Kia ora e te whanau

Congratulations to the huge cast of Year 7 and 8 performers who were part of this year’s “Stars on Stage” production. It was a massive logistical effort given the size of the cast and I commend everyone who contributed to the effort.

Our Year 7 and 8 rugby players participated in the annual Otago Sassenachs tournament at Bishopscourt on Wednesday, playing in sunny conditions. Taieri College was competitive in all grades and I enjoyed watching the commitment of the players involved. The effort of the Year 8 boys’ team against Tahuna was impressive as they slugged out a 0-0 draw. The girls’ team also performed soundly and turned around a close loss to Balmacewen in round robin play to narrowly beat them in the final. Thanks to the coaches and supporters who made the day so successful.

Our TK emerging leaders were acknowledged on Thursday at assembly, when awards were presented to students who have consistently displayed effective leadership traits throughout the year. Jonathan Hawthorne from Westpac was on hand to present the premier leadership award (Sir Peter Blake Award) to Cameron Lord. Congratulations to Cameron for being the 2019 recipient of this prestigious award.

Next week is national tournament week where over 25,000 secondary school students compete across New Zealand in a variety of sports. We have a number of Taieri College teams travelling around the South Island participating in their respective codes and I wish them the best of luck in their endeavours. I am sure they will give a good account of themselves and represent our college with pride.

Senior exam week has now concluded and we were pleased with the general effort from our NCEA students. The pending results will provide an excellent indication as to how things are tracking towards November’s final examinations. This will allow teachers to offer helpful advice on specific details that will need to be covered during upcoming revision programmes.

Noho ora mai

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

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Growing NZ Challenge

On Wednesday, ten Year 10 students attended the Growing NZ Challenge at the Public Art Gallery in town. This event, run by the Enterprise NZ Trust in conjunction with various sectors from NZ agriculture, challenges students to come up with innovative ways to deal with problems that each sector faces. Two students from Taieri College were coupled up with two students from another school. They then worked cooperatively to form a solution. The problems included dealing with weeds, keeping cows cool in the summer, marketing crossbred wool and measuring grass growth. Pictured are Tom Whaley and Heath Knowles in full flight delivering their solution to the weed problem on NZ farms.

2019 ICAS Competitions

There are two changes to this year’s competition:
1: All papers are completed online
2: All papers cost $1.5

Entry is optional for students and the closing dates are below. Money must be paid via the school office. The dates for sitting the papers will be released once entries are finalised, and students will be informed. There are practice papers available online at https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/educational-assessments/products/practice-online/

Closing dates
Digital Technologies and Science: Closed
Writing and Spelling: Closed
English and Mathematics: Wednesday 4 September 2019

Any enquires to ngowing@taieri.school.nz
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. Applications close on Friday 13 September 2019.

Key points to note about the Blues Awards:
- Blues will only be awarded to pupils in Years 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.

Rugby Prizegiving

On Thursday 29 Sept, the Taieri College Rugby Club held its annual prizegiving evening at the Taieri Rugby Club to celebrate the success of all the teams and players. To the players, well done on completing another season and representing Taieri College out on the rugby fields to a high level. We would like to thank parents and caregivers for giving up the time and effort to make sure that the players were able to attend trainings and games and supplying all the gear to do so. A special thank you to the coaches, managers and volunteers. The amount you give up to allow rugby to take place at the college is invaluable. We are thankful for the endless time and effort you put into creating high quality coaching and developing our players across all teams that we have.

