



# TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATOĀ



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Kia ora e te whānau

Term 2 has certainly provided its fair share of irregularities as the ongoing rift between the teachers' union and the government resulted in significant disruption to our teaching and learning programmes. Students have once again been required to be self-managing and resilient. Well done to those who have done so. We look forward to next term being more settled and students being able to have consistent class time.

Good luck to our Year 9 and 10 netball teams who are travelling to Christchurch during the first week of the holidays to participate in the South Island tournament. It requires a lot of organisation to attend these tournaments and my sincere thanks to coaches, managers, and supporters for helping out. Given the games are all outside, here's hoping for some mild Canterbury weather. Good luck girls.

Today is the last day for two valued members of our teaching team. Mr Liam Whaley and Mr Jared Peacock both begin new positions next term.

Liam has been our Head of Agriculture for seven years and has been responsible for putting together a varied and successful teaching programme. Many Taieri students come from a farming background and have a genuine interest in entering the agricultural industry. Our primary industry programme provides ample opportunity for students to gain either practical on-farm experience or specific industry knowledge in the classroom. Liam joins Muka Tangata (Workforce Development Council) in July and we thank Liam sincerely for what he has given to Taieri College. His collegiality, passion for teaching, and refined sense of humour will be sadly missed. We wish Liam all the best in his new position.

Jared has been an Assistant Principal at the college since 2020. Previously he was our Head of Sport and a teacher of Physical Education. Jared is an unflappable character who genuinely cares about the people around him. He is up front, honest, and a man of great integrity. Jared has contributed significantly outside the classroom, particularly in volleyball and rugby. He has had such a positive influence on so many. Jared and his family are relocating to Canterbury next term as Jared has a position in senior management at Darfield High School. We wish Jared and his family good luck in their next adventure.

Wishing everyone a safe and relaxing winter holiday break.

Ngā mihi nui

**Dave Hunter**  
PRINCIPAL

## Key Dates

**30 June 2023**  
Senior Reports emailed home.  
End of Term 2

**2 – 5 July 2023**  
SISS Netball Tournament

**17 July 2023**  
Start of Term 3

## Senior Assessments Due Week 1 – Term 3

L1 History AS91002 Internal  
AS91158 Level 2 Biology Rocky Shore Assessment Due  
L3 History AS91435 Internal

# OPEN WEEK



Come for a tour during our Open Week

24 July 2023 to 28 July 2023 to see the college in action.

Book on-line at [www.taieri.school.nz](http://www.taieri.school.nz) or email  
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## Otago Theatresports

Leo Burkett, Maxx Turu and Abbey Dawson-Brown performed in Te Whare o Rukutia on Monday evening as part of the Otago Theatresports end of term showcase. They have been representing the school in OSIC all term and this performance was the culmination of all their efforts. Each of them were fantastic and gave hilarious performances. They have had the privilege of working with Dan Allen who is in Dunedin for one year while working on his master's in fine arts. He is a highly respected practitioner in improvisational theatre across the nation.



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## Level 2 play

The Real Inspector Hound



## Fern Energy Fuel for Schools Package

The Taieri College Music Department recently received audio recording equipment to the value of \$1500 through Fern Energy's fuel for schools programme. Taieri College was sponsored to be part of the Fuel for Schools programme and has been collecting rewards points every time our school vans are fueled. Once eligible for a Fuel for Schools package, schools are notified via a direct email from Fern Energy's Fuel for Schools Coordinator, who liaises with the school on their required packages.

The package received consists of six microphones, a live streaming mixing desk, an audio recording interface and two sets of studio headphones.

The Fuel for Schools programme has donated over \$1.6 million to rural schools across New Zealand, providing the sports equipment, books, music, and technology needed for kids to learn and thrive.

Kā mihi nui Fern Energy. The equipment will be put to great use here at Taieri College!



## Valetta Recording at Te Korokoro o te Tūi

Chiara Crompton Bray, Charlie Brough, Isaac Wirangi, Tyler Little, Cameron Lord, and Reef Tamihana – collectively known as the wonderful Valetta – spent Thursday afternoon recording a three-song set of original music at Otago University's Te Korokoro o te Tūi recording studio. The recording is Valetta's submission for the selection process for the national final of Smokefree Rockquest at Auckland's Q Theatre on 16 September 2023.

