

Kia ora e te whanau

Thirty-one Taieri students are currently in Vietnam as part of their History course exploring several aspects of Vietnamese culture and learning more about its complex and colourful history. I wish the group safe travels and I trust they gain plenty from their experience.

Next term will see the onset of the winter sports season (although several codes now begin a lot earlier!). I wish all Taieri College teams good luck for their seasons. I ask everybody to be competitive, respectful towards the opposition and officials, and be proud to represent our college.



The sheer numbers of students representing Taieri College during the winter season is very encouraging. We have 28 netball teams, eight hockey teams, four football teams, five rugby teams and 19 basketball and mini-ball teams. Whilst these are our major participation sports we still have a large number of students playing in several other codes. Great levels of participation and a huge logistical challenge! My thanks to our Head of Sport, Jared Peacock, and our hard working Sports Co-ordinators, Fiona Smeaton and Graeme Egan who have done a wonderful job in ensuring our teams are ready and raring to go.

I would also like to thank the large number of parents and community volunteers who are coaching or managing teams. It is really appreciated. If as a parent, you would be willing to assist in managing or coaching one of our teams, I am sure our Sports Co-ordinators would love to hear from you.

My thanks to everyone who has contributed to an extremely busy and rewarding first term. Please accept a global thank you to everyone who has assisted the College in providing an amazing amount of rich educational opportunities over the last 11 weeks. It has been a well earned holiday.

Nga mihi nui

**Dave Hunter**  
PRINCIPAL

### Key Dates

12 April	End of Term 1
29 April	Start of Term 2
30 April	Summer Sports Photographs
6 May	Tertiary Open Day
7-9 May	L3 SPR/PED Tramp
8-10 May	L2/3 SPR Tramp

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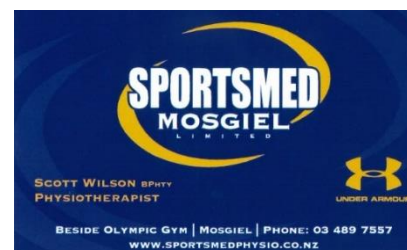
**This fee of \$76.70 is due to be paid to the college office by Friday 30 August 2019.** If you receive a Work and Income or Study Link benefit, or have (or are entitled to) a Community Services Card, you can apply for financial assistance on a form available from the college office. The NZQA fee would then reduce to \$20.00. Students who were eligible last year would have received a pre printed application to complete and return.



## Physio at Taieri College

In Terms 2 and Term 3, students will be able to have physio at Taieri College. We have Scott Wilson, Physiotherapist, from Sportsmed Mosgiel who will be available on Tuesdays and Fridays 11am – 12.30pm. Students need to have a consent form signed by a parent and complete an ACC form.

Appointments for Physio can be made at Student Support.



## Otago Primary Triathlon Championships

A team of fifteen students qualified for the Otago championships held in Cromwell on 4 April 2019. The weather was great for racing and the team was well prepared to face up against the best in the province. The van left at 7:15am and arrived at 10:15am with just enough time to register and get the bikes sorted out. Everyone competed with credit. Georgia McHutcheon placed 4th in the Year 8 Girls individual. Tyla Stanley crossed the line in 7th for the Year 7 Girls individual. The Year 7 Girls team of Bella Hughes, Keira Hughes and Sarah Evans finished 5th. The Year 8 Mixed team of Kate Coates, Issac Sinclair and Jax Thomson completed the course in 10th place.



Well done team, everyone got a top 15 finish! Overall it was a great day out and a fantastic representation of Taieri College on the provincial scene.





## Sport Report

Summer sports are wrapping up at the moment with our Senior A Volleyball team getting third place in the Dunedin competition. In the OSSSA touch competition the Senior Mixed team placed third in the Senior A grade and the Junior Year 9 and 10 boys team won their grade as well. This follows on from the success of both of the Boys and Girls Year 7 & 8 touch teams winning their competition last week.

On the Futsal front the Taieri College Year 7 Blue finished third, while both the Taieri College Year 10 Blue and Taieri College Senior Blue won their finals on Thursday night. In water polo the Junior Team is playing off on in the finals, whilst the Senior Team are playing off for third and fourth place on Friday night.

We have had a busy week of the winter sports season starting. Our Senior B Netball team started off their season with a win and our Senior A having a loss. The rugby season kicked off on Saturday with the U14 team having a good win against South Otago and the Combined CO-ED 1<sup>st</sup> XV (Taieri, Kavanagh, Kaikorai Valley and Logan Park) going down to Wakatipu.

