



TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATO A



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Kia ora e te whanau

Athletics days are always a highlight of the Term 1 calendar, and our Athletics Sports Day on Wednesday was no exception. It was wonderful to see so many students out participating and enjoying the positive atmosphere. Some students simply enjoyed being there and participating while others were there to try to break some records. My congratulations to those who did. A special mention goes to Blake Dalton (Year 12) who broke the senior boys' 100m record with a stunning time of 10.08 seconds. My thanks to Blake Prince and his team from the sports department, along with the sports prefects for helping create such a wonderful day.

At the last few assemblies, we have introduced our prefects and our Wellbeing Ambassadors to the student body. An important part of our school culture is the responsibility our seniors have in role modelling high expectations and good behaviour to our junior students. Our prefects are a vital part of our pastoral system and have been assigned specific roles to help assist us in the way our college successfully operates. Congratulations to those who were awarded prefect badges. As well as our prefect team, we also have a Wellbeing Ambassador Team. This team has student representatives from right across the school who are keen to help make a positive difference for their peers. I would like to thank all the students who have volunteered to be part of our 2024 Wellbeing Ambassador Team. This week our Student Council also had their first meeting for the year. My thanks too, in advance, to this important group of students for all the service they will give to their peers and the school as the year proceeds.

Our Level 1 Agriculture class will return from South Canterbury this afternoon after touring the region and learning how several farms and agriculture businesses operate. This weekend our senior girls' volleyball team is competing in the Mainland Volleyball tournament while our swimmers are competing in the South Island Secondary Schools' Open Water Swimming Champs. We wish them all the best as they compete to the best of their ability.

Finally, next week the second of our Year 10 camps head away to Tautuku for their week in the Catlins. I trust they will have some awesome weather and a great time on the mud run!

Noho ora mai

Brenton Hackfath
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

26 February – 1 March 2024

Tautuku Camp 2 – 10HE, 10RK and
2/3 10ST

27 February 2024

TK Cricket vs Trinity
Otago Polytechnic visit

28 February 2024

MITO Automotive Trade Tour

29 February 2024

Year 11 NCEA handbooks given
out.

1 March 2024

Enviroschools Hui

1-3 March 2024

South Island Long Course Champs

2 March 2024

OSS Touch Champs

3-4 March 2024

Cricket - St Kevin's Interchange

Senior Assessments Due Term 1 - Week 5/6

L2MAT AS91259 Trigonometry
L3MAC/L3MAG AS91574 Linear Programming
L2MAF US28094 Budgeting
L2MAS AS91268 Simulations
L3MAS AS91581 Bivariate Data
L3 HIS Internal AS91434

Accounts

Financial statements have been emailed this week showing the annual school costs.

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

Another option is to pay for these costs by automatic payments. However, you may need to make additional payments during the year for any extra-curricular activities that could be charged e.g. sports fees and trips, as these fees are due at the beginning of the playing season/trip.

Payment can also be made by eftpos/cash, or students can pay by cash using the student envelope system at the office.

You can view your school account at any time by logging in to the Kamar Portal on the Taieri College website.

If you have any queries about paying your account, please phone the Finance Office on 489 3823 extn 206 or email accounts@taieri.school.nz

Please note that financial assistance is available in some cases, so if you have any concerns at all about paying your account, please don't hesitate to phone the College on 489 3823 and speak to Mr Waldron (extn 101).

Thanks
FINANCE OFFICE

NCEA Parent Information Evening

Are you a parent who is new to NCEA and would like some help to understand what NCEA is and how it works? On Tuesday 5 March we are holding an information evening to help answer these questions. There will be a short informal presentation with time at the end for questions.

The presentation will be held in the Library at 5:00pm – Tuesday 5 March

Please RSVP to office@taieri.school.nz



Tautuku Camps for Year 10

Over the coming weeks all Year 10 form classes will be issued information about the upcoming camps to the Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre. We understand that this is another cost at the start of the year. If you need financial assistance please email Jarrad Waldron - Assistant Principal on jwaldron@taieri.school.nz to start this process, or if you would like to start a payment plan please contact the finance office prior to the start of your child's camp.

CAMP 1: Week 3 (12 – 16 February 2024) 10HY, 10NI, 2/3 10MI

EOTC Form due 7 February 2024: Payment Due 9 February 2024

CAMP 2: Week 5 (26 February 2024 - 1 March 2024) 10HE, 10RK 2/3 10ST

EOTC Form due 14 February 2024: Payment Due 21 February 2024

CAMP 3: Week 7 (11 - 15 March 2024) 10MH, 10KP, 1/3 10MI, 1/3 10ST

EOTC Form due 28 February 2024: Payment due 6 March

Prefect Reading 2024

Hi everyone, I am Georgia one of your Sports Prefects and Deputy Head Prefect. Today I am going to be talking to you about resilience. Resilience is the ability to bounce back from difficult situations; it's being able to keep going when things are tough. I'm sure throughout your time so far at school you have been faced with some setbacks in all aspects of your life, whether it be the sports field, the stage, or in the classroom, but at the end of the day every mistake is a step closer to getting it right.