Te Korokoro o te Tūi (the voice-box of the Tūi) incorporates purpose-built studios – including a two-storey recording studio – flexible teaching and performance spaces, and communal areas for students to collaborate and showcase their work, within a learning environment.

The industry-leading two-storey studio is equipped for recording everything from small orchestras to solos, and for teaching contemporary and rock music performances.

The ground floor of the two-storey main studio houses the main control room, two isolation booths for recording and the main recording space – capable of accommodating an orchestra and of hosting performances for an audience of more than 100.

This was a fantastic opportunity for Valetta to experience recording in a world class recording facility. A massive thank you to Stephen, Hugh, and Jess from the University of Otago for making this opportunity possible for our musicians.





## Discovering Aotearoa



I created a Ngā Tara which is a bird spear. It is made from hard wood like from manuka trees, whale bone, human bone, fish bone, and Pounamu. The rope used is made from flax. The wahine would make the rope by collecting harakeke. For it to work, you would tie the rope around your wrist, throw the spear which would get stuck in the bird and then pull the bird in with the harakeke rope. I learnt that there were different names for the bird spares depending on what bird they were hunting. I really enjoyed making it.

Charlie Clements 7BL

For the past five weeks I have been studying Māori history and their weapons. I could study about lots of Māori weapons, but I chose the taiaha as my main topic. I learned the taiaha was around 5-6ft long and it was used around 200 years ago. The main use of the taiaha was to fight in hand-to-hand battles with other tribes. It had a certain design that resembled a taniwha, because they are thought to be guardians of people in their tribe. The taiaha also had Polynesian dog hair that was used to distract the opponent in battle. I chose the taiaha because I really liked the design, and it was a fun thing to build.

Eli Haldane 7BL



During the Discovering Aotearoa unit, I chose to study the Māori whare. I have made a Māori house (whare) I made it from cardboard and harakeke. Whare were usually protected by Pā. Pā are usually referred to as any Māori village or defensive settlement. Pā were almost always built on hills or raised ground to provide maximum protection. Whare were made of natural materials that had good thermal protection, such as a native plant called Raupō reeds. Raupō reeds, and other natural plant materials, that trap air and can provide reasonable thermal insulation. The Whare whakairo (carved meeting house) is seen as a sacred place of home or an important meeting house. These beautiful houses are often named after and seen as the place to pray to the souls of ancestors and sacred Māori atua.

By Emma Collins



## Dunedin Rep Netball Team

Congratulations to Neve Beattie, Annabelle Andrews, Janaya Guthrie and Georgina Te Kanawa who were all selected to represent Dunedin for netball.

Annabelle, Janaya and Georgina were selected for the Dunedin U16B team and competed in two tournaments over the last couple of weeks. During their short representative campaign, they won all three games in Gore and Dunedin, playing teams like Southland, Central Lakes, Invercargill, and North Otago.

Neve was selected for the Dunedin U18A team. At the start of the year, the team competed over King's Birthday Weekend in Christchurch to prepare for Nationals. The team also competed in Timaru and Dunedin winning all their games. Neve will compete with the team in Hamilton for Netball New Zealand U18 Championships at the start of July 2023.



# UNDER 16B



**Abigail Kotkamp Annabelle Andrews Ella Colqhoun**



**Georgina Te Kanawa Georgina Titterton Grace Bamber**



**Janaya Guthrie Mollie Stumbles Ruby Hore**



### 2023 Form Class Photos

Form Class photos are now available to purchase online.

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# Netball Umpiring Workshop

It is coming up to school holiday time and Dunedin Netball is offering an Introduction to Umpiring course over this period for those students or young umpires looking to enter the Netball Umpiring space or progress further with their Umpiring.



This is a great opportunity for students to meet others in the officiating space from their and other schools, but also to earn endorsements such as the Centre Theory award and work towards awards such as Centre Badge and Zone Theory.

We are working hard this year at Dunedin Netball to provide opportunities for learning and development of our umpires with this workshop helping to provide a strong base of fundamentals that you new umpires can build on in the future. The Introduction to Umpiring workshop is targeted at Year 9-13 students who have not umpired at all or who have some experience and would like to learn more and progress in their umpiring. It will be a good opportunity to reinforce their knowledge of the rules, ask questions and take part in practical activities that they will be able to implement on competition dates.

## INTRODUCTION TO UMPIRING WORKSHOP - YEARS 9 TO 13

Thursday 6 July 2023, 10.00am – 2.00pm, Edgar Centre

Free to register.

