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LIGHTS

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

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 inquires contact Polly on 027 589 0148

From Across the Principal's Desk



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Seniors

Your senior students have been sitting their school exams this week. It is important that we assess and collect data on the chance that it is required for assessment purposes at the end of the year. It is also excellent practice for students before they begin the external exams in November. Students should pay close attention to the grades they have achieved in their school exams, as this gives them a good indication of how much more work they need to put into their study and revision.

I know I've mentioned how little time our seniors have left to complete their learning and assessments in the last few newsletters, but it still bears further mention. They have just one week of this term, then three weeks left at the start of Term 4, by which time they need to have completed their year's work. This means that they should all be using the holidays to do revision and work on their course work. It is important that they manage their time effectively so that they are fully prepared to hand work in by due dates, and your support may well be required to ensure that they have time set aside throughout the break to prepare for the final days of school for 2018 and for exams.

Buildings

We are still working through the process of removing H Block. We cannot begin the actual demolition process until we have new classrooms on site. We have been waiting for these for quite some time, having been advised that they would be built in term 3; however, we now have assurance from the Ministry of Education property team that the new buildings will be on site by the end of October. So we are hoping that H Block will come down this summer.

As I am sure you are aware, as a farewell to the building, we are hosting a Horror event in the building next week. It is shaping up to be a terrifying experience – so come along! See how much you can handle!

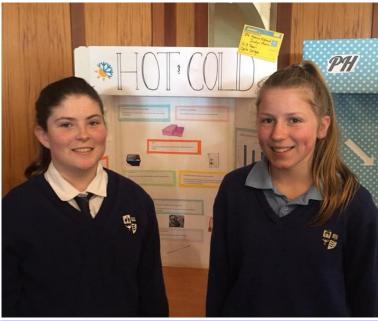
Safe travels to our Japanese Language group who are about to depart on a three week Japanese language study trip to Japan with Mr Lindblom.

Tohaina ō painga ki te ao. (Share your gifts with the world.) Ka kite ano.

Tina Johnson

RECENT GRADUATES The following former Opihi College students have			
recently graduated from Victoria University in			
Wellington:			
Joseph Cruden	Master Of Arts		
Paul Dunham	Bachelor of Music with Honours		
Polly Stafford	PGCert of Nursing Science		
Congratulations to them on their wonderful success.			





SANFORDS SCIENCE FAIR

Well done to our students who attended the Sanfords Science Fair. We had a great time and learnt so much about the process of investigation.

Congratulations to Amelia Holland and Jordyn Morris who were awarded a Bronze medal at this competition.

Pictured above: Bronze medal winners Amelia Holland and Jordyn Morris.

KIWI COMPETITIONS

We had a number of students who participated in the English, Maths and Science Kiwi Competitions recently. Congratulations to all and a special congratulations to the following students who scored highly:

ENGLISH

Excellence Mitchell Brookland Emily Wells

Georgia Hammond Brooke Thomas

<u>Merit</u> Kenneth Recio

SCIENCE

<u>Achieved</u> Mitchell Brookland Brooke Thomas

MATHS

<u>Merit</u> Mitchell Brookland

<u>Achieved</u> Kenneth Recio



FOR YOUR CALENDAR			
September	24	South Canterbury Anniversary Day Statutory Holiday—School closed for instruction	
	25	OED Tramping and Camping Trip to Cass Lagoon	
	26 27	'Horror in H-Block' Fundraiser 6.30 - 9.30pm	
	27	SCPSSA Inter Regional Cross Country	
	28	Loud Shirt Day Mufti Day fundraiser	
	28	End of Term 3	
October	15	Start of Term 4	
	22	Labour Day Statutory Holiday—School closed for instruction	
	31	Last Day for Senior Students	
November	7	NCEA Examinations Begin	
December	11	Awards Ceremony	

CUPS AND TROPHIES

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



OPIHI COLLEGE INTERHOUSE SPORTS

















OPIHI COLLEGE SPORTS NEWS

FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Liam Stone and Aidan Cornelius who have been selected for the South Canterbury 11th Grade football team, and will be travelling to Nelson for tournament in the school holidays. *Good Luck Liam and Aidan!*



NETBALL AWARD

Temuka Netball Coach Dianne Manson was recently honoured with an award for service to South Island Secondary School Netball.

