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TOP TEAMS AND INTERHOUSE SPORTS





From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora Tatou

I hope you all had a chance to spend some time with your children in the holidays and that you enjoyed those family moments. I know that many of our senior students will have been working on assessments and revision during the break and am sure that those efforts will pay off in their NCEA results for the year. We (and I'm sure your children too) appreciate the time that you put into supporting them with their work and helping them to manage their time wisely, especially at this time of the year.

NCEA exams

The fourth term means the culmination of NCEA studies. For many students this will include external assessments. These are due to start on Friday 10th November with NCEA. Some students will be released from 2nd November for study leave. Those who are not released must be at school each day as they have work to complete for their internal standards. For all senior students, staff will be available to assist with last minute tuition and support right up until the end of the school year. However, it is important that students plan those times with their teachers as this is a busy time for all staff with camps and trips out of school.

Earlier this week our Level One NCEA Art Boards were sent away for moderation/markings. I had the opportunity to view them all before they went and I have to say that I am very impressed with the quality of student work. I'm looking forward to seeing the Level Two and Three ones when they are completed.

Head Students 2017

On Friday (after this newsletter is printed but before you receive it) the head student applicants will be speaking to our students and staff about why they should be appointed to this important role in 2017. As always it will be a real challenge for staff and students to make a decision. The students will then be shortlisted and those who are shortlisted will be interviewed by a panel made up of members of the Board and Senior Leadership Team. We look forward to announcing the head students for 2017 at the Awards night on Wednesday 7th December.

Year 7 Camp

Towards the end of November our Year 7's will be attending camp at Raincliff. This year we are able to include a group of Year 8's too, and we have had quite a number indicate their interest in returning –

clearly a sign of how much they enjoyed the experience last year! A camp like this one takes a lot of planning and preparation and our staff are busy getting that underway now.

Sport and Cultural Awards

On the afternoon of Wednesday 2nd November we will be holding our Sports and Cultural Awards. This is an occasion when we celebrate the achievements of our students in non-academic fields. Many of our students are involved in sporting and cultural endeavours throughout the year and this is our opportunity to recognise their involvement. We encourage you to attend, and will send out further information closer to the date.

Awards Night

On Wednesday 7th December we will be holding our annual Awards Nights celebration of student success. During the day, students will attend school in the morning and then be released to go home at approximately 11 a.m. This free afternoon is in lieu of attending in the evening. 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.

Finally

I look forward to a busy and rewarding term. I expect students to be aiming to fulfil their potential this term. For seniors, your reward will be the results which you gain in January.

He waka eke noa. Nau te rourou, naku te rourou ka ora ai te iwi.
Nga mihi.

Tina Johnson

RAFFLE RESULTS

Thank You to all of the families who supported this fundraiser, a huge effort resulting in enough funds raised to purchase a defibrillator unit for our school community.

1st	2143	Neame Family
2nd	1010	Tina Johnson
3rd	0612	Tony Narayan



WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW

19th September Caleb Rooney
Emily McBride
14th October Ben Murdoch
Ellen Crosse

Congratulations on winning a canteen voucher

CARE BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:

Anika Smith ~ received her Bronze E badge
Emily Wells ~ received her Bronze E badge
Syrita McGinnis ~ received her Bronze E badge
Roselee McKenzie ~ received her Bronze C badge
Liam Marshall ~ received his Bronze E badge
Israel Pearce ~ received her Bronze E badge
Kaylee Stone ~ received her Bronze E badge
Elyse Warnock ~ received her Bronze E badge
Jamie Callaghan ~ received his Silver E badge
Olivia McBride ~ received her Silver R badge
Bailey McDonald-Solway ~ received his Bronze C badge
Liam Mulligan ~ received his Silver A badge
Meghan Mulligan ~ received her Silver R badge
Skyla Bennett ~ received her Bronze E badge
Rickie Beecroft-Suddens ~ received her Bronze E badge
Kalani Lawson ~ received her Silver E badge
Issy Livingstone ~ received her Bronze C badge
Riki Hodgson ~ received his Bronze C badge
Shanique Guile ~ received her Bronze C badge
Leeroy Brown ~ received her Bronze C badge
Jordan Clarke ~ received his Bronze C badge
Nahia Crawshaw ~ received her Bronze A badge
Jacinda Kelly ~ received her Bronze C badge
Cody Kereopa ~ received his Bronze E badge
Cheyenne O'Neill ~ received her Bronze R badge
Dylan Stone ~ received his Bronze C badge
Mya Stratford ~ received her Gold E badge
Alissa Whitman ~ received her Bronze E badge

