



Kia ora e te whānau

We were honoured to have ex-student Holly Robinson visit the college on Wednesday following her outstanding success at the recent Paralympics in Tokyo. Holly won a gold medal in the javelin F46 final in Tokyo with a clutch **40.99m throw**, going one better than the silver medal she won in Rio in 2016. Holly spent a couple of hours at the college informally visiting separate classes where she proudly showed off her gold medal and willingly fielded several questions from interested students. As a college community we were so pleased to be able to share in Holly's success and grateful for her willingness to tell her story in the hope it may lead our current students into future success.

As we continue to operate during Level 2 Covid, several end of year functions and ceremonies have been impacted. This year Mana Pounamu and the Otago Daily Times Class Act ceremonies have both had to be cancelled. As a college, we still intend to honour our recipients, but share in their disappointment of not being able to receive their awards in the way they have been awarded in the past.

Our Year 7 students explored several sites around Dunedin on Monday as part of their creative writing programme. The feedback I have received from the trip has been very positive as students are using their experiences to produce some excellent work.

Our sporting teams are now transitioning from the winter season to the summer season. Several summer sports are now calling for interested students and I challenge those who aren't currently participating in significant summer physical activities to have a go at a summer sport. Please visit the sports office to explore a large number of summer sporting opportunities available.

Noho ora mai

**Dave Hunter**  
PRINCIPAL

### Sports Council Golf Day!

Friday 12 November 2021

To be held at Taieri Lakes Golf Course  
Any donations of items that could be used for RAFFLES, AUCTION or TEAM prizes would be greatly appreciated. These items can be dropped off now to our Sports Office or Main Office, please clearly label items with "Golf Day" on them.

### Key Dates

28 September  
Winter Sport Photographs

29 September  
L1 DRA Play

30 September  
L1 DRA Play  
South Canterbury Cross Country Championships  
L1 MCAT NCEA Exam

1 October  
L1 SPR Tramp  
End of Term 3

18 October  
Start of Term 4

19 October  
ICAS Science  
Year 10-12 Course Interview Evening

20 October  
Year 10-12 Course Interview Evening

18-22 October  
Polyfest Otago Schools' Maori and Pasifika Festival

21 October  
2021 ODT Extra! Current Events Quiz

22 October  
NCEA DGT Digital Exam

25 October  
Labour Day – College closed

26 October  
ICAS Mathematics  
Year 9 Hearing Screening

27 October  
Mufti Day

28 October  
Blues Assembly



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## Senior Assessments Due Next Week

### 27 October 2021 – 1 November 2021

L2MAS AS91260 Apply network methods in solving problems (1 period in class)

#### 27 October

L1DRA AS90009 Perform an acting role in a scripted production

L2DRA AS91214 Script Writing

L3DRA AS91512 Techniques

#### 28 October

NetNZ Students Exam Block

#### 29 October

L3DRA AS91512 Perform an acting role in a scripted production

L1DRA AS90009 Perform an acting role in a scripted production

### 30 October

L1MAT AS91027 Apply algebraic procedures in solving problems MCAT

L3DRA AS91512 Perform an acting role in a scripted production

L2DRA AS91214 Script Writing

L1DRA AS90009 Create a Character

### 1 October

L2ENG/C/L 2.4 Writing Portfolio

L2DRA AS91214 Devise and perform a drama to realise an intention

## 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 urge our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

### GOLD SPONSOR OF THE MONTH

Reece Building Consultants – Stefan Box

Reece Building Consultants provide specialist construction consultancy and project management for both commercial and residential buildings. If you have a project you are trying to tackle, give Stefan a call as he has a wealth of experience & knowledge. Thank you Reece Building Consultants for your ongoing support to the Sports Council.



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



## Winter Sports Uniforms and Equipment Return

All winter sports uniforms, along with any equipment that has been borrowed needs to be returned to the Sports Office. Please ensure that they are cleaned before being returned. These are now overdue.

### Trophy Return

Can all students who received trophies at last year's prize giving functions please return your trophy to the main school office. These are now overdue.



## CELEBRATE 2021

Dunedin School of Art Otago Secondary Schools Art Award

Congratulations to Nina Pihama, who won an award in the Celebrate Art 2021 art awards, receiving Certificate of Excellence. Her work gained many positive comments from the tutors; well-done Nina. Congratulations, also to all those whose work was chosen to enter this year. The top prize went to Ezra Eady of Kavanagh College.