Dianne's first association with the SISS netball tournament was in 1974. She was a 4th former in the Temuka High School 'D' team, but was promoted to be a member of the tournament team.

22 years later, in 1996, after years of association with netball in Temuka, Dianne was appointed coach of the Temuka High 'A' team. The following year she was the driving force behind the establishment of a school team that played in the Timaru competition all season—instead of the girls playing for local clubs and only coming together for the SISS tournament.

Since 1996, Dianne has had two breaks from coaching secondary school girls but each time she has returned to the role that she loves, and this year she is in her 17th year of coaching at Opihi College (formerly Temuka High School).

Dianne is passionate about netball, an extremely knowledgeable coach and is an astute judge of a player's ability and potential. While she was thrilled when Opihi College were 'B' grade co-winners in 2013, Dianne also gets great satisfaction from the improvements and development made by the less experienced members of the teams she coaches. She cares for the overall welfare of her players and they appreciate the time and effort she spends on them.

Congratulations and Thank You Dianne! A worthy winner of this accolade.

NETBALL

On Friday we had our break up and recapped another great season of netball. All four teams performed very well, greatly improved their skills and represented our school with heart and determination. Many thanks to parents and supporters who encouraged the girls from the sideline week after week. Thanks also to those that helped with fundraising to get teams to tournaments. Thank you to Mary Cumming and Natalie Bergamini for going to tournaments and looking after the girls. And a very special thanks to our coaches Dianne Manson, Steph Esler, Haidee McMillan, Maria Bennett-Harford, Geneva Hati and Soriya Halkett. Without them giving up their time and energy none of this would be possible. Can't wait for next season!!

Cindy Coskerie Netball Convenor

Netball Awards:

<u>Opihi A (Yr 9-13)</u> Hailey Larsen –Player of the Year Sophie Hall - Most Improved Player Anika Smith –SISS Senior Tourn Most Improved Player Hailey Larsen –Team Mate Award Geneva Hati –Team Mate Award

<u> Opihi B (Yr 9-13)</u>

Georgia Hammond –Most Valuable Player Natalie Stone –Most Improved Player Kirsty McBride –Team Mate Award

<u>Opihi Blue (Year 8)</u> Molly Davidson –Player of the Year Thea McNoe –Most Improved Player Anika Bagrie –Team Mate Award

<u>Opihi Black (Year 7)</u> Kiya Hogg—Most Valuable Player Molly Keenan –Best Team Player Isobel Bennett –Team Mate Award Molly Keenan –Team Mate Award

Thank you also to Cindy Coskerie who has tirelessly organised not only netball, but also amazing fundraisers for netball this season. Thanks Cindy!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to two of our staff members who are travelling to compete in national sports competitions: Mr Bruce Mattingly is travelling to tournament this week with the South Canterbury Senior Mens hockey team. Mrs Sharyn Patrick is competing in the national Superchamps squash tournament in Christchurch. *Best of Luck!*





Well Done to our Opihi College Music students who entertained the crowds at the Temuka Primary School Spring Fair held on Saturday.



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.

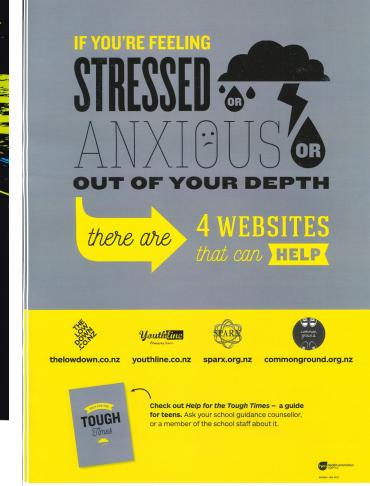


A range of Opihi college hats are available for purchase your choice of a cap, a bucket hat or a beanie - new hats are all \$10 each. We also have a selection of second hand uniform for sale on behalf.