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

October	21-22	Temuka District Schools Jubilee celebrations
	24	Labour Day Holiday <i>School closed for instruction</i>
	26	SCPSSA Mountain Biking
November	2	Sports and Cultural Awards Ceremony <i>1.30pm Opihi College Hall</i> <i>All welcome</i>
	2	Senior Study Leave begins <i>(Last day for Seniors if eligible for study leave)</i>
	3	Aoraki Junior Tennis
	7	NCEA External Examinations begin
	10	Aoraki Junior Volleyball
	17	Temuka Sports Group Athletics
	29 to 2Dec	Year 7 Camp <i>Raincliff</i>

EXTRA MAGAZINE SOCIAL STUDIES QUIZ

Many thanks to Caleb Kellas-Taylor, Fletcher Joyce, Cameron Fikken, Ryen Williams, Ryan Bagrie and Tane Francis who represented Opihi College in the Year 7/8 Extra Magazine Social Studies Quiz during the second to last week of last term. Special Congratulations go to Ryen, Ryan and Tane who gained Second Place in the Competition. They were 1 point off the winners. Well done for showing the school value of Excellence.
Miss Manson

RUGBY 7s

Well done to our U16 rugby 7s team who competed in a tournament at Alpine Energy Stadium on Sunday. The team consisted of Shae Twaddle, Michael Livingstone, Vili Loilagi, Mitchell Welsh, Shayden Campbell, Toby Tredrea and Josh Crichton.

Results

1st game a draw against TBHS 24 all.
2nd game a close loss to Mountainview High School.
Final game a loss to the eventual winners Mount Hutt College.

We were very proud of the effort and excellent attitude they put into the very hot day.

Thanks Kelsey Came and Harley Twaddle for your awesome coaching.



VOLUNTEERS BREAKFAST

Congratulations and Thank You to Tegan Robertson, Madi Heurea, Sophie Leonard, Lucy Cooper and Rochelle Johnson. These students all attended the Volunteer Student Breakfast put on by Sport South Canterbury.

Thank you for being STUDENT COACHES this year.

Farewell

Hello, my name is Eddy Duan and I would like to say thank-you and goodbye to Temuka.



I'm from Japan, and I have been here in Temuka since this February studying at Opihi College as an international student. I have had really precious experiences and have been inspired and impressed. When I arrived in NZ my favourite things about NZ were the clean air, nature, and the bright sunshine... but now, my favourite things are fish and chips, NZ butter, NZ chocolate, and the kiwi people.

Firstly, I would like to thank my host family, the Edgler family, who have given me the most wonderful kiwi experiences like fishing, camping and changing babies' nappies—that was quite amazing but once is enough. Also my host father, Kirk, let me design the logo for his Rock Band, Sons of Remo. It was very challenging, but so much fun.

Secondly, I would like to thank all of Opihi College students and teachers. I will never forget that I have been part of the Opihi College whanau. There were so many activities available, and I have had so many different experiences like... the ball-Beautiful, the 40 hour famine-fruitful, and skiing-painful. But best of all doing the Haka- inspirational. I also wrote some articles about school events for The Temuka Telegraph. It was pretty challenging as well, but a really valuable experience.

Thirdly, I would like to thank the Temuka community. Temuka has a really relaxed and unique atmosphere, and all of Temuka people warmly welcomed me! The Tao Temuka Scouts group let me look after the energetic kids. I learned some Karate, and shot some arrows at archery as well. I have had a lot of fun. I found that living in the countryside is better than living in the city, because people greet each other and countryside community has stronger bond between them, and the beautiful relaxing environment.

One more thing that I'm really grateful to everyone is about the video competition. Some of you might know or already watched the video for the speech competition, and a lot of people voted for and supported me, and I won the competition (Prize:\$500)! The competition was about the value of learning an international language, but I also realized the preciousness of friends who helped me to film it.

Finally, I would like to leave you a message here. Before I left Japan, my teacher said to me "momo-o-tore"(桃をとれ)- which translates to "go get peaches". It is from a traditional Japanese story.

Once upon a time, there was an old man and an old woman. The old woman went to the river to wash their clothes and a peach floated by. Instead of just watching it float by, they went out and caught the peach. Inside was a baby boy, and the boy brought them good luck, good fortune and protected the village from the demons. The moral of the story is "Don't let things float by", but grab them and make the most of them.

So, the words from my Japanese teacher, "momo-o-tore" means try everything. Don't let opportunities just float by, but grab them. The words actually made me braver, and let me gain a lot of great things while I have been in NZ.

Thanks a lot, Temuka.

