

## TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATOA



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Tēna koutou katoa

Our senior students have been participating in a variety of co-curricular pursuits over the last couple of weeks. These field trips and activities have a direct link to NCEA standards. They also provide opportunities for students to explore our natural surroundings and at times, push them outside of their comfort zone.

Our Year 12 Sport and Recreation students have walked the Kepler Track, our Year 13 PE students completed a challenging triathlon, our Year 12 Biology and Geography students have been exploring Mt Cook National Park and our Year 11 PE students have kayaked and paddle-boarded on Otago Harbour. On top of that, our international students have been on a retreat at Quarantine Island, and we have had several students complete a barista course and a learner driver licence course. It's amazing what you can fit into a couple of three-day weeks!

Benjamin Paterson (Year 10) has had a busy few days. Benjamin has been a driving force in lobbying to get international flights back to Dunedin Airport. His petition has attracted over 25,000 signatures. He emailed the Prime Minister (Mr Luxon) and was successful in securing an appointment with him at the Beehive. Benjamin told me his meeting with Mr Luxon went well and he enjoyed the experience. We wish Benjamin all the best in his ongoing promotion of Dunedin as an international tourist destination.

Good luck to our 18 athletes who are competing in the South Island Secondary Schools' Championships in Timaru this weekend. It is a very strong team and I look forward to positive results.

Winter sports teams are now mustering, and it is great to see so many students keen to represent the college. Given the number of teams across all sports, we are always on the lookout for parent and whānau helpers who are prepared to assist in any way. Our Sports Office would love to hear from you! If you are interested in being part of sport at Taieri College, please email Blake Prince (Director of Sport) <a href="mailto:bprince@taieri.school.nz">bprince@taieri.school.nz</a>. He would love to hear from you.

Noho ora mai

**Dave Hunter** PRINCIPAL

#### **Key Dates**

8-10 April 2024

Mt Cook Tourism/Geography Trip
2024

9 April 2024

University of Otago Junior Maths

Competition

Year 7 and 8 Prepared Reading

Finals

Level 3 Play 4.00pm-5.00pm

9-11 April 2024

Kepler tramp Level 2 – Group 2

10 April 2024

Year 9 Prepared Reading Finals
Victoria University visit
Level 3 Play 7.00pm-8.00pm

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11 April 2024

Year 11, 12, 13 Prepared Reading Finals

12 April 2024

Last Day Term 1

Forklift Course 12 April

13 April 2024

Big River Cup (Rugby)

15-26 April 2024

School Holidays - College Closed.

29 April 2024

First Day of Term 2

#### Senior Assessments Due End of Term 1

L1ENG/E AS 91925 Aspects of Text
L3ENG/C AS 91476 Presentations
L2ENL 91105 Research
L2MAS/L2MAF AS91260 Networks
L2MAT AS91257 Graphical Methods
L3MAC/L3MAG AS91587 Simultaneous Equations
L3MAS AS91582 Inference

L3 Drama AS 91517 Performance, Perform a Substantial Acting Role in a Significant Production

L2DAN AS91209 Rep<mark>ertoire Dance #3</mark> L3DAN AS19592 Repertoire Dance #3

L2 Drama 91213 Performance, Apply Dram<mark>a Techniques in a Scripted Context</mark>
L1 History 1.1 Internal

#### **Uniform Notice**

Cooler weather approaching?

When the weather is inclement and jackets are needing to be worn, the Tajeri College jacket is the jacket to be worn to and from school as well as around school.

For senior students during Term One and Term Four, the senior blazer is compulsory to be worn to assemblies and on formal occasions but it is optional at other times during these summer months.

The senior blazer is required to be worn at all times during Term Two and Term Three.

The Taieri College jacket can also be worn by senior students when the weather is inclement. The jacket is NOT a substitute for the blazer. The jacket can be worn OVER the blazer when it is raining.

If students are wearing short sleeved Taieri College senior shirts or blouses and wish to wear polyprops, the polyprops should be plain navy or white and have short sleeves.

