

# TĒNĀ KOUTOU KATOA

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Kia ora e te whānau

It was wonderful to see many whānau braving the elements on Monday and Tuesday evenings at our parent interviews. Many positive and constructive learning conversations were had. It was a great opportunity for school and whanau to discuss the next learning steps for our students.

The next important education step for our senior students is quickly coming into focus – Senior Assessment Week. Whanau and students will have received an email with the college examination timetable along with the required procedures for the exams. These exams are important for several reasons.

Firstly, they provide a great stimulus to create revision notes and helpful study patterns that will be just as relevant in November. Secondly, students will be able to gain clarity around the completeness of their understanding and knowledge of the concepts they have been learning, and where they need to improve. Thirdly, these school exams will be used as evidence for the students' NCEA grades should they not be able to make the final exams for a valid reason. We thank parents and whānau in advance for encouraging their young people to study for these examinations and emphasising the importance of them.

The cold whether created some organisational issue for two of our traditional sports exchanges. Taieri hosted James Hargest High School on potentially the wettest and coldest day of the week. However, the determination, skill, and sportsmanship from both schools in difficult conditions was admirable. Our 1st XV rugby team came away with a great win. Well done to all involved; players, coaches, managers, and our Sports office for organising the event. Unfortunately mother nature won out on Thursday as the Year 7/8 Trinity College winter exchange had to be cancelled due to icy roads and the late start for school across the Dunedin region.

It's a warm end to a cold week though, as our artists, musicians, dramatists, and dancers take centre stage for the school production - Disco Inferno. I had the pleasure of watching the show last night. It was an excellent evening and there is still an opportunity to see either the Friday or Saturday night show. Hours of work and preparation have been put into this event by talented students, ably supported by dedicated staff. My congratulations to all involved.

Nga mihi nui

**Brenton Hackfath**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

11-12 August 2023

College Musical - Disco Inferno

> 14 August 2023 Year 7 Writing Trip

**15 August 2023** TK Social Event

16 August 2023
Longford Interchange (Taieri hosting)
Whanau Hui

20 August 2023 Te Hautoka (Otākou/Murihiku Kapa Haka Regionals)

21-25 August 2023 Senior Assessment Week

#### Term 3 - Week 6

21-25 August 2023 – Senior Assessment Week. Year 11-13 students to be at home.

#### **Senior Exam Timetable 2023**

Time	Monday 21 Aug	Tuesday 22 Aug	Wednesday 23 Aug	Thursday 24 Aug	Friday 25 Aug
9:00 – 12:00	L1 ENC 52 (2 hours) L1 ENG 114 (3 hours)	L1 DRA 21 (2 hours) DRA L1 DVC 18 (2 hours) D6 L1 SCP 12 (3 hours) C4	L1 MET 19 (2 hours) starting at 10am in D7 L1 SCI 137 (2 hours)	L1 ECO 45 (3 hours) L1 TXT 18 (2 hours) D3	L1 ACI 26 (3 hours) D1 L1 HEA 18 (3 hours) L1 MET 20 (2 hours) D7
	L2TAW 21 (2 hours) D7	L2 ENC 76 (2 hours) L2 ENG 67 (3 hours)	L2 DVC 4 (2 hours) D6 L2 GEO 23 (3 hours)	L2 ARD 7 (3 hours) D1 L2 BIO 62 (3 hours)	L2 ECO 22 (3 hours) L2 HEA 19 (3 hours) L2 MUS 19 (3 hours)
	L3 BIO 21 (3 hours)	L3 CLS 5 (3 hours) L3 GEO 24 (3 hours)	L3 DVC 7 (2 hours) D6 L3 HIS 12 (3 hours)	L3 ARD 13 (3 hrs) D1 L3 PHY 15 (3 hours)	L3 DRA 11 (2 hours)
1:00 - 4:00	L1 ACI 26 (3 hours) D1 L1 DRA 21 (2 hours)	L1 MAT 73 (2½ hours)	L1 HIS 29 (3 hours)	L1 DAN 4 (3 hour) G6 L1 GEO 49 (3 hours)	L1 AHS 18 (2 hours) L1 MUS 19 (3 hours)
	L2 ART 15 (3 hrs) D2 L2 TXT 9 (2 hours) D3	L2 APH 13 (3 hours) D1 L2 CHE 30 (3 hours) L2 DRA 9 (2 hour)	L2 MAT 25 (3 hours) L2 MAS 62 (1-3 hour)	L2 AGB 7 (2 hours) L2 DAN 4 (3 hours) G6 L2 HIS 26 (3 hours)	L2 MED 7 (3 hours) L2 PHY 19 (3 hours)
	L3 ART 6 (3 hours) D2 L3 ENC 27 (3 hours) L3 ENG 29 (3 hours) L3 TXT 2 (2 hours) D3	L3 MAG 23 (2 hours) L3 MAS 20 (2 hours)	L3 APH 13 (3 hrs) D1 L3 CHE 20 (3 hours) L3 HEA 12 (2 hours)	L3 DAN 1 (3 hours) G6 L3 MAC 11 (3 hours) L3 MED 8 (3 hours)	L3 ECO 10 (3 hours) SENG 5 (3 hours) SBIO 4 (1 hour)

