



# TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATOĀ



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Kia ora e te whānau

**Nau mai haere mai.** Throughout New Zealand, this week, we have been celebrating Māori Language Week. The theme this year is Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori – making the language stronger. It seems appropriate that the annual Dunedin Polyfest was also held this week. Our Year 7/8 Kapa Haka group performed on Wednesday evening while our Year 9-13 group took to the stage on Thursday evening. It was such a privilege to see our ākonga (students) perform so passionately, and with such poise, in front of a packed crowd at the Edgar Centre. Our young people have spent many hours preparing for this event and their polished performances reflected this. My thanks to our kaiako (teachers) and whānau, Gemma Tuhega (kaitiaki), Brad Martin, Toni Sutton, Helena Pattison, and Liam Whaley (parent) who have made a massive contribution to the success of our Kapa Haka group.

It was also an honour to be present at the Otago Daily Times Class Act Awards at the Dunedin Art Gallery on Wednesday. Philippa King and Caitlin Stewart were presented their awards by our Prime Minister Chris Hipkins. Congratulations to both of our recipients; they are thoroughly deserving of this recognition.

The school calendar has been overflowing with other noteworthy events and trips. Our Level 3 (Year 13) biologists visited the Orokonui Ecosanctuary while the Level 2 Physical Education students have been testing their abilities in mountain biking at Naseby. Our Year 11 students also had a full week with the Primary Rural Management students visiting Telford Southern Institute of Technology to discover the sorts of tertiary courses on offer to them in the future, while our Level 1 Mathematics students had their first real taste of national assessment on Thursday as they sat their Mathematics Common Assessment Task (MCAT). We were pleased with how many students took advantage of the Mathematics Department tutorials in the lead-up to the exam. I hope that those who revised thoroughly get the results they deserve.

Finally, my thanks to the L2 Sport and Recreation classes who organised a Turbo Touch tournament for our Year 8 students and an Amazing Race event for staff after school on Tuesday. The weather held out and loads of fun and inter-class competition was had by both the Year 8 students and the staff. My thanks to Miss Hickey, Mr Hull, and all their students for putting these events on.

Ngā mihi nui

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## Key Dates

**18 September 2023**

Course Booklet handout to Year 12

**18-19 September 2023**

L1SPR Tramp

**18-20 September 2023**

Level 3 Te Anau Tourism and  
Geography trip

**19 September 2023**

NZ Blood Bank Donation for 2023

Year 8 Health Parent Meeting

**19-21 September 2023**

Ngā Manu Kōrero Nationals, Ōtepoti

**20 September 2023**

Course Booklet handout to Year 11

Special Olympics Basketball  
Tournament

Level 1 Play – 4.00pm Performing Arts  
Centre

**21 September 2023**

Year 7-9 Speech Finals

Course Booklet handout to Year 8  
Level 1 Play – 7.00pm Performing Arts  
Centre

**22 September 2023**

Last day of Term 3

Senior Reports emailed home

Taieri Cricket XI trip to India

**9 October 2023**

Start of Term 4

## Senior Assessments Due Week 10

L2ENG/C Writing Portfolio due  
L1 SPR- Tramp and Camp assessment  
Level 1 Music: 1.6 Music Works  
Level 1 Music: 31191 Demonstrate Knowledge of New Māori Music  
Level 1 Dance: 1.2 Perform Dance Sequences Dance #3  
Level 2 Dance: 2.1 Choreograph a Group Dance  
Level 3 Dance: 3.2 Choreograph a Solo Dance  
L2 DRA 91214 Performance Devise and Perform a Drama to Realise an Intention  
L1 DRA 90009 Performance Perform an Acting Role in a Scripted Production  
L1ENE Connections Report 90852  
L3ENG/C Connections Report 91487  
L3 Music Song Writing Portfolios  
L3 DRA 91512 Performance Interpret Scripted Text to Integrate Drama Techniques in Performance  
L1 DRA 90009 Performance Perform an Acting Role in a Scripted Production  
AS91601 L3BIO Orokonui  
L2 DRA 91214 Performance Devise and Perform a Drama to Realise an Intention  
L3 DRA 91512 Performance Interpret Scripted Text to Integrate Drama Techniques in Performance

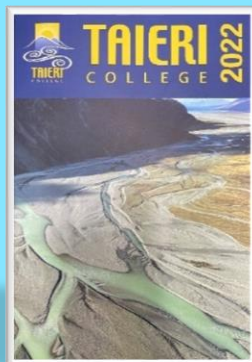
## School Magazine 2023 \$25.00

We are taking payment now for our annual school magazine which is distributed at the end of Term 4. This is a 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 \$25.00 for this magazine but if you do not want a copy, or only want one copy per family, please email [accounts@taieri.school.nz](mailto:accounts@taieri.school.nz) to have this charge removed.

The payment must be made by **22 September 2023** 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.



