

Opihi - on campus



Community – Acceptance – Respect – Excellence

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OPIHI COLLEGE
JAPANESE LANGUAGE TRIP - FUNDRAISING

DISCO

ENTRY - \$2.00

Primary School
Parents welcome to
stay. Refreshments
available.

SPOT PRIZES
PRIZES FOR BEST
DRESSED

AROUND THE WORLD THEMED DISCO TEMUKA RUGBY CLUBROOMS – FRIDAY 6TH APRIL 2018

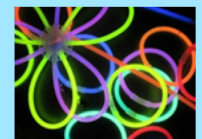
*Chips & Drinks
available for
purchase*

PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN: 6 – 7.00PM

YEAR 7 - 10 STUDENTS: 7.30 – 9.00PM

ENQUIRIES TO OPIHI COLLEGE OFFICE – 615 7442

Glow Sticks



DISCO

Friday 6th April at Temuka Rugby Clubrooms

A group of our students are currently fundraising for a trip to Japan later this year. They are running a Disco on Friday 6th April at the Temuka Rugby Clubrooms from 6 – 7.00pm for all primary aged children and from 7.30 – 9.00pm for students in Year 7 – 10 with a theme of 'Around the World'. Please note this Disco is only for students who attend Temuka, Winchester, St Josephs, Arowhenua Primary Schools and Opihi College. Year 7 and 8 students from Arowhenua Maori School and St Joseph's Primary can choose which Disco they would like to attend. They are most welcome to join the other students from their school at the Primary aged Disco or attend the later one for students from Years 7 – 10 with the students from Opihi College. Entry is \$2.00 and there will be refreshments and glow sticks available for purchase also. Spot Prizes on the night and there will also be Prizes for Best Dressed so get your thinking caps on. Parents of primary aged children are welcome to stay and there will be a separate area for you to sit and have a chat with tea and coffee available. Tickets are available for purchase from school offices. Please note there will be no door sales. Any enquiries can be directed to Kathy at the Opihi College Office.



OPIHI COLLEGE

P O Box 175 Temuka 7948, New Zealand

22 March 2018

OPIHI COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CASUAL VACANCY FOR AN ELECTED TRUSTEE

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative.

The Board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Chairperson
Board of Trustees
Opihi College
PO Box 175
Temuka 7948

By 19 April 2018



WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW

23rd March 2018

Halle Welford
Stevie Loudon



KOLOURCARE SCHOOL PHOTOS

Envelopes have been handed out to all students for photo orders. Please return orders with payment to the school office.

Last day for photo orders is Wednesday 11th April.

2018 TERM DATES

Term 1 Mon 29th Jan— Fri 13th April 2018
Term 2 Mon 30th April—Fri 6th July 2018
Term 3 Mon 23rd July—Fri 28th Sept 2018
Term 4 Mon 15th Oct—Wed 12th Dec 2018

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

April	10	Aoraki Swimming Comp
	11	Last Day for Kolourcare Photo orders
	11	RYDA course—Year 12
	11-13	South Canterbury Bike Ride
	13	End of Term 1
	30	Start of Term 2
May	7	Otago Tertiary Trip
	11	Cross Country
	17	Attitude Presentation
	18	Senior Ball



POLICE COMPETENCY CHALLENGE COMPETITION

Congratulations to junior students Anika Bagrie, Grace Bennett, Kittie Ellis-McDonald and Jasper Ellis-McDonald who represented Opihi College at the Police Competency Challenge Competition in Timaru recently. The students completed the same course as police officers must complete regularly, with the exception of the trailer push (as they were worried about making marks on the stadium floor). It was a tough competition, with no practices or second chances to complete the team activities. Of the 17 teams competing, Grantlea Downs were the winners. Thank you to Mrs Kathryn Bennett for managing the team on this day.

Well done on representing our school with pride.

ELLIE'S BARBER SHOP

73 King Street, Temuka

April Special
\$10 Haircuts

for all Primary and Secondary School Students
Afternoons only

CRICKET

Congratulations to Eli Kerse

Who won the trophy for the Most Valuable Player at his cricket club's end of year break-up.

