Kia ora e te whanau

The “Who Loves Who” music competition calls for a unique arrangement of a New Zealand commercially released song with performance and recording skills. The 2020 results have just been released and Taieri College made up four of the top 29 finalists. Caleb Croy (Year 9), Keira Wallace (Year 9), Liam Boyne (Year 13) and the band Velvet Strings (Cameron Stewart, Maxwell White and Seth Fleming – all Year 12) were successful in submitting their unique covers of New Zealand songs. Well done to everyone involved. An amazing result, reflecting the depth of talent that Taieri College has within its contemporary music programme.

Staying with performing arts, I would also like to commend Emerald Ottley, Janika Reburiano and Tabitha Littlejohn for their outstanding performances in their Level 3 Drama assessment this week. In a hard-hitting dramatic production, the girls portrayed their complex characters exceptionally well. Well done on an excellent performance.

This week we are wrapping up filming for our inaugural Taieri College “Virtual Open Day” tour. Director Siale “Tarantino” Tunoka is overseeing a production that will showcase Taieri College through the eyes of a new student. As soon as editing is complete, we will be sharing it with our community.

At assemblies over the past few weeks, students have been reminded of the three rules that allow Taieri College to operate efficiently. We have clear expectations that all students will try hard, use good manners and get on with each other.

Trying hard is a habit and should not be confined to just trying hard with the things you are already good at. That’s easy to do. It is a lot harder to put in the effort in those subjects that you find challenging. Good manners include being careful with your language. Getting on with each other includes understanding and accepting people’s differences. We need to celebrate diversity, not challenge it.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL
Taieri College's Sports Council is a committee made up of both parents and teachers. We rely heavily on the generosity of sponsorship to keep our programmes in place; to fund teams and individuals; to supply equipment; to upgrade playing areas, and to purchase school vans to transport our students. We aim to give our young athletes every opportunity possible.

Our Sports Council is always welcoming and very appreciative of any new sponsors wishing to come on board. If you think this is an area you can help, please contact The Sports Office (sport@taieri.school.nz)

There are four LEVELS of Sponsorship:
PREMIER (amount is by negotiation)
PLATINUM ($2,000 + GST per year)
GOLD ($1,000 + GST per year)
SILVER ($500 + GST per year).

Each MONTH the Sports Council would like to SHOWCASE one of our valued sponsors. Where possible we urge our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

GOLD SPONSOR OF THE MONTH
BUNGARD BUILDING LTD

One of our longest standing sponsors, we want to thank Alister and his team for their ongoing support to Taieri College. Please, if you are in need of a builder then give Alister a call.

Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors: LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Advanced Stopping, Braveheart Decorators, Bungard Building Ltd, DF Transales Engineering, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Reids Joinery, Waihola Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DC Motors, DS Builders, Norwood Farm Machinery, Promo-X, Cramond & Craig, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring.
Music News

We are excited to announce that ALL of Taieri College’s entries into the “Who Loves who” song competition have made the top 29 in NZ!!!

They will be featured on the 2020 album.

Congratulations to these students who put in entries covering New Zealand songs:

"How Bizarre" by "Velvet Strings" (Cameron Stewart, Maxwell White, Seth Fleming)

"Misread" by Liam Boyne (also Jacob Roos)

"Find you" by Caleb Croy, Ella Aitken, Sophie Clough (and Jasmine Rixon)

"Celeste" by Keira Wallace

Thanks

Taieri College would like to thank Bendigo Valley Sports & Charity Foundation for their continuing financial support throughout 2020.
Level 1 PRM

For the past few weeks on a Wednesday afternoon we have been having some cooking sessions as part of the Wellbeing Unit. We are looking at budget friendly healthy food that can keep us sustained for a day on the farm. We are also looking at how we can incorporate some more vegetables into our meals (especially if we are not a fan of them!!). We are finding out that we can hide them in the dishes and cannot even taste them. It is important for us to be able to cook as in many jobs on farms we will have to cook for ourselves.

