

Kia ora e te whānau

'Your future is created by what you do today, not tomorrow.' This excellent quote was shared during our last senior assembly by Julia Van Aalst as part of her prefect reading in the lead up to senior exams. As our senior exams are progressing it seems that her advice has been taken on board by many of our senior students. It is pleasing to see that most of our students are taking their exams seriously. Student attendance at exams has been excellent and students appear to be preparing well for them. We trust that having a weekend in the middle of the exams will be of benefit to our senior students in their study. Over the next couple of weeks teachers will be marking exams and writing senior reports. This will give our senior students the feedback they need to determine the area they will need to focus their revision efforts on to ensure they are fully prepared for the national NCEA exams that begin early November. For returning Year 11 and 12 students, the data will also provide information that allows them to make informed subject choices for next year.



Next week after exams finish, there are several valuable EOTC opportunities for our Level 3 Physical Education and Sport and Recreation classes as they head to the Snow Farm at Cardrona for a unique opportunity to try cross country skiing and stay in outback huts in the middle of the Pisa Range.

Our Year 10 students have recently had the opportunity to sit the online pilot NZQA Level 1 literacy and numeracy standards. The results of these pilots were released this week. My congratulations to those students who achieved those standards. There is another opportunity for our Year 10 students to attempt these standards during Week 9 of this term. Our Mathematics and English teachers are working hard with their Year 10 classes to help our students make the most of this extra opportunity that has been presented to them.

We have also had several of our sports teams representing the school at different events up and down the South Island during tournament week. They have all performed very well. Our U15 rugby team came second in their tournament only losing one game while our Senior A netball team were the Waitaki A grade plate winners. Our boys' and girls' hockey teams are playing their semi-finals today while our basketballers are also in the hunt for a top place finish in their tournament in Dunedin. Our Te Kainga students are also representing Taieri College at the Intermediate Cross Country Championships today. We wish them all the best in their endeavours.

Nga mihi nui

Brenton Hackfath

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

5-7 September 2022
Senior Assessment Week

7-9 September 2022
L3PED and SPR Snowfarm trip

13 September 2022
Year 8 Multisport Event (L2SPR)
L3 Agribusiness Trip

13-16 September 2022
Year 9 Hearing Screening

14 September 2022
Get 2 Go
L3BIO Otago Peninsula

15 September 2022
L1MAT NCEA MCAT
MITO Vocational Careers Speed Meet
Lincoln University Visit

16 September 2022
TK League tournament
Learning Readiness Emailed Home



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 with, 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.

SILVER SPONSOR OF THE MONTH – Loan Market Dunedin

If you require help or advice with a loan, then call Sally Thomson or Gary Beattie at Loan Market Dunedin today. Loan Market offer everything you need to know when purchasing a new property, moving homes, investing, or getting smarter with your loan finances. Sally and Gary have given many hours with their involvement in sport at Taieri College, providing coaching and management, sponsorship towards teams and they are of course a valued Sport Council Sponsor. Thank you Sally and Gary.

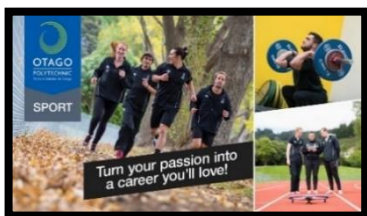


Taieri College Sports Council are proud to work alongside the following sponsors; McDonalds Dunedin, LJ Hooker – Lachie McLachlan, Mastercraft Mosgiel Kitchens, Sportsmed Mosgiel, Waiholo Surfacing, Reece Building Consultants, DS Building Limited, Promo-X, Dixon Roofing, TAK Flooring, Loan Market, Otago Polytech Institute of Sport, Exercise & Health, CREDIFLEX Otago, Willow & Silk, Beauty Lane, ITM Dunedin.

U13 Rugby

Congratulations to Liam Lord and William Evans (Taieri Rugby Club Year 8 Team) who won scholarship prizes at the Taieri Rugby Club prizegiving.





Careers Chat

Our senior students are busy now with their practice exams, and with the beginning of Spring these are firm indicators that the school year is rapidly moving along!

Many of our students have firm career plans and we are seeing a lot of other students to assist them with their pathways, updating CVs, organising some work experience visits, and general information and advice.

It is really pleasing to have several of our **Year 12 Gateway students move directly into apprenticeships**. These students have thrived in their one-day work visits, and we thank all of our employers for their hard work and support of this programme.

It has been a real pleasure to provide a wide range of personal, residential college, and scholarship references for our students. We wish all applicants all the very best and it is very heartening to look at the outstanding contribution many in our community have made to academic and wider school life.

Year 10 Hui Time classes are completing five careers and course planning lessons up to the end of this term. They will be introduced to our new careers tool-Career Central, and they will start building their personal profiles and exploring the world of work. This concludes with an overview of NCEA and subject selection for Year 11 in 2023.

A group of our Year 13 girls attended the Inspiring Young Women Breakfast on Tuesday 23 August 2022 where they enjoyed hearing six successful young women talk about their education, experience, and careers.

