



Kia ora e te whanau

This week coincided with a significant drop in temperature as cold frosts greeted us most mornings. We have received some enquiries about starting late on frosty mornings. Whilst this is an option for us, we decided this week to start at our usual time of 8.50am. It is important to note that if you are living in an area where it is particularly treacherous first thing in the morning, then please bring your child to school at a time where you deem it safe to do so. Just let the office know your intended time of arrival to school.

Our Wednesday, mufti day involved our annual donation to Octocan. More than 1700 cans of food were collected and whilst this was slight below last year's efforts, given the current absentee rate of students it was a pleasing result. Thank you to students and whānau for your generosity to such an important cause. The cans were delivered to Dunedin and Mosgiel foodbanks.

South Otago High School visited on Tuesday as part of our long running annual winter sports exchange. A crisp start to the day challenged teams that played earlier in the morning, but thankfully the sun eventually emerged and warmed things up (slightly!). Taieri teams played well across all sports as the day ended with us winning 15 out of 16 encounters. My thanks to the sports office for the organisation of the day.

We have plenty of musicians finishing off final preparations for tonight's Rockquest heats that will be held in our Performing Arts Centre. I wish them all the best for their performances as they strive to make the next step to regional finals.

Our Year 7 and 8 Rippa Rugby team competed in the Otago regional finals at Forsyth Barr Stadium on Monday. The team displayed excellent teamwork throughout the day and eventually finished third overall; a great effort from everyone involved.

Our Year 10 students have an important week day starting on Monday as they participate in a pilot for the national assessment of Literacy and Numeracy. I encourage students to prepare thoroughly for this assessment. The impending changes to NCEA include literacy and numeracy being assessed independently from other subject based standards, and Monday's assessment will be an example of what that will look like.

Tomorrow we officially celebrate Matariki as part of a new national holiday. As part of that celebration our Māori and Pasifika students with whānau, met on Wednesday night. The evening involved waiata, haka, kai and presentations from staff and students outlining the programmes we have in place at Taieri College. It was also an opportunity to share in the recent successes of our rangatahi. The cold night did not deter a large crowd from joining the celebration and my thanks to everyone who attended. Sincere gratitude to Gemma Tuhega, Toni Sutton, Brad Martin, and Helena Pattison for their contribution to a great night. Tihei mauri ora!

Ngā mihi nui
Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

27 June 2022 – 1 July 2022
Year 10 NZQA Literacy and Numeracy Standards Testing

4 July 2022
Year 7 Health Information Evening in the Library

8 July 2022
Senior Reports Emailed Home
End of Term 2

23 July 2022
Start of Term 3

Senior Assessments Due Next Week

27 June 2022
L2GEO AS91247 Spatial Analysis Internal
L3 AS91435 due

28 June 2022
L1 AS91002 for BK
L2PHY AS91172 [KN]
Nuclear Physics

27 June 2022 – 1 July 2022
L1SCI 90947 Chemical Reactions
L2BIO 91153 Osmosis

27 June 2022 – 8 July 2022
L1ENC 90857 Speech Presentation

30 June 2022
L3DRA 91513 [5 Credits]

1 July 2022
L3 PED AS 91499 Analyse a physical skill
L3AGB AS91382 Marketing Plan. Due - 1.00pm.



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 – SPORTSMED

With winter sports now in full swing, injuries can creep in!! We are so lucky to have Adam Letts & his team at Sportsmed ready to help you get back on track. Sportsmed's services are available to all sporting students, so don't ignore the aches and pains, go get the professional treatment available.

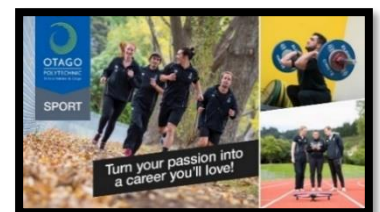


Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors; McDonalds Dunedin, LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Waiholo Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DS Building Limited, Promo-X, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring, Loan Market, Otago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



Enrolments now welcome for 2023

Come for a tour during our **Open Week** 1 to 5 August 2022 to see the college in action. Book on-line at www.taieri.school.nz or email office@taieri.school.nz or telephone 489-3823 for a time.



