



Kia ora e te whanau

Welcome back to Term 3, where we usually look forward to lighter mornings and milder days. This week has certainly not been mild or dry! As we return from our holidays 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 will be sitting exams at the start of September so the weeks leading up to them will be particularly important. They would have received their reports at the end of Term 2, and it would be wise 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.

We made the decision at the start of this term to return to mask wearing while being inside. As expected, this generated a wide range of feedback, both for and against. I would like to state our rationale around our decision. Our seniors have very important exams coming up this term. To give them the best opportunity for success we want their specialised subject teachers in front of them. Term 2 was incredibly challenging for us in terms of staffing the school and dealing with regular absenteeism, both staff and students. There were days last term where we had up to 15 teachers absent from the classroom. The relief cost per day often exceeded \$3,000. On top of this, we were regularly asking teachers on full workloads to cover their colleagues' classes while they were away. Despite these circumstances we were still able to keep all year level classes running throughout Term 2. I understand the science around the effectiveness of mask use in viral transmission is fiercely debated but given the untenable challenges of last term we decided that anything that potentially stopped people getting sick was worth doing, particularly given its effect on the teaching and learning programmes we deliver to our students. Our students were at the heart of this decision.

Our second winter sports exchange takes place next week with a large contingent of students heading to Invercargill to compete against James Hargest on Wednesday. Good luck to everyone involved.

Ngā mihi nui

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL



**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.

Key Dates

- 1 August 2022
University Open Days – All Year 13s
- 1-5 August 2022
Taieri College Open Week
- 3 August 2022
L2PRM Practical Fencing Day
- 4 August 2022
Maatangi Whenua Geography Competition
- 4-5 August 2022
L2SPR High Ropes/Caving, Invercargill
- 9 August 2022
Taieri College Sports Photographs
- 10 August 2022
7/8 Kavanagh Interchange
- 11 August 2022
Senior Mathematics Competition
- 12 August 2022
Junior Reports emailed home
Otago University Visit

Senior Assessments Due Next Week

- 1 August 2022
L1GEO AS91009
Sustainability Internal
- 1-5 August 2022
L2 PED AS91328- IN CLASS

Nominations for the 2022 School Board Elections are Open

Nominations are invited for the election of **five** parent representatives to the Taieri College Board of Trustees. All eligible voters will have received an email on 15 July 2022 from 'My School Election' where you are able to nominate yourself. Please check your spam if you have not received this.

For eligible voters that do not have an email address registered with the school, please click on the form below to access the nomination form or pick one up from the college office.

[2022 Parent Nomination form](#)

Nominations close at noon on **5 August 2022 at 12.00pm (noon)**.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the college and can be viewed during normal college hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names as they come to hand, for inspection at the College.

Lynne Blackwood
RETURNING OFFICER

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.

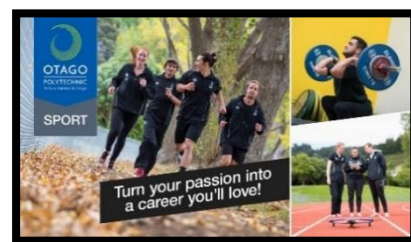
Our Sports Council is always welcoming and very appreciative of any new sponsors wishing to come on board. If you think this is an area you can help, please contact the Sports Office (sport@taieri.school.nz).

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 – The Institute of Sport, Exercise and Health (Otago Polytechnic)

How lucky are we, as a college to have the sponsorship support from the Institute of Sport, Exercise and Health at Otago Polytechnic. This could be where a few of our students may head next year to further their education, likewise, so many of our previous students have attended and studied. We even have staff present now who have gained their degree at the Polytechnic and are putting it to great use here at Taieri College. The students, as part of their sport hours, also attend and support The Sports Council on Golf Day.



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 Dunedin.



Get 2 Go 2022

Year 9 & 10

On Wednesday 14 September, Hillary Outdoor Trust is holding the Otago Get2Go event in Dunedin. In 2021 our Year 10 team won this event and went on to represent Otago at the Nationals held in 2022.

The format of the day varies slightly across the regions due to the availability of resources and the geographic locations of the challenges. There will generally be four challenges on the day (depending on facilities available) and these could include the outdoor sports/activities of mountain biking, kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, orienteering/navigation, indoor rock-climbing and team problem solving. Teams will generally rotate around the various challenges and will have 60 minutes at each venue to tackle the task and score points for their overall team score.

