

18 November 2022

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whānau

Over the past couple of weeks, we have enjoyed meeting the parents and whānau of the students who are starting Taieri College in 2023. We held several information evenings giving out details regarding day-to-day life at Taieri College. Many aspects of college life were explored and explained and it was an excellent opportunity for any questions to be asked. My thanks to the staff who presented at these meetings and the families who attended.

This week we hosted the Education Review Office (ERO) as part of our triennial review. We look forward to their findings and enjoyed being able to share the innovations we are undertaking in our teaching programmes.

The last of our Year 8 camps depart next Monday and I am looking forward to joining everyone in Queenstown for a few days next week. Let's hope the weather plays its part and students enjoy participating in the wide range of exciting activities on offer.

Monday (21 November 2022) is a teacher only day at the college. This day was negotiated by the teacher's union (PPTA) to allow teachers to make plans towards the upcoming NCEA changes. These changes have resulted in a significant change to curriculum delivery at all levels and teachers appreciate being given the time to prepare and plan for what's ahead.

Ngā mihi nui

Dave Hunter PRINCIPAL



Just Swim Lessons Year 7

Key Dates

20 November Gore Pony Club Interschools Show Jumping Event

21 November 2022 Teacher Only Day – College closed

21-25 November 2022 Year 8 Camp – 8BZ, 8JT, 8MR

22-25 November 2022 Junior Sport Week

24-27 November 2022 Junior Girls' Water Polo trip

28 November 2022 Paid Union Meeting – College closed from 12.30pm

29 November 2022 Wellbeing Ambassador Training

29 November 2022 – 2 December 2022 Girls' Self Defence & Boys' Day

30 November – 2 December 2022 Colts Cricket Tournament – Oamaru Years 11-13 Clearance Day

Teacher Only Day – College Closed Monday 21 November 2022

Paid Union Meeting

The Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) have advised Taieri College Board of Trustees that a paid union meeting has been scheduled for the afternoon of **Monday 28 November 2022**. The paid union meeting is part of the secondary teachers' collective agreement which Taieri College has no say in. This means that union members will not be available to teach that afternoon and we are advising parents that we will be closed for instruction from 12.30pm. There will be minimal supervision available from 12:30 - 3:00 for Year 7 and 8 students who require it.

GoBus has informed us that the buses will run at 3:00pm.

Year 8 Camp Queenstown 8WO, 8GY, 8SJ





















Reminder–Year 9 Scholarships for 2023

Year 9 Scholarships for 2023 close Wednesday 30 November 2022

Scholarships are available for Performing Arts, Sporting and Academic. Application forms are available from the school office.

Silver Stream Planting

A group of fifteen Year 10s spent three hours doing maintenance of our Silver Stream planting. Great weather and there is still more work to do.



Reminder - Year 7 & 8 Sports Academy Applications

Year 7 & 8 Sports Academy applications close on Wednesday 30 November 2022.

Application forms are available from the school office.











Taieri College Board of Trustees For 2022-2025

This year we held our triennial Board of Trustees elections, and we welcome Boyd Smart, Jessica Corbett, and Scott Gilkison to our board. Just as we welcome new board members, we also farewelled others. Pauline Latta, Craig Page, and Carol Greer have stepped down after 6+ years, each, of service to Taieri College.

Aidan Bird	
Oamaru	
Clinton Primary School, Longford Intermediate, Gore High School	
Managing Director of a Marine Engineering Consultancy specialising in Naval Architecture, Marine Surveying and Marine related Engineering	
Mountain and motor biking, Water and snow skiing and flying when I get the time	
"There is no reward without effort." and "Every day you don't learn something is a waste of a day."	
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Name:	Donna Burkett	
Birthplace:	Dunedin	
Education:	Bayfield High School, Otago Polytechnic (Bachelor's Degree), Auckland University of Technology (Masters)	
Current Position:	Principal Lecturer, Otago Polytechnic	
Hobbies/Interests:	Dragon Boating; Spending time with family & friends; travel	
Favourite Quote:	"Be the change that you wish to see in the world." – Mahatma Gandhi	



Name:	Scott Gilkison	
Birthplace:	Dunedin	
Education:	Bayfield High School, University of Otago	
Current Position:	Calibre (Engineering Consulting) – General Manager of Finance Australia & New Zealand	
Hobbies/Interests:	Running, basketball, camping/outdoors, following children's sports	
Favourite Quote:	"If you give a person a fish, you feed them for a day. If you teach a person to fish, you feed them for a lifetime."	







