

Opihi - on campus



Community – Acceptance – Respect – Excellence

Issue 8 31st May 2018

Opihi College wins Gold at Chess Power Regional Tournament



Last week eight Opihi College students competed in a Regional Chess Tournament held at Mountainview High School. It was a fantastic day, with many local primary and secondary high schools battling it out for the top prizes. Opihi College entered a junior and senior team this year, and both succeeded at gaining top spots in the competition. The senior team (Shae Twaddle-Best, Joshua Herpacio, Blake Morris and Kyle Morris) won the senior division, which gained them an invitation to the National Chess Power Tournament in Auckland in October. The junior team (Mitchell Brookland, Trey Poutai, Lucus Kaan and Julian Kaan) also played impressively, coming third in their division. Shae Twaddle-Best tied for second as an individual senior, and novice junior Lucus Kaan also came second place for the individual junior division. The senior students are hoping to make it to Nationals this year and have already begun planning their fundraising efforts. Undoubtedly they will continue to make their school proud.

*Pictured: (Back) Kyle Morris, Blake Morris, Trey Poutai, Shae Twaddle-Best, Joshua Herpacio.
(Front) Julian Kaan, Mitchell Brookland, Lucus Kaan.*





OPIHI COLLEGE

Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920, New Zealand

30 May 2018

Dear Parents / Caregivers

PPTA Union Meeting – Wednesday 6th June 2018

On the day above classes will end at the beginning of lunchtime – 1.00pm on Wednesday 6th June 2018. This is to allow teachers to attend a Union Meeting, which is an entitlement of the Collective Employment Agreement. It is not industrial action.

Parent Teacher Subject Interviews – Tuesday 19th June 2018

On the day above classes will end at the beginning of lunchtime – 1.00pm on Tuesday 19th June 2018.

Students and their families are invited to book parent teacher interview appointments between the hours of 2pm and 8pm on this day:

- Code **6gu7x** on the schoolinterviews.co.nz website
- Please note these interviews are with your child's subject teachers rather than mentor teachers
- Appointments are for ten minutes each, it will be essential families arrive on time
- Bookings will be unable to be made on the day
- Please contact the school office if you require any assistance

Buses will run as usual and supervision will be provided for students who are not able to be picked up at lunchtime on both of these days.

Please let the school office know, by phoning 6157 442 or e-mailing office@opihicollege.school.nz, if your child requires supervision for either or both of these afternoons, so that arrangements can be made by the school.

Yours sincerely

Tina Johnson
Principal



OPIHI COLLEGE TERM TWO FUNDRAISER

All money raised will go towards replacing computers

Time to Stock Up Again on

Bulk Kitchen Products



ORDERS DUE IN BY TUESDAY 5TH JUNE



Orders and money to be in by Tuesday 5th June

Order to be picked up Monday 2nd July at the end of the day

More order forms available from the office

Points will be given to the house that sells the most items

Prizes for the top five sellers

C.A.R.E. cards for the top 10 sellers

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

June	4	Queens Birthday <i>Statutory Holiday—school closed for instruction</i>
	6	1.30pm PPTA Paid Union Meeting for teachers <i>School will be open for instruction – Students will be able to finish school at 1.00pm if the parents/caregivers wish</i>
	7	Japanese NCEA Day—Christchurch
	7	Aoraki Cross Country
	11-15	Community Dental Van on site
	12	SCPSSA Cross Country
	12	Aoraki Cycling
	15	Mufti Day for World Vision
	19	Parent Teacher Interviews 2– 8pm
	22	Rock Quest—Pacifica Beats music competition, Timaru
	22	Japanese Trivia Competition Dunedin
	27	Board of Trustees Meeting <i>6.30pm Opihi College</i>

OPIHI DEAN

Please note that during Miss Sutherland's leave until the end of August, Mrs Bergamini will be the acting Opihi Dean.

WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW

25th May 2018

Mya Stratford

Patrick Donaldson



MUSIC

Last week we had a visit from the NZ Music Commission's music mentor Matt Barus - a working musician who has had Top 10 hits with "The Dukes" and has written songs for "Blondie". Our performance students really benefitted from his pro experience and are now very well prepared for Rockquest on Friday June 22nd.



