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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whānau

Malo e lelei ki he taha kotoa and welcome to Tongan language week where we recognise our students and community members of Tongan heritage.

Even though we are officially in Spring we were greeted with a significant snowfall on Tuesday and the start of the school day was deferred for a couple of hours. Communication with home during these times is done via email, Facebook and our website. It would also be announced on local radio stations. My thanks for everyone for their cooperation and understanding.

My highlight this week was attending the 2022 Class Act presentations held at the Dunedin Art Gallery. Our Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern was in attendance and presented the awards. Pearl Harris-Blain and William Cresswell were deserved recipients from Taieri College. Unfortunately, William was unable to be there in person, but it was my privilege to accept the award on his behalf.



Senior students have now completed their examinations and will be receiving feedback on them within the next week or so. A formal report will be emailed home at the end of the term. It is a crucial time for those students who have a significant examination workload at the end of the year. These results will give them a clear indication as to what will need to be done before the national examinations in November.

Keira Wallace Year 11 has won 3rd place in the National Lyric competition under Play It Strange, the David Richwhite Lyric writing award, with their song "In the Warm Smell of Wood" judged by Don McGlashan. The judge's comments were "Lovely dreamlike images in this song make for an arresting, intriguing lyric. The focus on objects and the senses, touch, sight, and smell, is consistent and gives the lyric a strong sense of itself". Congratulations Keira.



Ngā mihi nui

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

12 September 2022
TK Rugby League
Coaching

13 September 2022
Year 8 Multisport Event
(L2SPR)
L3 Agribusiness Trip

13-16 September 2022
Year 9 Hearing
Screening

14 September 2022
Get 2 Go
Level 3 Biology Otago
Peninsula
Year 10 OSTA quiz

15 September 2022
L1MAT NCEA MCAT
Lincoln University Visit
MITO Vocational
Careers Speed Meet

16 September 2022
TK League
tournament

Senior Assessments Due Next Week

15 September 2022
L2ACC 91176

16 September 2022
AS91004 Perspectives
Internal



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 with, 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 – Loan Market Dunedin

If you require help or advice with a loan, then call Sally Thomson or Gary Beattie at Loan Market Dunedin today. Loan Market offer everything you need to know when purchasing a new property, moving homes, investing, or getting smarter with your loan finances. Sally and Gary have given many hours with their involvement in sport at Taieri College, providing coaching and management, sponsorship towards teams and they are of course a valued Sport Council Sponsor. Thank you Sally and Gary.



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.

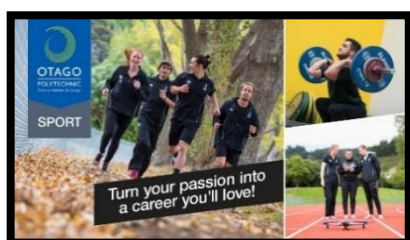
Help Required – Taieri College Sports Council Golf Day

The Taieri College Sports Council are currently in the process of organising their biggest fundraiser of the year, GOLF DAY, to be held on FRIDAY 11 November 2022.

If you are able to contribute any items towards the AUCTION & RAFFLES on the day, we, as the Sports Council, would totally appreciate your help!

Please feel free to drop any items into the SPORTS OFFICE or feel free to contact me, Jan on 0274893247.

THANK YOU to three of our wonderful Sports Council Sponsors; SportsMed, The Otago Polytechnic Institute of Sport, Exercise & Health and Lachie McLachlan – LJ Hookers, Mosgiel for starting the donation process!





Service Voucher Awarded to Taieri College

Graeme and the team at Calder Motors put forward our name for a community service voucher supplied by Auto Shop to the value of \$500.00. We were excited to learn that we had won. The voucher is being used for a servicing on one of our Sports Council transit vans. Thank you, Graeme, for selecting us.

Sophie Russell our Director of Sport receiving a \$500.00 voucher from Graeme at Calder Motors



Poetry Competition

Congratulations to Joanne Brock-Smith Year 11 on winning a poetry competition called "What's That Sound".

G sharp.

It's Green!

Lime mixed with mashed mint leaves
(plus, the lilac feathers that lift it forcibly off the ground)
Before they drop it into its alter ego

The

Rounder

Darker

Homelier

Version

an ardent a flat

the colour of abandoned barns
ones that reek of roosters that used to crow long into the afternoon
and swallowed the laughter of small children
scouring through the carpet of silage and hay
for lost coins since
they don't quite understand how the world works.





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School Magazine 2022 - \$20.00

We are taking payment now for our annual school magazine which is distributed at the end of Term 4. This is a 270-page colour printed A4 magazine which records the activities throughout the school year and includes form class and co-curricular (Sport, Arts, Cultural) activities group photos.

All students have been invoiced \$20.00 for this magazine but if you do not want a copy, or only want one copy per family, please email accounts@taieri.school.nz to have this charge removed.

The due date for payment is **28 October 2022** to confirm your order. Late payments cannot guarantee a magazine will be available for the student. Magazines are ordered and printed by our printer based on the number of confirmed orders at the due date.

Payment can be made by internet banking to 03-1725-0106800-00 using your **name** and **magazine** as the reference, or by eftpos/cash at the office.

