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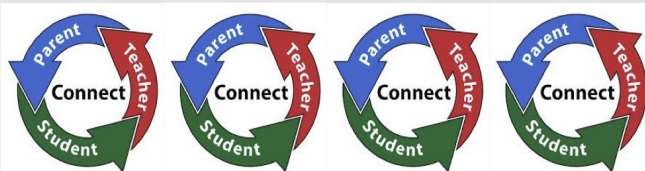
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## STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

8.30am—8.00pm Tuesday 11th September 2018

**Reminder: There will not be any classes on this day**

## CONFERENCES



THE EASY WAY TO BOOK

### SCHOOL INTERVIEWS

Now you can book school interviews for the times that suit you. Simply enter the event code and press "Go".

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SCHOOLS

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PARENTS



**Tuesday 11th September 8.30am - 8.00pm**

The second stage of conferencing for 2018 will take place on September 11th 2018. There will be no classes on September 11th to allow staff to meet with whanau. Please book a session with your child's whanau/mentor teacher. The whanau teacher is someone who sees your child every day and is able to provide a holistic overview of their progress and facilitate discussion around your child's learning. Please book at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) using the code **g9jwv**. In this conference Options Choices will be discussed and progress towards Junior Graduation (Yr 7-10) and NCEA (Yr 11-13) will be discussed.

All students are expected to attend their conference on the day, and attendance will be marked.



## 2018 CULTURAL COMPETITION RESULTS

- 1st Rata
- 2nd Opihi
- 3rd Aoraki
- 4th Pacific

Congratulations to all who took part, and grateful thanks to our guest judges Mrs Marryatt, Mr Weepu and Miss Johnson.

*Pictured: Rata House Leaders Mya Stratford, Shae Twaddle-Best and Cole Robertson*

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Hazel Johnston who recently was awarded Highly Commended for her entry in the Year 7/8 Extra Magazine Short Story competition. Well done Hazel!



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## From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Firstly and most importantly, don't forget that we are holding conferencing next Tuesday, so remember to log in to the school interviews website and make your appointment with your student/s whanau teacher. If you require assistance in making your bookings please phone the school office. A reminder that there are no scheduled classes on this day, so that staff are available throughout the day for meetings. If you and your student do not attend a meeting they will be marked as truant for the day (unless you have contacted us to advise of sickness or another commitment).

A fortnight ago we held our yearly Cultural Competition. Each House performed well, and as a judge I can assure you that it was not easy making the final decisions. I am sure many of you have seen photos and video of the event online and are aware that this year's victors are Rata House. Congratulations Rata! Thank you very much to Elizabeth Maryatt and Irai Weepu who made up the rest of the judging panel. Your input, and preparedness to officiate made the competition possible.

On Sunday Opihi College hosted the second duathlon. The rain held off for us, which was a relief, and everyone I spoke to told me they'd really enjoyed the event. We are hoping that this was the inaugural pair of events, and that we can continue to host this duo in the coming years. The planning for the event was quite an undertaking and the management on the day was seamless. Thank you to all those who participated. Thanks also must go to all those who volunteered in roles to support the race, your input was invaluable and the reason the event was successful. Lastly thanks to the sponsors who donated prizes for place-winners and for spot prizes.

This week we have a senior netball team away at tournament in Dunedin, and 3 of our boys are away playing for a Geraldine/Temuka combined

team at the rugby tournament in Queenstown. Congratulations to all players who have shown great sportsmanship and represented us with honour.

Lastly, seniors don't forget you are heading rapidly towards the end of your school year. You only have six school weeks left to complete all of your course work and hand in your assessments. Make the most of that time!

**Tohaina ō painga ki te ao.**

(Share your gifts with the world.)

Ka kite ano.

Tina Johnson

Principal



149 Domain Avenue  
Temuka

Dear Principal and Board of Trustees of Opihi College,

The committee of Temuka Sports Group would like to thank you for hosting the Temuka Sports Group Primary Winter Sports Tournament on 22 August 2018.