Hockey are also training at the moment and their first games start Week Two of Term Two, but Mrs McHutchon is still in need for coaches for these teams so please get in contact with her or the Sports Office if you can help out.

Remember to listen to the notices at the start of next term for meetings and times to collect your winter uniforms. It will be a busy time with some sports starting in Week One and others in Week Two of next term.

Maigan and Trey



## Taieri College Year 9-13 Cross Country





## Mt Cook Trip

Our Aoraki Mt Cook National Park trip 2019 was a very memorable one. Three Biology classes and one Geography class arrived eager at school on Wednesday 27 March 2019 ready to load onto the buses and leave for Aoraki Mt Cook National Park. Along the way we stopped at Moeraki Boulders where we became tourists for a short while. We walked along the beach stopping to get some cool photos. Although our timing for jumping on and off the boulders wasn't too flash, some of us came back with some very cool photos but also very wet feet. On arriving at Aoraki Mt Cook National Park we immediately went to the beginning of the Hooker Valley track to investigate the effect on the biophysical environment of trampers walking off the track and taking shortcuts to reach the carpark.



Upon arrival we did get some disappointing news that would later lead to a change of plan, due to rain fall. One of the swing bridges on the Hooker Valley track was damaged, therefore, the part of the track we had planned to go on the next day was closed making it inaccessible for us. We then got back to Glentanner Camp to settle and the teachers discussed what to do with the new information.



The following morning, we left at 8.30am to take samples at Governor's Bush and on the terminal moraine. We then got the option whether we wanted to go up the Sealy Tarns Track, which felt literally like a vertical climb. We did have some very sweaty faces after that hike but also gathered useful data on the plants and the physical environment. After a long day of field work and listening to Department of Conservation (DOC) talks, we got back to camp ready to make our dinner and have some relaxation. One group had a very early start on the Friday morning, waking up early so we were ready to leave at 7.30am, to go on the Glacier Explorer boat trip followed by the other group leaving at 9.00am. This was amazing. We got right up close and personal with the icebergs, being able to touch and even eat the ice. We were fortunate enough to see the result of the biggest ice calving in years while zooming around in a boat, talking to the awesome boat drivers who were very knowledgeable.

The rest of the morning was spent talking to tourists about their impressions of Aoraki Mt Cook National Park and listening to DOC talks on future options for the management of the park before heading back on the bus for the trip home. We gathered lots of useful information to complete our internal assessment on the consequences of tramping within the National Park in relation to a sustainable future, while experiencing a beautiful part of our country.



## Prepared Reading Finals – Junior

The Prepared Reading Finals were held on Monday and Tuesday of Week 11 in the school library. The judges were amazed at the quality of delivery and the mature, enthusiastic responses to the selected texts. Well done to all finalists and congratulations to the following place-getters.



### Year 7

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Keira Hughes 7RL – Dork Diary
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Simone Letts 7HU – Goodnight Stories
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Emily Russell 7HU – Billionaire Boy
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Emma Johnston 7RL – 48 Hours
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Chicane Woodward 7CH – Basketball Buddies
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Caleb Macgregor 7SW – Raven Boy and the Revenge of Granddad

### Year 8

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Kate Coates 8WO – The Girl with the Broken Wing
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Maisie Kirk 8BL – Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Emma Bain 8WO – Private Peaceful
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Keira Wallace 8FY – Gone
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Erika Reid 8WN – The Reptile Room
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Max Martin 8FY – The Land of Doing Without



### Year 9

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Leo Burkett 9HM – Rise of the Heroes
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Caroline Quirey 9NE – Lion
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nadia McCutcheon 9GT – George's Marvellous Medicine
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Josh Jackson 9WM – The Getaway
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Kyla Standring 9GT – The Hate You Give
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Maxx Turu 9BM – Playing with Fire



### Year 10

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Lily Miller 10TA – Cooper Bartholomew is Dead
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Maggie Hunt 10TM – The Killing
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Olivia Wilkinson 10TA – Heroes of Olympus
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Edith Lawrence 10ES – The Girl with the Wishes
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Aria Griffith 10TM – The Martian
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Eilish Fright 10PN – The World's Worst Children



## College Formal - Dunedin Town Hall - Saturday 22 June 7.00pm

The ticket price for this event is estimated to be between \$95 and \$100. We understand this is expensive and our Social Prefects work very hard to keep the ticket price down. 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, access to photographer's website, hire of venue, dinner and transport to and from the venue. The exact ticket price will be advertised closer to the sales. Any questions regarding this please telephone Monique Evans, Student Support Administrator 489 3823 ext 111.





