

Opihi - on campus



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LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER COMPETITION

Congratulations to our Opihi College students who were placed in this regional Peace Poster competition!

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| 1st | Emily Wells |
| 2nd | Mia Andreassend |
| 3rd | Aaliyah Lovatt |

Emily's poster has gone forward to the National Competition. Best of luck Emily!

CRICKET

Pictured below are our Year 7 & 8 cricket players who enjoyed playing at a recent one day tournament at Ashbury Park in Timaru. They were stoked to meet some of the Canterbury Kings team players, including ex-pupil Nathan McNichol.

Thanks Percy Goldfinch and Ms Ellis for accompanying them to this tournament day.



OUR STUDENTS WORK

Courtney Leonard and Kalani Lawson display their technology projects.





From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora Tatou

This term is flying by and there will only be one other newsletter before our summer holiday.

With the long summer break upon us, this is a great time to send children out to play and be active. Research tells us that physical activity in the outdoors has a positive effect on both physical and mental wellbeing. 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. We were so disappointed when the scheduling clashes meant that we can not all get outside on Friday at the tri-school challenge (Waimate, MacKenzie, Opihi). At least, as long as the weather holds, we'll be able to go ahead with the Temuka Primary event which is to be held here tomorrow. Speaking of getting outside, Digital Technology makes our lives so much easier in some ways; however, it does tend to keep us inside and connected to the world in ways that we don't always need to be. Last summer I challenged myself to go one day a week technology free. I didn't achieve every week – but did achieve most of them. So this year I am challenging myself again, with the hope of doing better. It would be great if all of our students and whanau could try something like that too. What is life like when you don't have instant contact with everyone in your address book/friends list? (Harking back 20 years here.) Let's all try putting 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. Use the evenings and wet days to play board games or read books. They will appreciate the time with you and also time outside.

NCEA exams

The end of year assessments for some students are now well under way. Our junior students have been very considerate of their older peers and have ensured that they are quiet around the exam venue. The Music Department have been particularly

considerate in giving up their classroom and practice rooms during exam times. Some of our senior students 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.

Awards Night

On Tuesday 12th December we will be holding our annual Awards celebrations of student success. During the day, students will attend school in the morning and then attend the morning Prize-giving at 11.00 before being released to go home in the afternoon. This free afternoon is in lieu of attending the Awards Ceremony 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.

Year 7 Camp

Plans are gearing up, teachers are preparing, and lists are being written and re-written. Year 7 and a few year 8 students are off to Raincliff on 5th December. School will run as usual for Year 8, 9 and 10 students that week.

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

School, whanau and community are in this together so if we share our resources and skills we will achieve great things for our tamariki.

Nga mihi.

Tina Johnson
Principal

**TIMARU COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS DINNER**

MONDAY 25 DECEMBER 2017
12 NOON - CHRISTMAS DAY
CAROLINE BAY HALL, TIMARU

Transport Available

ALL WELCOME - NO CHARGE
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

CALL MELISSA: 0204 007 3351 OR 684 4410

DONATIONS APPRECIATED - ASB BANK 12-3159-0111099-00
FACEBOOK: Timaru Community Christmas Dinner EMAIL: timaru.ccd.bookings@gmail.com

WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW

20th November 2017
Josh Welford



FOR YOUR CALENDAR

November	29	BOT Meeting
December	1	Junior Reports sent home
	5	Yr 7&8 Athletics
	5-8	Year 7 camp Raincliff
	11	OED Day, Year 10
	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Returns Day Day Prizegiving 11 am Evening Awards Ceremony 7.00pm
	15	Kilt Fitting 3 -4pm Last day for Kilt Orders

RETURNS

Could the following items please be returned to the school as soon as possible:

- Netball uniforms (washed)
- Basketball uniforms (washed)
- Gymnastics uniforms (washed)
- Rugby uniforms (washed)
- Overdue Library Books
- Blazers (Dry cleaned please)

Thank you

MANDY'S TUCK SHOP

Please note the school canteen will close for the year on **Friday 1st December 2017**.

Your support is appreciated.

AWARDS CEREMONIES

Tuesday 12th December is the date of our annual Awards Ceremonies; our celebrations of student academic, sporting and cultural success.

Students will attend school in the morning, with Year 7 to 10 students beginning school at the usual 8.30, and senior students attending at 9.30. At 11.00 we will be holding our "Day Prizegiving" where we will celebrate sports, cultural and some academic achievements. Students will be released to go home after that ceremony, then will return at 6.45 for the evening Awards Ceremony.

Parents/family/whanau are welcomed to both events.

The '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. Students attend in full uniform.