The 2019 team awards:

Girls
Most Improved Player – Ruby Walpole
Most Valuable Back – Emma Jordan
Most Valuable Forward – Savannah Simon
Most Valuable Player - Paige Flett

U14
Most Improved Player – Thomas Smith
Most Valuable Back – Harry Leebody
Most Valuable Forward – Nixon Burns
Most Valuable Player – Nixon Burns

U15
Most Improved Player – Ben Deuchrass
Most Valuable Back – Riley Horne
Most Valuable Forward – Ollie Smythe
Most Valuable Player – Lachlan Nicholl

1st XV
Most Improved Player – Ethan McKinlay
Most Valuable Back – Finn McDonald-Page
Most Valuable Forward – Harvey Amende
Most Valuable Player – Trey Russell
Year 7 & 8 Sassenachs Rugby Tournament

On Wednesday morning a large contingent of Year 7 and 8 students took part in the annual Sassenachs rugby tournament. It was a beautiful day with ideal conditions for running rugby. This was the first time that many of the boys and girls had played the game and it gave the tournament a real carnival feel. The Year 8 boys team played some very skillful rugby with a win against Fairfield and DNI combined, a loss to Balmac and a hard-fought draw against Tahuna. Two Year 7 boys teams were entered, and they also played some excellent rugby, ending with a friendly against each other that was played with great spirit. The girls team grew in confidence with each game in pool play and produced a great performance to beat Tahuna in their semi. This set up a final with the old foe – Balmac, who had beaten them in the last minute in pool play. A large crowd surrounded the field for the girls final and was witness to some of the best rugby played all day. The girls saved their best performance for last and comprehensively dispatched the townies to take out the win and take home the trophy. It was a great day out and all of the students should be proud of the way they played and how they conducted themselves. A big thanks goes out to all of the parents and whanau who came to support our players. We look forward to doing it again next year.
Leadership Awards Years 7 and 8

We congratulate the following students who received Taieri College Leadership Awards for 2019

Year 7
7CH: Amber Dawson, Caleb Walker
7MR: Max Whaley, Holly Pool
7HU: Simone Letts, Lachlan Wilden
7RL: Emma Johnston, Aiden Smith
7NJ: Victoria Amende, Beau French
7SW: Will Christensen, Anneka Stevenson

Year 8
8BL: Tamati Hutton, Bridey Dalton
8FY: Robert Hannaford, Keira Wallace
8KJ: Caitlin Amende, Finn Wilson
8PH: Emma Timney, Isaac Lawrence
8VP: Anika Chettleburgh, Riley Boylan
8WO: Jalen Forgie, Sophie Clough
8 WN: Stellar Macleod, Cameron Lord

Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award

Cameron Lord was presented with the overall Sir Peter Blake Young Leadership Award by Jonathon Hawthorne from Mosgiel Westpac who spoke about the qualities of leadership Sir Peter Blake displayed:

- the initiative to pursue an idea
- a desire for constant improvement
- trusting and empowering teammates
- integrity
- having fun

Cameron was selected to be the Taieri College recipient as he consistently displays the Taieri College values of Integrity, Respect and Responsibility. Others look to him for direction and he takes on leadership roles in a calm and confident manner. He is an excellent communicator and is always polite and kind to others and can be relied upon to do the right thing.

Hockey

First XI hockey boys won division 3 with Freddie Coleman most valuable player and Hamish Jenkins most improved player. Mixed 2ND XI most improved was Kayley Lindsay and joint most valuable players were Rueben Wilson and Andrew Matheson

Art News

Macy Bisset won a Highly Commended award at Celebrate Design for her thoughtful image. Well done Macy.
Social Fever Is Back!!!!!!!

Term 3’s Year 7 & 8 Social is going to be held on Wednesday the 11th of September from 7pm until 9pm at the Taieri Rugby Club. There will be drinks and food for sale and lots of prizes up for grabs.

**Tickets are $5 each.**
Parents must pick their children up from the rugby club door after the social. So get your dancing shoes on and give your money, in an envelope with your name & class + permission slip to Mr Woods in TK3 before Tuesday the 10th September to claim your ticket.
Young Writers’ Awards
Entries are due Wednesday 25 September 2019
3:00pm to the English Department Office

Short Stories:
Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 200 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience or fiction. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity.

Project:
Also completed individually, this is an investigation into a subject of your interest. It may derive from your classwork in any subject, or it may be a hobby topic, e.g. the Royal Family, the Albatross colony, a mathematics investigation, the Maori Battalion, etc. It does not have to come solely from classwork. Be creative with how you present your work – it could be in the form of a report, brochure, poster, diorama.