## Accounts

Statements of account were issued this week showing school costs owing and, in some cases, the credit balance for those families who are in credit.

Payment of the balance owing can be made by internet banking/automatic payments to our Westpac bank account number **03 1725 0106800 00**, by eftpos or cash at the office, or by cash using the envelope system at the office for students

When making payment by internet banking or automatic payments please include the student's **name** and **ID number** as the reference. If the payment is for a specific cost eg. cricket, please note this also in the reference.

If you are paying regular automatic payments, it would be appreciated if they are of a sufficient amount to cover all costs by the end of Term 4. You may need to make additional payments for any sports fees which are due at the beginning of the playing season, and for any camp or trip costs which are also required before the event.

Each student has been invoiced \$20 for our annual school magazine, which is issued at the end of Term 4. **Payment needs to be made by 29 October 2021 to confirm your order.** If you do not want the magazine, or only require one copy per family, please email [accounts@taieri.school.nz](mailto:accounts@taieri.school.nz) and let us know so we can remove the charge.

Please note that financial assistance is available in some cases so if you have any concerns at all about paying these costs, please email Jared Peacock [jpeacock@taieri.school.nz](mailto:jpeacock@taieri.school.nz) or phone him on 489 3823 extn 101

You can view accounts at any time by logging in to the Taieri College Kamar site via our website and selecting the Taieri College useful links tab. If you have a query about your account, please email [accounts@taieri.school.nz](mailto:accounts@taieri.school.nz) or phone the Finance Office extn 206 or extn 129.

Thank you.

## School Magazine \$20.00

We are taking payment now for our annual school magazine which is distributed at the end of Term Four. This is a 270 page colour printed A4 magazine which records the activities throughout the school year and includes form class and sports team photos.

All students have been invoiced \$20.00 for this magazine but if you do not want a copy, or only want one copy per family please email [accounts@taieri.school.nz](mailto:accounts@taieri.school.nz) to have this charge removed.

Please make payment by **29 October 2021** to confirm your order.

Payment can be made by internet banking to 03-1725-0106800-00 using your **name** and **magazine** as the reference, or by eftpos/cash at the office.

## Taieri College Board of Trustees STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE 2021/22

Nominations are being called for our Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2021/22  
Nominations close on Friday 1 October 2021 at 12.00 noon  
Forms available from the Student Slide

## Vocabulary Strategies

Learning to spell correctly is a crucial skill for life. Students begin to learn the basics of the English language as soon as they start school. Their skills and knowledge are built upon as they progress throughout their education, but the English language is one of the most difficult languages in the world to spell. Many words in the English language follow specific rules and students will be taught these rules at school. It helps to cement the learning when these strategies are also used at home.

## Concept Cubes

**What you need:** Paper, Markers or coloured pencils, Cube template

### What to do:

1. Give each student a vocabulary word and ask them to use each of the six sections of the pattern to write the:
  - definition
  - explanation or significance
  - example
  - category
  - why it's important/what it's used for/characteristic
2. In groups of two or three with cubes made by other students (you don't have your own cubes) take turns rolling a cube. Whatever comes up for the roll, use this to explain the relationship between that word or phrase and the target word.







## Year 7 & 8 Health Focus Term 4

In Term Four we will teach the Year 7 and 8 sexuality education programme, 'Navigating the Journey'. This is taught separately at Years 7 and 8 over a 5-6 week time frame.

We will be holding a Parent Information Evening to assist you with any questions you may have about this programme on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September in the Library at 6pm.

This programme will empower students with the knowledge, understanding and skills to develop positive attitudes towards their development and enable them to make informed, health affirming decisions and choices.

Important topics such as 'Relationships', 'Growing and Changing' and 'Staying Safe' will be explored. If you wish to hear about this programme in more detail, please come along to the parent information evening where Mr Woods will discuss the programme and answer any questions from parents.

## Sport

On Wednesday this week we were privileged to welcome back former student Holly Robinson. Holly had recently won gold in Tokyo at the Paralympics and generously brought her rather heavy medal back for our staff and students to see. While we were unable to have a full assembly, Holly visited numerous classes and shared not only stories from the games, but her motivation, the tough choices she made at a young age, and discussed how to handle bullying. We are super proud of her for achieving her lifelong dream, and thankful to have a proud Taieri girl back onsite.



