

# Opihi - on campus



Community – Acceptance – Respect – Excellence

Issue 5 6 April 2017

## SOUTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS

In the weekend, Cody Crawshaw, Ryan Bagrie and Kiarn Prentice competed in the SISS Athletics in Dunedin. This was an amazing opportunity for them to compete against the best in the South Island. They all had amazing results with many of them gaining personal bests in their events. Thank you so much to the parents who took time out of their busy lives to allow their children to compete.

### Kiarn Prentice

U14 Triple Jump – 3<sup>rd</sup> (10:87m)

### Ryan Bagrie

U14 1500m – 5<sup>th</sup> (pb 4:37:22)

U14 800m – 7<sup>th</sup> (pb 2:16:92)

### Cody Crawshaw

U15 800m – 10<sup>th</sup> (pb 2:19:05)

U15 Javelin – 13<sup>th</sup> (24:19)



## SC PRIMARY SCHOOLS TRIATHLON

Congratulations to the six students who competed in the SCPS Triathlon last week. It is so awesome to see you all trying your hardest against a very tough field of students. Special Congratulations to Logan Pannett who was Second overall in Year 7/8, Kyal Dickson 40th, Lachlan Ackroyd 44th, Anika Bagrie 10th, Rylee Harkness 20th, Sophie Hall 44th.

## Sharing the road for Safer Journeys

### Tips for cyclists on urban roads

Cycling is great fun and an excellent way to get around. Here are a few simple tips to stay safe when sharing the road.



### Be prepared

Plan a safe route and check your bike before you start – brakes, tyres, chain, lights and reflectors.



### Be aware

Watch for car doors opening, potholes, rubbish, grates, pedestrians and other hazards.

### Be confident

Ride in a straight line, at least one metre from parked cars and take the lane when you have to. Use cycle lanes when you can.



### Be considerate

Try not to hold up the flow of traffic - if necessary, pull over to allow vehicles to pass.

### Be predictable

Make eye contact with other road users and signal your intentions clearly.



### Be seen

Wear high visibility or brightly coloured clothing. Use front and rear lights at night, in low light and rain.

### Be patient

Slow down near parked or lined up vehicles. Pass slowly and only when safe.





## From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou katoa

The end of term is just about upon us and it has been very hectic. Last week I spoke at assembly about the fact that they are now over a quarter of the way through their courses for 2017. That makes this a good time for them to reflect upon their progress towards their goals both short term and long term. For seniors this should include a reflection upon their progress towards earning NCEA credits so that they can be assured of success at the end of the school year.

### Hot Cross Buns

This year the school raised over \$1300 for the sale of Hot Cross Buns. To encourage participation an inter-house competition was run. Well done to Pacific house and to all the students who helped achieve this win. This money raised will be used to support Learning at Opihi College, and I want to take this opportunity to thank Cindy Coskerie who does all the work behind the scenes to make this fundraiser successful.



*Opihi College's top Hot X Bun sellers: Ryan Sherriff-Wardell, Regan Thomas & Robbie Johnson*

### Activities and Opportunities

Last week we had students out at the mihi whakatau for Mrs Staniford at The Catlins Area School. I was very proud of our students who performed with pride on behalf of our school. As I have come to realise is the norm with Opihi Students, their behaviour was also exemplary.

Last week we also had a group of senior students away at a 40 Hour Famine conference and I am told they represented our school with pride too, and with passion for their involvement. We also had students away in Portobello at the Otago University Marine Research facility, which I gather they enjoyed. Although I did hear that one student 'almost' killed their crab.

This week we have had students away on an Agriculture Course and another group on an Outdoor Education tramp. Next week we have students away on a GRIP Leadership course in Christchurch, students away at Christchurch University Open Day and students attending the RYDA car safety education.

All of our Year 12 students participate in the car safety education programme. This initiative is for all Year 12 students regardless of where they are in terms of gaining their drivers licence. The aim is to provide education and guidance about how to keep themselves safe whether they are a passenger or driver in a vehicle. The programme has been running successfully for a number of years in New Zealand.

### Finally

With the holidays upon us please do encourage your children to do three things during their two weeks of freedom:

Spend some time reading a book

Spend some time outside and being active

Spend some time with you!

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

Tina Johnson  
Principal

### SURVEY

*The Board of Trustees are currently consulting on the Strategic Direction of Opihi College. We would love you to have your say and have set up a Survey Monkey survey for this purpose.*

*We would appreciate you going to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KV9GTGK> and having your say.*



## WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW



17th March  
Aaliyah Lovatt &  
Tigerlily Doudle

24th March  
Jared Dickson

3rd April  
Maddison Mawhinney & Hamish Fikken

## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Please make all cheques out to KOLOURCARE.  
Late Orders MUST be in by Monday 11th April.

## LEARNING SUPPORT

At Opihi College we are fortunate to have a qualified SPELD teacher, Mrs Bridget Wison, who caters for acceleration and support programmes. These programmes support students to meet their potential. During Term 1, students will be visiting her room to complete tasks to determine if the programmes are right for them. Your child may come home and say they have been to see Mrs Wilson. You will receive a letter if your child will be attending her programmes for acceleration or support.