Many people commented on how wonderful the grounds were looking and we really appreciate the time and effort the property team put in to preparing things, especially the excellent field marking. The event was much enjoyed by the participating schools, and it would not have been possible without all of the effort and organisation put in by Kate Manson. The lovely afternoon tea was a highlight too ☺

We would also like to thank you for 'lending us' your year 9 and 10 students to help with refereeing and managing teams. Their help was invaluable, and they were all friendly, polite, and a credit to you and their parents.

I hope that you and your students enjoyed their day as much as we did,

Catherine Neill  
On behalf of  
Temuka Sports Group.

## EDUCATION PERFECT SCIENCE

In 2017, the Science Faculty trialled an online learning programme called Education Perfect which aids the teaching and learning in the subject. Students have access to this both in the classroom and at home. Education Perfect is a platform designed to make learning fun, engaging and effective. The programme allows staff to track student progress, engagement, set tasks and assessments.

There is also an option for parents/caregivers to be emailed when tasks and assessments are set. This is a beneficial aspect of Education Perfect.

The cost has been negotiated down to \$8.80 for access for 2018 which is outstanding value. This amount includes entry into all Education Perfect Competitions. For senior students who are studying multiple science disciplines, they have access to all Science areas.

A letter informing parents of Education Perfect was sent out in Term 1. This is a reminder that the above amount will be added to student accounts. If you have any questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to get in contact.

Kind regards

Ashley Herbert  
Head of Science

## NETBALL RAFFLE RESULTS

Here are the lucky winners from our recent netball raffle:



1st	Willowbank Family Pass	Ali Tarrant
2nd	\$50 Austin 92 Voucher	Lesley Brenton
3rd	Talbot Forest Cheese pack	Andrena McCallum
4th	Gift Basket	Cindy Coskerie
5th	Gift Basket	Sjaan Cameron
6th	Movie Tickets	Helen Dianne Manson-Morland
7th	Orana Park passes	Graham Melhopt
8th	Flip Out passes	Nicola Nimo
9th	Haircut at Ellies Barbers	Candey Stone
10th	Haircut at Ellies Barbers	Geneva Hati

*Thank you to all that supported our tournament teams*

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

September	7	SCPSSA Gym Festival
	7	Senior Reports issued
	11	Student Led Conferences <i>There will not be any classes on this day</i>
	13	HPV Vaccination <i>For consenting Yr 8 students only</i>
	14	Aoraki Table Tennis
	14	ARA Welding course - Yr 12
	19	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
	21	ARA Welding course -Yr12
	24	South Canterbury Anniversary Day <i>Statutory Holiday—School closed for instruction</i>
	25	OED Tramping and Camping Trip to Cass Lagoon
	26 27	'Haunted Classroom' Fundraiser
	27	SCPSSA Inter Regional Cross Country
	28	End of Term 3

## 2018 TERM DATES

Term 3 Mon 23rd July—Fri 28th Sept 2018  
Term 4 Mon 15th Oct—Wed 12th Dec 2018

## HPV (HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS) VACCINATION

On Thursday 13th September in the morning, consented Year 8 students will receive their second HPV vaccine. Please have breakfast before school and something to eat at interval. Any enquiries or concerns contact Claire Neilson, Public Health Nurse, phone 027 247 9301.

## CUPS AND TROPHIES

Could all Opihi College Cups and Trophies please be cleaned and returned to the office.  
*Thank you*

## SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT

A reminder of our policy, as adopted by the Opihi College Board of Trustees in 2015:  
***Smoking is banned on school grounds by staff, students or visitors; and this includes all artificial smoking devices (such as e-cigarettes and vaping devices).***

# INTRODUCING ...



## Mr Thompson

Mr Paul Thompson has recently joined the Opihi College whanau. He comes from Teteko, a small town in the Eastern Bay of Plenty. For 12 years he has taught in Whakatane at Trident High school made up of 1240 students, before making the move to Temuka to teach science to both junior and senior students. Before teaching, Mr Thompson spent timing working in the electricity industry, running the national grid. While Mr Thompson enjoys being active, spending time fishing, hunting, scuba diving and biking, he also enjoys spending time reading, and time with his wife and Labrador.



