

Kia ora e te whanau

On Thursday, our English Department celebrated the successes of Taieri College's young writers during our annual Literary Lunch. Awards and commendations were handed out in several categories and I congratulate those who received certificates. Over 700 pieces of writing were submitted for the competition and the standard was very high across all genres. My thanks to the English Department, and in particular Liz Hurst for once again organising and hosting an excellent ceremony.

We had an extended Year 7 and 8 assembly this week as our aspiring leaders were recognised, culminating in the presentation of the Westpac Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award. This year's worthy recipient was Tyler Lubbe from 8BZ who deservedly received this auspicious accolade. Well done Tyler, and congratulations to the students who received recognition as leaders of their form class. The five traits we talked about as being a good leader included:

- Doing the right thing without being asked or when no one is watching.
- Helping others when they are in need.
- Guiding others on the right path.
- Setting a good example for others and being a good role model.
- Standing up for others, even when it may be a hard thing to do.

My thanks to Jonathan Hawthorn from Westpac for attending the assembly and presenting Tyler with his award.

Our NCEA students are at the pointy end of their academic year. Most classes will be undertaking revision programmes in preparation for the upcoming examinations. Now is not the time for our seniors to taper off in their efforts and their attendance. We expect all seniors to arrive on time and attend the classes they are timetabled for. The college always appreciates the support we get from home as we work together to ensure students get the results they are capable of.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter
PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

30 October
Year 7 Boys' Leadership Group to Moana Pool

2-6 November
Camp No. 1 – 8HB and 8FY

2-13 November
Year 7 Swimming Lessons

4 November
South Zone Athletics Champs Year 7/8

5 November
International Graduation

6 November
Senior Prizegiving – Performing Arts Centre Year 11 5.00pm, Years 12-13 7.00pm
Learning Readiness Issued

9-13 November
Camp No. 2 – 8WO and 8BZ

13 November
Taieri College Sports Council Golf Day

16-20 November
Camp No. 3 – 8KJ and 8PH

17 November
Teacher Only Day – College Closed

4 December
Junior Prizegiving
End of Term Four

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Lachie and Helen have had a long association with Taieri College, with Lachie being a former pupil. Lachie and Helen have grandchildren and family in the college but can often be found on the side lines supporting many Taieri College sporting codes. They both enjoy seeing young people take chances and being rewarded for their efforts. Again we have seen them at many of our prize givings.



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Powering Potential Award

Powering Potential is an opportunity for Year 12-13 students who have a passion for science and technology to be selected to work together in teams of five to help solve some of the big science issues. This unique opportunity allows New Zealand's most promising young students to come together to seek answers to some of the big problems supported and guided by mentors. Freddie Coleman has been selected to attend this programme 14-17 December 2020 which is an acknowledgement of his achievements throughout his time at Taieri College.



Spring Vocal Showcase

On Tuesday the Performing Arts Department presented the "Spring Vocal Showcase". It was a chance for students to perform and showcase the hard work they have been putting into their music this year. The concert featured performances from The Kapa Haka groups, The Senior and Junior Choir, Music students and Itinerant voice students. Students ranged from Year 7 up to Year 13, and for many of them it was their very first time on stage. The students did us all very proud and put on some stunning performances. Thank you to all the staff who helped put the concert together, and the students for sharing with us their talents.

Mrs Goodwin



Some of the Young Writers' Winners



Year 7 and 8 Leadership Assembly

We acknowledged the following Year 7 and 8 leaders at Thursday's assembly.

8BZ	Tyler Lubbe Sophie Horton	7HU	Layla Simpson Carrig Boyne
8FY	Emma Johnston Cooper Shrimpton	7KM	Bradley Tapp Effie King
8 HB	Caleb Walker Emily Russell	7MB	Jessy Lawrence Sam Baskett
8KJ	Ollie Esplin Annabelle Andrews	7MR	Siena Thompson Hayden Webb
8PH	Caleb Macgregor Caitlyn Barclay	7NJ	Addison Mortimer Jimmy Higgins
8WO	Simone Letts William Ru	7RL	Chelsea King Lafa Tofiga
		7SW	Renee Lawson Harper Conley

Tyler Lubbe was presented with the overall Sir Peter Blake Young Leadership Award by Jonathon Hawthorne from Mosgiel / Green Island 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
- never giving up





Sport

This week we held the Taieri College Cross-Country Champs for Year 9-13 students. This event is normally held earlier in the year, and leads into regional events, but due to Covid was not held. With annual Taieri College titles on the line, we had a contingent of strong runners who all competed for the title.

Congratulations to the winners of the Senior titles, Finn McDonald-Page and Gabby Kakahi. While Georgia McHutchon and Pheonix Clarkson won the junior titles.

Many summer sports are now underway, and this week cricket commences. The girls cricket side began on Wednesday versus St Hilda's and the 1st XI and 2nd XI boys sides begin on Saturday down at Taieri College. Come down and support our teams. Special mention goes to Mr Baines and Mr Waldron who sacrifice their time to coach these teams, share their knowledge, and are actively involved in developing cricket here at Taieri.

Lastly, we would like to congratulate Marissa Ahlfeld for being selected in the Otago Softball Women's side. A phenomenal achievement for a Year 11 student, we are very proud.

Ryan Rosevear
Head of Sport

Boys' Cricket



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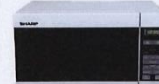
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