

Opihi - on campus



Community - Acceptance - Respect - Excellence

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YEAR 7 & 8 SCIENCE TRIP

Our Year 7 & 8 students have recently been on trips to the Taumatakahu Stream as part of the science programme. Thanks to Jade and Rhys from Fish and Game for giving up their time to show our students what's in our local streams.

*Pictured left:
Hailey Larsen holding an eel,
with Emily Bennett, Porscha Speeden
and Jodie Jolley.*





From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Kia ora tatou

This term is flying by and we now only have two weeks until the start of the summer holiday. During the last week or so, some of you may have seen the advertisements on television urging parents to get their children outside and away from the computer and gaming consoles. Also encouraging healthy eating patterns. With the long summer break upon us, this is a great time to send children out to play and be active. The benefit is not just in the waistline for our young people but also mentally too. When our young people are physically active with friends they learn how to entertain themselves, use their imagination, develop social skills and collaborative play. All these skills will have a benefit when they return to school and also move into employment.

I encourage you to adopt one day from your weekend or time off with your children which is technology free. Put away the gaming console, ipad, computer, cell phone and disconnect the internet! Even unplug the TV and get out and head to the beach, the swimming pool or a bike ride with your children. They will appreciate the time with you and also time outside.

Year 9-10 Camp

During the last week a number of our Year 9 and 10 students were out enjoying the outdoors during their annual camp. Students got to participate in surfing, mountainbiking and ropes courses. Thank you to all the staff that supported this venture.



NCEA exams

The end of year assessments for some students are now well under way. The junior students have been very considerate to their older peers and have ensured that they are quiet around the exam venue. For some students they have taken the opportunity to return to school to complete assessments and also take advantage of tutorial time with their teachers. The added support and consideration of the staff is greatly appreciated.

Community work day

This year we are holding our first ever Community Work Day. This is an opportunity for students to give something back to the community. The school is looking for work for Year 7 to 10 students. Ideally we would like community organisations who could do with an extra pair of hands for a day or for people who may struggle with some tasks that younger people could take on for the day. Please contact the school office with details if you could use some help on Monday 30 November.

Awards Night

On Friday 4 December, we will be holding our annual Awards Night celebration of student success in sporting and cultural activities. During the day, students will attend school in the morning and then be released to go home in the afternoon. This free afternoon is in lieu of attending in the evening. (Please note: the buses will be running at the normal times). All students are expected to attend the Awards Night unless the school receives a letter of explanation from the parent/caregiver prior to the event. Students who do not attend will be regarded as truant and will be expected to make up the time missed.

Ka kite ano
Mike Wright
Principal

Awards Night



On **Friday 4 December** we will be holding our annual Awards Night celebration of student success in sporting and cultural activities. During the day, students will attend school in the morning and **then be released to go home in the afternoon**. For senior students they are to attend school from 11am until about 12:30. Details about the organisation of the day will be posted on Facebook and the school website closer to the event. The free afternoon is in lieu of attending in the evening. (Please note: the buses will be running at the normal times). All students are expected to attend the Awards Night unless the school receives a letter of explanation from the parent/caregiver prior to the event. Students who do not attend will be regarded as truant and will be expected to make up the time missed. Students should be at school by 6.30pm ready to process into the Hall. Full summer uniform is to be worn by students with the exception of Year 13 students who are to wear their winter uniform.

After the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony, students in Years 7-11 will be issued with stationery lists and other important information relating to the start of the 2016 school year. (Please note: Year 12 students do not get a formal stationery list). Students will need to collect their pack from Tutor Teachers in the quad outside the hall.

2016 Start of Year Arrangements: Course counselling Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd February (further information to come). Full school resumes for all on Thursday 4th February 2016.

ACTIVITIES DAY

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd December

Notices have been sent home regarding each student's chosen activities.

Please return permission slips with payment by 25th November.