If students are wearing long sleeved Taieri College senior shirts or blouses and wish to wear polyprops, the polyprops should be plain white or navy.



#### Tautuku Camp - Lost Property Notice

Many thanks to all the families that supported their Year 10 student to have a successful week at the wonderful Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre. Each of three camps gave new experiences to those who attended and hopefully memories that they can look back on over the years to come.

With the completion of the camps there is a range of gear that students have left behind. Three large Sistema containers, eight different sets of sports shoes ranging in sizes from 6-12. A small selection of clothing, hoodies, t shirts. All items can be found at the Gym office. If not claimed, they will be donated to the local hospice.

## Suzanne Prentice – Next weekend, don't miss out!







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#### Music

Workshop with Alan Ned Grey.

The music classes were treated to a workshop with Dunedin musician Alan Ned Grey, aka 'Flying Man'. Alan is an accomplished musician and expert at Loop Pedalling. He performed for us, and he demonstrated how he builds up his original songs using the pedal. Students got a chance to build up their own songs using a variety of instruments, creating loops, and layering them together. Many students were inspired to spend time learning more about looping. We are fortunate to have recently purchased a 2-track looper and are excited to see what the students create. You can follow Flying Man on Spotify or @alannedgray.













#### Dance

Recently Kate Coates qualified to represent New Zealand in Rhythmic Gymnastics at a competition in Singapore called the Singapore Open. The trial was held in Christchurch on 9 March 2024, where she had to complete four routines (Hoop, Ball, Clubs and Ribbon) against 21 other athletes for a spot on the team. Kate placed fifth and is the only gymnast south of Christchurch to qualify. In six weeks, she will travel with 18 other athletes (of various levels and ages), from around the country to compete. What an incredible achievement for Kate.





## 2024 Taieri College Formal - Otago Business School Saturday 11 May 2024



Ticket price to be advised.

The ticket price is strictly set to cover costs of the event only; we do not set this to make a profit. The price of the ticket covers entertainment, photographer, hire of venue, dinner, and transport to and from the venue.

Any questions regarding this please phone Monique Evans, Student Support Administrator 489 3823 ext. 111.





#### **Thank You!**

Our Mufti Day last week raised \$1400, with all proceeds going towards Orokonui Ecosanctuary. Well done Taieri College!

## Te Kainga Concert

On Friday 22 March 2024 a Year 12 band Saltgrass performed in the Te Kainga block, outside the junior music room to the Year 7 and 8s. This was organised by the arts prefects, Charlie Brough, Robert Hannaford, and Louise Lawson. It was very successful with a lot of students coming to support. Thanks to Joel, Kailey, Cody, and Tyler for performing, and Brad Martin and Amanda Goodwin for supplying the gear.

There will be many more concerts to come!













## South Island Secondary Schools' Mountain Bike Championships

Last week, fifteen students from Taieri College took part in the South Island Secondary Schools' Mountain Bike Championships. These were held at Coronet Peak near Queenstown, where we stayed for two nights at Lakeland Holiday Park, and the last night in Arrowtown.

We left on Wednesday morning and arrived at Coronet Peak that afternoon to pick up our race packs and to practise on both the Cross Country and Enduro courses. The next day it was time for the Cross-Country event while others practised both the Downhill and Enduro courses. Ben Garraway was first up in the Under 15 boys and he finished a creditable 16<sup>th</sup> after completing three laps of a demanding course. Next Aidan Wells competed in the Under 17 boys over 4 laps and he also finished a pleasing mid pack placing of 25<sup>th</sup>.

On Friday it was time for the Downhill event. After completing one last practice run early that morning, the boys took part in their seeding run with their race run later that afternoon. It was a demanding Grade 5 trail with plenty of crashes which luckily none of our boys did in their race run. Ryan Merrilees finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the Under 20 grade, Oakley Bird 26<sup>th</sup>, and Bradley Tapp 43<sup>rd</sup> in Under 17s with Cheydon McLeod 53<sup>rd</sup>, and Reuben Slocombe 61<sup>st</sup> in the U16 grade. This was the largest field in the downhill event with around 430 riders.