Come along to the Theatre Royal and support our bands as they rock Timaru!

Host a Japanese Student from Shigakukan High School!

Do you want to learn a little about another country or another language? Why not host a student from Japan and give it a try! We're looking for host families to provide homestays for a group of Japanese boys and girls aged 14-17 from 25 July to 15 August at the beginning of Term Three. They don't need a special room of their own, just a bed to sleep in and a little space for their luggage. You don't



have to go out of your way to do anything special with them; simply welcome them into your home and include them as part of your family. Your student would attend school from Monday to Friday and then be away on Saturday or Sunday for a day-trip excursion. We realise that there will be some extra expenses involved in hosting your student, so we will provide each family with \$375 to offset those costs a little. Why we organise this hosting programme:

- It's a significant fundraiser for the school and helps our students participate in the Japanese Language Trip to Japan.
- Our Opihi College students and family members are exposed to a new language and culture. They will try new foods, play new games, and learn about music, art, and crafts.
- Our Japanese language classes at all levels 7-13 get an infusion of real language and culture learning.
- We learn more about the world around us firsthand.

Please contact Eric Lindblom by email at lindblome@opihicollege.school.nz or ring him at school on 615-7442 or for more information. Thank you!



Students from the 2017 Shigakukan High School visit. Why not get involved!

OPIHI COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY 2018



Congratulations 2018 Cross Country Champions:

Senior Boys - Alex McDonald-Solway (pictured left)

Intermediate Boys - Max Denley

Junior Boys - Jack Joyce

Senior Girls -Kayla Bagrie (pictured right)

Intermediate Girls -Hailey Larsen (pictured top left)

Junior Girls -Chloe Kerslake



OPIHI COLLEGE NETBALL

A huge **CONGRATULATIONS** to our Year 9/10 Netball Team who won the mixed grade section at the Roncalli Netball Tournament. Awesome effort girls!! Thanks Steph Esler and Dianne Manson for managing the team at this tournament.

Pictured above: Steph Esler, Madison Reihana, Takila Howell, Charlie Te Haate, Hailey Larsen, Kirsty McBride, Georgia Hammond, Natalie Stone, Dianne Manson, Jess Esler, Sophie Hall & Kaitlyn Johnson.

Canterbury

District Health Board

Te Poari Hauora o Waitaha

COMMUNITY 
dental service

Free Dental Care for Children - **including special information regarding Year 8 students**

One of our Community Dental Service preventive mobiles will be visiting your school soon.

- We will be aiming to see that all school age children enrolled with the Community Dental Service have their dental check-up in the dental mobile while it is there
- **Year 8 students:** all year 8 students enrolled with the Community Dental Service are transferred from the Community Dental Service to a FREE private dentist from year 9 until their 18th birthday. To help with this transition please ensure you have informed your child of their family dentist (not orthodontist). This will enable us to transfer your child onto the correct dentist for year 9 onwards. More information will be sent home after their year 8 check-up.
- To do this we will be asking the school to provide your child's name, address and your contact information.
- The dental therapist will not only be checking the children's teeth but will also Xray, clean, and apply protective treatments fluoride and or Fissure sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required
- If your child requires further dental care such as fillings they will bring home a 'Care Plan' which will explain what dental care and appointment times are required
- When you receive the 'Care Plan' please contact our **Call Centre as soon as possible** as you will need to arrange a time to bring your child to one of our Community Clinics for this dental care
- **Please let us know ASAP if you do not wish your child to have any of this care, you can talk to the staff in the mobile or phone/email our Call Centre**
- If you wish to be present at your child's check up this will need to take place at our community clinic so please phone/email our **Call Centre** to make an appointment
- Please contact our Call Centre if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care (a dental therapist will call you back)
-

To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email comm dental@cdhb.health.nz

Thanks to all those who supported this fundraiser for the Mental Health Foundation



OPIHI COLLEGE SENIOR BALL