HEALTH INFORMATION FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

All parents should by now be aware that children under 13 years old have a number of free visits to their GP per year, this includes after hour services if needed. Enquire when making appointment if you are not sure. Older students can have a number of free visits at their GP per year if requiring contraception and STI checks. Also available free to students if needed are Family Planning in Timaru, Youth Health Clinic in Timaru (Tuesdays 2-4pm no appointment needed) and Arowhenua Whanau Services.

Claire Neilson

Public Health Nurse

027 247 9301

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

November	23-27	Year 7 Camp at Raincliff
	30	Community Assistance Day
	30	Senior Returns Day
December	1	SCPSSA Athletics
	1-3	Activities Days
	4	Awards Ceremony 7.00pm <i>Last Day of Classes</i>
	7	Kilt fitting session 3.30-5.30pm
February 2016	1-2	Course Counselling
	1-3	Peer Support Leadership Training Camp
	3	Year 7 Orientation Day <i>Year 7 students and Year 13 peer support leaders attend</i>
	4	Whole school begins <i>First day of Classes</i> <i>Canteen Opens</i>
	6 8	Waitangi Day <i>School closed Monday</i>

KILT FITTING

Orders for new kilts

need to be in by the end of the school year for them to be made in time for the start of the 2016 winter.

Fitting session: *Please note change of date*
Monday 7th December 3.30—5.30pm

PE TOPS

Orders for new PE Tops need to be in NOW for them to be made in time for the start of the 2016 year. (Payment is not required until collection).

PRE LOVED UNIFORM

We have parents wishing to purchase second hand uniform items, especially kilts. Please bring clean and tidy uniform items to the school office for sale on behalf. (School retains a small commission).



OPIHI COLLEGE

Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920, New Zealand

19 November 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Uniform Changes 2016

As part of the uniform review process we have now finalised changes that will become effective starting January 2016. We had initially hoped these changes were at least a year away, but due to being informed of the unavailability of the check fabric, we have had to implement these changes sooner.

There are now 2 options of summer skirts available; the existing blue and white check skirt, available from The Drapery or second hand, **or** a navy inverted pleat skirt which is available online from The Warehouse (prices starting from \$33). The address is www.schooltex.co.nz and the style code is 36278. Please note this new navy skirt from the Warehouse can be worn from Years 7-13.

The existing junior blue and white check skirt and senior navy skirt are slowly being phased out over a number of years. We do not expect you to go and buy a new skirt until your existing one needs replacing.

The Warehouse will soon have an Opihi College section, selling the following items (note: some items will not be available immediately as they are still being manufactured).

- Navy inverted pleat skirt
- Jersey (with crest)
- Vest (with crest)
- Soft shell black jacket (with crest)
- Black pants
- School socks - dark grey with black, blue and white hoop
- Summer blouses
- Winter white shirts
- Blue summer shorts

Opihi College BOT uniform committee



HOMESTAY REQUIRED

Have you ever thought of hosting an overseas student?

We have a Japanese boy arriving late January and staying for three terms in 2016. He is 16 and is looking forward to learning about our kiwi culture. There is a weekly re-imbursement for hosting and your family will benefit from this cultural experience.



If you are interested, please contact Mrs Murray.



Opihi College

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CONGRATULATIONS

Charlie Hati ~ Received her Bronze C badge
Charlie Hati ~ Received her Bronze E badge
Charlie Hati ~ Received her Bronze R badge
Cameron Doake ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Tane Francis ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Milly Keen ~ Received her Bronze E badge
Jackson Steger ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Brooke Thomas ~ Received her Bronze R badge
Logan Jones ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Hailey Larsen ~ Received her Bronze E badge
Shayden Walton ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Gary Millar ~ Received his Bronze E badge
Georgia Marriner ~ Received his Silver E badge
Olivia McBride ~ Received her Silver E badge
Emily McBride ~ Received her Silver E badge





YEAR 9 & 10 CAMP 2015

Blue Skies, Kaiapoi



Opportunity to learn about a new culture

We have a group of Chinese students coming to study at Opihi College for a week starting from the 8 February 2016. They are varied ages, we have some Year 7 students and some older students. We are looking for families that would like to host a student. You will be re-imbursed for hosting. Hosting an international student is an interesting and rewarding experience.



