moraine walls, idled next to icebergs and took them as close to the tongue of the glacier as possible.

In between students going off at regular intervals for their flight or boat trip, students completed a precis sketch of the glaciated landscape features, measured the impact of track widening and desire lines by hikers and sampled the vegetation in the lower Hooker Valley. Students also learnt about the many unique adaptations of these species given the harsh physical environment they live in. At the end of the day, and after some exploring of The Hermitage and surrounding village, students took part in a DoC talk about the challenges faced in the National Park in the next ten years and some creative strategies DoC are considering implementing to make these impacts sustainable on the people, plants and animals that live in the park.

After our last night at Glentanner, we finished our trip on the Friday by walking up the Hooker Valley to the Hooker lake. This is an awesome valley with great views. We did some vegetation sampling in the upper valley in order to see how the composition of plants changes compared to the lower valley. Morning tea was on the lakefront where some students had a quick dip in the lake – a cool 0.7°C. Once back at the car park it was a long trip home.

A big thank you to the staff who organised and went on this trip, and to the students who were a great bunch to take away.



Year 7 & 8 Water Polo Term 1

In Term One we had two Water Polo teams. One in Year 7 and one in Year 8. The Year 8s played in the A grade and finished third overall. This was a great result for the Barracudas who had their first term ever in the A grade. They are looking to build on this result in Term Four.

The Year 7 Taniwhas have made huge progress and improvement. Playing in the B grade, which has the largest number of teams and the widest range of abilities. However, a result against one school team sums up the season. We lost to them 11-0 at the start of the season and beat them 4-3 by the end of the season.

We are very thankful to our hard working team of coaches, Brad Gilmour, Laura Gale and Keira Hughes, who trained us every Tuesday after school. They are very passionate and enthusiastic about water polo and this is reflected in our teams' development. Mrs Hughes continues to manage both our teams on our Friday night game nights. If you're interested in water polo, we will be playing again in Term Four, listen out for sign ups towards the end of Term Three.

Taieri Barracudas	Taieri Taniwhas
Ryley Hodgson 8GY	Leila Hughes 7HB
Jacob Lomas-Knight 8KJ	Angus Russell 7HB
Evie Gilmour 8HR	Corin Taylor 7HU
Kael Hughes 8FY	Taylor Stonelake 7AM
Barrett Smart 8FY	Angus Wilson 7HB
Connor MacDonald 8GY	Jax Robertson 7SM
Mya McFelin 8BZ	Corby Blackie 7HU
Jett Bennett 8JT	Eli Corfield 7SM
Michael Duthie 8HR	Lily Ballantyne 7MB



Sports Office News

Summer Uniforms

Now winter has arrived it's time to clear out your sports bags of those summer uniforms. All can be returned to the sports office over the first two weeks back.

Sports Hoodies

The first order of sports hoodies have arrived and can be collected from the sports office. We are having an additional order of sports hoodies for those who would like to purchase them. Orders are placed by using the online form which is available on the Taieri College Sport Facebook page.

Hockey – Sports Leaders

On Thursday this week a few of our girls XI hockey players were lucky enough to attend a young leaders talk with former New Zealand hockey player and coach Shane McLeod. Shane was born in New Zealand and played for various teams including the Black Sticks. He then coached the Black Sticks at the 2008 and 2012 Olympics.

Later he went on to coach the Belgium national men's team and led them to victory in both the 2018 World Cup and 2021 Tokyo Olympics. Through a positive approach to leadership, he was able to bring a divided team back together, ultimately leading them to success. Shane's talk provided some inspiring messages which I believe related well to our own school. One of them was the way we approach our sporting games. It is easy to have a negative mindset going into a game, where we already perceive it as being too hard. For Shane it was important to reverse his team's mindset to where they knew it was going to be a hard game, but they were ready to take on that challenge. Another message was about leadership. Shane believes that to be a good leader you must be relatable and most importantly "the keeper of the vision". It was really good to be able to hear these messages through an uplifting story. We were grateful to be able to hear Shane's story. - Meg McDonald-Page

News from the pool side of sport

Emma Bain and Kylie Gale qualified for this national meet and we wish them the best of luck. It is at Moana Pool from 9 - 12 May 2022. This is a very high Division 2 level meet and will be gruelling over several sessions.