Being Week Four, I'm sure that you all would have started an assessment or two by now. You may even have thought it may seem like Year 9 and 10 is pointless, but it is good to start preparing early for NCEA and taking school a bit more seriously than you did in TK. I can tell you that schoolwork will become harder, assessments will become bigger, and school will consume more of your time so it's key to build your resilience skills now.

It is also important to recognise that success looks different for everyone as some people may be stoked with an Achieved grade while others strive for Excellence grades. At the end of the day, it's how hard you work for these results and the time that you put in that will start to reflect the end outcome. Don't get me wrong, there are always days where motivation is lacking or it's hard to juggle the things going on in our lives. But realising that making even a small effort each day can contribute to something bigger, can only assist you to achieve great things.

Yes, there will be times where things don't go as planned but it is all part of your school and educational journey and each and everyone of you is on your unique voyage, facing academic challenges, navigating social dynamics, and discovering more about yourselves every day. Growth is a huge part of this time in your life, but you need to recognise that growth will also come with barriers. I'm sure you have probably heard this before but it can take up to ten thousand hours of work to master something so you can't expect things to be perfect on your first try. Instead, have resilience and persevere until you get it. This may be after the second, third, or even the hundredth attempt.

Before I finish this speech up, I would like to leave you this quote: "You have within you, right now, everything you need to deal with whatever the world can throw at you."

Thank you.
Georgia McHutcheon



Careers Chat

It has been an enjoyable and busy start to the school year in the careers department. We are looking forward to assisting our senior students to plan and develop their career pathways this year and welcome any contact from parents re any useful additional information about our students and their career planning!

Initially we have requested all Year 12 and 13s to complete a future pathway survey on Career Central which is very useful as it provides a guide to where students are at with future plans, and this helps us to organise follow up interviews. We will be doing this over the next few weeks, starting with Year 13s, then Year 12s.

Next week we will meet our **Gateway students and confirm who is selected and plan the timeframe for their work placements.** It is pleasing to get some late applications, especially from Year 13 students. Anyone who is not successful will be offered work experience, which can be very similar to Gateway. We can also potentially organise work experience for any senior students so get in contact with us directly if you would like to pursue this potential opportunity.

Coming Events

- **Tuesday 27 February 2024 - Otago Polytechnic visit**-any Year 12, 13 students considering courses with our local polytechnic should attend, careers room L1 11.00am (will run into Period 3).
- **Tuesday 5 March 2024 - University of Otago visit** - all Year 13s considering study with University of Otago next year should attend, careers room L1 11.00am (will run into Period 3).
- **Tuesday 12 March 2024 - Health & Safety Workshop** run by Lifecare for all L3 Careers students and held at school (half day, covers one L3 unit standards).

We are currently updating our new web site in partnership with **Careerwise**. This will feature events and job opportunities that our senior students should be aware of and will generate a newsletter that will be sent out to all senior students fortnightly.

Career Central, is our interactive online careers tool that all students can access and use.

You can ask your senior school student to show you this.

- **Student Login**-go to cc.school.nz (or website link below)->log in as a student-> Taieri College->school email-> usual school password.
- This opens student's dashboard-explore step 1 About Me (personal skills, qualities, interests, career values, outside classroom, work experience, cv builder. Step2-Jobs (heaps of related information, save jobs you are interested in). Step 3 Next Steps-various pathway plans, focused goal setting, employability skills, ready to leave school.
- There are also three Bulls Eye online quizzes that assist students to get ideas of suitable careers- Future Pathway (may need University qual), Vocational Pathway (no University study intended), Work Cluster Quiz-simple language, visual (younger students, English as second language)
- Under Next Steps students can save jobs they are interested in and collect information about entering these occupations

Parents/caregivers can login using the Caregiver login button on our website

<https://careercentral.school.nz>

Please contact us directly to help in any way, (you may like to refer your student for an interview if they have any pressing career concerns).

Your Taieri College Careers Team

Steve Walker- Head of Careers & Pathways, email swalker@taieri.school.nz,

Fiona Smeaton- Careers Admin & Gateway Coordinator, email fsmeaton@taieri.school.nz



Sports

Volleyball Senior A Mainlands

Over the weekend the Senior A Volleyball Team attended their Mainlands Seeding tournament.