LIBRARY

Please note the school library will close for issues for the year on **Friday 1st December 2017**.

All library books need to be returned please

2018 CALENDAR

January	25	School Office opens
	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course Confirmation Peer Support training Industry Visits
	31	Years 7 and 13 only
February	1	Whole School begins
	5	Mihi Whakatau
	6	Waitangi Day Statutory Holiday

CARE BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:

Silver Awards

E = Dyasta Barnes, Sam Brown, Xavier Hitchen, Bailey McDonald-Solway, Jayda McNoe

Bronze Awards

C = Robbie Johnson, Quintessa Schoknecht

A = Aaron Suddens-Becroft, Kaylee Stone, Emily Wells, Logan Pannett

R = Trey Poutai, Sam Brown, Aaliyah Deer, Kaylee Stone

E = Cheyenne Gibson, Jamie Hall, Iraia Hemara





OPIHI COLLEGE

Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920, New Zealand

17-11-2017

Board of Trustees Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was less than the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Kylie Robertson

Signed

Sharyn Patrick
Returning Officer





Modelling the new Opihi College caps: (Front) Paul Shrestha, Fergus Talbot. (Back) Dylan Donehue, Josh Crichton, Elyse Warnock, Shalai Gibson.

OPIHI COLLEGE CAPS

We've added a cap to our school uniform lineup.

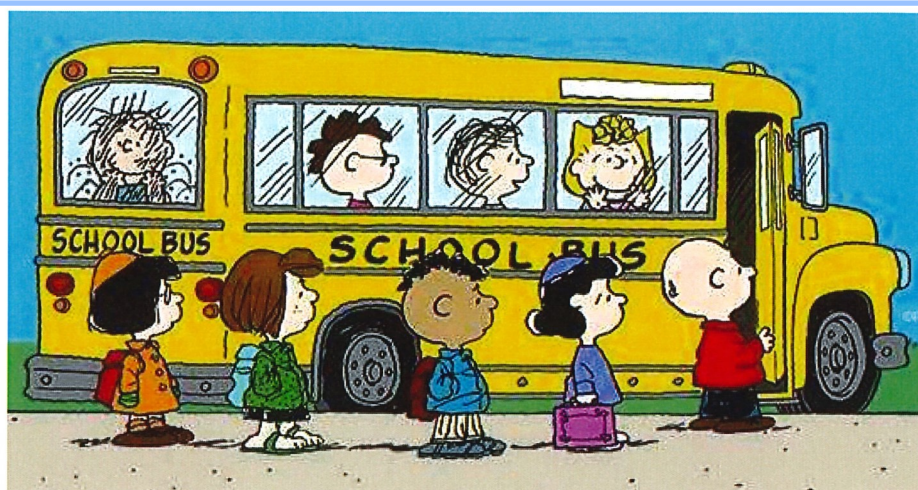
Available now at the school office for \$10 each. A sample is available to try on.



PRE-LOVED SHORTS FOR SALE

\$5 per pair

The school has limited numbers of black elastic waist shorts suitable for PE to sell. These shorts are a unisex style and in as new condition. Sizes range from 12 -14 and XS to XXL. Only \$5 per pair.



Situations Vacant

Casual Bus Driver

Opihi College is looking for someone with a bus licence who can fill in on a casual basis when required.

We need someone to drive our Mitsubishi Rosa who might be available for school trips and a few relief days on one of our small school runs.

If you are interested and think this might suit you, please make contact with Tina Johnson, Principal to discuss.

Go Geraldine Christmas Parade:

**Friday 1st December
from 6.30 pm.**

Leaving from the corner of Hislop St, travelling along Talbot St to Peel St. Entertainment, float prizes and santa sack draw in **Domain from 7.15 pm**. Bring a picnic or purchase from the food stalls.

For float entry forms contact Janene on 027 555 6524.

HAYLEY BUTCHER DANCE STUDIO CONCERT

Where: Opihi College Hall

When: Sunday December 3rd

Times: First Show 2pm
Second Show & Prizegiving 6pm

Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from Temuka Primary School hall on Mondays at 3-5.30pm, Winchester Primary School office, Pleasant Point Primary School office.

Raffles, snacks and drinks available at the show.

Come along for some great entertainment from dancers aged from 3-11 years with Tap Dancing, Jazz, Hiphop, Song and Dance, Trios, Duos and Troupes.

Geraldine Gun Club Invites new members, young and old, to visit and find out all that we have to offer. We offer excellent facilities and equipment for the experienced as well as those completely new to target shooting. This is a great parent/child activity to do together and we provide training and support for all with a friendly and knowledgeable team in hand to help. Training is held on Wednesday evenings and there are plenty of competition events as well. For more information please contact Tim on 0274 923 296.