Mālō e lelei

Today, the Wellbeing Ambassadors distributed apples to students as part of a campaign to promote 'courage'. Courage helps young people to activate their 'superpowers' or strengths, so they can take on challenges in everyday situations to reduce anxiety and overcome fear.

The apples were the 'superfood' to enhance students' personal superpowers. Students also embraced stickers which promote wellbeing messages. It added an extra feel-good atmosphere to the campus.

It was also the culmination of Tongan Language Week - the theme of which is sustaining the Tongan language in Aotearoa. The red apples signified the colours of the Tongan flag.

Ngā mihi nui
Diana Leonard
Director of Wellbeing



Young Writers' Awards

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

"I haven't been everywhere, but it's on my list." (Susan Sontag)

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.

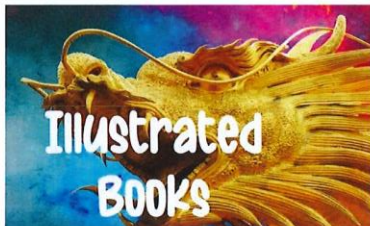
Entries for the Illustrated Books section (if not in electronic format) can be delivered to the English Department Office in the last week of Term 3.

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).

Sport

Tournament Week

Last week saw six of our sports teams travelling across the South Island to compete in various sports tournaments during winter tournament week. A very impressive effort across the board from Taieri College! Below is a short summary of how our teams went. Our netball team's efforts were celebrated in last week's newsletter. A big thank you to the Sport Council for helping these teams get there.

Rugby U15s:

The rugby boys had a strong tournament in Nelson, being undefeated making their way to the final! Despite coming second best to Central Southland in the final they were awarded The Best Overall Team in Division 2. This is selected by independent coaches and selectors.

The last time we have achieved this level of success was in 1987 when The Taieri High School lost to South Otago High School in the final 14-4.

A big thank you to Trey Russell, Lewis Dyer, Jason Esplin, Peter Walker and Nathan Hull for the time and dedication put into the team. Congratulations to Travis Miller who was announced as the team's player of the tournament.

Hockey Boys and Girls:

Our hockey boys in Ashburton, and girls in Nelson had very similar tournaments. Both playing outstanding hockey, earning their place in the semi-finals, something that Taieri College has not done in a long time! Both teams fell short in the semi-finals, meaning their last game would be playing off for 3rd and 4th place. Congratulations to the boys who beat Middleton Grange convincingly 7-0 to take the bronze medal!

The girls ended up 4th, losing to Wellington East Girls' 3-1 but put everything out there. A HUGE thanks to the Gale and Coleman families for helping getting Billy, the unstoppable goalie, and Hannah, the super striker, back to their teams for the final game! Big thanks to the assisting adults and staff Hamish Miller, Franki Traini, Kat Nichol, Hayley McHutchon, Jane Jones, Aimee Samuels, Alice Merriman and Ben Hamlin for coaching, managing, and refereeing during the week.



Basketball Boys and Girls:

The Southern Cup was held in Dunedin this year, so Taieri College took up the opportunity of having both a boys and girls team play. Our boys had an awesome tournament with some great results. They only lost one game all tournament, however, unfortunately on count back they came third in their pool, and played off for 5th and 6th, where they won against Cashmere High.

Our girls being a junior team did incredibly well for playing against mainly senior teams. It was an awesome experience for them, and with a few more years of growing and playing together, they have the potential to go far.

A big thanks to the coaches Jack Mockford and Esteban Erdody for their amazing work with the teams, and Jenny Hooper for managing the boys team!



Otago Cross Country

Last week we had 20 year 7 & 8 students represent Taieri College at the Otago Primary Schools' Cross Country, held on a 2.4km course at Kaikorai Valley College. We had two students finish in the top 20. Matthew Petegem Thach finished 8th in the Year 8 Boys, and Corby Blackie finished 13th in the Year 7 Boys. Well done everyone!



Weightlifting

Taieri College had Cole Jones and Luke Evans competing over the weekend in the Weightlifting Secondary Schools' Championships, held in Porirua. Luke Evan's (over 15 M73) placed second in the snatch and second in the clean and jerk. Cole Jones (over 15 M 81) placed first in the snatch and third in the clean and jerk. It's an awesome effort for the boys to go all that way and do so well!



Squash

Congratulations to our Taieri C team that won the Division 2 at the Secondary Schools' Squash Tournament held in Dunedin on Friday. Well done Hunter Compton, Mace Hodge & Rhys Heger! There were 54 entries from throughout Otago. Taieri College had two other teams in the top division that had some very tough and competitive matches. The boys had a good mix of wins and losses, but overall enjoyed the experience. A "big ups" to Logan Hay in his first competitive tournament playing extremely well, narrowly missing out on beating a fairly high seeded player in the first round.



Wrestling – Sienna Forgie

Sienna Forgie has just represented Taieri College at the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Wrestling Champs held in Auckland; she came away with the gold medal in her weight class and awarded the Best Overall Junior Female Wrestler. An incredible effort!

Massive thanks to the Taieri College Sports Council, Taieri College Student Council, Taieri Wrestling Club & Ngai Tahu for their support, and Sienna's coach Mark.




Winter Sports Uniforms

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25**

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