Level 1 PRM Trip

Recently the Level 1 Primary Industry class had its first outing for the year. Unfortunately due to Covid we have been unable to visit many of the businesses we would normally see each year. So it was good to get out and about. Barewood Station is situated between Outram and Middlemarch and has 4700 hectares of grazing land. Marty Deans, the manager, put on a great day for the students. They arrived in the morning to have a morning tea of hot savouries and to listen to the stock managers talk about their career pathways and how they got to do their dream jobs. We were also lucky to have some representatives from PGG talk about pathways in the industry. After lunch the students were split into three groups and got to travel around the farm, scanning and weighing cattle, drafting and marking sheep, and learning some pointers on training farm dogs and to see them at work.

We really want to thank Marty and team at Barewood for putting on such a fantastic day. I think we will add this visit to our annual calendar. The students had great fun.





Ako Centre Students Support Cat Rescue Dunedin

Following a request for help by Cat Rescue Dunedin published in the ODT students gathered donations of blankets and sewed them into kitty size duvets. An unexpected influx of rescue cats and kittens was thought to be due to a mild autumn. Armed with a pile of little blankets and some toys, students went to visit the Intake Centre. It is always fun to help others especially when they are cute and fluffy.



Thanks

Taieri College would like to thank Bendigo Valley Sports & Charity Foundation for their financial support.



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Smokefree Rockquest 2022 on TONIGHT

Otago Regional Heats:

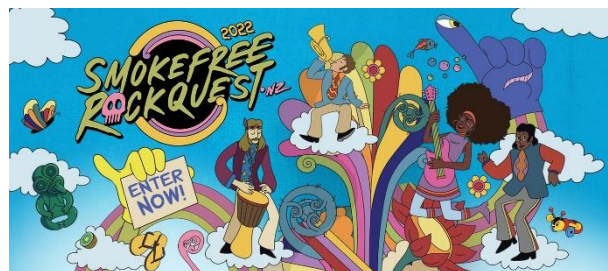
Venue: Taieri College

Start Time: Bands start at 4pm, Solo/Duo start 6pm

Date: 23 June 2022

Tickets: For audience members only. DOOR SALES ONLY - From 30 minutes before the first act.

Ticket Price: \$10 for Students, \$15 for Adults. (Children 5 years and under - no charge).



All performances are also being live streamed free of charge on www.sfrq.nz.

Masks recommended. No vaccine passports required.

This year, there will be no prize giving at the end of the heats. They will announce the Regional winners of the solo/duo category, The Rockshop Best use of Electronic Assist Award, the Smokefree Tangata Beats Regional Award, and announce which bands will move on to the Online Regional Final level 24 hours later. There is no expectation for you to stay until the end.

Accounts

Statements of account were emailed this week showing school costs due.

Prompt payment would be much appreciated and can be made by:

- internet banking or automatic payments to our Westpac bank account number **03 1725 0106800 00**
- eftpos or cash at the office
- cash using the student envelope system

When making payment by internet banking please include the student's name and ID number as the reference. If your payment is for a specific cost eg. netball, please note this also in the reference.

If you are making regular automatic payments, it would be appreciated if they are of a sufficient amount to cover all the costs by the end of Term 4. You may need to make extra payments during the year to pay for sports fees, which are due at the beginning of the playing season, and for any camp or trip costs which are due before the event takes place.

You can view your account at any time by logging in to the Kamar Portal via our website.

If you have a query about your account, please email accounts@taieri.school.nz or phone the Finance Office extn 206 or extn 129.

Please note that we can source financial assistance in some cases, so if you have any concerns at all about paying your account, please don't hesitate to phone the college on 489 3823 and speak to Mr Peacock (extn 101).

Thank you.



7BL Matariki

Ruby Hall - I learnt that Matariki is a star cluster, not a constellation.

Ruby Keen - Matariki is a time to remember the people who have passed.

