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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whanau

Our Kapa Haka group have been given the honour of welcoming the All Blacks and Fiji to Dunedin for their test match that is set to be played on Saturday 10 July 2021. They will meet the All Blacks at the airport this Sunday and then the Fijians who arrive on the Thursday evening. It is a privilege for our college to have been asked and I am sure our students will thoroughly enjoy the occasion.

This week has been "Spirit Week" at Taieri College, where our Year 12 Health classes have prepared and organised several events to enhance the wellbeing of students. This included presenting at assemblies their views on topics and issues that affect the wellbeing of our students. My thanks to the classes involved for the work they have put in.

Congratulations to Gabby Kakahi and Dylon Lloyd who are our 2021 Class Act recipients. They will be presented with this prestigious award by the Prime Minister at a ceremony next term.

Marion O'Kane is our Public Health nurse and runs free clinics for students who have questions or concerns over their current state of health. It is a confidential and free of charge service and I recommend that students who are facing health challenges use this to their advantage. The health clinic is in Mrs Leonard's office (Guidance Suite) and occurs at Break 2 every Monday. No appointment is needed.

The cold snap earlier in the week put paid to the South Otago winter sports exchange. The decision has been made to defer the exchange to next Tuesday 6 July 2021. Hopefully, the weather plays its part next week and our sports people enjoy the challenge and competition.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter PRINCIPAL



Key Dates

5 July Dunedin One Day Debating Tournament Whanau Hui

> 6 July SOHS Interchange – Balclutha 7SW Art Gallery Trip

> > 7 July L2DRA Play

8 July L2DRA Play L2/L3SPR Turbo Touch Tournament

9 July
End of Term 2
Senior Reports Emailed Home
Lion Foundation Competition
Hautoka - Otago/Southland Secondary Schools' Kapa
Haka Competition

26 July Start of Term 3





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Projects Around The College Update

There are a couple of major projects on the go at present. The first being a new roof on the swimming pool. One side has already been completed and the second half of the iron was craned in earlier this week to begin the installation on the back side of the roof. This project is due to be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Our major project for 2021 is the resurfacing/layout of our courts. At a cost of 1.2 million we were excited to begin construction a few weeks ago. The digging up of the old turf and arrival of heavy machinery to start removing soil to level the courts to one flat surface instead of the two areas has begun. A huge thank you to Otago Community Trust for their funding of \$250,000 and Alexander McMillan Trust for their funding of \$25,000 towards this project, we are extremely grateful. We are looking forward to having these courts open and available to our students and community towards the end of October 2021.

Our contractors, Cook Brothers, have asked us to pass on to parents/whānau using the main driveway, to be mindful of the trucks crossing the driveway to remove dirt from the site. The speed limit for this area is 10kmh.









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

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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.

Government Funded Period Products

Aotearoa/New Zealand has a very proud history of being a world leader of equality between the genders. We were the first country to give women the vote, the first to allow women to graduate from university and, once again, our country is paving the way for another barrier to equality to be removed.

Did you know that some female students in New Zealand miss school because they do not have what they need for their periods? This is no longer an issue because, from now on, every female school student in New Zealand schools will be entitled to free period products. This is not just in an emergency. Free period products – full stop!



Taieri College is proud to support this initiative. Period products will be available from the school office. Please make the most of this opportunity.