Students need to be able to run & think, bike ride, kayak and work as a team.

If you are interested in being considered for a team, please email sport@taieri.school.nz
Applications close on **Wednesday 3 August 2022.**

Once applications have closed we will meet with all those who have applied to discuss the next step.



New Staff Profile – Learning Support Co-ordinator

Name: Kerie Richardson

Birthplace: Llanidloes, Wales

Schooling: Newtown High School

Tertiary Qualification: BSC Hons Psychology, Masters Special needs and education (Autism focus)

Subjects Teaching: Design and Technology, Special Needs, Primary

Hobbies/Interests: Lego, Lego therapy, Art, sculpture, textiles / sewing, anything creative

Favourite Quote: "You can discover more about a person in an hour of play than in a year of conversation." – Plato.



Level 2 Drama

This week Level 2 Drama students performed excerpts from the play 'Lanarch' in the Performing Arts Centre here at Taieri College, by arrangement with Playmarket. It was great to see our students back in the PAC performing with an audience. What an amazing talented group of students, well done! For more photos go to our Taieri College Performing and Visual Arts Facebook page.

Cast



William Larnach
A politician and entrepreneur.
Maxx Turu



Constance de Bathe
Brandon Larnach
Larnach's third wife.
Edith Lawrence



Alice Inder
Larnach's third daughter
Kairi Mortensen-Morunga



Donald Larnach
Larnach's elder son.
Andrew Matheson/
Tom Whaley



Colleen Larnach
Larnach's second daughter
Jaide Townsend



Douglas Larnach
Larnach's younger son.
Jackson Rosie



Edward Hill
Larnach's manservant.
Tobias Talijsnich



Basil Sievwright
A lawyer and family friend.
Abbey Dawson-Brown



Katie Larnach
Larnach's elder and favourite daughter.
Ella Coudret



Olive Bates
A widow, Larnach's former mistress
Mitchell Tobin



Young Writers' Awards 2022

Entries are due Wednesday 28 September at 3:00pm.

Entries need to be e-mailed as a Word document attachment to ywa@taieri.school.nz. The subject line must indicate the category and year level.

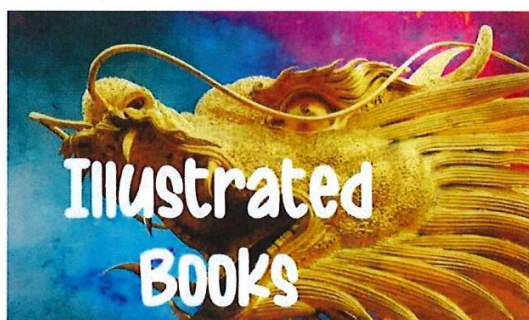
Entries for the Illustrated Books section (if not in electronic format) can be delivered to the English Department Office in the last week of Term 3.

SHORT STORIES

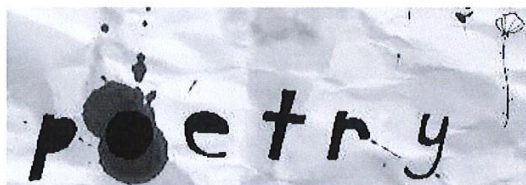
Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 250 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience, fiction, or inspired by other stories read or viewed. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity.

Article

This section is completed individually. Entries need a suitable title and written in paragraphs. Present your opinions about a subject such as Road Safety, Conservation, Social Media, Politics, etc. You could be aiming to persuade the reader to act/behave/think in a different way. Or you could present information about a subject such as Taieri history, animals, ancestry, your job, an historic event, etc. Entries may relate to some study you have completed. Entries do not have to come from classroom activities.



This may be a combined effort of up to two people (e.g. a text writer and an illustrator). Options include:
(a) Children's Illustrated Book - The book must be at least six pages long, but the page size is not restricted. It should be suitable for pre-school children to read or to have read to them. (i.e. the text and pictures may be quite simple).
(b) Graphic Novel – This text needs to be at least 15 frames, using the visual and written conventions of graphic novels (comic books, anime). Entries be a full story or the beginning of a longer narrative not yet written.