If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity, please contact Janine Murray.



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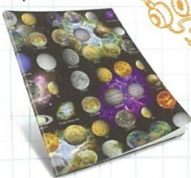
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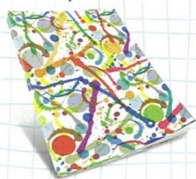
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EZ Covers come in 6 sizes to fit NZ exercise books:

Notebook	165 x 100 mm	(h x w)	Fits notebooks
EZ4	230 x 180 mm	(h x w)	1B4, 1A4, 1E4, 1F4, 1H4, 1L4
EZ5	255 x 205 mm	(h x w)	1B5, 1B5C, 1A5, 1E5, 1H5,
EZ8	297 x 210 mm	(h x w)	A4, 1B8, 1A8, 1E8, 1P8 & equivalent
Scrapbook	335 x 245 mm	(h x w)	Fits scrap & activity books
Clever Kiwi	340 x 240 mm	(h x w)	Fits Clever Kiwi scrapbooks

TEMUKA SWIMMING POOL UPCOMING EVENTS



Aqua Fitness sessions

Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 10.30 am

Weekend sessions begin Saturday 5th December:

Saturday mornings at 11.00am

Evening sessions begin Monday 14th December:

Mondays and Wednesdays at 6.00pm

Lane Swimming sessions:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6.00—8.00am, 11.00—11.30am

Splash For Cash

Saturday 28th November 2.20pm (After Christmas Parade)

Temuka Swimming Pool

ph: 615 8205

Opening: FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Early Bird Swimming

Monday, Wednesday & Fridays

6:00am – 8:00am

Lane Swimming

11:00am – 1:30 (week days)

Lane available throughout day unless pool is booked.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	10:30am
Monday & Wednesday (Mid December)	6:00pm – 6:45pm

Public

Saturdays 10:00am – 6:00pm

Sundays 12 noon – 6:00pm

Weekdays 12 noon onwards

Paddling Pool open daily 11:00am – 6:00pm (except Sunday 12noon – 6:00pm)

Inflatable in pool – Sundays 1:30pm – 4:00pm

Xmas holidays extended hours

10:00am – 7:00pm

Swimming Club

Tuesday & Thursday

5:30pm – 8:00pm

Most week days schools have the pool booked from 9:30am – 10:30am & 1:30pm – 2:30pm so pool is closed to public, please check with the office.

\$2.50 Child, \$4.00 Adult Concession tickets available

Heated Pools & our Shop is back

Temuka Promotions **Christmas Parade/ Market Day Saturday 28th November 2015**

***Theme: “The True
Meaning of Christmas”***

10.00am ~ Stalls open, Sulky races, Music, Children’s Entertainer

**12.00pm ~ CHRISTMAS
PARADE**

(all entries to line up on Hally Terrace at 11.45am)

**1.15pm ~ BIG SPENDER
COMPETITION DRAW**

And announcement of winners of float, window display & other competitions.