Level 2 PRM

This week we got to go to the Invermay Agriculture Research Centre to carry out some practical sheep scoring. We are looking at condition scores of sheep throughout the winter and what is healthy and what is not. We were able to assess the sheep from what we have learnt in class and also we were able to identify sheep that were sick or needed some extra help. This is an important skill as the farmers like to have all their animals in optimum condition through the winter. Our thanks goes to Kevin Knowler and his team at Invermay for allowing us to come on the farm and work with the sheep. We appreciate the support.
Level 3 Drama

Three Year 13s gave a stellar performance of scenes from Wings this week. This is a play by the award winning playwright Jess Sayer. It is an extremely challenging script and the girls rose to the challenge and gave a wonderful performance. Tabitha Littlejohn starred as Quinn, Emerald Ottley starred as Bambi and Janika Reburiano starred as Mo.

ICAS Examinations 2020

Registration and fees for all subjects are due to the school office by Thursday 6 August 2020. All examinations this year are charged out at $15.50. There are no examinations available to Year 12 and 13 students in 2020. The Writing examination is not available in 2020.

Each subject will be open for a 5-day sitting window period

ICAS Science: Monday 17 August 2020 to Friday 21 August 2020
ICAS English: Monday 24 August 2020 to Friday 28 August 2020
ICAS Mathematics: Monday 31 August 2020 to Friday 4 September 2020
ICAS Spelling (Year 7 and 8): Monday 31 August 2020 to Friday 4 September 2020

Exact sitting dates will be confirmed with students and whanau closer to the time. Please contact ngowing@taieri.school.nz for further information.
This week I would like to bring netball into the spotlight. Netball is the largest participation sport here at Taieri College with 22 teams registered to compete in grades ranging from our local Taieri Plains Year 7 and 8 competitions, to Secondary School and Premier Grades in the Edgar Centre on Saturdays. With a large number of teams, Taieri College is indebted to the large number of coaches and managers who have put their hand up to deliver quality sporting experiences to our students. To all students, teachers and parents, thank you very much! Two Taieri College sides start their season tomorrow, the Taieri College A team and the Taieri College Senior Bs. We wish you all the best. Remaining sides are set to start in Term 3.

Lastly, Basketball made a start last Friday night with our Senior A Boys & Girls both having wins. Watching on the sideline it was great to see many of our students excel and perform to a high standard. It was also great to see so many supporters from our community there watching too, keep it up!

Josh Chiffers successfully shooting a 3pointer v SOHS
Senior Boys Basketball

U15 Colts Rugby

U14 Rugby Team

Ryan Rosevear
Head of Sport
Year Seven Vision Screening

The Vision Hearing Technicians from Population Health will be visiting your school to screen all year seven students for distance vision.

- **Distance Vision (Amblyopia & Hyperopia)**
  This determines how well your child is able to see at a distance. It involves reading an eye chart. (Not required if child wears glasses)

If you do not wish your child to be screened please fill out an opt-out slip, which are available at the school office before our visit.

Your 2019/2020 Entertainment membership has now expired so it’s the perfect chance to support Taieri College.

If you haven’t had one before, this is a great APP with heaps of discounts at local restaurants, cafes, retail outlets, accommodation, car rentals, and tourist attractions.

The multi-city option is perfect for those travelling around NZ.

Your digital membership can be accessed from up to four different devices so you can share with friends/family.

With 2 extra months on your membership, a bonus Countdown gift card, and the chance to win one of five $1000 JB Hi Fi vouchers, now is a great time to buy. 20% of the sale price goes back to the school, so purchase here today: [https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26016x0](https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26016x0)
TAIERI PLAINS
JUNIOR NETBALL
Get ready for coaching 2020

Calling all possible and existing coaches for 2020. Taieri Plain’s Junior Netball committee are offering two AWESOME opportunities to come along to a session with Netball South.

Years 5 & 6
Monday 29 June
5.30-7.00pm
Venue: Taieri College Indoor Training Centre (ITC)
Cost: Free

Years 7 & 8 and beyond
Monday 29 June
7.00 -8.30pm
Venue: Taieri College Indoor Training Centre (ITC)
Cost: Free

Please register with this link:
https://www.sporty.co.nz/taieriplainsnetball/133185