



Kia ora e te whānau

This week, students received their subject information booklets that outline course options for 2022. These booklets go to students in Years 8,9,10,11 and 12 as their courses require them to make choices on next year's subjects and modules. Taieri College provides an amazing array of educational options as students progress through the school. From the more traditional academic subjects to vocational options the choice is broad. Our Year 10 students have 44 semesters to select from!

It is important that time is taken to explore what is available and make an informed choice in selecting a learning programme that aligns itself with each student's interests, talents, and career aspirations.

Some advice we give students during subject selection include:

- Study more of what you are good at and the subjects you like the most.
- Don't just pick subjects your friends are doing. This is about you.
- Get career advice. Use our Careers Department to do so.
- Keep your options open. If you can get University Entrance, then get it. It doesn't mean you need to go to university but at least you have the choice to do so if you decide later.
- Talk to your teachers. Ask them what a course might involve and whether they think it may be suitable and at an appropriate level.

We strongly suggest parents and whānau (particularly students undertaking 2022 NCEA subjects) book an appointment to discuss their child's 2022 options. These meetings will be held in the first week back of Term 4. Senior teachers will conduct these interviews and the Careers Department will also be on hand to offer specific careers advice.

Bookings can be made through the website [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) using the code: **y9pus**

Course booklets are available on our website: <http://www.taieri.school.nz> Senior booklets can be found under "Academic/senior-programme-ncea" and Junior booklets can be found under "Academic/Junior Programme." Once the choices are made, students can enter their selections directly on to Kamar (from the homepage with the notices) and click on course selection or go to <https://kamar.taieri.school.nz>

Today was Lauren Roney's last day at Taieri College as she begins her maternity leave. Lauren is a Year 7 teacher, our Year 7 Dean, TK teaching mentor and newly proclaimed "rugby stalwart" (thanks Mr Hull). Lauren is relocating to Invercargill, and we thank her for the invaluable contribution she has brought to Taieri College during the past three years. As a college community we wish Lauren all the best during the last few months of her pregnancy and impending ventures into parenthood.

Wishing everyone a safe and relaxing holiday.

Nga mihi nui  
Dave Hunter  
Principal

### Year 10-12 Course Confirmation Evenings

Tuesday 19 October 2021 & Wednesday 20 October 2021 3.30pm – 7.00pm

This week our Year 8 – Year 12 students were given their course booklets for 2022 courses. Bookings can be made at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) using the booking code **y9pus**. There are two evenings Week 1 next term to assist students and whanau making subject choices.

## Key Dates

18 October Start of Term 4	21 October 2021 ODT Extra! Current Events Quiz
19 October ICAS Science Year 10-12 Course Interview Evening	22 October NCEA DGT Digital Exam
20 October Year 10-12 Course Interview Evening	25 October <b>Labour Day – College closed</b>
18-22 October Polyfest Otago Schools' Maori and Pasifika Festival	26 October ICAS Mathematics Year 9 Hearing Screening
	27 October Mufti Day

## 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.



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## Sports Council Golf Day!

Friday 12 November 2021 - 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.



## 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.





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## Level 2 PED Mountain Biking Trip

Last week, the Level 2 Physical Education class loaded up their mountain bikes and headed away to Naseby for a three day trip to work towards three different achievement standards. This was the first time some of the students had done this type of biking before. After arriving, the class got straight onto their bikes and were lead around the forest by Miss Dunlea. Students were taken around a few of the key areas such as the Water Race and Hoffman's Dam. Students also got their first chance to have a go at the assessment time trial track. One key task for the students was to implement risk management strategies to eliminate and minimise different risks. Each night after making their dinners, students spent time reflecting on how and why their strategies kept them safe. Some students had a lot more to talk about than others! On Day Two, there were some very sore glutes as students got back on the bike. That morning they headed over to the sandpit area where students got to have a range of different tracks and put their new skills to the test. Students were even given a chance to plan their own rides and head out in small groups for a few hours in the forest. On Day Three, students excitedly arose from their forest cabins to complete the challenge that is the assessment time trial. Some took it as a chance to increase their previous performance standard grade; others set goals to complete it under a certain time. All students gave it their all and should be proud of their efforts. Overall, it was a highly enjoyable trip with a great group of students and teachers with some superb weather that made it even more enjoyable. A big thanks again to Miss Dunlea, Mr Gale and Mr Hackfath who helped run the trip.



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## Rugby Prizegiving

Rugby prizegiving was held on Wednesday 27 September 2021 and we congratulate the following players on their awards.

Boys 1<sup>st</sup> XV MVP – Ollie Sinclair

Colts MVP – Nixon Burns

U15s MVP – Jalen Forgie

U14s MVP – Lucas Wilson

Girls 1<sup>st</sup> XV MVP - Sophie Galliven

Taieri College Club Player of the Year - Ramana Metuakore



## Touch Reps



Otago Touch trial which consisted of being selected for a Taieri Touch team (u14 and u12) and then moving on to play in the Otago Trial Tournament - for all ages. Well done to everyone involved. **Congratulations** to the following Taieri College students who have been selected.