Finally on Saturday came the Enduro event over four courses – Dirt Serpent, X-Cross, Rude Rock, and Morning Glory. The overall placings were determined by the times across all four courses combined. We had 13 boys competing and the results were as follows:

#### Under 20 Boys

- Ryan Merrilees 7th
- Darcy Sanderson 41st

#### Under 17 Boys

Bradley Tapp 34<sup>th</sup>

#### Under 16 Boys

- Reuben Slocombe 41st
- Hudson Shaw 50<sup>th</sup>
- Cheydon McLeod 51st
- Jack Johnston 69<sup>th</sup>
- Nicholas Page 74<sup>th</sup>
- Hugo Siloy 80<sup>th</sup>

#### Under 15 Boys

- Alex Samuels 27<sup>th</sup>
- Tommy Conley 60<sup>th</sup>
- Cohen Bain 64<sup>th</sup>
- Ben Garraway 67<sup>th</sup>

A big thank you to Aidan Bird, John Conley, Amber Marshall, and Jeremy Samuels for all their help in assisting the boys, as well as to the supportive parents who came to Coronet Peak to watch the races.







## South Island Secondary Schools Mountain Bike Championships





















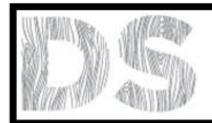




### **Sport**

## Sports Council Sponsor of the Week

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#### South Otago Interschool

In Week Nine some of our summer sports teams travelled down to South Otago High School for our annual sports interchange, the students performed very well on and off the field.

South Otago High School interchange Results:

#### Senior Mixed Touch

Game1: 4-6 SOHS win Game2: 2-6 SOHS win Development Touch

Game 1: 5-4 Taieri College win

Game2: 3-3 Draw

<u>Golf</u>

Taieri College +3

SOHS -3 SOHS win

<u>Cricket</u>

Taieri College 158/7

SOHS 124/4

**Volleyball** 

3-0 Taieri College win





#### **Powerchair Football**

Angus Llyod has been chosen to represent one of two New Zealand teams at the Powerchair Club Championships in Brisbane in August 2024. Angus has been picked to play for the Waikato Wasps. Angus will be playing against some of the best players in Australia, and his old teammates.

Angus is now focused on being his best for this tournament and will be training every Sunday until then. Angus kicks about 150-200 balls at each training session.

Well done Angus, we look forward to following your progress.

#### **Summer Uniforms**

With winter sports around the corner and summer sports rapping up this week, we ask all students to please return their summer sports uniforms back into the Sports Office by the end of Term 1, 12 April 2024.

## Languages - Māori Class

Last week on the 27 March 2024 the Māori class went for a little tiki tour to the movies and watched 'The Convert'. This movie is about a lay preacher who arrives at a British settlement in the 1830s. We were captivated by the engaging storyline and the impressive performances of the talented cast. The movie's visual effects were truly stunning, leaving us in awe throughout the entire film. The well-executed direction and seamless editing kept us on the edge of our seats, making it an unforgettable cinematic experience. It's safe to say that this movie has left a lasting impression on all of us, and we can't wait to discuss our favourite moments together. What was appealing for us was that this wasn't a Māori against Pākehā story, it is a story about how Māori educated Pākehā and how Pākehā educated Māori.

By Jordan Beel, Paige King, and Aroha Renata









## Taieri College 2024 Photobook



IS HERE!

\$5.00 - Black and white photos

\$10.00 - Colour photos

To be ordered at the Office with cash (using the envelope system), eftpos, or internet banking.

The school account number is: 03 1725 0106800 00



# CLUB

## WHERE:

c5 (Miss Nolan's Class)

## WHEN:

Monday, 3:00 ~ 4:00pm

## WHO:

Academic prefects - Joanne, Emma, William

## WHAT:

Come along with any questions and schoolwork/homework to get some help from the academic prefects!