CONGRATULATIONS AORAKI SPORTS AWARD FINALISTS

Shania Cochrane – Girls Football
and
Tyla Smith – Inline Speed Skating

HOMESTAYS REQUIRED

Have you ever thought of hosting an overseas student?



We have a group of Chinese students arriving at the beginning of 2017 for approximately one week.

We are always looking for families who would like to host a student long term as well. There is a weekly re-imburement for hosting and your family will benefit from this cultural experience.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs Murray.

2016 SPORTS AND CULTURAL AWARDS

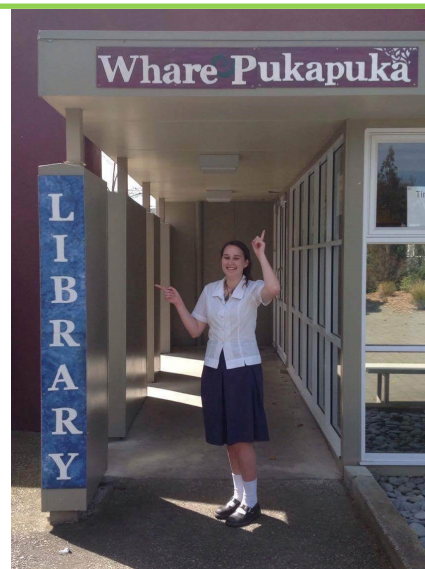
Parents / Caregivers and friends of the school are invited to join us for our Annual Sports and Cultural Awards Ceremony on

**Wednesday 2nd November
1.30pm.**



During this ceremony we will be celebrating the successes of our students achievements in both sporting and cultural activities.

*Right:
Akena Frisby displays
the new signs she made
as part of her NCEA
Art Assessment.*



Annual Crank Up Day

Geraldine Vintage Car and Machinery Museum,

**Saturday 5th November, 10 - 3 pm,
Adults \$10, children FREE,**

BBQ lunch for a gold coin donation. Come along and experience operating machinery and vehicles from yesteryear, see rare examples and hear the stories from those who restore and care for the machines.

Enjoy a great day out for the whole family.

For more information ring 027 221 1467.

TEMUKA UNITED TENNIS

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

Any enquiries to
Letitia Uren
0274 607 116



TEMUKA JUNIOR GOLF

MONDAY NIGHTS 4PM
LEARN THE BASICS OF
GOLF
CLUBS AVAILABLE



All Welcome
For any inquiries
contact Murray Kerse 6158956



Temuka Cricket Club 1884 – 2016

You need to register if you intend to play.

We have the following grades (subject to numbers):-

Friday Junior Bash (for beginners) Yr 2-4, Non hard ball (incrediball).

C Grade (**Friday** afternoons) Yr 4-6, Non hard ball (incrediball).

C Grade (Saturday mornings) Yr 4-6, Non hard ball (incrediball).

B Grade (Saturday mornings) Yr 5-8, Hard ball, pads & helmet.

A Grade (Saturday mornings) Yr 6-8, Hard ball, pads & helmet.

Saturday afternoon grade for 12-16 year olds. Hard ball, pads & helmet.

2nd Grade A Men.

Senior Men.

All enquiries to Kevin Kerse 027 3938447

Temuka Amateur Swimming Club

Tuesday and Thursday evenings
Learners through to competition swimmers
and everyone in between, 6 years old and
above.

A fantastic way to gain skills for life, make
great friends and keep fit while keeping
your weekends free!



Registration at Temuka Swimming Pool **Thursday**
27th October 5:30pm-6:30pm

No late registrations so if you cannot be there please phone
Karen 021 263 7204 or Sarah 021 778 659. Payment to be
made on registration night unless previous arranged.

HAIR DRESSING CLIENTS WANTED

Level One hairdressers at Ara Institute of Canterbury
are looking for clients for blow waves, colours,
hairups/braids.

Blow waves and Hair ups are Free of Charge.

Small cost for colours:

Half head of cap highlights	\$10
Full head of cap highlights	\$20
10 Foils	\$10
Midway (short to long)	\$10
Permanent tint (retouch)	\$15
Permanent tint—full head	\$25

Longer hair or additional foils will be charged at \$1
per gram of product.

If you get a colour, you are required to get a skin test.

Please contact Lauren on 022 155 9269.

Irlen Syndrome is not an optical problem. It is a
problem with the brain processing visual information.
Irlen lenses improve concentration, reading speed and
helps those with light sensitivity and behaviour
difficulties.

Contact Sally McKerchar – qualified Irlen Screener
Ph. 036939101 or 0272224835

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