A beginner umpire session targeted at secondary school students looking to enter the netball umpiring space or become a more competent player umpire.

The session will cover:

- fundamental skills that an umpire needs to consider when umpiring
- basic protocols for controlling and starting the game
- knowledge of the rules and their application during a game
- practical activities

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## Sport Hoodies



A new form is available for Sport Hoodies for Term 3. Just go to the Taieri College webpage, click on the menu button, then scroll down and click on the Sports tab, then onto the Sport Hoodie tab and the form will be able to be activated from there.

## Gymnastics

Kate Coates recently at one of her Gymnastics competitions.

## New Bus Fare Information

**Fares** - are changing for 5–12-year-olds, who can now travel free on the bus from 1 July 2023. If your child has a Bee Card(s) this will entitle them to free travel from 1 July 2023. This is a government-funded initiative that was announced in Budget 2023.

**Top ups** - because you can travel free after 1 July 2023 until you (or your child/children) turn 13 years old, we advise you to only top up your Bee Card with the amount you would normally spend from now, until 1 July 2023. Any funds on your card will remain and can be utilised when you turn 13 (when fare charges start to apply again).

**Tag on and Tag off** - remember, to access the free fares you must tag on and tag off with a registered Bee card to access the free fares concession. Please contact Orbus Dunedin on 0800 672 8736 for more information.

# Prepared Speech Finals

The last two Thursdays of Term 2 saw the second round of the annual Public Speaking competition continue with the Prepared Speech Finals. As with our first round, we had over 40 students delivering their speeches covering one of the most diverse range of topics we ever seen! The Year 9s and Year 10s will be competing in this section at the end of Term 3. Also in Term 3 will be the Impromptu Speaking round. Well done to all finalists – you have, yet again, set the bar high. Congratulations to the following place getters:



## Year 7

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Tom Taylor 7BL – No homework
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = Liv Schiller 7AM – Deforestation is bad
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = Emma Collins 7BL – Setting goals and motivation
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Charlie Allen 7HB – How to be happy in your own skin
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Flynn Walsh 7ME – We should not use plastics
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Tessa Struthers 7ME – Factory farming of pigs should be illegal



## Year 8

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Shiva Khasibatla 8FY – The imperial system is bad
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cruize Douglas 8BZ – Netball as a winter sport
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Leila Hughes 8FY – Why students should strike
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Ashely White 8BZ – Rosa Parks
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Lily Ballantyne 8SW – Technology
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Lucas Tikey 8SW – The value of homework



## Year 11


- 1<sup>st</sup> – Niamh Clark 11LO – Milk and Lactose Intolerance
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = Cody Masters 11SP – Mental Health System
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = Keira Hughes 11LO – Drowning fatalities
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Tahlia Mortimer 11LO – Evil McDonalds
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Ollie Esplin 11BK - Rugby



## Year 12 and Year 13

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Louise Lawson 12MT – Lowering the voting age to 16
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ella Coudret 13HS – Silly Sock Day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kate Coates 12JN – Speeches
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Joanne Brock-Smith 12JN – Birds in Captivity
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Abigail Anderson 12GO – Commercial Fishing
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Gardenia Paia-Letman 12GO – The Land of Milk and Honey





# DUNEDIN UNICEF CHARITY BALL 2023

When + Where?

**26th August**  
Dunedin Art Gallery

Who?

**16 – 20 year olds**

Theme?

**Moonlit Midnight**

More info?

**@unicefballdunedin**



# TAIERI

## RANGATAHI/YOUTH hui

Free event for 12yrs - 18yrs olds  
Expo of youth services & organisations  
Battle Combat Tactical Laser Games,  
making poi, mini golf putt, paper crafts  
Food & Fun

**Tues 4th July 2023**  
**10:30am - 2:00pm**  
**Taieri Rugby Club**  
**34 Reid Ave, Mosgiel**

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[www.taierinetwork.co.nz](http://www.taierinetwork.co.nz)







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Friday 11 August 2023  
Saturday 12 August 2023

Adults \$15.00  
Students/ Seniors \$10.00  
Family Pass \$40.00

2 adults + 2 children / 1 adult + 3 children

online sales: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/OMA>

Tickets go on sale – Monday 17 July 2023

Tickets are also available to be purchased from the Taieri College Reception and online (As above).