This week secondary school volleyball is underway and we are delighted to have a large number of students step forward to be involved and form fourteen teams representing Taieri College. Our Senior A Girls had a narrow loss on Monday night to begin the season, with many junior sides competing tonight. We wish all our students the very best for the season, and appreciate the hard work teachers, parents, and students are doing to coach and manage our student teams.



Tuesday 28 September 2021 is our Taieri College co-curricular photo day which many students are involved in. Please see the timetable further in the newsletter.





## Year 10 Art

Year 10 cultural panels based off the Kowhaiwhai, and other cultural motifs are now proudly displayed on the fence in the Te Kainga car park. Check them out!

## Year 10 Photography

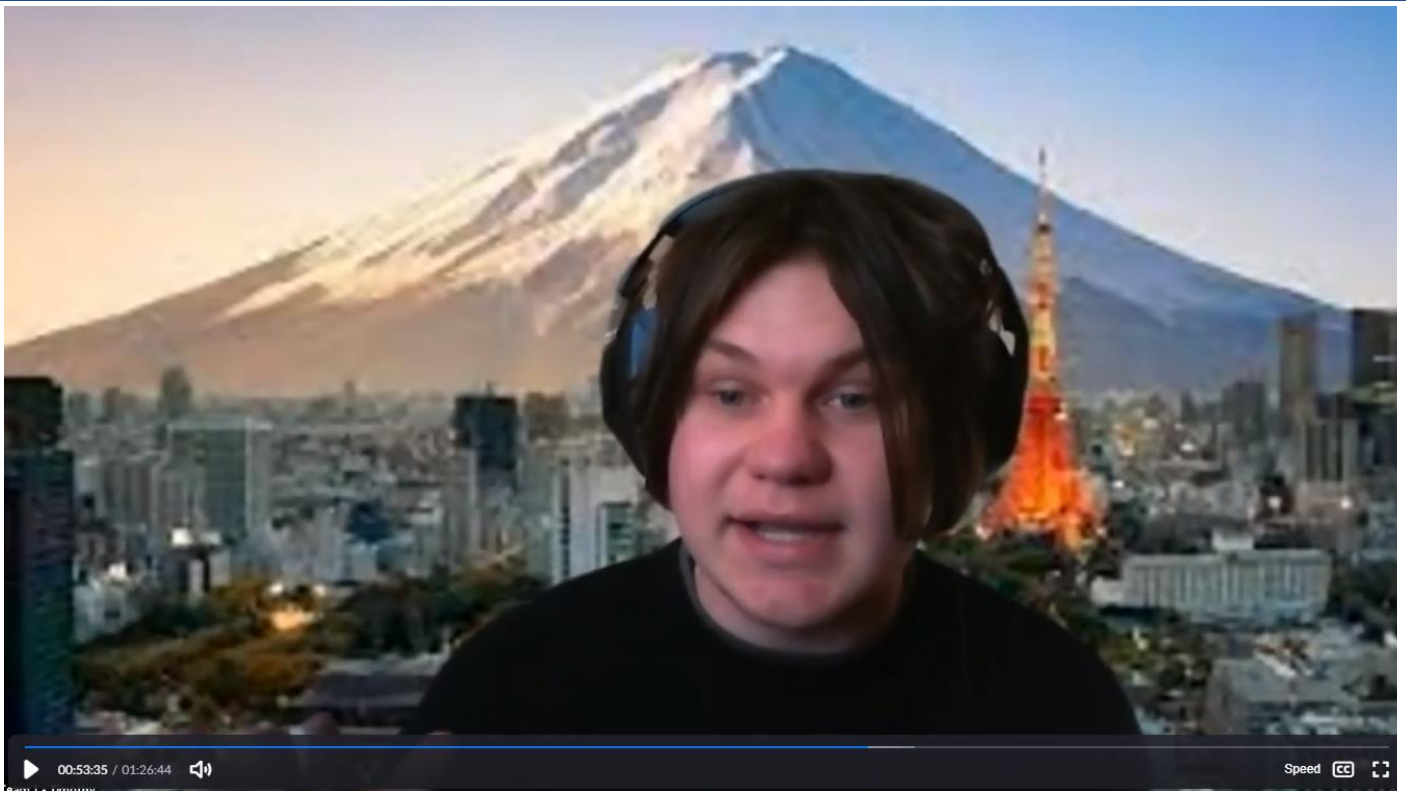




# Year 7 Writing Trip – Monday 20 September 2021







*Timothy Chevtchenko on Zoom during the Bizventure Competition*

This term Timothy Chevtchenko was selected to participate in Bizventure Japan. This is an opportunity that the Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) offers. It was due to be hosted in Wellington. Unfortunately, due to Lockdown the event was moved online through Zoom. In Timothy's own words, "The event was an amazing experience". He said that participants were teamed up with participating YES students to deliver a business solution to a Sustainable Development Goal (SDG). The event consisted of 20 New Zealand students and 20 students from Japan. The students from both countries were split into four unique teams to solve these SDG goals. From receiving food boxes from Japan, to learning cultural information, Bizventure was amazing because it provided real insight into Japanese culture and business.

## Year 9 Food Technology Morning Tea







## Young Writers' Awards 2021

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

Entries need to be e-mailed as a Word document attachment to [ywa@taieri.school.nz](mailto:ywa@taieri.school.nz). The subject line must indicate the category and year level.

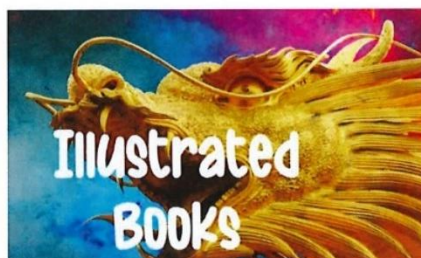
Entries for the Illustrated Books section (if not in electronic format) can be delivered to the English Department Office in the last week of Term 3.

# SHORT STORIES

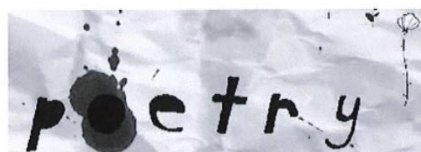
Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 250 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience, fiction, or inspired by other stories read or viewed. It does not have to come solely from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

# Article

This section is completed individually. Entries need a suitable title and 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 favorably 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](mailto:ehurst@taieri.school.nz)).

