Kia ora e te whanau

Congratulations to cast and crew for completing a very successful season of “High School Spoofical”. All three performances attracted good sized crowds and as a college we appreciated the amazing support the show received from our community. I trust everyone who attended the show enjoyed the entertainment.

Parent-Teacher interviews were conducted this week and we were pleased with the turnout of students, parents and caregivers. Despite the bitterly cold conditions on Tuesday evening, a steady stream of parents attended both evenings. At Taieri College we still believe in the importance of face to face contact, and open sharing of student achievement and progress.

On Wednesday our Year 11 Geographers entered two teams in the 2019 Mataangi Whenua Geography competition where students are asked to complete a number of Geography questions and challenges. Taieri College teams finished 1st and 3rd at the conclusion of the competition. A fantastic effort and result. Congratulations to everyone involved.

This week we were presented with an exquisite handmade korowai from Donna and Kathryn Gale. The presentation involved a spiritual blessing from Hata Temo, a Kaitohutohu Maori from Otago University. The korowai will eventually hold pride of place in our reception area and be worn at appropriate ceremonial occasions. We are indebted to Donna and Kathryn for their generosity.

Year 6 students from Elm Grove, Silverstream and East Taieri visited Taieri College today to compete in our annual Year 6 sports tournament. Taieri College students have really enjoyed going back to their primary schools and coaching the teams that are competing this week. The afternoon involves lots of fun, mixed with healthy competition. Thankfully the weather played its part and games were contested in fine and sunny conditions.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

17 August  Otago Theatresports Semi Final
19 August  Year 7 Writing Trip 7HU/7MR
20 August  Year 7 Writing Trip 7RL/7CH
          Senior History Quiz Night (Level 1-3)
21 August  Year 7 Writing Trip 7SW/7NJ
22 August  Senior OMathalon Competition
23 August  Otago Primary Schools Netball Tournament
          L1 SPR Golf, Park Run and Biking
          Year 7/8 Bandquest
Taieri College 2019 Blues Awards

Applications are now open for 2019 Performing Arts and Sports Blues Nominations. Nomination forms are available from the Sport Office, Drama/Music Room, Student Support or you can download the form from the front page of the Taieri College Website [www.taieri.school.nz](http://www.taieri.school.nz) Applications close on **Friday 13 September 2019**.

Key points to note about the Blues Awards:

- Blues will only be awarded to pupils in Year 9-13.
- Teachers and coaches may nominate students they deem worthy of an award.
- Students can and should nominate themselves as sometimes we are not aware of their achievements. So if you are unsure please contact us or put in an application.
- The awarding of a Blue is the premier award at Taieri College and as such the prestige of the award must be maintained.
- Awarding of Blues is at the discretion of the Blues committee.
- Awarding of Blues previously is not an indication of future awards.
- A large number of factors will be taken into account when deciding who will receive a Blue e.g. displaying dedication and a positive attitude to training and competition, positive involvement within the Taieri College community.

**Learning Support Eco Warriors**

The Learning Support Centre Eco Warriors have been learning about the importance of recycling paper and its ability to turn into “new paper”.

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[Image of recycling] Recycle: Turn used paper into new paper.

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[Image of students and bins]
Celebrate Art

Celebrate Art is held at the Art School Reigo Street (off Albany Street near Anzac Avenue) from 20 August 2019 to 30 August 2019. This art exhibition showcases some great talent from our students.

Congratulations to:
Amber Dawson-Brown
Sam Galloway
Maliana Lesa
Alex Cochrane
Kirti Gounder
Nathan McKay
Olivia Docherty
Ben Hackfath
Leah Peldmanis
Roshan Dixon
Jordy Kelliher
Jacob Woodcock

Awards Ceremony 20 August 2019 6pm sharp

Art News

Our lovely Benaiah Dunn has swum away from the Art Department to continue his film making career with the offer of a job. Sad to see him go, but here is one of his lovely photos.. Good luck with your career Benaiah!

