

TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATOA



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Kia ora e te whānau

Our Year 9 and 10 students completed their exams on Tuesday and teachers are now marking exams and writing reports. Several teachers have commented on how impressed they were that our Year 9 and 10 students have treated their exams seriously, revising thoroughly and making the most of their time in the exam room. I trust that the students will receive results that reflect the work they have put it.

An 'Inspiring the Future' programme was designed and presented to our Year 9 students this week. Our careers department invited several past students to come along and share their experiences and talk about their career pathways since they left school. The students heard from a fire fighter, accountant, company director, joiner, funeral director, human resources business partner and a professional golfer among others. Our Year 9 students asked many insightful questions and now have plenty of information to think about, including the senior school subjects that are relevant for different career paths they might like to pursue after leaving school.

Playing cricket and what the weather dealt to us this week has been a challenge, but our Year 9 cricket team gave it their best shot and finished the NZ Cricket Year 9 Tournament with a loss, a win, and a great start against Southland Boys' High before the third match was unfortunately rained off! Our girls' volleyball team played incredibly well and came away with a bronze medal in their recent tournament in Dunedin. For the first time Year 7/8 students were involved in an adventure race. The teams who went had a fabulous time, biking and orienteering their way about Sandy Point in Invercargill. Well done to all the students who have represented our school so well during the week and my thanks to the teachers and parents/whānau who have helped coach and manage the teams.

Ngā mihi nui

Key Dates

6-29 November 2023

NZQA NCEA Senior Examinations

27 November 2023

Owhiro Stream sampling

28 November 2023

Year 11,12 and 13 Clearance Day 9:00am

- 12:30pm

Te Kainga hockey festival

28 November December 2023

Year 10 Personal Safety and Development

- 10VN and 10WJ

29 November 2023

Year 10 Personal Safety and Development

- 10FM and 10NI

28-29 November 2023

DoE Bronze Tramp – Silverpeaks

30 November 2023

Year 10 Personal Safety and Development

- 10HM and JH

1 December 2023

Year 10 Personal Safety and Development

- 10MH Wellbeing Ambassador training

Year 7/8 Cricket vs Balmacewan - Game 2

1-2 December 2023

Mountain bike trip to Queenstown

8 December 2023

Years 7/8 Prizegiving 9.15am in the PAC Years 9/10 Prizegiving 11.00am in the PAC Last Day of Term

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Reminder – Year 9 Scholarships for 2024

Year 9 Scholarships for 2024 close Thursday 30 November 2023

Scholarships are available for Performing Arts, Sporting and Academic. Application forms are available from the school office.

Reminder - Year 7 and 8 Sports Academy Applications

Year 7 & 8 Sports Academy applications close on Wednesday 30 November 2023.

Application forms are available from the school office.

Clearance Day

Tuesday 28 November 2023 Year 11,12 and 13 Clearance Day 9:00am – 12:30pm in the library.

Sports

Dirty Dunners Downhill Mountain Bike Event

Last Sunday saw a downhill mountain bike event called the Dirty Dunners being held at Signal Hill. It was open to all ages and was obviously very popular, with all entries being filled. Taieri College had three students competing in the event. In the Under 19 grade, Ryan Merrilees finished 3rd and 25th overall. Bradley Tapp finished 13th in the U17 grade and 51st overall. Cheydon McLeod finished 15th in the U15 grade and 53rd overall.











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Te Kainga Athletics

On Tuesday we took 14 pupils into the Caledonian for the Otago intermediate Athletics champs. This event brought Year 7 and 8 students from all over Otago to the Caledonian. The Taieri College students performed very well in all events that they took part in.

Addison Kirk placed third in the girls U13 long jump and made the final for the girls U13 80-meter sprint. Georgia Gilkison finished fifth in the girls U13 long jump. Marissa Conway put in a fine display in the girls U12 hurdles to finish third. Both Nash Gilmour and Tom Taylor make the final in the Boys U12 discus with Nash coming in third place. Milla Lambert was in a strong field in the girls U12 shot put but put in a great effort to finish fifth, only a couple of centimetres short of third place. Both Dakota Fuataga in the girls under 80-metre sprint, and Caleb Dobier Year 7 and 8 – 800metre ran cracking races to both finish into sixth place. Charlie Clements, Tioni Metuakore-Tiaiti and Sophia Hannigan -Johnson all finished in the top twelve of their events.

A massive thank you goes out to Miss Hannah for her help on the day, and a big shoutout to the students who represented Taieri College very well, on, and off the track.

Touch

Last Sunday saw the current Senior Mixed Touch team have a surprise opponent in the 2022 Senior mixed touch turn up and lay down a challenge to the current team to put them through their paces before the national tournament coming up in two weeks' time. This started off just being a friendly game against each other, but the longer the game went on the more competitive it got. Rumour has it that the game was tied at final time, so the game went to extra time with the 2023 team taking the win. The Senior Mixed touch team have their final warm-up tournament this weekend in Cromwell before they head to Rotorua for the nationals.