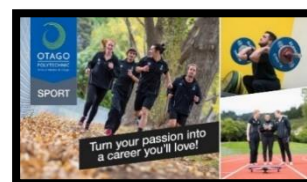


Completed individually, entries can be any length, rhymed or unrhymed. Very short poems, however, may not be judged as favorably as longer ones reflecting greater effort. Use a suitable title. The subject may be serious or humorous. It may be shaped on the page.



Collaborative efforts of up to three people may submit entries in this category. Drama scripts may be any length – a simple sketch or a piece of dialogue or monologue, and could contain one or several scenes. Stage directions must be included. It should be set out as a play script with dialogue and stage directions, as well as a captivating title.

Questions can be directed to your English teacher or to Miss Hurst in C10 or by email (ehurst@taieri.school.nz).



Young Writers' Awards

Use the following statement to draw inspiration for a piece of writing for any category:

We are running out of time...



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<https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent/Login.aspx> for more information.

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Sport News

Netball

Over the July holidays, our 9A and 10As Netball teams headed to Christchurch for the South Island Secondary Schools Netball tournament. Day one had some great results including wins against Waimea and Lincoln for our 9As and a win against Verdon for our 10As.

Day Two was a very different day on the netball court with torrential rain causing the day to be cancelled after the first round. Our 10As managed to play one game in the terrible weather winning against Garin College.

The final day of play had some tight results for our 9 As who won 28 – 26 over Kaiapoi and lost 24 – 26 to St Margaret's. Our 10As had one win and two very close losses.

Final results were 11th place for our 9As and 23rd for our 10As. **Well done to all of our players who represented the school with pride!** A huge thank you to all the parents, coaches, managers and umpires who made the tournament possible.



Sport News

Basketball

Tyla McIntosh recently represented Otago in the Aon Basketball Nationals. The team had mixed results with their 7 games over 4 days, and Tyla had a great time. This trip was financially supported by the Taieri College Sports Council.



Year 7 and 8 Umpire Workshops

Our Year 7 and 8's was lucky enough to participate in an umpire workshop run by Maigan Fright, from Dunedin Netball, and Taieri College ex pupil. Over the two sessions, our players learnt the various calls and hand signals required to umpire netball. They then put this into a game situation. Thank you, Maigan!



Sports Council Raffle

Thank you very much for your generous grocery donations for our Taieri College Sport Council raffle, it is much appreciated.

We now have five large grocery hampers to be won!

Every student involved in sport at Taieri College is encouraged to sell a raffle card. Students can collect these from the **sports office** from now. Please make sure these are collected by Friday 29 July 2022 by 3pm.



Sold cards and money are due back to the **student office** by **15 August 2022**. Winners will be drawn on 22 August 2022. All money needs to be in before the raffle can be drawn.

Thanks for your support – Taieri College Sports Council

Celebrating Sporting Success

We have had a number of talented Taieri College students recently be selected for a Dunedin, Otago or New Zealand team for their sport. If you are one of these students, please let the team in the sports office know so we can celebrate your success in the newsletter next week.

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North Otago Basketball Tournament

During the second weekend of the holidays, two Year 8 Miniball teams (Gold & Blue) travelled to Oamaru to take part in the North Otago Basketball Tournament. This tournament has a variety of teams from schools as well as representative sides.

Gold played four pool games against Twizel, North Otago, Mid Canterbury and Waimate. After winning all these pool games, they played their quarter final against Aspiring, winning comfortably, for a spot in the semi-finals.

Blue played three pool games against Kaiapoi North, Waimate and Aspiring. Two wins and a loss saw Blue make the quarter final against Mid Canterbury. This was a great game, that Blue ended up winning 42-30 for a spot in the semi-finals!

Unfortunately, both Taieri teams couldn't make the final as Sunday morning saw Blue and Gold take on each other in the semi-final. It was a tight game throughout, however, Gold came out victorious, winning 46-32. Blue ended up placing 3rd equal with Waimate A.

Gold went on to play North Otago in the final. This was a super close, intense game! Gold managed to hold on and won 32-25. This is the second year in a row we have placed first in this particular grade!

Thank you to Rebecca, Jennie and Aaron for giving up your time to help out and I can't forget to mention Gold's fabulous water-boys/assistant coaches, Gus and Arlo!





Youth Leadership Programme

Dear Parent/Caregiver;

This is a notice to inform you of a program called *Ground Zero* that will be running during Term 3, 2022. Students attending will be given opportunities to take part in games and activities that have been chosen to identify and develop skills and abilities. The program is FREE as we are provided with funding to cover our costs.