Stall sites - \$20.00

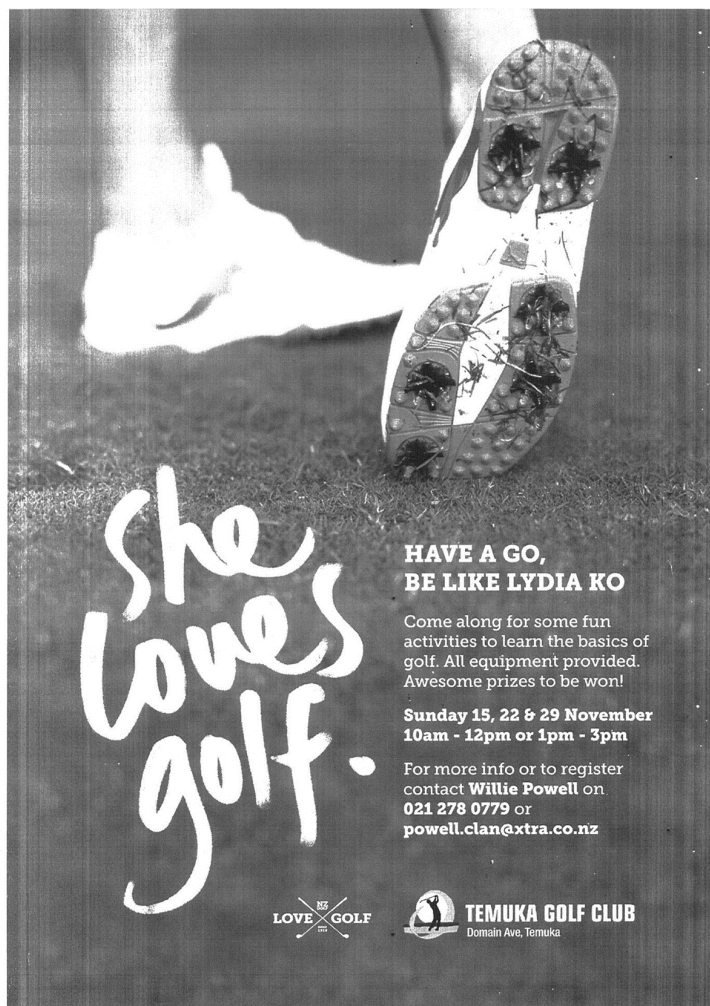
Float entries in the Parade- Free
Teams of two entries in the Sulky
Races - Free

Entries in by 25th November to the
Temuka Library Service Centre

*Spend \$10 in any of the participating businesses to
receive a Voucher entry into the Big Spender draw –
Vouchers can be placed in containers at Temuka
Library and
New World Supermarket.*

**King Street will be closed from
10am -2.15pm**

Please No water balloons,





she loves golf.

**HAVE A GO,
BE LIKE LYDIA KO**

Come along for some fun activities to learn the basics of golf. All equipment provided. Awesome prizes to be won!

Sunday 15, 22 & 29 November
10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm

For more info or to register contact **Willie Powell** on
021 278 0779 or
powell.clan@extra.co.nz

  **TEMUKA GOLF CLUB**
Domain Ave, Temuka

JUNIOR GOLF

Monday nights 4.00pm

At Temuka Golf Club
(Domain Avenue, Temuka)

Coaching and other activities.
Equipment available.

Cost \$25

Please contact Frances Mulvey
615 8130 or 027 636 8879



FIREWOOD FOR SALE

Opihi College Netball Fundraiser

Semi Dry Mix of
Pine & Poplar & Macrocarpa



\$150 for a 3 cubic metre trailer load
(Delivered in Temuka township)

Orders to the school office please.
Limited stock - First in First Served

AFS NZ

Do you want to broaden your child's outlook on life?
With our growing multicultural society, it's becoming more important than ever for our young kiwis to know, learn about and understand other cultures.
Hosting an exchange student can help do this and at the same time give the whole family an intercultural experience.

Call/text Pam on 027 343 3673

TEMUKA M*A*S*H SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The best fun your kids can have!

★★★★★ COME AND JOIN US ★★★★★

DECEMBER: 16th December – 24th December 2015

JANUARY: 5th January – 29th January 2016

Located in the former Dental Rooms at Temuka Primary School, Hayhurst St
8:30am-3pm \$35, 8:30am-6pm \$40, early drop off 8:00-8:30am \$5. Trip fees extra but not more than \$10 per trip. WINZ subsidy is available.