Senior Assessments Due Next Week

- 1. L3MAS AS91583 Conduct an experiment to investigate a situation using experimental design principles (4 class periods)
- 2. L1ENC 1 AS90857 Construct and deliver an oral text
- 3. L2MAS and L2MAT AS91264 Use statistical methods to make an inference (2 periods in class)
- 4. L1DRA AS91000 Demonstrate understanding of a significant play
- 5. L2DRA AS91218 Perform a substantial acting role in a scripted production
- 6. L1 HEA AS 91097 WJ Managing Change (in class)
- 7. L2 PED AS91328 Biophysical Principals for Skill Learning (in class)
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- 9. L2 PED AS91328 Biophysical Principals for Skill Learning (in class)
- 10. US28097 L2MAV (2 periods In Class)
- 11. L3ENG and L3ENC AS 91475 Achievement Produce a selection of fluent and coherent writing which develops, sustains, and structures ideas
- 12. L1 ENG Reading Responses
- 13. L2 ENG Reading Responses
- 14. L1 HIS BK AS91002 final sub
- 15. L1Health (AS 91097) due in class
- 16. L1 HEA AS 91097 WJ Managing Change (in class) DUE DATE
- 17. L1DRA AS91000 Demonstrate understanding of a significant play
- 18. L2 PED AS91328 Biophysical Principals for Skill Learning (in class)
- 19. L2DRA AS91218 Perform a substantial acting role in a scripted production
- 20. L1 ENG/L1ENC AS90854 Form personal responses to independently read texts, supported by evidence
- 21. L2ENG/L2ENC AS91106 Form developed personal responses to independently read texts, supported by evidence
- 22. L1ENG Reading Responses
- 23. L2ENG Reading Responses
- 24. L3ENG and L3ENC AS 91475 A
- 25. L3DRA AS91513 Devise and perform a drama to realise a concept
- 26. L2 HIS AS91230 due final sub
- 27. L2DRA AS91218 Perform a substantial acting role in a scripted production
- 28. L2 Health AS91237 Take action to enhance an aspect of people's well-being within the school or wider community due
- 29. L1DRA AS91000 Demonstrate understanding of a significant play
- 30. L2 PED AS91328 Biophysical Principals for Skill Learning (in class)









ICAS Examinations 2021

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools will be taking place again this year. This is an internationally recognised assessment which students can opt into.

All examinations this year are charged out at \$18.40. Registration and fees for all subjects are to be paid by Friday 30 July 2021.

Parents will be able to purchase these this year via the Parent Payment System prior to the date above. More information will be available on this once we have gained an expression of interest.

Mr Peacock will hold a meeting towards the end of the term for students who are interested in this.

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

ICAS Science: Monday 23 August 2021 to Friday 27 August 2021 ICAS English: Monday 16 August 2021 to Friday 17 August 2021

ICAS Mathematics: Monday 30 August 2021 to Friday 3 September 2021

Exact sitting dates will be confirmed with students and whanau closer to the time. Please contact jpeacock@taieri.school.nz for further information.

Smokefree Rockquest

Congratulations to all of our amazing musicians who performed last Friday night in the Otago Regional Smokefree Rockquest finals at the Mayfair Theatre.

Taieri College students came away with the following five awards.

Velvet Strings – Otago Regional Winners. Fool of Stars - Runners up. Spontaneous Combustion - Best Lyric Award. Something Altrc - Best Song Award. Singers from Tectonic Sounds - Musicianship Award.

What an amazing night it was for all involved. A big thanks to Chrissie Cochrane, Brad Martin and Amanda Goodwin for all their hard work and dedication to make this happen.

Tracie Stanton - Arts coordinator - Taieri College.



L1SCP Field trip to the University of Otago Microbiology Department

This week L1 Science Practical attended a workshop to help support what we have been learning in class about bacteria, fungi and viruses. The students were able to look at amoeba and paramecium under the microscope. Below are some photos from our field trip.











Ice Skating

Olivia Marks competed in Ice Sports Southland's ice skating competition last weekend where she came first place. She also qualified for ice skating nationals in Auckland in October. She is off to compete in Alexandra this weekend then Christchurch the following.



Year 7 Art Gallery Trips

This week Year 7 classes have been visiting the Dunedin Public Art Gallery. At these visits, classes have been learning more about Matariki, not only through the art work on display but through creating their own. Check out some Year 7 artwork below:













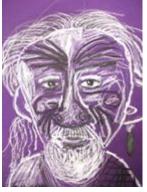






















Cross Country Results Year 9 – 13

Congratulations to all those who ran in the Year 9 - 13 Cross Country Champs held on Thursday. All those who ran were very conscientious in their efforts on course. This marks the end of the cross country series for our Year 9 - 13 students.