Ground Zero is for Year 7 students and will involve them meeting each Wednesday evening 6.30pm – 8.00pm at the Hub, 12a Cemetery Rd, East Taieri (opposite East Taieri School).

Larissa Pearce, who is employed by the Saddle Hill Foundation Trust as a Youth Worker will coordinate the program.

Spaces are limited, therefore receiving this does not guarantee your child a place. Please fill in the below form and scan and email it back to me at yetworker@gmail.com or return to the school office as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can return it to Youth East Taieri, 12a Cemetery Road, East Taieri, Mosgiel. If printing is an issue, hard copies will be available at the school office.

If you think that this program would be specifically beneficial to your child, please let me know.
For further information phone Larissa Pearce on 489 6308 ext. 1706 or 021 0867 1157

Important dates to note:

- Applications close Wednesday 27 July 2022
- Family/whanau information evening Wednesday 3 August 2022
- Program runs from the 10 August 2022 – 21 September 2022
- Ground Zero camp from 17-18 September 2022

Kind regards,

Larissa

Larissa Pearce
Youth Worker
Mobile: 021 0867 1157
Office: 489 6308 ext:1706
Email: yetworker@gmail.com



Ground Zero

The close off date for applications has been extended to today Friday 29 July 2022 and forms can be collected from the college office.

For more information, please contact
Larissa Pearce Senior Youth &
Community Worker, Mobile: 021 0867
1157, Office: 489 6308 ext: 1706
Email: yetworker@gmail.com



I give permission for my child _____
(Please write name of child clearly)

Date of Birth: _____

Year level at school: _____

School attended: _____

Address _____

To be involved in the Ground Zero Course running during Term 3 2022 and they are available to attend the camp. I understand that spaces are limited and returning this form does not guarantee my child will be part of the program.

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____

I can be contacted by phone on the following number _____

During these hours _____

Email Address: _____

Signed: _____
(Parent/ Caregiver)



Special Rigs for Special Kids

90 Old Brighton Road
RD 1
Dunedin 9076



Dear Caregivers

This year's fun day is to be held on **Sunday 28 August 2022 at the Edgar Centre from 8.30am**. The event is hosted by the local transport industry to provide children with special needs, a chance to get close to the big rigs they see on the roads.

The invitation is for a child with special needs and a supporting adult to come to the Edgar Centre where they will be taken for a ride in a truck, and then returned to the Edgar Centre for a barbeque lunch.

We would like to emphasise that the day is primarily for children with special needs and their immediate families. We would ask you to take this into consideration when organising your family group.

Please Note:

- If your child is aged 7 or under please bring their car seat or booster seat with you on the day
- We require one caregiver per child to travel in the truck, as you know the individual needs of your child.
- Any special dietary requirements for your child must be provided by you on the day.
- St John Ambulance Service will be present.
- Face masks are strongly recommended.
- There is no need to respond to this invitation other than to turn up on the 29th of August from 8.30am
- There is no cost to you or your family for this event.
- Any other immediate family members will be able to travel in the bus.
- Any enquiries please contact Greg Inch 0274 358 508 or 4881 346.

Yours sincerely

Greg Inch

Special Rigs for Special Kids President



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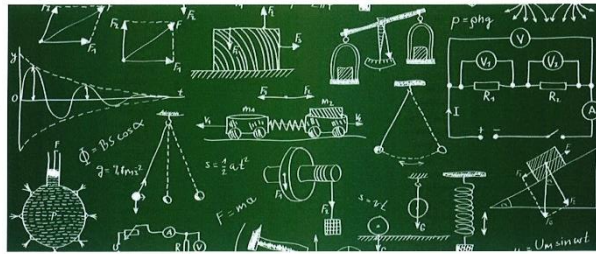


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Contact
jongmin.cho@gmail.com





School
**Animation
Competition**

Have you got what it takes to animate???

Make a stop-motion animation using LEGO

- Open to all schools in the Otago region.
- 3 categories: primary, intermediate & secondary schools.
- Teams of up to 6 students.
- Animations need to be 2 minutes or less.
- LEGO must be used for all moving parts & some scenery.
- Backgrounds and bases can be generic: painted, montage, etc.
- Entries close on Friday September 16th.
- Full details and rules attached.