# Opihi - on campus







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### CROSS COUNTRY RELAY SUCCESS



**Congratulations** to the Opihi College junior cross country relay team who represented the school last week at the inaugural Cross Country relay competition held at Caroline Bay, Timaru. The Year 7 & 8 boys team were placed First in their grade - Well Done! Thank you to Mr Dominikovich, Mrs Herbert, Mr Goodman and Mr Grace for their time and expertise training the team over the past weeks, and to Joyce Building for their generous sponsorship of the team shirts.

Pictured above in their new shirts are: (Back) Lachlan Welsh, Lachlan Ackroyd, Ryan Sherriff-Wardell, Regan Thomas, Chloe Kerslake, Grace Bennett, Charlotte Bennett, Anika Bagrie. (Front): Jayden Whitta, Jack Joyce, Kodi Kellas-Taylor, Keira Narayan, Kittie McDonald-Ellis, Katie Renwick, Bella Williams, Julian Kaan. Pictured below: Julian Kaan, Opihi College junior cross country team with Mrs Herbert & Mr Grace, and Kodi Kellas-Taylor.









# ARMISTICE18



Thank you to all the Opihi College students, staff and board members who represented Opihi College at the Temuka Armistice Day parade and ceremony.



#### **HOST FAMILIES WANTED**

Host families for international students are required for Term 1 of 2019. The students will be attending Opihi College. Board will be paid to host families (of \$220 per week for 11 weeks).

If you are interested please contact: Polly Rowe, International Students Co-ordinator by phoning 027 58 90 148 or email rowep@opihicollege.school.nz



#### **CUPS AND TROPHIES**

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



FOR YOUR CALENDAR		
November	28	Tri sports exchange - Mackenzie, Waimate & Opihi College at Mackenzie College
	28	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
	29	Yr 13 Graduation Dinner
	30	NCEA Examinations End
	30	Junior reports issued
December	4-7	Year 7 Camp at Raincliff
	4	SCPSSA Athletics
	10	Yr 7 Post Camp Activities Yr 8-10 Activities (at school) All students to wear mufti please
	11	Awards Ceremony

2019 CALENDAR		
January	21	Office opens
	28	Senior Course Confirmation
	29	Senior Mentors
	30	Year 7's start
	31	Whole school starts
February	6	Waitangi Day Statutory Holiday—School closed for instruction
April	12	End of Term 1

#### CONGRATULATIONS

#### **Music Examinations:**

Congratulations to Jessica Marshall and Emily Wells for passing their Trinity College piano exams on November 9th. Jessica passed Grade 5 with Distinction. Emily passed Initial Grade with Distinction.

#### **Scholarships:**

A huge congratulations to the following students who have been awarded Scholarships to go towards Tertiary Study:



**Louise Rippin** - Sasakawa Scholarship

**Te Horo Awhina Te Rahui-Harris** - UC Emerging Leaders and Otago University Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship



Thank you to all the Opihi College students who ran through Temuka with Perry Newburn on his record-breaking run. He ran the length of New Zealand, Cape Reinga to Bluff, in 18 days, 8 hours and 42 minutes. Perry has been raising awareness and funds for Autism along the way, with his Givealittle fundraiser page perry-runs-nz-for-autism.

OPIHI COLLEGE FUNDRAISER RE-USABLE

**NYLON BAGS** 

\$5



Here at Opihi College we have a limited supply of multi purpose nylon bags that fold up into a small carry case. Ideal little Christmas presents at just \$5 each! Great to keep in the car ready for the groceries. Wonderful to keep in the sports bag for wet or muddy shoes and boots. Handy in the gym bag for your wet towel. Marvellous for use as a swimming bag. We have a variety of colours and designs available at the school office for purchase while stocks last.

#### **School Accounts / Class Activities**

The final student accounts have been sent out for the year. You will see that class activity amounts have been adjusted accordingly and credit's applied to accounts or other charges. Year's 9, 10, 11 and 13 had no activities this year. Year's 7 and 8 students had swimming lessons, first aid and the Life Education van. Year 12's took part in the RYDA programme.

Did you know that you can claim 33% of all donations and contributions back from Inland Revenue? We are able to print off a donation receipt if you would like to do this.

We would appreciate it if families could have their school accounts settled by the last day of school. We encourage those that find paying these accounts a struggle to phone the office and make an appointment to see Miss Johnson as we do have limited funds available to help. We also strongly advise setting up a weekly payment of \$5-\$10. This helps spread the cost over the year and you will be surprised how fast things get paid off. You may even build up a credit which you can either carry over or get refunded at the end of each year.

If you have any queries about your account please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

#### ALI'S BARBER SHOP

Ali's Barber Shop on King Street, Temuka have a job available for a student (aged 14 years or older) to work in the shop on Saturday mornings from 10.00am to 12.30pm and during the school holidays. If you are interested, please pop into Ali's Barber Shop.

#### CARE BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:

#### Silver Awards

**E** = Cole Robertson, Chimera Miller, Amelia Holland, Robbie Johnson, Aaliyah Deer, Varshini Velmurugan, Ava Hitchen



#### Bronze Awards

- **C** = Amelia Holland, Kodi Kellas-Taylor, Vishwapriyan Velmurugan, Noah Drake, Cochise Jones, Tyler Plumridge, Chloe Kerslake, Nicholas Johnstone, Anika Smith, Natalie Stone
- A = Charlotte Bennett, Shalai Gibson
- **R** = Halle Welford, Robbie Johnson, Molly Keenan, Porsha Speeden
- **E** = Ella McNoe, Maisie Harvey, Katie Renwick, Kittie Ellis-McDonald, Piper-Lee Suddens, Kenneth Recio, Charlotte Purkis, Kiya Hogg, Nick Dynes





Our junior art students have been busy creating some amazing art installations to brighten up our school. Pictured above with their Fish Mural are: (Back) Cullum Savage, Jessica West, Ethan Bolt, Coby Hines, Ollie Reid, Riley-James Wilson. (Front) Chloe Donaldson-Fitt, Kiya Hogg, Molly Keenan.



#### **AWARDS CEREMONIES**

**Tuesday 11th December** is the date of our annual Awards Ceremonies; our celebrations of student academic, sporting and cultural success which are being held this year at the Temuka Community Stadium (in the Temuka Domain).

Students will attend school in the morning, with Year 7 to 10 students beginning school at the usual 8.30am, and senior students attending at 9.30am. At 11.30am we will be holding our "Day Awards Ceremony" at the <u>Temuka Community Stadium</u> where we will celebrate sports, cultural and some academic achievements. Students will be released from the stadium to go home after that ceremony, at approximately 12.30pm, and then will return to the stadium at 6.45pm for the 'Evening Awards Ceremony'. Any bus students can return to school and will be supervised until 3.10pm when buses will run as usual.

### Parents/family/whanau are welcomed to both events. Please note change of venue: Temuka Community Stadium

The 'free' afternoon is in lieu of attending in the evening. All students are expected to attend the 'Evening Awards Ceremony' 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.