## PRM Trip

On Monday 8 April 2019 the Primary Industry class headed to Central Otago. The first stop was in Ettrick at CAJ Van de voorts packhouse to see new season apples being processed for export. The students saw some amazing robotic technology in action and how they have shortened their working hours in peak season and doubled their output. We then went round the corner to visit Marsh's Honey, and learnt a lot about the bees and their importance to our food chain. After leaving the Teviot Valley our next stop was the Otago Polytechnic Cromwell Campus learning about all the different courses available to our students when they leave school. They got to test some grapes for sugar content, fly a drone and learn some interesting information on Turf Management. The final stop of the day was to a very fascinating business Central Wormworx where we saw tonnes of waste being processed under cover into good garden compost. I think we are all in awe of the humble worm and what it does for us. Day Two saw us visit the Chard Farm Winery and Vineyard on the banks of the Shotover River. The students were able to get a great overview of how wine is produced and the jobs available in the industry. Final stop was to Poolburn to visit a stud sheep farm and the students got some hands on experience about finding out about what the qualities needed for a good stud ram. We are very grateful to all the producers who let us visit their businesses and speak so passionately about their industries. Thanks to Mr Meredith, Mrs Smeaton and Mr Hunter who came with us on the trip.





## Arts Corner

The last few weeks of term have proved to be a busy time in the arts department again! The arts council had a successful 'Gumboot Week' raising money for the Mike King Foundation, to raise awareness for mental health and depression. We held activities such as 'Pin the grade on Mr Hunter' and gumboot decorating competitions. These activities culminated on Friday with students wearing gumboots or jandals to school and donating a gold coin. This is to show that having depression is like walking through mud everyday. Gumboot Friday was held nationwide, and the money raised goes towards providing free counselling for kiwi kids up and down the nation. Overall we raised \$815.50 for a worthy cause! Thank-you to everyone for your contributions.

The Level 3 Drama class play 'Bare' was performed earlier this week, with an outstanding performance handling difficult subject matter from everyone in the class. The play showed marginalised voices of people in New Zealand, those of which are not often shown in the media. Practices for the Big Sing, Production and Rockquest are also all well underway, and we will be seeing exciting performances in the terms to come.

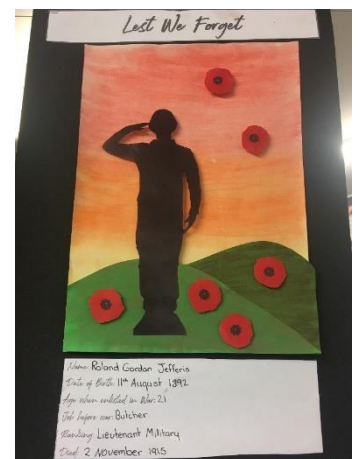
Mia Warman



## New Zealand Identity

Over the last term in Topic all Year 8 students have been learning about New Zealand identity. For the first half of the term, we learnt about how the Gallipoli Campaign had a huge impact on New Zealand's identity and how the soldier's characteristics during the war changed the way that the whole world sees New Zealand. Some of these characteristics include tenacity to keep going, ingenuity to make do with what they had and amazing will-power to keep going no matter what got thrown at them and the ability to survive. The word started to spread that New Zealanders weren't just farmers at the bottom of the world; that we are hard-working, determined and that we get things done and we get them done well. For the second half of this term, we have been learning about the rights and freedoms of New Zealanders and the rights and freedoms of people in other countries and how that reflects on their country's identity, while linking those rights, or lack of, to major events in the country's history. In conclusion, we have learnt about major events in our history and how the sacrifices that our ancestors made have heavily affected our past, present and future.

By Olivia Adie 8PH



## Taieri College Swimmers Perform Outstandingly

On Saturday 6 April 2019, Mrs Hughes managed 15 Taieri College swimmers representing the school at the Otago Primary School Swimming Sports. All swimmers performed outstandingly, all gaining personal best times.

Outstanding individual performances came from Finn Wilson (8KJ) making two finals in the boys 50m Freestyle finishing 8<sup>th</sup> and gaining 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50m Breaststroke. Emma Bain (8WO) made two finals, finishing 7<sup>th</sup> in the 50m Freestyle and 8<sup>th</sup> in the 50m Backstroke. Emily Southee pulled out massive PB's in her preliminaries and made both the freestyle final and the backstroke final placing 8<sup>th</sup> in both finals. Keira Hughes made both the freestyle and breaststroke finals narrowly missing out on the backstroke final. Keira finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the Freestyle final and 5<sup>th</sup> in the Breaststroke final.