## Niwa Sensei

Niwa Sensei has also recently joined the Opihi College whanau. She comes from a prefecture in Japan, called Gifu where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She is working as a Japanese assistant teacher here at Opihi, though in Japan, she worked at a Japanese school taking care of foreign exchange students. Niwa Sensei, has many hobbies including cooking, listening to music, window shopping and travelling. She also enjoys learning new and challenging things, such as living in a foreign country.

## Carla Meyer

Carla is a student from Germany who is in New Zealand on an exchange for around 10 months, though she would love to stay for longer. She has been learning English for 8 years and so far thinks New Zealand is much better than Germany, though she misses her motorcycle and german bread. Karla enjoys playing volleyball, spending time with all kinds of animals, watching tv shows and Marvel movies, reading books and listening to music.

*Contributed by roving reporter Louise Rippin.*

## Sara Sundell

Sara is an exchange student from Finland who will be staying with us until April next year. She has been studying English for four years and thinks New Zealand is great. She loves her host family and is having lots of fun making new friends during her stay. While Sara is here, she is taking Japanese, Maths, English, Geography, Outdoor Ed and Tourism, some of which are completely new classes for her. She enjoys playing tennis, cross country skiing, going to youth groups, being outdoors with her family and staying active.

## UNIFORM

The Opihi College office has in stock a full range of Opihi College PE tops—we now have every size available for purchase (from sizes 6—20). All \$60 each.

We have in stock a range of short sleeve white shirts and blouses for seniors. These are a high quality shirt made from a lovely thick fabric, and priced at \$40 each.

A range of Opihi College hats are available for purchase -your choice of a cap, a bucket hat or a beanie - new hats are all \$10 each. We also have a selection of second hand uniform for sale on behalf.

**Our lost property bin is overflowing!!**  
**The bin is now located at the office -all welcome to come and check through it at any time.**

***A friendly reminder to please name all uniform.***



**OPIHI COLLEGE**

Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920, New Zealand

**5<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**Board of Trustees Election**

**Declaration of Student  
Representative Election Results**

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

**Aaliyah Fenton**

Signed

*Sharyn Patrick*  
Returning Officer

## BANDQUEST 2018

Band Quest this year was held in Christchurch on the 22nd of August. Opihi College sent two junior bands to the national event. Our first timers had an awesome evening and made us all proud. Chisnalwood Intermediate dominated the evening with seven bands but Opihi can hold their heads up high after solid performances. Congratulations to mentors Jess Marshall, Olivia Andreassend, Kyal Dickson, Reef Brazendale and Aaliyah Lovatt for coaching our juniors up to this level. Demons of the Dark are; Kittie Ellis-vocals, Brylee Crawford-drums, Hazel Johnston-guitar, Rexxa Albarico-guitar, Katie Renwick-Bass. Rugtugs are; Bailee Bryce-Gillett-Bass, Regan Thomas-vocals, Ethan Webb-drums, Simon Lehman-guitar, Molly Keenan-vocals, Jamie Leigh Gibson-vocals. Looking forward to Rock Quest next year!



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## WATER SCIENCE TRIP

Our Sci301 class from recently spent the day with Debbie Eddington from ECAN testing water quality down the Waihi River. We began at the Waihi George and did a range of sampling methods at four locations down the river until it joined with the Temuka River. We investigated the invertebrate biodiversity as a method for checking water quality, as well as clarity, temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and conductivity. It was interesting to sample the invertebrates as we had not realised the types and numbers in this local river. Thanks to Debbie for spending the day with us and showing us the different techniques that can be used to check water quality.