Kind Regards,
Sally Spittle.

Hod Visual Art, Painting, Design, Photography
Sport News

Well done to Beth Aiken who has represented Taieri College at shooting and Cody Falconer in a composite team on Wednesday 14 August 2019. Beth came away with the title of top girl. Beth has also represented in the East Otago juniors and the Otago provincial juniors this year.

Teacher Profile
Miss Miller
New Zealand Triathlete

Miss Miller was a high school student and Maniototo Area School and this is where she was heavily involved in sports. At high school Miss Miller played “everything” including Netball, Skiing, Softball, Touch, Tennis and Volleyball. The beginning of Miss Miller doing triathlons was about six years ago and she began taking it more seriously about two years ago. This is the first time that she will be competing for New Zealand in Triathlons, qualifying in December last year and will be going to Lausanne, Switzerland to compete in the ITU World Triathlon Grand Final. There are 70 triathletes from across New Zealand going to compete and there are three different events; the standard triathlon which Miss Miller will be involved in, a sprint and an elite triathlon. Her favourite part is the biking but her strongest event is the swim. Miss Miller’s advice for anyone interested in triathlons is “it is a cool sport and anyone can do it if they work hard and put the hard yards in, it’s just a skill based sport.”

From everyone here at Taieri College we wish you the best.

100th Hockey Game

Congratulations to Jordan Miller who played her 100th game of Hockey for Taieri College this week. It’s an amazing achievement!
Impromptu Speech Finals – Seniors

The Impromptu Speech Finals, held on Thursday during Period 3, had all judges and competitors in stitches. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Year 11
1st – Jasmine Rixon 11MC – Who does one sock always get lost in the wash?
2nd – Jacob Smith 11HX – If you try to fail and succeed, are you a success?
3rd – Sara Hall 11FG – How would you cope with a school principal who looked like your double?

Year 12/13
1st – Zac Henry 13SU – Would you like to be Batman/Spiderman/Superman’s doctor?
2nd – Kaea Roberts 12ST – If you had to have Marx as a last name, would you rather be Karl or Groucho?
3rd – Lorraine Ruka 13MD – Why do dogs get better publicity than cats?
4th – Tabitha Littlejohn 12MB – Why shouldn’t the pot call the kettle black?
5th – Mitchell Hay 13MD – Would you put all of your eggs in one basket?

Geography Competition

The 2019 Otago-Southland Geography competition (held on the 14th of August) was a brilliant experience for six Year 11 students to go head to head with other Dunedin schools in a battle of geographical skills and general knowledge. There was an impressive range of schools from all corners of Otago and Southland, providing the competition with a total of 16 teams, all looking to pull out the win for their given schools. An array of questions was provided spanning from current events, to natural disasters, to general world geography. We’re proud to say that both of Taiieri College’s teams managed to deliver impressive results.

Taiieri 1, consisting of Gibson Wheeler, Cameron Stewart and I were confident that we would be able to deliver to the best of our abilities. As the competition progressed, we found success in the world geography segment, managing to score top marks. The smoke began to clear, and we found that we had a fair shot at a placing.

When the competition had commenced, Taiieri College and our Geography department were proud to land two placings, 3rd and 1st place going to Taiieri 2 (consisting of Ben Baines, Jasmine Rixon and Emily Wilden) and Taiieri 1 respectively. Both teams thoroughly enjoyed the competition, the experience and my team were especially proud to bring back the cup to Taiieri College.

Jacob Smith 11HX
Young Writers’ Awards

This week’s featured categories include Poetry and Drama Script.

POEM
Completed individually, entries can be any length, rhymed or unrhymed. Very short poems, however, may not be judged as favorably as longer ones reflecting greater effort. Use a suitable title. The subject may be serious or humorous. It may be shaped on the page.

DRAMA SCRIPT
Collaborative efforts of up to three people may submit entries in this category. Drama scripts may be any length – a simple sketch or a piece of dialogue or monologue, and could contain one or several scenes. Stage directions must be included. It should be set out as a play script with dialogue and stage directions, as well as a captivating title.