Name:	Kerry MacKenzie		
Birthplace:	Dunedin		
Education:	The Taieri High School		
Current Position:	Teacher – Silverstream Primary School		
Hobbies/	Outdoors, watching sport, reading, travelling		
Interests:			
Favourite Quote:	"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."		



Name:	Jess Corbett		
Birthplace:	Dunedin		
Education:	Otago Girls' High School		
Current Position:	General Manager Vocational Delivery South Island – Skills Consulting		
Hobbies/	As a family we love to go camping, fishing and hunting		
Interests:			
Favourite Quote:	"If the wind will not serve, take to the oars."		



Boyd Smart	
New Zealand	
The Taieri High School	
NZ Police	
Lots of different things, but increasingly getting more involved in the kids' sports	
'Luck is the intersection of preparation and opportunity'.	



The Taieri College Careers Department and Careers Students wish to thank the following employers for being part of our 2022 programme:

Alto Cafe Dunedin	Foleys Dunedin	Otago Farm Machinery
Aotea Electric Southern		Otago Tractor Repairs
	Green Street Early Childhood	Otago University Property
Arthur Burns Preschool	Centre	Premier Electrical
B C Systems	Hotel Motel Taieri	Pro Power
Brian Johnson Electrical	JJs Ltd Mosgiel	SAF Mosgiel
Calder Motors Mosgiel	Marshall Contracting	SB2 Build
Contego Ltd	Mike Creedy Building	Shaun Teahan Builder
Core Building Solutions	Mosgiel Auto Services	Silverstream Primary School
CVC Dunedin	Mosgiel Kitchens	Stevenson & Williams
DS Building	Mosgiel Engineering	Construction
		Tak Flooring

We encourage our school community to support these businesses as they have supported our students. We wish them all a safe and happy Christmas.

Sport

Otago Athletics:

On Tuesday 15 November Taieri College had a group of Year 7 and 8 students compete at the Otago Primary Schools' Athletics Champs. It was an awesome day for all our athletes with some great results. Addison Kirk won the Under 12 girls high jump with a personal best jump of 1.33 meters. Payton Downes got second place in the Over 13 Girls 100m sprint. Charlie Nichol placed 4th in the discus. Our Under 13 boys relay team of Samuel McHutchon, Macklyn O'Connor, Isaac Norris and Charlie Nichol qualified for the final. Thank you to Mrs McHutchon for all her support with athletics.









Swimming:

On Saturday 12 November 2022 four TK students, Evie Gilmour, Barrett Smart, Kael Hughes and Leila Hughes represented Taieri College at the Otago Primary School Swimming Championships. All of our swimmers qualified for all three events on offer at the Otago Primary Schools' Swimming Championships; the 50m Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke.

Evie competed in the 12 and over girls with her best result coming in the 50m Freestyle with 3rd Place.

Barrett competed in the 12 and over boys with his best result coming in the 50m Breaststroke with 9th Place.

Kael competed in the 12 and over boys with his best result coming in the 50m Breaststroke with 18th Place.

Leila Hughes competed in the 11 year old girls with her best result coming in the 50m Backstroke with 9^{th} Place.

We entered two relays with this team of four. They swam in the 4 X 50m Freestyle and the 4 X 50m Medley. In the Medley Leila swam the backstroke, Barrett the breaststroke, Evie the butterfly and Kael the freestyle.

Congratulations and well done to this dedicated and hard working team of swimmers.







Netball

Congratulations to Ella MacKenzie who has been selected for the Southern Blast Summer Squad. Netball South held a Pathways Camp for two days to compete for selection into the squad. The Southern Blast team is the first stepping stone to trialling for the Southern Steel. Ella will trial at the end of January for selection into the Southern Blast team. This is an awesome achievement nevertheless!



Steel Steps Accelerator Programme

Congratulations to Georgina Te Kanawa and Neve Beattie who were identified across the 2022 season within the South Zone and have been selected into the Steel Steps Accelerator Programme for 2023.

















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