# OPIHI COLLEGE SPORTS NEWS

## POOL

Congratulations to Shae Twaddle-Best.  
After another successful national junior competition held recently in Christchurch, Shae is now ranked in the Top 8 U18 players in NZ for both pairs and singles.  
*Well done!*

## RUGBY

Congratulations to Simon Lehmann, Ryan Sherriff-Wardell and Jesse Ferguson on their selection to the South Canterbury Under 12 and Under 13 representative rugby teams.  
*Well done!*

## NETBALL

Our senior netball team have been away competing at the SISS Netball tournament in Dunedin this week.  
*Congratulations on achieving 7th place (of 12 teams).*



South Canterbury  
Softball  
Association



GIVE T-BALL OR SOFTBALL A GO DAY

SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER


UNDER 12 11.00AM-NOON  
12ys+ 12.00PM-1.00PM

SIR BASIL ARTHUR PARK, WASHDYKE

GIVE AWAYS AND PRIZES

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



  
SOUTH CANTERBURY  
SOFTBALL ASSN INC

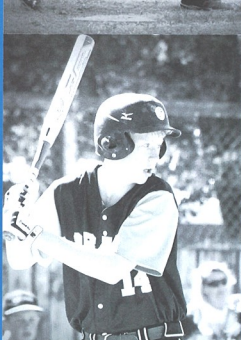
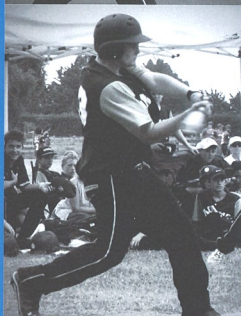
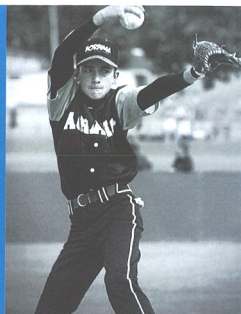
## TRAINING SESSION WITH ELE PAPANUI PREMIER MENS TEAM

Come join in!  
Skills Training session and exhibition  
game with some of SOUTH  
CANTERBURY'S FINEST

10.30-11.30 fielding skills & drills  
11.30-12.30 batting skills  
1pm Game!!

SEPT 15 2018  
MORRISON PARK  
10.30AM START

Register your interest via our facebook  
page



## TEMUKA COLOUR CANTER

A Fun Run or Walk With Colour

Temuka Domain Oval  
Saturday 27th October 2018

LIVE MUSIC • FOOD STALLS  
SPOT PRIZES

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE  
Visit the website for full ticket information,  
fees, event & registration details.

[www.temukacolourcanter.co.nz](http://www.temukacolourcanter.co.nz)

Thank you to our elite sponsors



# OPIHI COLLEGE WINTER DUATHLON

## WINTER DUATHLON RACE 2 HELD SEPTEMBER 2ND 2018

### Long Course

Overall

**Run 4km, Cycle 21.6km, Run 2km**

Jared Millar Time 56:06 mins

Female

Emily Bell

Female - 40 +

Jo Grace

Female - Open

Emily Bell

Male

Jared Millar

Male - 40 +

Peter Burton

Male - Open

Jared Millar

Male - Under 18

Cameron Prattley

Team - Open

Maungati Warriors

(Kurt Engelbrecht & Anthony Holland)

### Short Course

Overall

**Run 2km, Cycle 10.8km, Run 1km**

Cody Crawshaw

Female - Open

Leilani Guilford

Female - Under 13 yrs

Charlotte Connolly

Male - 40 +

David Turner

Male - Open

Chris Herbert

Male - Under 13 years

Caleb Turner

Male - Under 18 years

Cody Crawshaw

Team - Open

Dad's Awesome

(Natalie Holland & Dave Holland)

Team - Under 13

Thomas & Matthew

(Thomas Anderson & Matthew Anderson)

Team - Under 18

Opihi College Boys

(Lachlan Ackroyd & Jack Joyce)

***Opihi College gratefully acknowledges the support of our generous sponsors:***

***Kinsman Contracting, Eastside Butchery, Bairds Motordrome, Temuka Transport, Tyre General Temuka, Tangles Hair Salon, The Cyclery, Roberts Pharmacy, Frontrunner, Placemakers, Fairlie Museum & Café.***