Level 1 History Trip

On Wednesday the Level One History students attended a seminar relating to Black Civil Rights. The keynote speaker was Elizabeth Eckford a member of the ‘Little Rock Nine‘ (students who attended a newly desegregated high school in Arkansas) her speech gave an insight into the racism and discrimination faced by blacks in the South in the 1950’s. Her words were inspirational and delivered in a humble and wise manner. I’m sure all students took away a message from her words. I personally was inspired by her resilience in the face of constant and unrelenting bullying that she received on a daily basis while attending this high school. It was a rare opportunity for students to have the history they study in class come alive.
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Free seminar:

‘Parents as Career Educators’

Wednesday 28 August 2019
7.00pm - 8.30pm

Guiding teenagers through the various career and study options available to them in the modern world can be a challenge. They see so many choices and hear different views from peers and others – it can be hard to know how to decide what is right for them.

At this seminar, UC Career Consultant Dave Petrie will talk with parents about how to support their teens in making informed decisions about their futures.

Parents and caregivers of secondary school aged taiohi (Years 9-13) are invited to attend this seminar at:

Dunedin Community House
301 Moray Place
Dunedin

This free seminar will cover:

- Career pathways
- The world of work: looking forward – including key skills employers seek
- How to make informed career decisions now and in the future
- How parents can assist and communicate effectively
- Career development resources

Register online at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/events

Light refreshments will be available at the seminar.

Dave Petrie is a Career Consultant with the UC Career Centre, helping students to identify, plan for, and pursue appropriate careers, internships and employment opportunities. He has over 20 years’ experience working in the career and employment field, including seven years involvement in Career Education in Schools with Careers New Zealand before joining UC.

NOTE: This seminar is NOT about study options at the University of Canterbury | Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha (UC) – it is designed to help parents to help their teens consider ALL their options, whether this is work, university, polytechnic, an apprenticeship, private providers or other possibilities.
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• Wednesday 21st August
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The sessions are informal and you are welcome to leave at any point.
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Forsyth Barr Stadium, University of Otago Oval
We invite you to spend a fun and interactive day hosted by the Forsyth Barr Stadium to learn about Otago Polytechnic’s courses available in Sports Turf Management, and Outdoor Adventure.

Date: Thursday 29 August
Time: 10.00am to 2.30pm
Meet: Forsyth Barr Stadium, Corporate Suite 9 (entry via Gate J)

Entry is FREE – bookings are essential. Lunch will be provided.
To ensure your safety please wear sensible warm clothes and shoes (no jandals or sandals). Please also wear or bring some clothes and shoes that you can exercise in.

RSVP by Friday 23 August
Email elizabeth.gilmour@op.ac.nz

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12th March 2019

Dear “Kids” Caregivers,
This year’s fun day is to be held on Sunday 25th August at the Edgar Centre from 8:30am. The event is hosted by the local transport industry to provide children with special needs, a chance to get close to the big rigs they see on the roads.
The invitation is for a child with special needs and a supporting adult to come to the Edgar Centre where they will be taken for a ride in a truck, and then returned to the Edgar Centre for a barbeque lunch.

We would like to emphasise that the day is primarily for children with special needs and their immediate families. We would ask you to take this into consideration when organising your family group.

Please Note:
- If your child is aged 7 or under please bring their car seat or booster seat with you on the day.
- We require one caregiver per child to travel in the truck, as you know the individual needs of your child.
- Any special dietary requirements for your child must be provided by you on the day.
- St John Ambulance Service will be present.
- There is no need to respond to this invitation other than to turn up on the 25th of August from 8:30am.
- There is no cost to you or your family for this event.
- Any other immediate family members will be able to travel in the bus.
- Any enquiries please contact Greg Inch 0274 358 508 or 04881 346 or Fi 0275 108 329

Yours sincerely

Greg Inch
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