Exams will take place mostly in the ITC apart from other rooms where indicated.

Year 11, 12 and 13 students have study leave while exams take place.

Students must stay for the entire length of the exam if it is under 2½ hours. Students must stay for 2 hours if in a 2½ - 3hr exam.

#### **ICAS** exams

The ICAS exams will take place on the following days and will be completing on devices supplied by the College. Good luck to all students.

English- Wednesday 16th August 11.30am-12.30am in G6 Science- Wednesday 23rd August 11.30am-12.30am in G6 Mathematics- Wednesday 30th August 11.30am-12.30am in G6









#### SCHOOL EVIDENCE EXAMINATIONS

#### 21-25 **August 2023**

#### **Examination Procedures**

- Full correct school uniform is to be worn by all students.
- Morning exams start at 9:00am. Students need to be lining up on the netball courts at 8:45am on the second bell.
- Afternoon exams start at 1:00pm. Students need to be lining up on the netball courts at 12:45pm.
- Students will line up in their subject classes.
- For 2 hour exams students must stay for the whole time (except L2MAS and scholarship Biology students who may leave after one hour)
- For  $2^1/2$  3 hour exams students will be permitted to leave after two hours but we recommend you take the time allocated. Once you leave you will not be permitted back in.
- Nobody is permitted to leave in the last 15 mins of an exam.
- If toilets are needed, students should put their hand up and wait for a supervisor.
- It is compulsory for all students to attend all exams for their timetabled subjects. Students who forget about an exam or fail to arrive for a scheduled exam, or choose not to come to their timetabled exam will be required to sit the exam they missed during make up sessions from 3:15-5:15pm the following week.

#### What can be taken into the Examination Room:

- Cell phones, car keys, wallets and watches (both digital and analogue) must be in a clear plastic bag and placed under your seat. Phones must be off.
- Pens, rulers etc. Must be in a clear plastic bag.
- See through water bottles are allowed, food is not (you won't be allowed out for a drink)
- Calculators (if the exam allows them to be used)
- Refill pad if needed will be checked by exam supervisors. At the end of the year refill paper cannot be taken into the examination room with you.

#### What cannot be taken in:

- Prohibited electronic devices like MP3 players and iPods, non-approved calculators, PDAs and electronic translators are not permitted in the examination room. At the end of the year these will be removed from candidates by supervisors and may be sent to NZQA.
- Study notes etc. cannot be taken into the examination room.





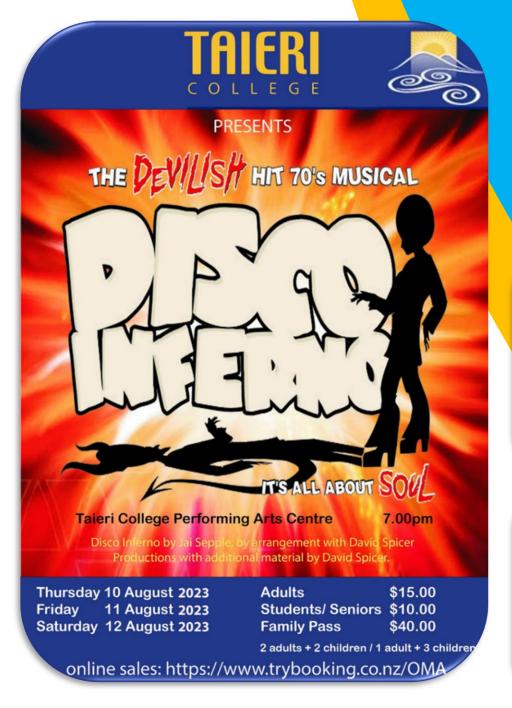






#### Taieri College Production on Tonight, and Tomorrow Night!

Door sales available Friday 11 August 2023, and Saturday 12 August 2023.