***A big "Thank You" to the following for their kind assistance with this event:***

- ***SC Pacers Club***
- ***Timaru District Council & Fulton Hogan for assisting with the event traffic management plan***
- ***S J Allen for traffic management***
- ***K W Contracting for First Aid provision***
- ***Our volunteer marshalls***
- ***Mr Grace for his thorough organization of this event which has raised \$1,800 for the Opihi College Outdoor Education Department and new sports uniforms***



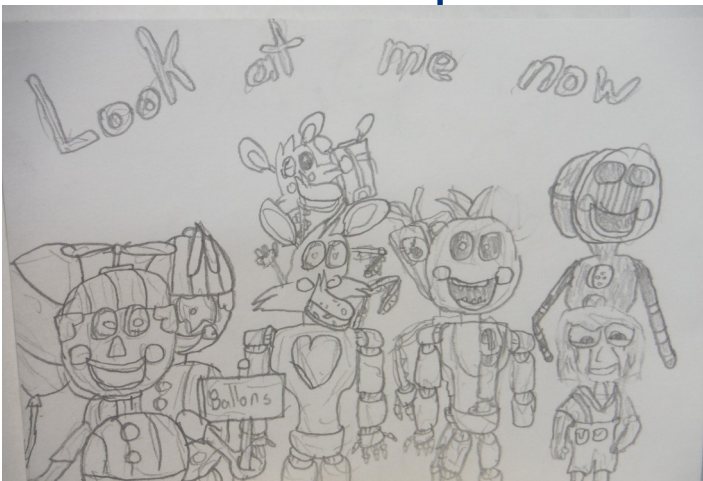
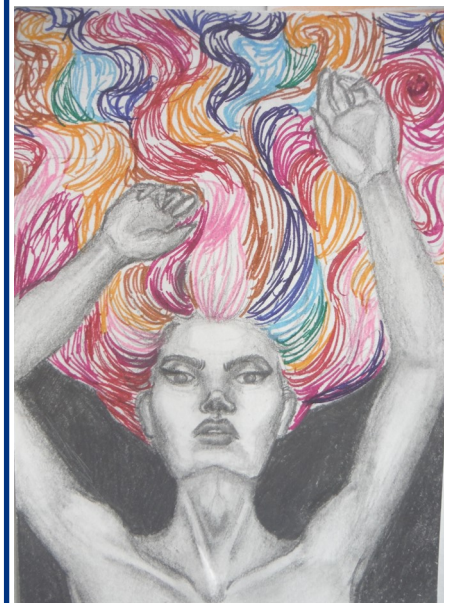
# ARTS WEEK AT OPIHI COLLEGE



## A6 ART COMPETITION RESULTS

Year 7	1st	Ollie Reid
	2nd	Julian Kaan
	3rd	Katie Renwick
Year 8	1st	Rexxa Albarico
	2nd	Kristian Recio
Year 9	1st	Ashleigh Griffiths
Year 10	1st	Cameron Stone
	2nd	Dylan Stone
	3rd	Kenneth Recio
Year 11	1st	Ava Venn
	2nd	Shalai Gibson
Year 12	1st	Cody Crawshaw
	2nd	Shekinah Welford
Year 13	1st	Ashley Neame
	2nd	Toni Doake

Artists work pictured: Upper Left Rexxa Albarico, Left Ashleigh Griffiths, Lower Left Ollie Reid. Upper Right Ashley Neame, Right Te Horo Awhina Te Rahui Harris, Lower Right Cameron Stone.



## OPIHI COLLEGE SCIENCE FAIR

Opihi College Science Department would like to thank all whanau and friends who supported our Year 7/8 students at the Science Fair Exhibition. There was a great selection of investigations this year and great presentations. The school hall was a hive of activity. A special thanks to Mrs Wood, Mr Goodman, Mr Thompson, Mrs Meechang and Anna McNoe for all giving up time to assist our students. Great work students and winners will be announced soon. Watch this space!