## WANTED - ICE-CREAM CONTAINERS

The Science Department would love some more ice-cream containers. If you have any spare, please deliver to the school office.

## PRE LOVED UNIFORM

Our uniform shop has good stocks of kilts, jerseys and long sleeved shirts and blouses ready for winter. We are able to sell your pre loved uniform items on behalf (school retains 20% commission). Items for sale must be clean and in good order (kilts to be dry cleaned please).

We also have the following new items for sale:

Navy beanies \$10  
Opihi College ties \$20  
PE Tops \$60  
Rugby socks \$10

(Black with white top)  
Uniforms available for purchase during school office hours.



**Lost:** New PE Top labelled 'Brookland'. An un-named top was left in its place. Could parents please check that their child has the correct PE top?

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

April	10	GRIP Leadership Conference
	11	RYDA Programme Year 12
	12	Aoraki Swimming
	13	End of Term 1 End of Term Assembly 2.30pm
May	1	Term 2 starts
	2	NZ Defence Force Liaison Visit
	3	BOT Meeting
	8	Otago Uni Open Day
	10	Farm Bikes Course Yr 11 Agri
	17	Cross Country
	19	Opihi College Senior Ball

## 2017 TERM DATES

Term 1 Monday 30 January - Thursday 13 April  
Term 2 Monday 1st May - Friday 7th July  
Term 3 Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September  
Term 4 Monday 16 October - Wednesday 13 December 2017

## TEMUKA HOCKEY CLUB

Is looking for another Year 7 or 8 player for their 11-a-side team.

Please contact Paula Crawshaw  
615 6911 or 027 488 2781



## Have Fun, Play Squash!

Kiwi Squash - New Zealand's national school squash programme



**TEMUKA SQUASH CLUB** Welcome new members of all ages and abilities. Junior lessons start soon! Any enquiries phone 027 911 8680

## CARE BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:

### Gold Awards

C = Tegan Robertson

### Silver Awards

C = Evan Crosse

R = Caleb Rippin

E = Vinnie Cornelius, Vili Loilagi

### Bronze Awards

C = Geneva Hati, Rylee Harkness, Kaitlyn Morrison, Madison Reihana, Cameron Fikken, Aaliyah Lovatt, Emily Wells

A = Maddison Mawhinney

R = Rylee Harkness, Quintessa Schoknecht, Logan Scott-Walton, Ava Venn, Emily Wells, Maddison Mawhinney, Jamie Callaghan

E = Logan Pannett



# Opihi College

## C.A.R.E.

COMMUNITY | ACCEPTANCE | RESPECT | EXCELLENCE



Time to call a  
professional?



Use any **Laser Electrical Services** and mention 'Opihi College' and we will pay 5% of the invoice back to Opihi College



**Electrical  
Laser**

**Laser Electrical**  
17 Peel St, Geraldine  
03 693 9399

**Laser Electrical**  
44 Vine St, Temuka  
03 615 6622

24 hour  
service,  
7 days  
a week

[www.laserelectrical.co.nz](http://www.laserelectrical.co.nz) 0800 LASER 4 U (0800 527 374)



**ADVENTURE  
PLUS!**



**SCOUTS**  
New Zealand

# PINECONES

The Tao Temuka Scouting Group is  
selling bags of  
pinecones in May!

Place your orders now!!!

Contact:

Sandra Brookland  
027 223 3710

Pinecones!  
\$5 Per Bag!



**ADVENTURE  
PLUS!**



**SCOUTS**  
New Zealand

## Trial and Scenic Flight Vouchers



As part of fundraising for my flight training, I am selling trial and scenic flight vouchers through my local South Canterbury Aero Club. The vouchers make great gifts for either yourself or someone else and are valid for 3 months from the date of issue.

### Trial flights

Trial flights are designed to give students as much hands on time flying as possible to see if it is for them. Includes a pre-flight walk around and explanation with the instructor, can bring 2 additional people in the Archer for no extra cost.

	Archer (4 seats)	Tomahawk (2 seats)
20 minutes	\$135.00	\$95.00
30 minutes	\$159.00	\$129.00
45 minutes	\$215.00	\$169.00
60 minutes	\$285.00	\$230.00

### Scenic Flights

All scenic flights are carried out in the Archer, seating up to 3 people. Take your pick from :

**TIMARU BY AIR** - a 30 minute aerial flight of Timaru city, coastline and patchwork farm lands for \$179.

**TEKAPO TOUR** - a 1.5 hour tour of Timaru district, past Burkes pass and McKenzie country, then fly over the stunning Lake Tekapo with views of the Southern Alps including Mount Cook for \$525.

**AORAKI MOUNT COOK EXPERIENCE** - \$700 for a remarkable 2 hour flight around New Zealand's highest mountain, Mount Cook. You will fly around the 12,000 foot peak, including the McKenzie country, Tasman Glacier and Lakes, Pukaki, Tekapo and Ohau.

For more information or to purchase a voucher please contact:

Lucy Cooper - 0210747005 or [cooperlu@opihicollege.school.nz](mailto:cooperlu@opihicollege.school.nz)