They had a good start on Day One winning against Otago Girls' High School Senior A 3-1. They had a tight game against Columba College, every set within three points. The girls took a set off Columba College which they should be very proud of. The team had a good start against St Hilda's in the afternoon, winning a set but couldn't close out the game, losing 1-3.

On Day Two the team played Otago Girls' High School Senior B winning 3-0 and won against Logan Park High School Senior A 3-0. The team placed fifth in the tournament, securing their spot in Division Two for Mainlands. This was the team's goal for the tournament.

The team leave Thursday afternoon for Christchurch for Mainlands. All the best girls, and play hard.



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Challenge Wanaka 2024

Another year is done and dusted at the best sporting event held in the Otago region. Please see the results below from the Challenge section, which is open to all schools. (Otago results will be sent out tomorrow.)

A massive thank you to the students who were awesome on and off the course. As a school we must say thank you to the parents who came and made this experience possible for our students.

We are looking forward to next year and seeing who will rise to the challenge.

Year 8

1st Taieri College Charlie Clements, Caleb Dobier, and Tom Taylor

Under 14

2nd Under 14 Mixed Team, Taieri College Under 14 Mixed Leila Hughes, Ben Garraway, and Alec Miller.

Under 19

1st Taieri College Under 19 Mixed Blue Emma Bain, Ryan Meriless, and Zac Whitley

2nd Taieri College Under 19 Mixed White Keira Hughes, Blake Dalton, and Joshua Siloy



Sports Council Sponsor of the Week

Dunedin ITM – ITM Dunedin is another locally owned and operated business by Jon Conley, one of our Sports Council members. If you've got a project in mind; like a deck for those summer days or if you are looking to add a fire pit so you can still enjoy those peaceful chilly winter nights then there's no better time to go in and see the team at ITM Dunedin on Wharf Street; they're knowledgeable, straight up people. Thank you, Jon Conley, for your time and sponsorship you give to the Taieri College, and the Sports Council.



Athletics Day 2024 – Results to follow next week.



Netball 2024

Netball season for 2024 will start in Term 2. Trials for year groups will begin in March.

Trials for senior teams [Senior A, B, and C] are likely to be Tuesday March 5, 5.30pm and possible Thursday March 7 at 7.00pm. Players who have registered will be emailed directly.

Signups for Year 7 and Year 9 will be undertaken next week. To sign up please use the link on one of the following:

Taieri College Website / Sport

Taieri College Facebook Page

Taieri College Sport Facebook Page

Years 10 and 8 will have signups soon.

Trials – specific days are yet to be decided but,

- Trials for Year 7 are likely to occur the week beginning March 4.
- Trials for Year 9 are likely to be the week beginning March 11.
- Trials for Year 10 are likely to be the week beginning March 18.
- Trials for Year 8 are likely to be April 3 and April 4.



Taieri College Europe Trip Fundraiser

Get a team of 6 - 8 together,
think of your team name and
[register at this link](#)

Please note pre-registration and
payment required (no door sales)



Prizes to be won!



Taieri College Europe Trip Quiz Night Fundraiser

When: Friday March 15th

Drinks and food
available for purchase

Where: Taieri Bowling Club

Time: 6pm *Quiz starts at 7pm

Teams of 6-8 \$40 team registration

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A collage of images showing students in sports uniforms. One image shows a group of students running on a track. Another shows a student lifting a barbell. A third shows students in a field.

Learning Readiness

The first of our Learning Readiness reports was emailed home last week. We have a 4-point scale that allows teachers to award a 4, if in their subjective opinion, a student is going over and above classroom expectations. A grade of 3 is still an acceptable grade as it still means the student is doing everything right in consistently meeting classroom expectations. A poster of the new criteria is below. Should there be any questions regarding Learning Readiness reports, parents and whānau are more than welcome to contact the college.



Learning Readiness Criteria



Managing Self

Your work ethic / mahi

- Bring the correct gear

- Be on time



- Settle on task

- Meet your deadlines



- Complete tasks to the best of your ability

Relating to Others

Kotahitanga

- Use good manners



- Use respectful words

- Be inclusive of others: whanaungatanga

- Show kindness to others: manaakitanga



- Follow expectations

4 Excels in meeting expectations

3 Consistently meets all expectations

2 Sometimes meets all expectations

1 Does not meet expectations



Executive 2024



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the Board of
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Tickets on sale from 26 February 2023



EUROPE 2024 FUNDRAISER

An afternoon with Suzanne Prentice (OBE)

2pm, Saturday 13 April 2024
at the Taieri College
Performing Arts Centre

Doors open at 1:30pm. Afternoon tea included.

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