**CO-CURRICULAR PHOTOS 28th September**

**Students to wear full school uniform. NOT sport uniform. This includes vests and blazers.**

**Students please arrive 10 minutes before your photo time to ensure you are all lined up and ready.**

**Students please scan the entire list to see all groups you are involved in as a player, and/or a coach and manager.**

	Time	Tuesday September 28th Venue PAC
P1	9.00am	<b>Senior netball teams x 6</b>
		<i>(SnrA, Snr B, Snr C, Diamonds, Sapphires, Rubies)</i>
	9.15am	<b>Senior basketball boys and girls</b> (social & competitive) x11
		<i>Incl. Snr A, All Stars, Blaze, Wood dogs, Pistons, Thunder, Wildcats, Twelves, Sparks, Mavericks</i>
	9.25am	<b>Hockey teams</b> year 9-13 Boys and Girls x 4
		<i>Boys &amp; Girls 1st XI &amp; 2nd XI</i>
	9.35am	<b>Cricket</b> - Term 1 Boys 1st XI, Super Smash Cup, & 2nd XI
	9.40am	<b>Badminton Squad</b>
	9.50am	<b>Rugby 1st XV &amp; Colts</b>
	10.00am	<b>Touch - Term1 senior teams</b> , Girls Gold & Blue, Boys Blue and Senior Mixed
P2	10.20am	<b>Volleyball Girls</b> -Term 1 Senior A, Pink & Red
	10.30am	<b>Girls Rugby team (Year 9-13)</b>
	10.30am	<b>Rugby U14 &amp; U15 teams</b>
	10.40am	<b>Athletics</b> Otago, SI & Nats Squads
	10.40am	<b>Multisport</b> - Wanaka Challenge Squad
	10.50am	<b>Football</b> Boys and Girls 1st XI
	10.50am	<b>Futsal</b> Senior O.D. Girls
	10.50am	<b>Golf Team</b>
	10.55am	<b>Mountain Biking Club</b>
	10.55am	<b>Softball Team</b>
	11.00am	<b>Waterpolo</b> year 9-13 x 2 ( <i>Junior Girls + Senior Team</i> )
	11.00am	<b>BREAK 1</b>
	11.25am	<b>Sport Academy</b> Year 7-8 x 2
	11.30am	<b>Miniball TK Boys</b> (8 Blue, 8 Gold, 7A, 7 Blue, 7 Gold, 7 Navy, 7 Yellow)
	11.40am	<b>Miniball TK Girls</b> (8 Blue, 7Gold)
P3	11.45am	<b>Netball Year 7</b> teams x 5 ( <i>Gal, Moo, Met, Pla, Com</i> )
	11.50am	<b>Netball Year 8</b> teams x 6 ( <i>Pul, Swi, Tac, Fev, Mys, Ste</i> )
	12.10pm	<b>Waterpolo</b> Year 7&8 x2
	12.15pm	<b>TK Volleyball</b> teams x 4 ( <i>Blue, Diggers, setters, spikers</i> )
	12.15pm	<b>Cricket</b> Year 7 & 8 Boys 1st XI
	12.15pm	<b>Futsal</b> Year 7 & 8 Boys and Girls ( <i>TK Blue, TK Girls, TK Combined</i> )