Diving

Congratulations to Peyton Hayes who competed in Otago championships for diving over the school holidays and was placed first for age groups. Peyton has been selected to travel to Hamilton 16-20 June 2022. We wish her all the best.



Netball 2022

Our 2022 netball season began last weekend with our Senior A team playing the first game of a Covid reduced Round 1. They played Physed Gold and after a tight struggle the game ended in a draw 39-39. This week they again play at 9.00am, while our other Year 9 -13 teams will begin their season next week, May 14 and our Year 7 and 8 teams begin on May 21.

All players should have registered with either Dunedin Netball Centre [DNC] or Taieri Plain's Junior Netball [TPJN] by now. Each netball centre has information about the season on their websites. All draws will be posted on their websites as well as the Taieri College NETBALL Facebook page, which will have up to date information as the season progresses

Please use this link to join: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/209515071334526/>

Players should have collected their uniforms by the end of today.

All the best for a good season.

Karen Rosevear
TIC Netball

Literacy and Numeracy Pilots - Year 10 2022

This year the English and Maths departments, along with Year 10, will be supporting the Ministry of Education and NZQA to pilot the new literacy and numeracy standards.

The new literacy and numeracy standards will help ensure that students have the foundational skills to support them in further studies, work, and life. The standards will become a mandatory part of NCEA in 2023.

This pilot is part of changes that are happening to strengthen NCEA.

Changes include: having more learning and fewer assessments, weaving mātauranga Māori through learning, and creating clearer pathways to education and employment.

Year 10 will be sitting:

- A reading standard
- A writing standard
- A numeracy standard

What do you as whānau need to know about being a pilot school whānau?

- Whānau are not expected to pay any extra costs.
- The assessment for the majority of Year 10 will take place at the end of Term 2 and again in Term 3.
- The assessment will be a Common Assessment Activity. This is a test that students will sit in the classroom.
- Credits achieved in the pilot will be counted towards your child's NCEA results in 2023.
- They will also have the opportunity to sit the assessment in 2023.

What can I do to support my child?

- It is helpful to encourage your child to read and write at home or in their day-to-day activities. We will support them to achieve this by gathering materials that are meaningful to them.
- You can also find ways to support numeracy in the home, such as using measurement in recipes.
- Encourage your child to ask for support when they need it.
- More ideas for literacy are part of the weekly Taieri College newsletter.

More information about this assessment will be provided to you closer to the time. The teaching of Literacy and Numeracy remains something that is covered across the curriculum but for this year, the English and Maths teachers are taking a close interest in the teaching of the skills and the preparation to ensure that this is a positive experience for all our students. Please talk to your student's teacher if you have any questions.

Regards
Jared Cone and Amber Sides - Curriculum Directors for English and Mathematics

New Zealand Music Month



To celebrate New Zealand Music Month every Wednesday this month students will perform at Break 2, outside the Performing Arts Centre. This week Keira Wallace 11CT and Ella Aitken 11BK performed. It was enjoyed by all who attended. Keep an eye out for next week's concert.

AKO Centre Ritz High Tea

A collaborative effort between Year 9 food students and Ako Centre students and friends created a celebration to remember. Staff, who were ending a long, difficult term were treated to a High Tea at the Ritz. It was such fun creating a very beautiful hotel atmosphere and dressing up in period style. The food was dainty and very yummy. Great fun. Thanks to all who attended.



Launch Of Pop-Up Youth Space with Art, Music, Dance & Kai

Artworks, creative workshops, gigs, wellbeing clinics and a warm welcome will greet rangatahi as they enter a pop-up central city youth space. Organisers are putting the finishing touches to a packed programme over the two week initiative called Ōtepoti Youth Space which coincides with the national Youth Week.