#### The Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival

The Taieri College Jazz Band have been busy throughout this year preparing for the Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival under the expert tutelage of Ross Kane. The Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival is an annual celebration of the jazz made by young people in our city and consists of band competitions, workshops, performances and jam sessions at a variety of venues across Dunedin. On Friday August 4, Andrew Matheson, Robert Hannaford, Jenny Petegem Thach, Philippa King, Ella Coudret, Chicane Woodward, Joe Smithies and Carter Hoffman went to Hanover Hall for the band competition and represented Taieri College admirably. The band received a bronze award in the Small Combo category and Jenny Petegem Thach received an individual award for Most Promising Clarinetist. Well done to all involved!









#### Valetta Top 20 Tangata Beats

A massive congratulations to Valetta – Chiara Crompton Bray, Isaac Wirangi, Charlie Brough, Reef Tamihana, Cameron Lord, Tyler Little - for making the National Top 20 in the Smokefree Rockquest Tangata Beats Competition!!! They unfortunately missed out on the Top 10 for the National Finals, but got Highly Commended...this puts them in the top 13 acts in Aotearoa.

The band now receives three tailormade media workshops facilitated by Sarah Gandy, a hugely experienced industry professional and media specialist. Sarah will be covering publicity, media skills, and online content. In addition to this, they get to record one of their songs at a professional local recording studio. This is their chance to get familiar with what it's like to be in a professional studio, to ask questions and gain knowledge to take into their future recordings, as well as have a song they can use afterwards.

Well done Valetta. Taieri College is super proud of your achievements!!



#### Cook Island Language Week.

Gardenia Paia-Letman under the school flagpole with the Cook Island Flag flying for the first time.

The Cook Islands adopted their current flag in 1979. The stars represent the 15 islands that make up the nation. The flag also features the Union Jack as a symbol of the nation's historic ties to the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth.



#### Te Reo Māori Class Trip













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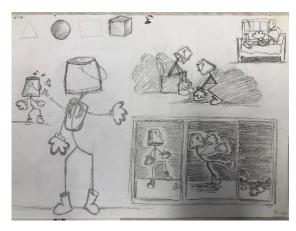
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#### **Arts**

The new Cartooning semester is going well with students creating a 'Day in the Life' of Taieri College.







Senior students are working hard to create masterpieces to be selected for the upcoming Celebrate Art Show. The opening is on Tuesday;

CELEBRATE - ART 2023 Otago Secondary Schools' Award Exhibition 15th August – 25th August 2023
Dunedin School of Art Opening Event & Prizegiving: 5-7pm with prize giving at 6pm Tuesday 22nd August Exhibition Location: Dunedin School of Art Gallery, Riego St (off Albany St)













#### Impromptu Speaking Finals

On Thursday 3 August and Thursday 10 August, the Impromptu Speaking Finals were held for students in Years 9 to 13. This competition involves students drawing topics from a hat and then delivering a speech with only a few minutes to prepare what to say.

We challenge you to give these topics a go over the dinner table tonight! What would you say? Could members of your family speak for at least a minute without prompting?

#### Year 9

1st – Ashlee Murray 9FR – I wish there was less pressure to be available 24/7

2<sup>nd</sup> – Isla Musk 9FR – The solutions to cyberbullying are quite simple

3rd = Xanthe Biernat 9MG – All students should be provided with a free, healthy lunch at school

3<sup>rd</sup> = Ramsey Ashworth 9RK – We pay too much attention to celebrities and influencers

5th – Aahana Mundamattam 9FR – We should change the school day to 10am to 4pm

6<sup>th</sup> – Poppy Scott 9FR – There should be a greater push towards sustainability in our daily lives

#### Year 10

1st – Rosie Mitchell 10WJ – Influencers are not to be admired

2<sup>nd</sup> – Ollie McFelin 10MH – Health is more important than money

3<sup>rd</sup> = Bella Neale 10FM – Schools should be co-ed

3<sup>rd</sup> = Jenny Petegem Thach 10MH – Computer games are dangerous

#### Year 11

1st – Keira Hughes 11HX – Schools should be allowed to use corporal punishment

#### Year 12 and Year 13

1st – Jackson Rosie 13CN – Why does one sock always get lost in the wash?

2<sup>nd</sup> = Ella Coudret 13HS – What would you do with 100 litres of custard?

2<sup>nd</sup> = Kate Coates 12JN – Would you like to be Batman/Spiderman/Superman's doctor?

3<sup>rd</sup> - Joanne Brock-Smith 12JN - How would you use 30 litres of red, white, and blue paint?