ECLIPZ HAIR SALON

King Street, Temuka

Ball Hair-Up and Make-up with Carly
Combo price only \$90

Please phone 6158 628 to Book

TEMUKA BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge Lessons

Starting 30 April, 7- 9pm.

10 week course. Two venues, two choices:

Geraldine - Mondays (Ph Helen, [0274659763](tel:0274659763)),
Temuka - Tuesdays (Ph Robyn, [03 615 9081](tel:036159081)).

Stimulating & challenging card game for 10yrs+



Dear Parents/Caregivers

At Opihi College, we strongly encourage our parents to enrol their child in the **Reading Plus program**. This is a web-based reading programme that helps students become stronger, more proficient and confident readers.

This program helps students to read faster, recognise new words, and comprehend more of what they have read; enabling them to read more easily across all age levels.

Here are some comments from our students who have used Reading Plus

'I like it because it's easier than reading a book.'

'I can read more fluently. When I first started I was falling behind and now I can keep up.'

'It is a fun way to improve my reading.'

'It tells you the percentage – if I get it wrong I am more careful.'

Reading Plus covers all reading abilities - it helps good readers become excellent readers. We have noticed a big jump in the reading confidence and ability of students using this program correctly. Students really seem to like the tracking of the programme; knowing that they need to consistently achieve an 80% pass rate before they move on to the next level is empowering for them. Reading Plus content goes all the way to Year 13. It is great for extending students.

Although we cover reading skills comprehensively in our class programme, we feel this web-based programme adds depth to a child's skill base, which is why we would like to see as many of our students participate in this program this year. The weekly assignments are completed for homework, with homeroom teacher monitoring and supporting. If you do not have the devices or internet at home, lessons can be completed at school.

The cost of this programme is \$40 per student (\$1 per week at school). **Reading skills are so important for your child – every subject they take requires reading comprehension.** Please consider this when making your decision. Our literacy teacher (Bridget Wilson) is happy to talk to any parent/caregiver who would like to find out more about this programme. Simply indicate below and she will get back to you.

If you would like your child to participate in the Reading Plus program this year, please indicate below.

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I would like Bridget Wilson (literacy teacher) to contact me so I can learn more about the Reading Plus programme before I make my mind up YES/ NO

I would like my child _____ Year level _____
to participate in the Reading Plus programme. Enclosed is \$40.

Parent/Caregiver's name: _____ Signature _____

Please return this slip and money in an envelope (addressed to Bridget Wilson) to the **college office**.

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all that supported our recent Hot X Bun fundraiser.



We raised an amazing **\$950** to go towards new furniture and lockers when our rebuild is complete.

Next term we will be selling bulk kitchen wrap and bags.

SWIMMING

Congratulations to the Opihi College junior swimming team of Logan Larsen, Jamie Hall, Amelia Holland and Anika Bagrie, who competed at the SCPSSA Swimming Competition recently. They all competed very admirably, and were placed 3rd in the Relay event.

Next week, senior swimmers Sophie Hall and Hailey Larsen will be competing at the Aoraki Swimming competition in Ashburton. Good Luck!

***Thank You** to Graeme Melhopt for assisting with time keeping at both of these events.*

TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS SECTOR DAY

As part of our Careers Programme, a group of senior students had the opportunity to attend this day organised by Aoraki Development and ARA. They spent time at Levels Raceway driving machinery, operating simulators, riding in trucks and meeting industry representatives, which they all found very informative.



Anglican Care
Building healthy communities



OCEANS

Grief and Loss Programme

Facilitator Training

Twelve hours of training
Thursday 5th and Thursday 12th July
10:00am-4:30pm, **Timaru**

RSVP June 25th 2018

For all those who are caring and want to help people with grief and loss in their lives (Programmes for children and adults).