Luke Payne - The star Pohutukawa represents the remembering of those who have passed.

Nixon Middleditch - Matariki has different names around the world.

Declan Pilley - Friday is the first time that NZ will celebrate Matariki as a public holiday.

Samuel McHutchon - I learnt that Matariki celebrates the harvesting of crops

James Corbett - I learnt that Matariki is a time to celebrate with your family.

Kyle Van Der Merwe - I learnt that Matariki has different names around the world.

Lydia Dunbar - I learnt that the brighter and clearer the stars seem, the warmer the growing season will be.

Arron Thompson-Lee - I learnt that Matariki is a cluster of stars.

Mack Hawthorne - I learnt that Maori use the star Ururangi to determine the forecast for the year.

South Island Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs

130 of the best secondary schools' swimmers from around the South Island competed at Moana Pool last weekend. Taieri College had 7 swimmers - Kylie Gale, Maddison McGrath, Emma Bain, Keira Hughes, Abby Samuels, Emily Russell and Regan McGrath. All swimmers rose to the occasion with excellent swims, personal best times and great age group rankings.

Emma Bain earned two silver medals in both the 100m and 50m freestyle events for 15 year old girls. Congratulations Emma! Emma will head away to represent Taieri College at the NZ Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs from the 28th - 31st July in Hamilton. We wish her all the very best.

The highlight was winning gold in the girls open 4 X 25m water polo relay. The team consisted of Kylie Gale, Abby Samuels, Keira Hughes and Emma Bain. It was a very convincing performance by our team who are all swimmers and water polo players. This showed in their performance and result. Well done girls.

Thank you to our wonderful parents who assisted in the smooth running of the meet. Chikako and Ross Bain, Tony McGrath, Katrina Gale and Aimee Samuels. Thank you also to Mrs Hughes; a very proud team manager!



Sports News

Rippa Rugby

Our Year 7/8 rippa rugby team had a successful day at the Otago Tournament. After four outstanding pool games, they placed top of their pool to qualify for semi finals. With a close game against Rosebank Primary, they were not able to make the final. A fantastic effort by everyone involved, and a big thank you to Mrs Nichol and Charlotte Williams for coaching the team on the day.

South Otago Interchange

It was a big day of sport at Taieri College on Tuesday! A great day hosting South Otago High School, on a beautiful winter's day on the Taieri. Our students showed a great deal of teamwork, mahi and pride as they battled it out in their sports. Results are below. The trophy remains at home for another year! Thanks to everyone involved – players, coaches, managers, officials and supporters.



SPORT	TEAM	Winning Team	Result
Hockey	Mixed 1 st XI	Taieri College	15 - 0
Rugby	1st XV	Taieri College	26 - 13
Rugby	Un14	Taieri College	30 - 29
Rugby	Un15	South Otago High School	53 - 0
Rugby	Girls 10s	Taieri College	38 - 5
Netball	Senior A	Taieri College	43 - 24
Netball	Senior B	Taieri College	35 - 13
Netball	10 A	Taieri College	25 - 12
Netball	9 A	Taieri College	21 - 20
Basketball	Senior Boys	Taieri College	102 - 21
Basketball	Senior Girls	Taieri College	102 - 14
Basketball	Junior Boys	Taieri College	38 - 14
Basketball	Junior Girls	Taieri College	62 - 10
Football	Boys 1 st XI	Taieri College	14 - 0
Football	Mixed 2 nd XI	Taieri College	8 - 1
Theatre Sports	A Team	Taieri College	Taieri College Win



SOHS Interchange



Octacan



Thank you so much to our students, whanau and staff for supporting the annual Octacan appeal. With your help we were able to collect over 1700 cans this year, a fantastic accomplishment! This year the Students' Council executive team decided to tie our can collage theme into the celebration of Matariki. Thank you to all the students who assisted with this. Cans will go to both the local foodbank in Mosgiel as well as the central foodbank in Dunedin. A special thanks to our TK classes who make up a large portion of the total cans collected, Well done!