Junior Boys 1st Joel Bain Junior Girls
1st Georgia McHutchon

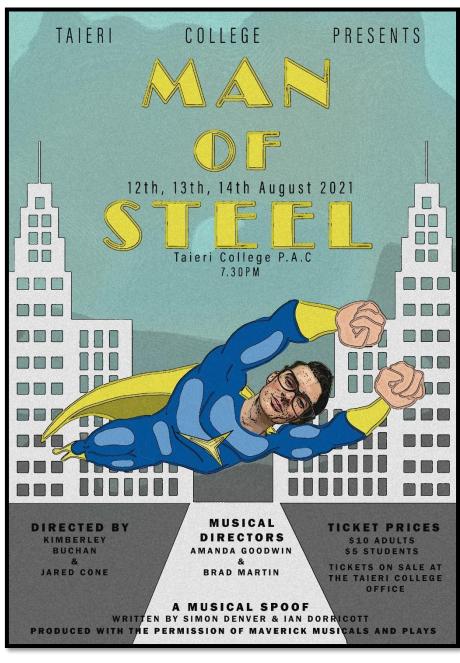
Senior Boys 1st Logan Hay Senior Girls 1st Gabby Kakahi

Fastest Boy – Joel Bain Fastest Girl – Georgia McHutchon

In Term 3 our Year 7 & 8 students will have, both their cross country champs, and also the Otago Champs. Keep up your conscientious training efforts over the holidays and you will get your rewards in Term 3.







Young Writers' Awards 2021

Entries are due Wednesday 29 September at 3:00pm.

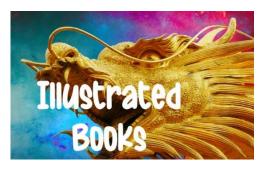
Entries for the Illustrated Books section (if not in electronic format) can be delivered to the English Department Office in the last week of Term 3.

SHORT STORIES

Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 250 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience, fiction, or inspired by other stories read or viewed. It does not have to come solely from a classroom activity.



This section is completed individually. Entries need a suitable title and are to be written in paragraphs. Present your opinions about a subject such as Road Safety, Conservation, Social Media, Politics, etc. You could be aiming to persuade the reader to act/behave/think in a different way. Or you could present information about a subject such as Taieri history, animals, ancestry, your job, an historic event, etc. Entries may relate to some study you have completed. Entries do not have to come from classroom activities.



This may be a combined effort of up to two people (e.g. a text writer and an illustrator). Options include:

- (a) Children's Illustrated Book 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).
- (b) Graphic Novel This text needs to be at least 15 frames, using the visual and written conventions of graphic novels (comic books, anime). Entries be a full story or the beginning of a longer narrative not yet written.



Completed individually, entries can be any length, rhymed or unrhymed. Very short poems, however, may not be judged as favourably as longer ones reflecting greater effort. Use a suitable title. The subject may be serious or humorous. It may be shaped on the page.



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 your English teacher or to Miss Hurst in C10 or by email (ehurst@taieri.school.nz).

Spirit Week

Over the course of Week 9 both of the Level 2 Health classes designed, created and put on a series of events to promote positivity, inclusion and kindness around the Taieri College campus. This was a very successful and awesome week!

On Monday there was an awesome "Lip Sync Battle", won by Fergus in 8GY. Five groups performed fantastic pieces in front of a very supportive audience. This was a huge success, and the girls are so pleased with the enthusiasm and turn out.

Throughout the week the scavenger hunt took hold and lots of students enjoyed finding answers inside and outside of class time. The winner will be found in Week 10.

On Tuesday, the snow day, girls made their ways to school for the breakfast morning. Thank you very much to the staff who helped and came along to support us. A very special thank you to Daniel Harvey from Commercials on Kaikorai who helped enormously with his kindness and generosity for supporting the breakfast morning and our Spirit Week.

Cupcakes were also made by our two classes and decorated. Students brought them in Break 1 on Wednesday for a someone at school and these were then given to them during the day to spark a random act of kindness and enjoyment. This was a great hit! So much effort and time went into preparing

this event and making the cupcakes. Thank you to everyone who helped make and decorate, bought them for a friend and were kind throughout the day.

All week long, post it notes were placed in bathrooms with positive affirmations to encourage kindness and positivity.

And finally, there was a Year 9 and 10 balloon relay in the ITC on Friday. This was lots of fun and competitive edges came out. It was a great turn out.

Thanks so much to everyone who helped and supported out Level 2 Health classes and our Health Promotion of Spirit Week. Once again it was a huge success.







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