Please contact us directly if we can help in any way (you may like to refer your son or daughter for an interview if they have any pressing career concerns, need help with a CV etc).
Your Taieri College Careers Team

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Taieri College Co-curricular activity (groups and teams) photographs are now available through the Kelk Photography website:

<https://kelkphoto.co.nz/view-your-event/taieri-college/>



Bandquest 2022

Last Saturday night we had an amazing time hosting Bandquest and celebrating the bands from schools across Otago and beyond. (Year 8 and younger).

Our bands made us very proud. Paper Scissors Rock came second with members; Ollie Warren, Ben Whaley, Matthew Petegem-Thach, Jesse Harvey, Brooke Parsons, and Sienna Davison. Our drummer from The Strangers, Freya Stevenson, took home the Rockstar Drummer award.

Our senior band Valetta were the guest band for the night and the crowd loved them!
Please go check out their video performances on our Taieri College Performing and Visual Arts Facebook page.

Paper Scissors Rock



The Strangers



Guest Band Valetta



Senior Netball South Island Secondary Schools' Tournament 2022

At least 80 schools across three grades converged on Timaru to take part in the SISS Netball Tournament that had been postponed for the last two years. This meant that for all of our players it was the first experience of a senior tournament.

Taieri College was ranked 32nd in A Grade going in to the tournament and as a result our pool consisted of Christchurch Girls', who were defending champions, Dunstan, and Southland Girls'.



All three of these games were very close and a tight tussle. We lost to Christchurch Girls' (who finished second overall) by three goals, won against Dunstan (after going in to the last quarter at 22-22) and lost to Southland Girls' (who finished 6th overall). This meant the team did not make the top 16, but it created a new goal for the team to finish top of the next 16.

The next game against Craighead resulted in a last minute victory to Taieri College 34-33. Three further games against South Otago, St Peter's, and Central Southland saw some comfortable wins and set us up to play Dunstan (again) for the honours of finishing 17th and to receive the Georgie Salter Waitaki Plate. Quarter scores were 8-9, 17-19, 29-27, 36-31, giving a well-deserved and hard fought victory to Taieri College.

This was a wonderful finale for our Year 13 players; Ella Mac Kenzie, Danni Thomson, Hailee Bird, and Olivia Ellis, who finish their netball for Taieri College at this tournament. Many thanks for their contribution over the years to netball and in particular the Senior A team. Neve Beattie, Renee Pitchers, Jemma West were equally impressive during the tournament. New players; Anika Chettleburgh, Georgina Te Kanawa, and Annabelle Andrews gained valuable court time and experience at this level as well. Many thanks, also to Janaya Guthrie who umpired at the tournament. Credit must also go to the coach, John Mathias, for a successful season and tournament.



After three years without tournaments it was great to finally gather the many school teams from across the South Island to test each other and experience the camaraderie of playing sport.

Help Required – Taieri College Sports Council Golf Day

The Taieri College Sports Council are currently in the process of organising their biggest fundraiser of the year, GOLF DAY, to be held on FRIDAY 11 November, 2022.

If you are able to contribute any items towards the AUCTION & RAFFLES on the day, we, as the Sports Council, would totally appreciate your help!

Please feel free to drop any items into the SPORTS OFFICE or feel free to contact me, Jan on 0274893247.

THANK YOU to three of our wonderful Sports Council Sponsors; SportsMed, The Otago Polytechnic Institute of Sport, Exercise & Health and Lachie McLachlan – LJ Hookers, Mosgiel for starting the donation process!

Accounts

Statements of account were emailed this week showing school costs due.

Prompt payment would be much appreciated and can be made by:

- internet banking or automatic payments to our Westpac bank account number **03 1725 0106800 00**
- eftpos or cash at the office
- cash using the student envelope system

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

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

You can view your account at any time by logging in to the Kamar Portal via our website.

If you have a query about your account, please email accounts@taieri.school.nz or phone the Finance Office extn 206 or extn 129.

Please note that we can source financial assistance in some cases, so if you have any concerns at all about paying your account, please don't hesitate to phone the college on 489 3823 and speak to Mr Peacock (extn 101).

Thank you.

Young Writers' Awards

Use the following statement to draw inspiration for a piece of writing for any category:

"E le pu se tino i upu [Words don't break bones.]"

(Samoan proverb)



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Young Writers' Awards 2022

Entries are due Wednesday 28 September at 3:00pm.

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

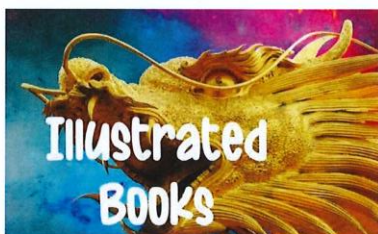
Entries for the Illustrated Books section (if not in electronic format) can be delivered to the English Department Office in the last week of Term 3.

SHORT STORIES

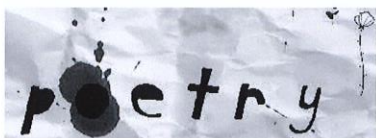
Completed individually, this can be a story consisting of a minimum of 250 words. There should be a suitable title and formatted with paragraphs. The content may be a real experience, an adapted real experience, fiction, or inspired by other stories read or viewed. It does not have to come solely from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

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Outram School is turning 150 next year!

We would love to have a mixture of generations involved in planning the celebration.

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