Logan Kakahi, Sophie Galliven, Eilish Fright, Gabriella Kakahi, Georgia Robertson, Ollie MacKenzie, Blake Clarkson, Georgina Te Kanawa, Zac Cunningham, Lafa Tofiga, Jannah Hooper, Bella Hughes, Payton Downs, Ruby Smith and Nadia Te Kanawa



## Mosgiel Junior Football Club

Well done to the following Taieri College students: Thomas Gibson, Samuel Finnie, Sam Bonney, Josh Walker, Luca Farquhar, Logan Ramage, Adam Struthers, Logan Hay, Riley Outram, Tane Stanton, Cameron Stewart, William Horner who came second in the Youth Grade club competition.

Congratulations to Logan Hay who was awarded Player of the Year for the team and shield for the Junior Club's Most Skilful Player and Josh Walker who was awarded Most Improved Player for the team.



# Taieri College Hockey Prizes 2021

Girls 1<sup>st</sup> XI:

Most Improved: Melissa Hussey

Most Valuable: Bryse Breen

Boys 1<sup>st</sup> XI

Most Improved: Caleb Walker

Most Valuable: Hamish Jenkins

Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> XI

Most Improved: Kamyn Hale

Most Valuable: Anita Matheson

Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> XI

Most Improved: Kyle Good

Most Valuable: Ollie Esplin

Girls Gold Year 7-8

Most Improved: Violet Bennie

Most Valuable: Payton Watson

Boys Blue Year 7-8

Most Improved: Xavier ter Woorst

Most Valuable: Ollie Michelle

100 games for Lily Miller

Farewell for leavers:

Kabby Kakahi, Melissa Hussey, Hayden Armstrong-Jones, Tristan Kenworthy and Lachie Colquhoun (Goalie from Kaikorai Valley College)



## Athletics Taieri

Come along on Tuesday 19 October 2021 to see what Athletics Taieri are all about.

A fun inclusive environment where children can learn fundamental movement skills and have a great time. We teach the running, jumping and throwing skills at Memorial Park each Tuesday from 5.30pm-6.30pm (Children) and then 6.30pm-7.30pm for ages 13+ from October – April. Children can also compete each Saturday morning in at the Caledonian and meet and compete against children from all over Otago.

Have a look at our facebook page "athletics taieri" and [www.athleticstaieri.com](http://www.athleticstaieri.com). Register online. Enquiries to Hayley 021 742 758





# Student Subject Choice & Career Pathways

There is always a buzz around the school when course information booklets go out and the students are looking at their various subject options for the following year.

We encourage you to sit down with your Taieri College teenagers over the school holidays and help them with their subject choices and bring in some wider future career thinking and planning.

A resource that we highly recommend to help with this for parents is the CATE website (Careers and Transition Educators) and their Parent resources tab which is open to the public.

We have copied their introduction and the headline topics they have various resources filed under below. The web address is [cate.co.nz](http://cate.co.nz)

## Parent Resources

Parent and/or caregiver engagement is an essential part of a young person's career journey. They have the potential to influence their child's career development, both positively and negatively.

Parents foster the development of values, attitudes, and self-awareness in teens. Young people value parental support, especially during the career decision-making process. Parents' experience of education can influence young people's decisions through sharing their journey and expectations.

Parental engagement, in partnership with the school, is essential in supporting learning and career-related activities. In contexts where there is a high level of parental support, young people are better able to develop their career management competencies, which support career and learning choices. Feel free to speak to your school's career educator for support around helping your teen.

Below, we provide a collection of resources to help you support your young person on their career journey. This includes tips on how to talk to your teen about careers, understanding NCEA and subject selection and understanding tertiary pathways, among other topics. Click on the individual tiles to learn more.

### Gen Z & The Future World of Work

#### Talking to Teens about Careers

#### Understanding Tertiary Pathways

#### 5 Key Messages for Parents

#### Understanding NCEA and Subject Selection

#### Helping Teens make Career Decisions

#### Parents as the Passengers

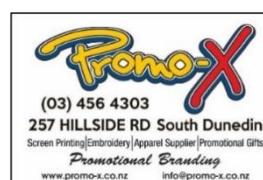
#### Career Quizzes

#### Employability Skills

Enjoy your mentoring!

Taieri College Careers and Pathways Team

Steve Walker & Fiona Smeaton



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# **KEIRA WALLACE**

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### **LIVE PERFORMANCES**



OPEN MIC NIGHT - INCH BAR- TUES - 7PM  
WINGATUI MARKET DAY - 1ST SUNDAY - 11AM  
FAIRFIELD MARKET DAY - 2ND SUNDAY - 11AM  
OPEN MIC NIGHT - DUNEDIN FOLK CLUB - THURS 7.30PM  
OPEN MIC NIGHT - DOG WITH TWO TAILS - 1ST/2ND WED - 7PM