A launch event will take place on Sunday 8 May 2022 from 2.00pm and will feature an exhibition of youth art, live music, dance and kai. Special guest, Jane Zintl, CEO of Youth Week/Ara Taiohi will speak at the opening. Timed to coincide with the national Youth Week, the pop-up youth space aims to celebrate the talent of young people while providing information about opportunities and support available.

Located on Princes Street at the Community Gallery and neighbouring performance space Te Whare o Rukutia, the Ōtepoti Youth Space will have a focus on creativity and community connections. A welcoming hangout space, open each day from 3pm-6:30pm, will feature a range of activities each afternoon with youth mentors on hand to korero with and support youth as needed.

Free workshops each afternoon, presented by youth organisations, range from stencil art, slam poetry, zine making, hip hop and drumming. Friday and Saturday nights are open late until 9pm and feature an open mic night and youth bands. "This a great opportunity for rangatahi to express themselves and for us all to celebrate the role young people play in the community in a positive and supportive way," said Ōtepoti Youth Space coordinator, Jo Taylor.

"Young people have been telling us they want more youth friendly spaces so we would love to see young people make the most of this opportunity. Now's the time to get involved."

The initiative is being facilitated by a collective of creative and youth organisations and has been supported by the Otago Community Trust, the Creative Communities Scheme and Dunedin Casino Charitable Trust.

The full programme is available on the [Ōtepoti Youth Space Facebook](#) page. Contact Jo Taylor, 027 584 7733 otepotiyouthspace@gmail.com or Paul Smith, 021 150 9207 director@artsenta.org

Workshops – Ōtepoti Youth Space - Monday-Saturday, 4pm-6pm, Free

Week 1

Monday 9 May: Slam Poetry on the theme of Five Ways to Wellbeing including developing writing skills and with a te ao Māori kaupapa. Presented by Adventure Development.

Tuesday 10 May: Find out about the Mana Rangatahi app and how it supports youth leadership, aspirations and resilience, including creating your own pepeha. Presented by INNOV8HQ.

Wednesday 11 May: Virtual Production Dojo presents the technology and steps to follow to create a digital-human - Digital Game Design

Thursday 12 May: Multiple activities including creative writing and movement, nature-connected art, and bath bomb making. Presented by Stopping Violence Dunedin

Friday 13 May: Arts, craft and kai for mindfulness. Presented by the Youth Division of the Dunedin Public Library

Saturday 14 May: Canvas graffiti stencil lettering for self-care and self-discovery. Presented by Stopping Violence Dunedin

Week 2

Monday 16 May: Join us for a reading of poetry and short fiction. Hear the latest work from the Young Dunedin Writers Association

Tuesday 17 May: 'Creativited' a Zine making workshop accompanied by drinking and sharing tea. Presented by Ōtepoti Collective Against Sexual Abuse

Wednesday 18 May: Fun Creatures: make your own colourful mini-sculptures using air-dry clay and paint. Presented by Artsenta

Thursday 19 May: Hip hop and drumming session with Te Hou Ora Whānau and Le Apatonga Performing Arts

