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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whānau

Ngā Manu Kōrero is regarded as the most significant event on the Māori education calendar for nurturing the oratory skills and providing the stage for young people to express their views and to lay down their challenges to an admiring and critical audience of peers, parents, whānau, and judges. The speech competitions are intended to encourage the development of skills and confidence of Māori students in spoken English and te reo Māori. All secondary schools are invited to participate in this wonderful event, noting that the Māori section is open to all students as part of a strategy to support everyone to learn and to speak in te reo Māori. Taieri College was proud to have Ella Aitken and Josie Bennie represent us this year speaking to the topic of "Let me be the rangatahi today and I will be the rangatira tomorrow." Both girls spoke exceptionally well, and Josie went on to be placed third in the prepared speech section. Coverage of the girls' speeches can be seen on the following link. Ngā Manu Kōrero - Live Stream - Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (ngaitahu.iwi.nz)

Our Year 11 students attended the Dunedin Careers Expo this week at the Dunedin Town Hall. There were lots of exhibitors promoting various vocational and tertiary educational options. One of the purposes of the trip is to highlight the various pathways out there for young people and consequently provide some motivation for them to attain good academic results so they can access those pathways. My thanks to the Careers Department for organising the trip.

Good luck to our netballers this Sunday and Monday as they compete in the Otago Secondary Schools' Netball championships at the Edgar Centre, and likewise to our choir who are performing at the Big Sing competition at the Town Hall on Monday.

Congratulations to Georgia McHutchon who finished 1st in the Otago Secondary Schools' Cross-Country Championship that was held at Kaikorai Valley on Thursday. I understand the weather packed up just before start time and made the course extra challenging. Despite the challenging conditions Georgia ran exceptionally well to win the Under 15 girls' race. A top effort.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter PRINCIPAL



Muffi Day – Wednesday 16 June 202 Donation can or gold coin – more information further in newsletter

Key Dates

11 June

Learning Readiness Issued

12-13 June

Chamber Music Competition

13-14 June

Otago Secondary Schools' Netball Competition

14 June

Big Sing Choir Festival

15 June

L3PHY Otago University Visit

16 June

Mufti Day - Can Appeal - Can/Gold Coin Donation

18-20 June

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Taieri College Sports Council

Mission: 'To promote and encourage sport at Taieri College and on the Taieri'

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) and SILVER (\$500 + GST per year).

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

SILVER SPONSOR OF THE MONTH

CREDIFLEX OTAGO - Tim Guthrie

Welcome aboard CREDIFLEX OTAGO. Tim generously supported our annual Sports Council Golf Day last year, by donating one of our major auction prizes! Sports Council now welcome him as a monthly sponsor. CREDIFLEX are financial advisors, ready to help any business with Asset Finance, Commercial Finance or Consumer Finance. Professional, credible, flexible is how they rate themselves.



Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors; LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Braveheart Decorators, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Waihola Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DC Motors, DS Builders, Norwood Farm Machinery, Promo-X, Cramond & Craig, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring, Loan Market, CREDIFLEX Otago, Willow & Silk and Beauty Lane.

Gold Guitars

Congratulations to Caleb Croy 10RG for making it into the finals at the Gold Guitar Awards held in Gore last weekend.









Ngā Manu Kōrero Otago/Southland Secondary Schools' Māori Speech competitions

Josie Bennie and Ella Aitken represented Taieri College in the annual Ngā Manu Kōrero Otago/Southland Secondary Schools' Māori Speech competitions. This was held on Thursday 3 June 2021 and Friday 4 June 2021 at the Dunedin Town Hall.

Ngā Manu Kōrero (Māori: "The Orators") is a Māori speech competition for secondary students. The competition encourages fluency in Te Reo Māori and English. It began in 1965 as the Korimako Contest, and commemorates Dr Pei Te Hurinui Jones, a Waikato elder and scholar who died in 1976.



Josie Bennie was competing in the Senior English section and Ella Aitken was competing in the Junior English section. This was the first time that Taieri College had two entries.

Josie Bennie was placed third in the prepared speech section. This was also the first time that Taieri College had placed in these competitions.

Our Senior Kapa Haka along with the Year 10, 11 and 12 Te Reo Māori classes went along to Tautoko Josie and Ella. All students represented their school with pride and performed a beautiful waiata and strong haka.

Currently there is a strong sense of urgency within our communities to protect our indigenous Māori language so that it can be spoken and heard and understood across the current and future generations of Aotearoa New Zealanders.

The commitment to ensure the survival of Māori language as a living, spoken and dynamic treasure is captured within the essence of Ngā Manu Kōrero. This kaupapa is precious and endearing to each of us because it celebrates who we are as a nation. Ngā Manu Kōrero is about honouring the special and unique existence of being Māori and of sustaining our connections to the Māori world in all its glory.