Volleyball

JUNIOR SISS DAY 1 and 2

The Junior A team has been competing in the SISS Junior Volleyball Championships this week. The girls got to a bit of a rushed start with the girls only getting out of their exam at 11.00am and had a game against Queen's High School at 11.30am. After a shaky start the girls found their groove winning their next two games on Day 1. Day Two, the girls started with a hiss and a roar cleaning out all three opponents and going through unbeaten, meaning that they would be playing Semifinal volleyball on Day 3. The semifinal started well for the Taieri College girls; they dominated the St Hilda's girls on their way to taking the first set. Set two was a back and forward affair with both teams putting their bodies on the line to save every point but in the end, St Hilda's took Set Two. The third and final set had everyone on the edge of their seat, it was a tight battle with both teams doing their best to reach the final, but in the end St Hilda's taking out a tight third set. The girls picked themselves up for the third and fourth playoff match against Central Southland College. In a dominate display the girls came away with a great win and finished the tournament on a high.

The girls shown great teamwork, determination, and improvement over the three days and should be very proud of their efforts.

DAY ONE:

Queen's: L 0-2

Central Southland B: W 2-0 Christchurch Girls' B: W 2-0

DAY TWO:

St Margaret's: W 2-1 Craighead: W 2-0 Logan Park: W 2-0

Day Three:

St Hilda's L 1-2

Central Southland 2-0 W









Southland Adventure Race

On Wednesday we had eight students form two teams of four that headed down to Invercargill for the Southland Adventure race. This event had the students doing running, biking and kayaking while navigating their way around a course looking for twelve checkpoints along the way. Both teams did an awesome job and all the students enjoyed the day out on the course. A massive thank you goes out to Mrs McHutchon and Carly Walters for giving up their time to take the students down to Invercargill.



Sports Council Sponsor of the Week

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Visit orc.govt.nz/mosgielbusfeedback to fill in a three-minute survey.

Survey closes 5.00 pm, Monday 4 December 2023

Thanks, Charlotte



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6 November 2023

Dear Parents/Whānau

STATIONERY 2024

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In-Store:

Drop off your Stationery List to Paper Plus in Mosgiel. This is located at 172A Gordon Road, Mosgiel. If you forget to take your list with you, Paper Plus in Mosgiel will have a copy of all the lists for you to refer to. The Paper Plus staff will either assist you or make up your requirements for you. For your convenience they will be accepting lists before Christmas and will ring you in the New Year.

Yours faithfully

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Careers Chat

Inspiring the Future

We delivered this programme for the second time this week to all our Year 9 students. The programme has been created to "broaden young people's career horizons, challenge stereotypes, and address unconscious biases that can limit their potential."

We ran two sessions to keep the group sizes around 100 and in the first hour the students met eight 'role-models' and we enjoyed a game of twenty questions to try and narrow down their occupations. Student questions could only be answered yes, no, sometimes, or maybe. The role models then left the Performing Arts Centre, and we summarised what we found out for each person and nominated what jobs we thought they did. The role-models then re-entered dressed in their work uniforms and with a work prop to reveal their occupations and give brief background of their career pathways and current jobs.

In the second hour our students met with all the rolemodels in smaller groups and had a really good discussion with each person to ask questions and learn more about the role-model's job and story.





The programme was very positively received by our students who all participated enthusiastically, and the programme has got them all realising there is a very wide range of work possibilities out there for all; they are at the start of the life-long journey of understanding themselves and learning more about what career options align with their vision and goals.

We want to thank Haley McManus from Business South for assisting the organisation and delivery of the programme and all of our wonderful role-models who devoted significant time and energy to deliver very interesting and information advice to our young people.

Rebekkah Choie	Accountant: Deloittes
Mike Kerr	Commercial Manager: Highlanders
Noelle Prince	General Manager: Otago Racing
Callum Patrick	Professional Golfer
Gabi McFarlane	Pre-Contracts Manager: Fulton Hogan
Stephen Geddes	Relationships Manager: TEC
Sarah Ratima-Nolan	National Wellbeing Manager: Fulton Hogan
Clare Medlicott	Joiner: Thermawood
Steve Burn	Firefighter
Scotty Thomas	Forestry: Logging Contractor
Mel Warhurst	People & Experience Partner HR: Nomos One

This presents a good opportunity for you to have a general chat with your Year 9 student re the importance of building up career pathway planning over the next years at Taieri College.

Steve Walker Fiona Smeaton Taieri College Careers Team



E te iwi, maranga mai!

Are you going into Years 10 to 13 next year? The Yam<mark>ada O'Regan Secondary School Scholarship is now open to support the 2024 academic year. Applications will close on 1 February 2024.</mark>

These scholarships aim to support registered Ngāi Tahu secondary school students studying in Years 10 to 13 who may be experiencing hardship in completing the school year and/or successfully attaining a secondary school qualification.

Below are some examples of costs that have been covered as part of the scholarships in the past:

- * School fees
- * School uniform items
- * School resources such as stationery and textbooks
- * School trips like leadership camps
- * If applicants are participating in sports at school, some associated costs can be covered.

Visit the website to get all the details and apply! - https://ngaitahu.iwi.nz/.../yamada-oregan-secondary.../









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