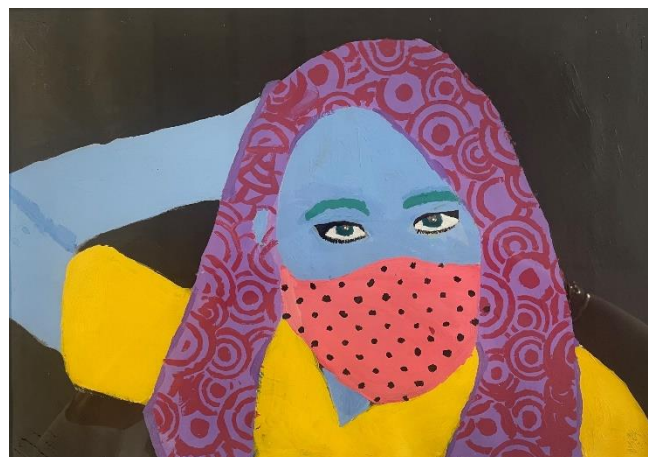
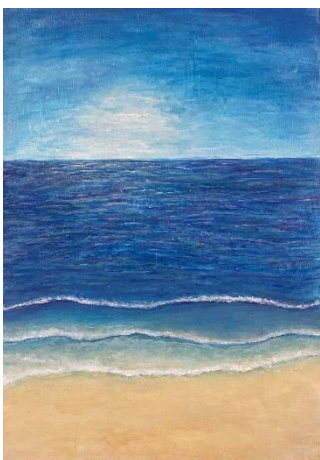
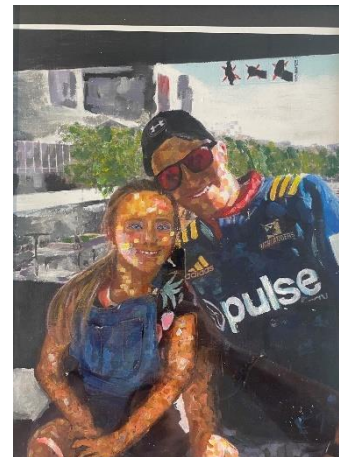
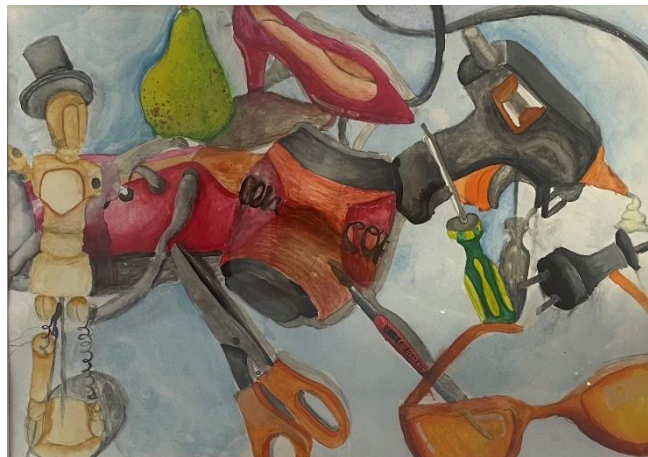
Friday 20 May: Rainbow Youth Q & A and whakawhanaungatanga session, & Volunteer South clinic about youth volunteering in Ōtepoti

Saturday 21 May: Māori Rock Art drawing with Te Hou Ora Whānau Services.

Contact: Jo Taylor, 027 584 7733 otepotiyouthspace@gmail.com or Paul Smith, 021 150 9207 director@artsenta.org

Ōtepoti Youth Art Show 2022

Taieri College will be represented with over 30 art works on display.
Here are just a few that will be on display.



Come, Play, and Enjoy

 **Mosgiel Junior Badminton Club**

2022 Season starts Friday May 6th

Open to Children and Youth Ages 8-18 years

Club Nights
Fridays 7pm - 8:30pm
School Terms 2 & 3
Mosgiel Memorial Park

Welcoming new and existing members for social and competitive play

\$2 per night, payment middle of term 2

Contact: Mark 021 276 8802
MosgielJuniorBdmtm@gmail.com

ADVENTURE PLUS
Mosgiel Scout Group
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Kees | 5 to 8 years | Thursdays 6pm-7pm
Cubs | 9 to 10 years | Tuesdays 6:30pm-8pm
Scouts | 11 to 14 years | Wednesdays 7pm-9pm
Venturers | 14 to 18 years | Thursdays 7:30pm-9:30pm

GET IN TOUCH TODAY...
Contact mosgiel@group.scouts.nz

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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.