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.

Pictured: Above -Liam Pelvin Left - Jess Marshall Far Left - Luke Smith on drums





TIME TO TRY A NEW SPORT

CRICKET

South Canterbury Cricket Association Club registration days as below: TEMUKA 4.30-5.30pm Wednesday 26th Gunnion Square



Wednesday 26th September Gunnion Square pavilion Whitcombe Street, Temuka GERALDINE Contact Jolene 027 656 4115 PLEASANT POINT Phone Brent 027 28 4768

TENNIS

Temuka Tennis Club have a professional coach and welcome players of all ages and abilities. Any queries please phone 0274 607 116.



HORSE RIDING

School Holiday horse riding with Peel Forest Horse Trekking: Enjoy a one hour trek for 1 adult & 1 child for \$100 (usually \$120). Extra children \$50 and Adult \$65 (special only one per group) or family of 4 for \$200.

TEMUKA

TOUCH

Season Commences

Wednesday 17 October 2018

Gunnion Square, Domain Avenue, Temuka

Contact Pennie at 03 686 3703 or contact@peelforesthorsetrekking.co.nz

SOFTBALL

Temuka Softball Club registrations now open!

Grades are: * U7 & U9 Tee Ball, * U11 & U14 Junior softball * Secondary grade softball

Subs range from \$35–55 with family discounts available. Games are held on a Friday night in Washdyke at Morrison Park (with the exception of secondary grade which is on a Wednesday night).

You can register online at *www.sporty.co.nz/softball*. If you have any questions please contact Elyse on 027 424 8746

SPORTS AWARDS

If you would like to nominate a sportsperson for the upcoming South Canterbury Sports Awards, please contact Mrs Cuthbert in the Library.



SQUASH pine **School Holiday** Programme Come along, 'Have a Go' and increase your squash skills. When: Tuesday 2nd & Tuesday 9th October Where: Timaru Squash Club, 22 Brunswick Street, Timaru Times for each day: 'Have a Go' - (under 12 yrs; new to squash) 10.00am to 11.00am J-Graders - (under 12 yrs) 11.00am to 12.00pm Youth - (13yrs and over; all levels) 12.00pm to 1.00pm Cost: \$10 for one day or \$15 for two days Register online at: www.sporty.co.nz/squashmidlands Contact: Andrina Stoddart Email: sidomidands@hotmail.com Cell: 027 376 6881

TRY IT. PLAY IT. LOVE IT.

GRADES

Year 9-13

JUNIORS Year 5-8

ENTRY FEES: OPEN AND MIXED YOUTH & JUNIORS

OPEN

\$50.OO PER TEAM \$30 PER TEAM

Entry Forms available from Heather George, 27 Princes Street Temuka – Phone 6158963

Entries Close: F

MIXED

Friday 12 October 2018





Locals Weekend! Sat 27th & Sun 28th October *Conditions apply & bookings essential, quote 'Local' 03 696 3735 info@rafts.co.nz



1-5 October 2018 The Southern Trust Events Centre, Morgan's Road, Timaru

Need care for your children whilst working or just want some stimulation for them in a safe, happy and active environment?

Active Kids is an affordable holiday option that combines a large variety of sports, fundamental skills & offsite visits for children <u>aged 5-13 years</u> Full day (8.30-5) and half day (8.30-12) options available from as little as \$15 per session.

REGISTER TODAY



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 TUESDAY** <u>25th September 2018</u>



It's back! All the crazy, bouncy, exciting fun of Bubble Football, now at our great new location at West End Park in Timaru! Go to <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BubbleFootball-TIM</u> to register your team today in either of our two fun-filled leagues:

YOUTH LEAGUE (\$240, 5-8 team members, male/female/mixed) > Males age 12-16 years / Females age 12-18 years

> Game time 4-6:30 pm

SENIOR LEAGUE (\$260, 5-8 team members, male/female/mixed) > Males age 16 +years / Females age 18+ years > Game time 6:30-9:30 pm

More info contact: James Coyle / 027 808 4311 / james@ymcasc.org.nz