Taieri College were the only school to field two relay teams in the 11 year old mixed 200m freestyle relays. Both teams were made up of girls racing mixed gender teams. Our Aqua team consisted of Emily Southee, Abby Samuels, Madison Shaw and Keira Hughes; finishing third. Our Red team consisting of Sarah Evans, Hayley McHale, Emily Russell and Caitlyn Barclay finished sixth. Both teams had creditable performances and should be very proud of their efforts.

The 12 year old mixed relay team consisted of Finn Wilson, Libby Gorman, Chelsea Winder and Emma Bain finishing a creditable fourth, narrowly being pipped at the post by Columba who got third. Later we had our revenge beating Columba for third place in the Year 7 & 8 200m Freestyle team.

The Year 7 & 8 Medley team consisted of Chelsea Winder, Finn Wilson, Keira Hughes and Emma Bain finishing fifth. The Year 7 & 8 200m freestyle team of Finn Wilson, Emily Southee, Emma Bain and Keira Hughes finished third holding off Columba College quite convincingly.

Congratulations swimmers. It was a pleasure to see you all perform so well, you did the College and yourselves proud.



From Back from Left: Finn Wilson (8WO), Emily Southee (7SW), Emily Russell (7HU), Holly Pool (7MR).  
Middle Row from Left: Abby Samuels (7CH), Sarah Evans (7MR) Tyla Stanley, Maisie Kirk (8BL).  
Front Row from Left: Hayley McHale (7MR), Caitlyn Barclay (7MR), Keira Hughes (7RL), Emma Bain (8WO) and Madison Shaw (7HU).  
Absent for Photograph: Chelsea Winder and Libby Gorman



# Uniform Information

Cooler months...

## Taieri College Jackets

Junior students [Years 7-10] are expected to wear a Taieri College Jacket to and from school as well as during school.

## Thermals

If students are wearing short sleeved Taieri College shirts or blouses and wish to wear polyprops / thermals, these thermals should also be short sleeved. For the Year 7-10 students the thermals should be plain and can be white, navy or black. Students who choose to wear long sleeve thermals should have long sleeved shirts and blouses.

## Scarves

Some students choose to wear a scarf in the winter months. These are to plain navy, plain black or plain white. If asked to remove these in class we would appreciate students following this request.

## Taieri College Senior Uniform and Blazer

As Term 2 approaches we would like to remind all senior students and their caregivers that the Taieri College senior blazer is required to be worn to school by all senior students daily from the start of Term 2.

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

Students who choose to wear long sleeve thermals should have long sleeved shirts and blouses.



## 9WM Museum Trip





## CAREERS INFORMATION

Contact Sue Craigie, 03 489 3823 ext 139 or  
email [careers@taieri.school.nz](mailto:careers@taieri.school.nz)



## Fibrous Plasterer Apprenticeship

Full time apprenticeship available in a local well established firm as a fibrous plasterer. This would suit someone who is a hands on person. You will learn a skilled trade and get to work all over NZ. You must be keen to learn and have a good work ethic.

## Joinery Apprenticeship

Joinery apprentice required. Must be keen to learn and hold a driver's licence. Immediate start. If you are interested in either of these jobs, then please see Mrs Craigie.



## University Of Otago

The University of Otago is pleased to announce the launch of the Dunedin Tertiary Open Day 2019 digital programme, which you can access

online: <https://otago.ac.nz/openday>

The digital programme presents all of the information from the print programme in a way that makes it easy for students to organise their day.

Once students have created an account, they can view, search and sort all the sessions run by the University of Otago and Otago Polytechnic on 5 and 6 May, and create a personalised agenda of their chosen sessions. They will also receive updates if the details for any of the sessions change.

Please note that Dunedin Tertiary Open Day sessions do not require registration. Adding a session to their agenda doesn't guarantee them a place, so they will need to make sure they arrive on time.



## Mosgiel Code Club Is Looking For Your Help

Mosgiel Code Club, which started in Mosgiel in 2015, is a free club where children are exposed to the basics of coding ... and we want to keep it going!

Due to change in circumstances for our current supervisor we are looking for people who would like to help. The club runs once a week and our aim is to have a small group so no-one needs to necessarily commit to helping on a weekly basis.

No experience in programming is required but being familiar with a computer and have a logical thought process would help. Though not necessary, it would also be an advantage to have worked with kids in a teaching environment.

No management of resources required as all resources are available on Code Club Aotearoa's website. It's just a case of helping children work through tutorials.

For inquiries or register interest contact Bernadette Hay 027 479-3251

## Thank you to Countdown Mosgiel for donating food to Taieri College!

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