Training includes:

- + Grief theory
- + Boundaries
- + Programme overview
- + Group Facilitation
- + Video clips
- + "WATER" Questions – to keep conversation flowing
- + Role play
- + Art activities

There is no cost and places are limited to 12

Any questions or RSVP contact Matt Cameron, oceans@anglicanlife.org.nz

"Grief is like the ocean; it comes on waves ebbing and flowing. Sometimes the water is calm, and sometimes it is overwhelming. All we can do is learn to swim." - Vicki Harrison

MT. DOBSON
TEKAPO * NEW ZEALAND

\$99 SEASON PASS FOR STUDENTS

Mt Dobson Ski Area have a special offer for all students enrolled in local South Canterbury Schools, which is available throughout all of April. The Season Pass can be used at Mt Dobson Ski Area any day of the 2018 winter.

The following is a private link so parents can purchase for their children:

<http://www.mtdobson.co.nz/product/local-schools-season-pass-2018/>

Any queries to:

Mike Smith 03 281 5509

GYPSY FAIR

28—29 April 2018

Port Loop, Caroline Bay, Timaru

The Gypsy Fair is a great day out for the family and it is free entry. The fair has something for everyone, handmade crafts of all types, many being made before your eyes, Clothing, a unique obstacle bounce for the kids, awesome coffee, food, face painting, candy floss, music, which you can come up and have a go too, if you feel so inclined and lots of good old fashioned toys and entertainment in the green. So come along for a couple of hours or even the day and soak up the atmosphere of the Gypsy Fair.

active KIDS
PROGRAMME

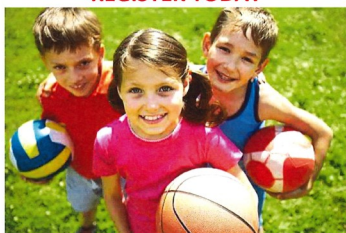
16-20 April 2018

The Southern Trust Events Centre,
Morgans Road, Timaru

Need entertainment for your children in the
April School Holidays???

Active Kids is a fun, safe and affordable holiday option that combines a large variety of sports, fundamental skills & offsite visits for children aged 5-13 years.
Full day (8.30-5) and half day (8.30-12) options available.

REGISTER TODAY



sport canterbury
SOUTH CANTERBURY

Full details and to register on line go to

www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

or contact Sport Canterbury: phone 03 686 0751

Limited Spaces available ...

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE MONDAY 9th April 2018

Anzac in Action 2018

9 -4 pm

on

Saturday 21st and
Sunday 22nd April

at

Rangitata Island Aerodrome,
Brodie Road, Rangitata.

Great family event in the middle weekend of the school holidays. Invite friends and family to join you for an action packed weekend of re-enactments, rides, displays, entertainment and much more. Bring a picnic and a blanket or enjoy delicious food at onsite stalls plus live music and craft stalls.

Adults \$10,
Children 15 and under FREE.

www.geraldineanzac.nz

for more information.



ANZAC IN ACTION 2018

ANZAC WEEKEND APRIL 21 - 22

RANGITATA ISLAND AERODROME

BRODIE RD RANGITATA ISLAND | 15 MINUTES FROM GERALDINE

PLANES | MILITARY DISPLAYS AND PERSONNEL

FREE VINTAGE CAR AND MACHINERY

RIDES | FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT | STATIC

DISPLAYS | GREAT FOOD OR BRING A PICNIC

ENTRY \$10 ADULT Children 15 years and under FREE
No dogs or alcohol please. www.geraldineanzac.nz



Timaru Motors



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 or ladies) shorts
- Inverted 2-pleat navy skirt
- Navy blue skort
- Long black dress trousers
- “Blue Watch” tartan kilt

Socks

- White turn over top ankle socks (not sports socks)
- Black turn over top ankle socks
- Black over the knee socks (to be worn with kilt/skirt only and must look like tights, therefore not visible as socks)
- School socks - dark grey with black, blue and white hoop

Please Note:

Slight modification to uniform guidelines regarding long black socks - effective Term 2

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 or ladies) shorts
- Inverted pleat skirt navy
- Long black dress trousers
- “Blue Watch” tartan kilt

Socks

- White turn over top ankle socks (not sports socks)
- Black turn over top ankle socks (not sports socks)
- Black stockings
- Black over the knee socks (to be worn with kilt/skirt only and must look like tights, therefore not visible as socks)
- School socks - dark grey with black, blue and white hoop

Uniform items are available from SchoolTex online, 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.