Sport

Yesterday Taieri College students competed in the Otago Secondary Schools' Cross Country Championships at Kaikorai Valley College in very wet conditions. We had six students competing. Our best performers were Josh Siloy who secured a top 10 finish in the competitive U14 Boys grade. Georgia McHutchon ran superbly to win the U15 Girls grade by five seconds. Many of these students have been competing over the past four weeks, and will now turn their attention to the school cross country near the end of term.

This weekend we have three Taieri College Netball teams, who will not only be playing on Saturday, but also on Sunday and Monday as they compete in the Otago Secondary Schools' Champs. Our 9A, 10A and Senior A teams will battle it out against other Otago schools, an opportunity that the students missed last year due to Covid-19. All the best for the tournament.

The Girls Rugby team had their final night of the 7s competition on Wednesday. The Juniors just lost their semi-final to St Hilda's 15-17, and then finished strong to beat Columba 34-5 in the 3rd/4th playoff. The senior girls finished their competition unbeaten, winning

their final against Queen's 42-7. Some awesome skill was on display from both teams all season. The girls now have a break next week then get into their 15 aside competition starting 23 June 2021.







Year 10 Art

Mrs Spittle's Year 10 painting class are busy painting cultural panels based off the Kowhaiwhai and other cultural motifs. Keep an eye out for these amazing pieces as they will soon be displayed around the school grounds.





Wheelchair Rugby

Congratulations to Dylan Lloyd being selected to play for Otago Wheelchair Rugby. Pictured are previous tournaments he attended in Auckland and Palmerston North. Over the July school holidays he will be playing for Waikato in the nationals due to Otago being unable to field a team.





Miniball News

Miniball is in full swing for the year with 8 teams across TK Block competing on a Monday night. The Year 8 Girls' team and Year 7 Boys' Gold team have moved into A Grade after some comprehensive wins in B Grade. Well done!

The Year 8A Boys have continued their impressive performances from Christchurch, knocking Tahuna 8A off their unbeaten perch. With the score bouncing back and forth, they managed to win what was a very close game, 41-39.

A massive congratulations to Lafa Tofiga, 8KJ, and Harper Conley, 8GY, who were named in the Otago Basketball Under 13s Squad. Teams will be named from this squad to attend tournaments in Gore, Invercargill and Dunedin. Lafa and Harper were picked from a group of over 56 boys. Well done also to several boys who put themselves out there to be picked; it is not an easy thing to do in such a massive group of talented players, something to be proud of it itself, well done!



Taieri College Sport Beanie

As we enter the colder months, students enrolled in winter sports have the opportunity to purchase a Taieri College Sport Beanie. Students should wear beanies in conjunction with their sport uniforms required and can be worn during sport practices in chilly conditions. Students enrolled in any sport can purchase these, especially sports such as football, rugby, netball, hockey where students have to brave the cold. Beanies are available from the Sport Office for \$20, and are 50% wool.



Sentence Starters

Sometimes we forget our way and need help getting to our writing destination.

Got a "Contrast" question? Follow the yellow line for nine possible sentence starters eg However, the best part of playing sport is making new friends.

Want to add new information to your written answer? Follow the green line.



You can download your own Making Connections map at: https://xpateducator.wordpress.com/2014/04/25/6-underground-discourse-markers-map/







Careers Expo

On Wednesday all of our Year 11 students attended the NZ Careers Expo at the Dunedin Town Hall.

This was an opportunity for all Year 11 students to gain information on study and career opportunities. Students spoke with representatives from universities, polytechnics, private and industry training providers as well as key employers from throughout New Zealand. The students enjoyed the expo and came away with lots of information, pens and the odd sweet treat. The mocktail making class proved very popular. Thanks to all the staff who came with the students to the expo.

Stephen and Fiona Careers Team









Taieri College Class Photographs 2021

Class photographs are now available for purchase through Kelk Photography.

Please follow the link to order: https://kelkphoto.co.nz/view-your-event/taieri-college

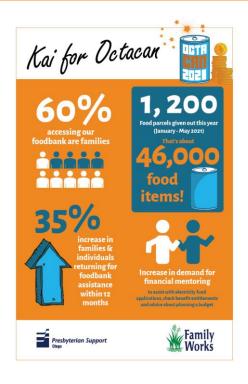
Orders will close Friday 11 June 2021, all orders will be processed after this date. You can choose to have your photos delivered to school, posted or you can collect them from our studio.







This year we are holding a Mufti day on Wednesday June 16th to support Octacan 2021. We are asking students to try to bring at least 2 cans each and attempt to beat our previous record of over 1300 cans, which was a great effort. Gold coin(s) will also be accepted towards this cause. Cans being collected are being given to both the Mosgiel Foodbank and the Dunedin Foodbank. Thank you in advance for your support













"How do you get to school?"

Dunedin secondary school students needed for research

Students are invited to:

- complete an online survey
- participate in additional activities at their school

For more information:

Contact your school

- Check out study website: otago.ac.nz/beats
- · Contact BEATS Study Coordinator:
- Tel 03 479 5461 | Email <u>beats@otago.ac.nz</u>



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