Article:
This section is completed individually. Present your ideas and opinions about a subject such as Road Safety, Uniform, Conservation etc. You could be aiming to persuade the reader to act/behave/think in a different way. Or you could present information and ideas about a subject such as Taieri history, animals, your family, your job, an historic event etc. Entries may relate to some study you have done. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity. Submitted would should have a catchy title and be formatted in paragraphs.

Children’s Illustrated Book:
This may be a combined effort of up to two people (e.g. a text writer and an illustrator). The book must be at least six pages long, but the page size is not restricted. It should be suitable for pre-school children to read or to have read to them. (i.e. the text and pictures may be quite simple).

Poetry:
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 Scripts:
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.

Questions can be directed to Miss Hurst in C10 or by email: ehurst@taieri.school.nz
Auction Night

Sat 31st August
Taieri Rugby Club
Doors open 7pm

Band: Stark Raving
Auctions
Raffles

Tickets Available from:
Gail 0272947084
Deb 0272799179

Supper Provided
Tickets $25
Courtesy Coach
Available

Taieri College Rugby
Spain/Portugal Tour
Fundraiser
U13 SKILL DAYS

AGE: 12 & 11 YEAR OLDS ONLY

AUSTRALIA
31ST AUGUST
Boys: 10:00am - 1:00pm
1ST SEPTEMBER
Girls: 1:30pm - 3:00pm
BREKERS FACILITY
7 Fink Place
Mahangi Bay

TAURANGA
7TH SEPTEMBER
Boys: 1:30pm - 4:30pm
TREIT POWER ARENA
82 Ham Lane
Mount Maunganui

DUNEDIN
6TH SEPTEMBER
Girls: 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Boys: 3:30pm - 4:30pm
JOHN MCGlashAN
COLLEGE
21 Pilkington Street
Motel 168

OTAKI
14TH SEPTEMBER
Girls: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Boys: 1:30pm - 3:00pm
NOA PAPAKOA
BASKETBALL COURTS
Wahi Parihaka, Otahi

ASHBURTON
15TH SEPTEMBER
Girls: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Boys: 3:30pm - 4:30pm
5A NETWORKS CENTRE
10 River Terrace
Ashburton

NELSON
22ND SEPTEMBER
Girls: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Boys: 3:30pm - 4:30pm
SAXON STADIUM
342 Saxton Road, Neve
Nelson

KEY CONTACT:
M. 021 256 157
E. mt.dow.teralitebasketball
T. $50.00 per person

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFO GO TO:
www.basketballnewzealand.co.nz

U13 SKILL DAYS

The U13 skill days are one of our favourite programs. It is a great opportunity for kids to learn and enjoy the game of basketball without the pressures of playing to win.

Each year we reach a little further geographically and the numbers continue to rise, while more kids getting the opportunity to learn the skills of the game and participate in a fun physical activity in a safe environment.

The Basketball New Zealand U13 skill days have been designed to introduce skills that are required to play the game as well as present the Basketball New Zealand

Players are coached by Basketball New Zealand's most senior National coaches and the teaching and instruction is delivered in a progression manner to allow for maximum enjoyment and athlete learning.

There will be an opportunity for Basketball New Zealand to work with parents to update them on the player pathways. The role of the pathway is crucial at this stage of a player's development.

SCHEDULE OF SESSION

Arrival check-in and registration 30 minutes prior to the start of the session.

Basketball warm-up & movement & straight exercises for players

Basketball New Zealand will run a parent information session at the start of the skill day. Parents are encouraged to attend.

Training Deliverables:

- Shooting Technique
- Decision Making
- Skill Drills
- Play Modifiers
- Style of Play
- The Play Behind The Play
- Modified Games

Parents are encouraged to attend.

We view the coach, the parent and the athlete as equal partners:

A team united and committed to helping kids achieve the goals they have set for themselves.