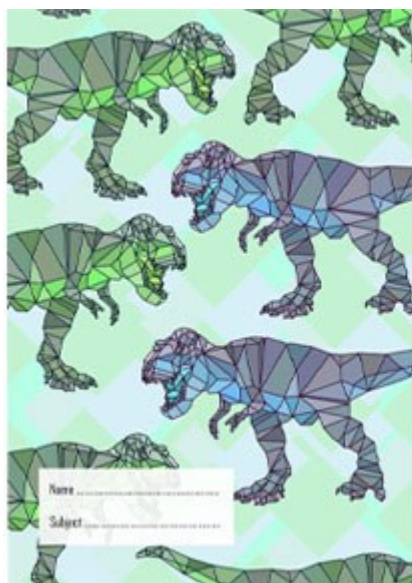
To view the programme activities or to enrol please visit our website www.mashkids.co.nz, email us at enrol@mashkids.co.nz or call us on 0800 420 520 any time.

We look forward to seeing you and your children ☺

EXERCISE BOOK COVERS

Awesome designs and easy to apply.....

Like the document covers, our book covers are made from polypropylene which is recyclable, tough, and easy to wipe clean. Simply slide your exercise book inside the front and back flaps, and if you've forgotten your ruler we've included one of these, as well.



There are 3 sizes available which match NZ stationery sizing standards, and we've kept our sizing chart simple EBC4, EBC5, EBC8 - which tie up perfectly to the identifying number printed on your exercise book.

And since we like to keep things simple, our price is \$1.65 (GST inclusive) per cover, for all 3 sizes.

Standard postage within NZ is a flat fee of \$3.00 and a little more if you need your parcel sent Fast Post.

You decide how you want your parcel sent during the checkout process, and while you're there why not link your purchase to your School so we can recognise your School with 10c per cover - once the bell rings for the start of the new School year.

Don't be confused by the \$1.43 price (per cover) which shows when you place your order. The GST gets added as you navigate your way through the checkout process.

So let's check out the [awesome designs](#).

And why not make our day, by sharing your ideas on our [Facebook](#) page.



REGISTRATION FORM

150th Jubilee Celebrations for Temuka Schools' 21st & 22nd October 2016

Temuka District School, Temuka Primary School
Temuka High School and Opihi College

Payment must be made with your registration

YOU ARE ABLE TO REGISTER BY:

- **post:** Temuka Schools' 150th Jubilee, c/o Opihi College, Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920
- **online** at <http://imthere.co.nz/tka150>
- **take the form** to either school office between 9am-4pm weekdays.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name:		Surname:	
Preferred Name: (For name tag)		Maiden Name: (If applicable)	
Partner's Name: (If attending)			
Years of Attendance:	_____ to _____ (Primary or District School) (Temuka High/Opihi College)		
Postal Address:			
Email Address:			
Phone Contact:	Home:	Mobile:	
Association: (circle as many as needed)	Pupil Parent Other (please state) <i>Please include dates if relevant</i> Staff PTA School Committee Board of Trustees		

WHAT ARE YOU ATTENDING?

Note: **You must pay the registration fee** in order to attend any event.

What:	Cost:	Myself:	Partner:	TOTAL:
Registration Friday - 1.30pm-4pm Registration pack at Opihi College. Both school sites open for viewing.	\$55 per person (\$45 for early bird registration discount – paid before 1 st June 2016)			
Friday Evening - 7pm onwards Cash bar, light supper & reminiscing.	\$25 per person			
Saturday afternoon – 1pm Formal welcome, speeches, cake cutting, photos and reminiscing.	Cost included in registration.			
Saturday Evening - 7pm onwards Cash bar, continuous finger food, DJ & reminiscing.	\$40 per person			
Jubilee Magazine (To be sent out afterwards as it will contain photos from the Jubilee celebrations.)	\$20			
Grand total =				

IF YOU WISH TO PAY BY CHEQUE:

Please make your cheque payable to: Temuka Schools 150th Jubilee

IF YOU WISH TO PAY BY INTERNET BANKING:

The account number is 010885 0084810 00 Account name is: Temuka Schools 150th Jubilee

Use the following details for your payment:

	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Reference</u>
	First name	Last name	First Year at Temuka School
(As an example)	Toni	Burnside	1982

IF YOU WISH TO CHECK SOMETHING:

email: Kate Manson temuka150jubilee@gmail.com or phone Opihi College: 03 615 7442

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 1 SEPTEMBER 2016