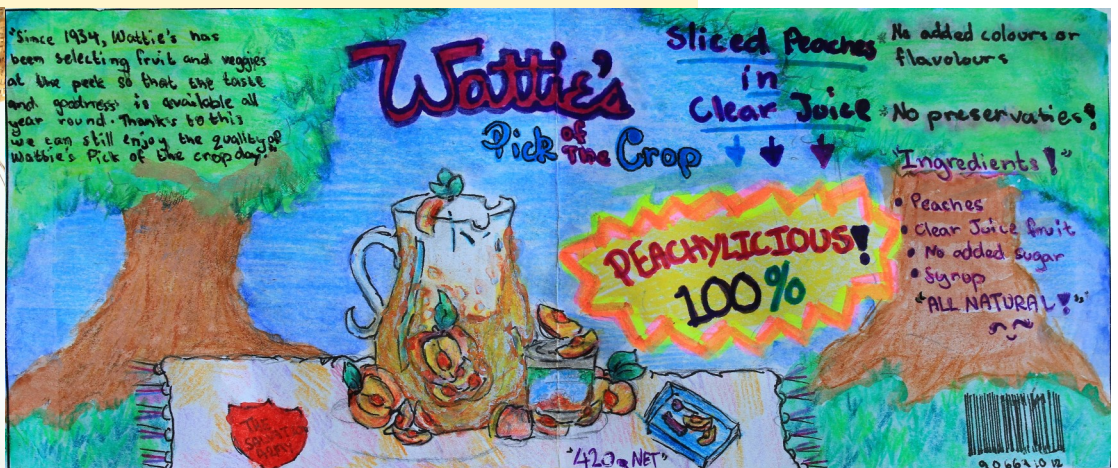
# 'CANS FOR GOOD'

On 24th of August Opihi College hosted a Cans For Good mufti day. On the day we received a total of approximately 300 cans. Leading up to this event we held numerous competitions that staff and students could all participate in. One of these competitions was a design a can label. This entailed students designing their own can label for a tin of Watties Peaches. We had numerous entries come in but only one could win. Rexxa Albarico (13) with her "Peachylicious" design took first place. Rexxa's label was then sent away to Watties New Zealand to compete in the nationwide competition. We were recently informed that Rexxa was one of the top winners in the country with a prize coming her way. We would like to congratulate Rexxa for her outstanding achievement from the Opihi College Whanau. **Well Done Rexxa!!**

Sophie & Liam



Pictured above is the Opihi College entry into the Watties Cans for Good creative design competition. This was created from the donated cans of food before the Salvation Army collected them.





**New Zealand, Fiji & Tonga Territory**  
Te Ope Whakaora The Salvation Army

Caring for people. Transforming lives. Reforming society.

4 September 2018

Opihi College  
83 Richard Pearce Drive  
TEMUKA 7920

Attn: Polly Rowe

Dear Polly

Watties Cans for Good Promotion

Recently your school generously supplied a large number canned food products to the Salvation Army Food Bank here in Timaru. We simply want to express our gratitude and appreciation for your generosity.

Your gift will assist a number of families and individuals to meet the needs within often very complex and demanding circumstances.

Enclosed is a certificate from Watties acknowledging your school's participation and support. Please accept our thanks and know that your gift has and will make a difference in your local community.

Kind regards



A Rosanowski  
Manager  
Community Ministries Team  
Timaru

## CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Awarded to:  
*Opihi College*

Date: *August 2018*

For involvement in the  
**'CANS FOR GOOD' INITIATIVE**  
Collecting cans to help fill Salvation Army foodbanks.

  
Heinz Wattie, New Zealand.



  
The Salvation Army, New Zealand.




Te Ope Whakaora

# HORROR IN H-BLOCK

WED 26TH & THU 27TH SEPTEMBER  
6.30PM - 9.30PM

STROBE  
LIGHTS

Stalls | Raffle | Food & Drinks

FUNDRAISING

Stairs, no wheel chair access

For 10 years old and over

\$5 per person | Family of 4 = \$15

Opihi College Temuka

Any inquiries contact Polly on 027 589 0148