	12.20pm	<b>Touch</b> Year 7 & 8 Boys and Girls Term 1 ( <i>Bulldogs, Broncos, Titan, Panthers, Tigers</i> )
	12.25pm	<b>Hockey</b> Year 7&8 Girls and boys x 2 ( <i>Blue &amp; Gold</i> )
	12.25pm	<b>Triathlon</b> Year 7/8 Tri squad.
	12.30pm	<b>Cricket</b> Girls 1st XI
P4	12.30pm	<b>Swimming</b> Team Year 7-13
	12.40pm	<b>Netball</b> year 9 teams x 4 ( <i>A, Green, Red, Blue, Yellow</i> )
	12.40pm	<b>Netball</b> year 10 teams x 3 ( <i>A, Kowhai &amp; Rata</i> )
	12.55pm	<b>Basketball</b> Year 9-10 boys & girls teams x 8
		<i>Junior A, Ballers, Firestorm, Hoops, Nuggets, Snappers, Bricks.</i>
	1.05pm	<b>Volleyball</b> year 9/10 boys and girls teams - Term 1
		<i>Girls (Junior A, B, Blue, Gold, Otters, Red) Boys (Blockers &amp; Snappers)</i>
P5	1.15pm	<b>Cricket</b> Junior Boys team (Yr9)
		<b>Futsal</b> year 10 Boys, Year 9 Blue & Gold
	1.15pm	<b>Touch</b> Year 9/10 - Boys Gold, Girls Blue & Girls Gold
	1.25pm	<b>Get 2 Go Teams</b> Year 9 & Year 10
	1.30pm	<b>BREAK 2</b>
	2.00pm	<b>Rockquest students</b>
	2.00pm	<b>Rock Academy, year 7&amp;8</b>
	2.15pm	<b>Music</b> Youth town & Lion Foundation song writing winners
	2.15pm	<b>Music</b> x 3 Orchestra, Jazz Band, Choir
	2.20pm	<b>Senior Drama</b>
	2.20pm	<b>Arts Council</b>
	2.25pm	<b>Taieri Theatresports</b>
	2.30pm	<b>Eco Warriors</b>
	2.30pm	<b>Young Farmers / Teen Ag</b>
	2.40pm	<b>Maori Pacifica Council/Kapa Haka Group</b>
	2.45pm	<b>Debating</b> Year 9-13
	2.45pm	<b>Student Council</b>
	2.45pm	<b>Production Cast + Crew</b>
	2.45pm	<b>Student Council</b>
	2.50pm	<b>Wellbeing Ambassadors</b>





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Loan Market



Youth East Taieri is preparing for the next intake of Ground Zero in term 4. Programme runs on Wednesday evenings from 28th October—1st December. Ground Zero is open to students in Year 7.

Ground Zero focuses on helping young people identify and develop their strengths, through fun challenges and activities designed to build confidence, leadership and communication skills.

Enquiries to Larissa Pearce (youth worker) 021 0867 1157

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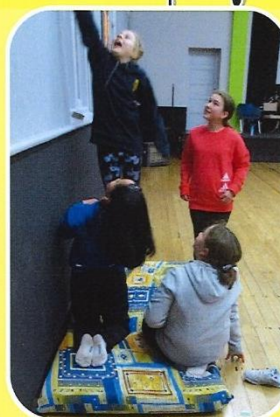


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. . . My best is good enough"