Exciting news for all the faithful followers of the annual Woodbury Every Women's Events: The organisers are pleased to announce that planning is underway to develop the event with a fresh new look, different date and course to be announced in the coming months. Plenty of notice and info will be provided once plans are finalised and in the meantime a big thank you to all the past supporters and participants and here's to looking forward to future events which will be even more fun and challenging!
Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/everywomensduathlon/> for all the latest news.

UPDATED: Opihi College Uniform – School Regulations 2018

Junior Uniform (Years 7-10)

Tops

- Mid-blue polo shirt with school crest
- Dark Royal, V-necked, long sleeved jersey with school crest
- Dark Royal, V-necked, vest with school crest
- Black soft shell jacket with crest; or any plain black water resistant jacket.

Bottoms

- Navy blue walk shorts
- Inverted pleat navy skirt
- Long black dress trousers
- “Blue Watch” tartan kilt

Socks

- White turn over top ankle socks
- Black turn over top ankle socks
- Black stockings or black over the knee socks
- School socks - dark grey with black, blue and white hoop

OPIHI COLLEGE JERSEYS

Still Available at Kings Shoe Store in Temuka. These are winter weight 100% wool jerseys and available in a variety of sizes for \$99 each.

Senior Uniform (Years 11-13)

Tops

- White straight hem, short sleeve, collar band, shirt
- White long sleeve, collar band shirt (must be tucked in)
- Dark Royal, V-necked, long sleeved jersey with school crest
- Dark Royal, V-necked, vest with school crest
- Black soft shell jacket with crest; or any plain black water resistant jacket.
- school blazer and tie (optional Year 11-12, compulsory in Year 13)

Bottoms

- Navy blue walk shorts
- Inverted pleat skirt navy
- Long black dress trousers
- “Blue Watch” tartan kilt

Socks

- White turn over top ankle socks
- Black turn over top ankle socks
- Black stockings or black over the knee socks
- School socks - dark grey with black, blue and white hoop

Uniform items are only available from The Warehouse, Timaru or the College Office.

Other items - Junior and Senior

- All students to wear black, leather or leather look, shoes of a plain design with enclosed toes. Shoes must be able to be polished, not suede or canvas. They must be shoes, not boots. They must comply with Health and Safety requirements for protection of the foot in technology and science areas.
- Students are strongly advised to wear a blue school bucket hat or school cap in Term 1 and Term 4. Both styles can be purchased from the school office.
- Plain navy blue or black beanies and scarves may be worn during Term 2 and 3.
- PE uniform - Opihi College PE shirt with black shorts (mid-thigh maximum length and no cycle type shorts). A change of socks is to be worn with gym shoes. On cold days a black tracksuit or a plain coloured sweatshirt in your house colour and black track pants can be worn. *(The P.E. shirts are only available to purchase through the school office.)*



PERSONAL PRESENTATION – SCHOOL REGULATIONS

These regulations apply to all students.

- Hair must be clean, tidy (out of eyes) and tied up if longer than shoulder length. No extremes including changing hair to unnatural colours. Boys must be clean-shaven. Hair ties must be in school colours. (Blue, black, brown and white.)
- A Taonga or other item of religious or cultural significance may be worn inside clothing. It is to be removed for health and safety reasons as required.
- Students may only wear plain silver or gold stud earrings in their ears at their own risk. No other jewellery should be visible. Facial piercing, nose studs, tongue piercing and visible tattoos are not permitted.
- Make-up and coloured nail polish are not to be worn with school uniform.

The school uniform is to be worn correctly and neatly at all times.

Temuka Swimming Pool
ph: 615 8205
Opening: FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER

Public

Monday / Wednesday / Friday	6am – 6pm
Tuesday / Thursday	10am – 5.30pm (Swimming Club Nights)
Saturdays	10:00am – 6:00pm
Sundays	12 noon – 6:00pm
Paddling Pool	Open pool hours
Inflatable in pool – Sundays	1:30pm - extra days over holidays – weather permitting

Aqua Fitness

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	10:00am – 10.45am
Saturday	11:00am – 11.45am
Monday & Wednesday	6:00pm – 6:45pm Starting 11 December

Schools will be using the pool – check the hours at the pool

Extended hours Mid December – 7pm

Holidays 10am – 7pm

Pool Closed Christmas Day

Complex closed in extreme weather conditions

\$2.50 Child \$4.00 Adult 65+ \$3.50 over 80's free

Concession tickets available

***Heated Pools & our Shop is back
Watch out for Holiday Fun at the Pool***

Free Barbeque use when you have paid to enter the pool