Aerobics

Last weekend, Courtney Smith (8BZ) was named the Intermediate champion at the NZ Sport Aerobics Open 2022, held in Christchurch. Courtney competes with Club Queens Aerobics. Well done, Courtney, on this incredible achievement!



TWISTY PLOTS YOUNG WRITERS' WORKSHOPS WITH ELLA WEST

Ella West returns in 2022 for another series of her writing workshops for teens. See you in the Teen Space at **Dunedin City Library** from 3.30pm-4.30pm **every second Tuesday of the month February to December**.

She'll talk books, writing, plots, characters, happy and not-so-happy endings. All the stuff for a great story.

Come along and give it a whirl. No need to book.

Dunedin City Public Library - 2nd Tuesdays of the Month 3.30pm-4.30pm

12 July 2022 (School Holidays)
9 August 2022
13 September 2022
11 October 2022 (School Holidays)
8 November 2022
13 December 2022



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Studylink Information

First year fees-free

If your child is thinking about tertiary study, they may be able to receive their first year fees-free. If they are planning on industry training (where they are training in a workplace, or doing 'on the job' learning), they could get two years fees-free.

For more information and to check eligibility visit <https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/> or call the fees-free helpline 0800 687 775

Study jargon - EFTS

Qualifying for certain payments will rely on studying the required number of EFTS (Equivalent Full-time Student). Studylink use EFTS to work out if someone is studying full time or part-time and to determine on-going eligibility for payments.

Usually, every paper or course has a certain amount of points or credits that represent the amount of study or workload you do. The general rule is 0.125 EFTS is equivalent to 15 credits or points.

<https://www.studylink.govt.nz/about-studylink/glossary/efts.html>

Student Loan

If your child qualifies for fees-free study they may still need to apply for a Student Loan for course-related costs or living costs. Only students studying full-time can access loans for course-related costs and living costs.

Remember though it is a loan and needs to be paid back. I'm sure we all know of people who, while studying, spent their living costs on fun things...

In order to stay eligible for Student Loan students need to pass at least half of their course work (EFTS) over a set period.

There is a lifetime limit of 7 EFTS (around 7 or 8 years of full-time study) for Student Loans.

If your child is under 18 when they sign their Student Loan contract you will need to give permission – this isn't as guarantor, the loan repayments will be their responsibility.

For more information visit:

<https://www.studylink.govt.nz/products/a-z-products/student-loan/index.html>

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Student Allowance

Not every student qualifies for a Student Allowance so it is important for students to think about how they will afford to live, especially if they plan to go flatting or move into a hall of residence.

The good news is, for those who qualify, Student Allowance does not need to be paid back.

Students can also earn up to \$240.70 a week before tax before any allowance payments are affected.

Student Allowance is based on parental income until age 24, even if the student does not live at home. This calculator will help first-time students determine how much Student Allowance they may get:

<https://www.studylink.govt.nz/products/rates/calculators/parental-income-calculator.html>

Like with Student Loan, students must pass more than half of their EFTS to remain eligible, there is a limit of 200 weeks study (about 5 years).

Student Allowance does not get paid over the summer holiday so students will need to either get a job during this period or apply for Jobseeker Support Student Hardship while they are looking for a job.

For more information visit:

<https://www.studylink.govt.nz/products/a-z-products/student-allowance/index.html>

When to apply

The best time to apply is before 16 December, to make sure everything is sorted when study starts in 2023. Most people start applying in term 3 and term 4.

There is no need to wait until NCEA results come out in January. Students can even apply if they haven't decided where they want to study yet, or they're waiting on confirmation of their course.

Applications can be updated or withdrawn after submission.

How to apply

Applying is easy and all online. This link will walk first-time students through the process:

<https://www.studylink.govt.nz/online-services/apply/first-time/index.html>

Extra payments

There are extra payments that students may qualify for too that many don't know about:

- Accommodation Supplement
- Disability Allowance (think of this more as a health allowance – if your child has on-going health costs such as medication or specialist visits, they should apply)
- Temporary Additional Support

All of the above can be applied for using this form:

<https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/documents/forms/extra-help-application.pdf>