SILVER SPONSOR OF THE MONTH – BEAUTY LANE MOSGIEL

The month of May means it is FORMAL time!! Ann-Marie at Beauty Lane, Mosgiel is ready to help with all your beauty needs. Thinking about having your nails done? maybe make-up, spray tan, waxing or any general beauty treatment, then book or talk to Ann-Marie today to avoid disappointment.

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PHONE 022 561 8303
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Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors; McDonalds Dunedin, LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Braveheart Decorators, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Waihola Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DS Building Limited, Promo-X, Cramond & Craig, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring, Loan Market, Otago Polytech Institute of Sport, Exercise & Health, CREDIFLEX Otago, Willow & Silk, Beauty Lane, ITM Dunedin.

**FUNDRAISER FOR TAIERI COLLEGE
TOUGH NATIONALS TOURNAMENT TEAM**

**BINGO
NIGHT**

Thursday 26 May 2022

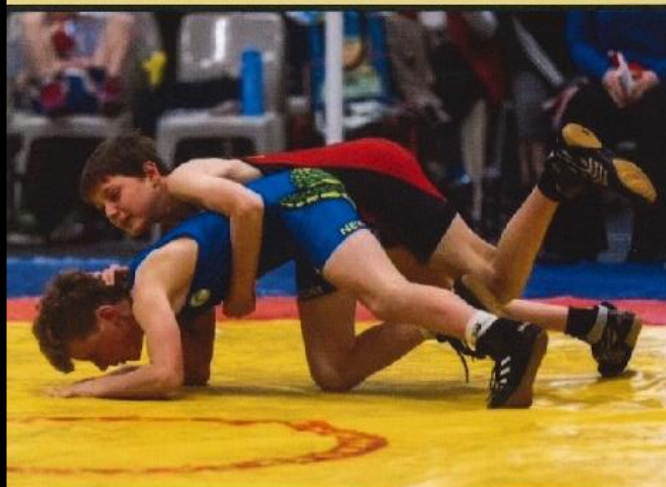
at **Taieri Bowling Club**
Wickliffe Street, Mosgiel

Tickets \$15 for 10 games
Doors Open 6:30, Bingo 7:00pm

Cash Prizes! Raffles Available

WANT TO WRESTLE?

Season begins Monday 2 May 2022



TAIERI AMATEUR WRESTLING CLUB

Come along boys & girls to try wrestling!

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

When: 6.30pm Monday 2 May

Thereafter Mondays & Wednesdays

6.30pm - 7.30pm Juniors

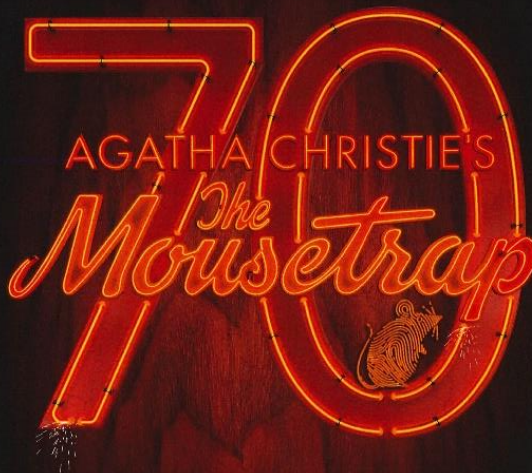
7.30pm - 8.30pm Seniors

Where: Taieri College - Hollamby Hall
(inside the Indoor Training Centre),
3 Green St, Mosgiel.

Facebook: Taieri Taniwhas Amateur
Wrestling Club

Dunedin Repertory Society Inc

Presents...



Show times

Evening shows | 7pm
19 - 21 May 2022
25 - 28 May 2022
Matinee show | 2pm
22 May 2022

Playhouse Theatre
31 Albany Street
Dunedin

Tickets

Purchase online:
events.humanitix.com/agatha-christie-s-mousetrap
Standard \$25
Concession \$20
Limited door sales will be available from an hour
before the performance.

To arrange accessible seating message 'Playhouse Dunedin'
on Facebook or call 03 477 6544 to discuss your mobility
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