## Subject choice for 2024

To assist students in making option choices we will hold special assemblies next week, and for Year 9 – 12 students we encourage you to make an appointment with senior staff on either Tuesday 10 October 2023, or Wednesday 11 October 2023 from 3.30pm to 7.00pm (first week back next term) to discuss the course selection. This is done through the website [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) using the code: 3255c

The intention sheet must be filled in and returned to their Form Teacher no later than Friday 13 October 2023, and the subjects entered into our system by logging into Kamar (from the homepage with the notices) and clicking on course selection or from <https://kamar.taieri.school.nz>

## Accounts

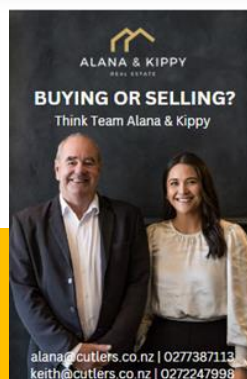
Financial statements were emailed yesterday showing school costs charged. You can also view your account at any time by logging in to the Kamar Portal on the Taieri College website.

A reminder for prompt payment of **outstanding sports fees** please. As you may be aware, there are many costs involved in running the wide variety of sports programmes we offer, and it is crucial that fees are paid by all students who participate in these sporting activities. If you have any concerns about paying sports fees please contact the Director of Sport, Blake Prince

Payments can be made by internet banking to our Westpac bank account number **03-1725-0106800-00**. Please include the student's name and ID number as the reference, and if your payment is for a specific cost eg. rugby, please note this also in the reference.

If you any queries or concerns about paying your account, please phone the Finance Office on 4893823 extn 129 or email [accounts@taieri.school.nz](mailto:accounts@taieri.school.nz)

Thanks  
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## Young Writers' Awards 2023

Are you the next literary genius who will make millions selling your work for books, film scripts, or even award-winning song lyrics?

There are five categories: Poetry, Short Story, Drama Script, Essay/Article, and Illustrated Books.

Entries close on Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 3:00pm to [ywa@taieri.school.nz](mailto:ywa@taieri.school.nz) (hard copies of Children's Illustrated Books and Graphic Novels can be dropped into the English Department Office).

Winners are invited to a Literary Luncheon in Term 4 to celebrate their achievements.

Here is the challenge topic from this week to inspire a piece of writing.

### Young Writers' Awards

No inspiration statement this week.

Instead, put the finishing touches on your written pieces because entries are due by Wednesday 20 September at 3:00pm.

[ywa@taieri.school.nz](mailto:ywa@taieri.school.nz)

## A VERY BIG THANK YOU!!

To everyone who donated clothing items for our CLOTHING MARKET, a big shout-out to you all!

This event was extremely popular with students, who took advantage of browsing and re-homing fabulous clothes. This event reflected many aspects of wellbeing, including manaakitangi – providing for our students through generosity and hospitality. It also connected to supporting each other and demonstrating inclusive attitudes to sharing. This event promoted sustainability and a love for upcycling and re-purposing good clothes that would otherwise be scrapped. This action challenges consumerism, waste, and protects against these issues within society. But mostly, it gives joy to those who have happily received these new treasures.

Ka rawe! Kia ora! Ngā mihi e te whānau!  
Arohanui,  
Wonderful! Thank you! Big acknowledgements to you all! From our hearts,

The Wellbeing Ambassadors  
Diana Leonard

Director of Wellbeing



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## Owhiro Stream Sampling

On Tuesday, eleven Year 8 students completed another round of sampling on the Owhiro Stream. Students enjoyed participating in this “hands on” Science and learning within our local environment.

Since October 2021, students have been working with Craig Simpson from Watershed Solutions to collect data and build a picture of the health of the Owhiro Stream.

Many thanks to Craig, Nicole (Landcare), Jennie (Enviroschools), and Caroline (teacher-assistant) for their expertise, enthusiasm, and support.

Watch the school notices for the next sampling date in Term 4, or email Mrs King to register your interest.



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## Sports

### TK Rugby League

Over the last three weeks we have had a TK Rugby league team playing in the Otago competition where they've been playing intermediate schools across Dunedin. The first two weeks saw the team play two games a night. The first two games they came up against Fairfield School and Balmacewen Intermediate Red, with the Taieri College team coming away with two wins. Round Two saw the TK students come up against Dunedin North Intermediate, which saw them come away with a huge win 14-2. The second game was against a good Balmacewen Blue team. This was a fierce and tight battle, with Balmacewen Intermediate coming away with a 5-4 win. On Wednesday the Taieri College team was in a semifinal against a massive Tahuna Intermediate team. It was an entertaining game, but in the end Tahuna Intermediate took the win 7-6. It was awesome to see the Year 7s and 8s mixing and playing as a team, and was also great to have four girls Yulia Neilson, Milla Lambert, Ava Gee, and Ella Sharkey taking part in the competition.



### Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu South Island Championship Competition

Casey Lubbe (14yrs) represented his club MY BJJ Otepoti Dunedin in Brazilian Jiu- Jitsu at NZ Grappler South Island Championship Competition in Christchurch last weekend. Competing in the teens Division Gi and Non Gi.

Casey achieved two 1<sup>st</sup> place results becoming the new South Island Teen Champion with Gold Medals in both Gi and Non – Gi Teen Division.