#### Spo<mark>rts Newsletter</mark>

#### James Hargest Interschool

It was take-two for the James Hargest interchange on Wednesday. The day started off dry but when the welcomes were all done and the sports were about to start that's when the heavens opened up and the rain set in. The rugby, football and hockey teams braved the elements and put in some very impressive efforts in which were played in very difficult conditions. The basketball, netball and debating sides were the lucky ones who all played inside in the warmth. All of these games were hotly contested. James Hargest came out on top overall in the interchange winning 9 games to 4 but all games were played in great spirits and some veal good sportsmanship shown from both schools. A big shout to all students, coaches, teachers, and supporters who braved the weather to support the Taieri College teams. A big shout out to the Snr A Basketball team who made history becoming first Taieri College Snr A team to beat James Hargest; top effort gentlemen.

Sport	Team	Result	
Hockey	Mixed 1st XI	JH	
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Netball	Senior Girls A	JH	
Netball	10 A	TC	
Netball	9 A	JH	
Rugby	Girls 10 aside	JH	
Rugby	Under 15	TC	
Rugby	1st XV	TC	
Basketball	Senior A Boys	TC	
Basketball	Senior A Girls	TC	
Basketball	Junior A Boys	JH	
Basketball	Junior A Girls	JH	
Debating	1st 3	JH	
Football	1st XI	JH	





#### **TK Cross Country**

Last Friday we held our annual TK Cross Country here at Taieri College, the weather didn't play its part but made for a slightly muddy course which the students enjoyed. There were some tight finishes and some exciting efforts from the Year 7 & 8 students.

	Year 8 Boys	Year 8 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 7 Girls
1	Alec Miller	Neeve Stevenson	Caleb Dobier	Liz Murray
2	Ben Garraway	Liv Greiner	Ch <mark>arlie</mark> Clements	Georgia Goodsir
3	Jacob Glendining	Milah Stevenson	Milano Da Silva	Sophie Mitchell
4	Cody Heger	Leila Hughes	Riley Whipp	Georgie Lunjevich
5	Sam McHutchon	Yulia Neilson	Liam Lomas- Knight	Georgia Gilkison

#### Sports Council Sponsor of the Week

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#### Library Week 2023







#### Mufti Day Photos















#### Science

An application form for the Science and the Sea Extension and Enrichment programme has been emailed to the parents/caregivers of all Year 7 & 8 students. If are you are interested in taking part in the programme, complete the application form and email it to portobello.marinescience@otago.ac.nz. Please also contact Miss Stephanie Miller via email (smiller@taieri.school.nz) if you have applied so she can arrange for the student profile to be completed. Successful applicants will need to arrange their own transportation to and from the centre.



This is a four-day programme for Year 6-8 students who have a keen interest and curiosity in the world around them. Over the course of the programme, students will be researching alongside academics, leading their own team project while mentored by a postgraduate marine science student.

#### **Participants**

- Open to gifted and/or ethusiastic and curious students who are interested in engaging with the marine world and sharing their learning.
- Students must be in Year 6,7 or 8 and available for each day of the programme.

#### **Programme**

 October 24, 30, 31 and November 7. 9am to 3pm, with presentation for schools and whānau at 4pm on the last day.

#### Location

 NZ Marine Studies Centre in Portobello, Dunedin.
 Transport to and from the Centre is the responsibility of the participating students/schools.

#### Costs

 \$40 excl. GST. Schools/organisations will be invoiced when students are selected for the programme.
 Due to limited spaces, if students cannot attend this course after being confirmed for the programme, no refund is available, as we still need to cover all programme delivery costs organised for the confirmed number of attendees.

#### Registration

Fill out the following pages in this order:

- Student and a guardian are to fill out pages labelled Student Application, Guardian Waiver form, and Photos permission form.
- A teacher or affiliated adult who knows the student through club organisation, marae, or other education is to fill out pages labelled *Student Profile*, then return the document to the email below.

**Application deadline: 17 September 2023** 

Submit the application via email to portobello.marinescience@otago.ac.nz For further enquires please contact: hannah.drury@otago.ac.nz

#### Remember to register your free Bee Card today!

All travel concessions on buses are only availab<mark>le with REGISTERED Bee Cards. So, if you are aged 5+ and have an unregistered Bee Card, you will pay \$3 per bus trip.</mark>

We invite you to pop into an ORC office or a Bee Card retailer to pick up a free Bee Card before 30 September, or ask your bus driver for one - and remember to register it by going online here: https://beecard.co.nz/

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#### Young Writers' Awards 2023

#### Entries are due Wednesday 20 September at 3:00pm.

Entries need to be e-mailed as a Word document attachment to <a href="www.wa@taieri.school.nz">wwa@taieri.school.nz</a>. 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.



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



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.

of a longer narrative not yet written.



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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