Tyler Lubbe (16yrs) also represented his club MY BJJ Otepoti Dunedin in Brazilian Jiu- Jitsu at the NZ Grappler South Island Championship competition on Saturday 10 September 2023. Competing in the Men's Juvenile Competition Gi and Non Gi, unfortunately as there were no juvenile participants so Tyler Lubbe (16yrs) competed in Men's Adult Middle Weight Division Under 81kg competing against 18 – 24-year-olds.

He gained a very respectable result of 5<sup>th</sup> place standing, and 6<sup>th</sup> place in Gi and Non - Gi Men's Adult Middle Weight Divisions.



## Get 2 Go 2023

The Get 2 Go 2023 was an exciting experience for our Year 10 team. We started with mountain biking, which was a bit out of some of our comfort zones, but we pushed through and surprised ourselves. Next up we had the orienteering course, which was a lot of running, and thinking. But it turned out to be a real team building activity as we had to work together to find the markers out on the course. Our final event was set to be stand up paddle boarding, but this was cancelled, due to the wind that had swept some students from another school out across the harbour. Overall, myself and my team mates really enjoyed this day out of the classroom and would recommend it to others next year.

Fergus Clark





## South Island Secondary Schools' Netball Tournament 2023

The Senior A team recently travelled to Invercargill to take part in the South Island Secondary Schools' Tournament. Over 80 teams competed against each other across three grades. Taieri College was ranked 17<sup>th</sup> in A Grade going into the tournament and as a result our pool consisted of St Margaret's who were defending champions and were placed second at the end of the tournament, and Nelson College for Girls, and Roncalli. Our team lost to St Margaret's and then unfortunately by one goal to NCG (who finished 12<sup>th</sup> overall) and won against Roncalli (43-29), narrowly missing out on a top 16 place.



A subsequent loss to St Peter's was followed up by four wins against Geraldine (37-29), Marian (31-29), Wakatipu (50-18) and a win (43-27) against Kaiapoi which saw the team finish 21<sup>st</sup>.



Three Year 13 players leave Taieri College this year having played and assisted with netball since they joined us in 2017. Neve Beattie played her 100<sup>th</sup> game for Taieri College Senior A on the last day of the tournament. Neve joined the Senior A team as a Year 10 student in 2020. This is a wonderful effort, and thoroughly deserved as she is an absolute key player in the team. This is the first year since Neve joined the Senior A team where we have not had a reduced season due to Covid so to reach 100 games is a tremendous effort from a very talented player. She is a talented shoot, and we wish her success in the future with her netball.



The same can be said for Renee Pitchers who finished up on 85 games after three years as a member of the Senior A team since Year 11. Her invaluable skill in the defence end and ability to read play, as well as captain the team this year, has been a pleasure to be part of.



Unfortunately, it was also Jemma West's last season for the team, however, she had a season to forget with a knee injury preventing her from playing as often as she would have liked. She finishes, having played 45 games for the Senior A netball team.

Many thanks to these three players for their contribution over the years to netball and to the Senior A team. Credit must also go to the coach, John Mathias, for a successful season and tournament.

## Sports Council sponsor of the week

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## Meet the Candidates

'Meet the Candidate' evening Thursday 14 September 2023 7.00pm – 9.00pm at the Taieri Rugby Club, 35 Reid Ave, Mosgiel.

New Zealand is governed by representative democracy. That means that we decide who we want to represent us and our interests when decisions are made at local and central government level. We select representatives (aka politicians) through the election process, so ensure you are enrolled to vote and are well informed.

The **Mosgiel Taieri Community Board By-election** voting opens on Thursday 14 September 2023 and closes at midday on Friday 6 October 2023.

Candidates for the Mosgiel Taieri Community Board by-election in attendance are:

- Austen Banks
- Amy Taylor
- Rebecca Shepherd
- Trish McCarthy
- Kimberlee Wallace (video presentation)

Some **General Election** candidates for the Taieri Electorate will also be in attendance. This is your chance to hear what they have to say on policies, what they stand for and get to ask them questions. Be 'vote ready' for the General Election held on Saturday 14 October!

Co-hosted by Taieri Network and the Mosgiel Taieri Community Board.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

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Our Guide and Ranger Units (girls aged 9-12½ and 12-17 Years) need volunteer adult leaders to join them today!

If you are passionate about positive outcomes and experiences for girls and young women in your community, apply now on our website at <https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/volunteers/>





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## HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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School Years 3 - 8

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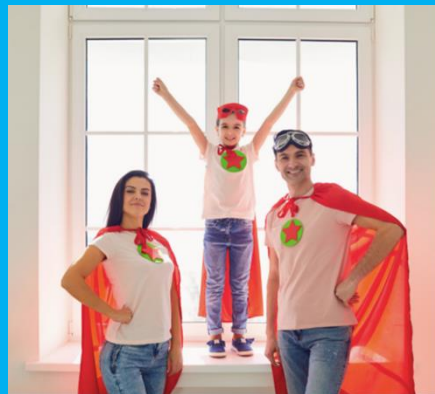


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## UPCOMING HOLIDAY CAMP



### IMPORTANT DETAILS:

- MONDAY 02 - FRIDAY 06 OCTOBER 2023
- SCHOOL YEARS 5-8 IN 2023
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