

Opihi - on campus



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NEW RECORD AT OPIHI COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Congratulations to Cody Crawshaw who set a new Opihi College Triple Jump record at the Athletic Sports this week.



ATHLETICS TOURNAMENT HOUSE RESULTS

1st	Aoraki	752 points
2nd	Opihi	603.5 points
3rd	Pacific	594 points
4th	Rata	406.5 points

SWIMMING SPORTS HOUSE RESULTS

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

Swimming & Athletics Champions to be announced at our next assembly

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

The Opihi College Newsletter is published every fortnight on the Opihi College website. Paper copies will be printed **only for those who request them**. If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy of this newsletter, please complete slip below and return to the school office.

I would like to receive Newsletters in paper form

Student Name _____

Whanau Class _____

Parent Name _____

Signed _____



From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou katoa,

In order to leave plenty of space in this newsletter for photos, I'm going to keep my comments at a minimum this week.

During this fortnight we have had students involved in Fire Safety workshops, First Aid courses, Interview Skills sessions, our school Athletics, and our school Swimming Sports. We are aware that all of these activities have taken students away from their classwork, but we are also aware that in order to develop well-rounded students who are independent and confident, we must ensure that they are offered a wide variety of experiences. And we are definitely offering variety at Opihi College!

Sports

Last week we held our Swimming Sports, this week we held our Athletic Sports. These were very successful days and it was rewarding to see so many students participating in the various events. Many students have commented on how much they enjoyed the new swimming format. Occasions like athletics, and the Swimming Sports are made possible through the significant time and effort put in by staff (outside teaching time) both preparing for the events and on the day. We are very fortunate, as I know I've said before, to have such dedicated staff here at Opihi College – staff who really care about our students. I offer a huge thank you to all of the staff involved. As with any school event, it is always great to see parents and whanau attending to support students. So my thanks go to you too.

He waka eke noa. Nau te rourou, naku te rourou
ka ora ai te iwi.

Nga mihi.

Tina Johnson
Principal



This week work has begun on the demolition of the Opihi College H-Block. Two new pre-fab classrooms have been delivered to site for use during the construction of the building which will replace the H-Block.

GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES

Tuesday 19th March 2019

Appointments available 8.30am to 7.45pm

To book go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

And use the Event Code **gz6nk**

Appointments are for 25 minutes each with your child's **Whanau / Mentor Teacher**.

Please note there will be no classes on this day

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Friday 12th April 2019

Staff Professional Development Day

Please note there will be no classes on this day

STAFF CONTACT LIST 2019

Accounts & AP's	Ms Coskerie
Attendance	Mrs Rowe
Careers & Gateway	Mrs Shaw
Bus Controller	Mr Thompson
Bus Driver (Timaru)	Mr Ireland
Canteen	Mrs Taikato
Distance Learning / VC	Mrs Shaw
International Students	Mrs Rowe
Office	Mrs Walsh & Mrs Patrick

Senior Management Team:

Principal	Miss Johnson
Deputy Principal	Mr Callow
Assistant Principal	Mrs Rose
Senior Leader	Miss Henderson

Deans

Aoraki Dean	Mr Grace
Opihi Dean	Miss Sutherland
Pacific Dean	Ms Ellis
Rata Dean	Miss Henderson

Our Deans are not always available for telephone calls due to their teaching commitments, please feel free to e-mail them at anytime:

Mr Grace	graces@opihicollege.school.nz
Miss Sutherland	sutherlanda@opihicollege.school.nz
Miss Ellis	ellis@opihicollege.school.nz
Miss Henderson	hendersonv@opihicollege.school.nz

OPIHI COLLEGE PORTAL

Letters have been e-mailed to all parents and caregivers of all new students advising them of details to access their child's school records. Fortnightly reports are produced every fortnight for families. If you have not received this information, please contact the school office.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

March	3	Japan Day Trip <i>Christchurch</i>
	5	Rocky Shore Trip
	4-5	Gateway Fire Safety Course
	6-7	CHS Athletics <i>Twizel</i>
	11-12	Yr 13 Gateway Communication Course
	13	School Photos Aoraki Athletics
	15	SCPSS Triathlon
	19	Goal Setting Conferences <i>Please note there will be no classes on this day</i>
	20-22	Yrs 12 OED Tramp
	25-28	National Girls Volleyball Tournament <i>Christchurch</i>
	25	Public Health Nursing Immunisation <i>Year 7&8</i>
	27-29	Yr 13 Biology Trip <i>Portobello</i>
	29	SCPSS Swimming
April	12	Teacher Only Day <i>Staff Professional Development Day</i> End of Term 1

2019 TERM DATES

Term 1	Mon 31st Jan— Fri 12th April
Term 2	Mon 29th April—Fri 5th July
Term 3	Mon 22nd July—Fri 27th Sept
Term 4	Mon 14th Oct—Fri 13th Dec

SWIMMING PROGRAMME

Please note that the Year 7 & 8 PE swimming programme will be held in November 2019.



OPIHI COLLEGE STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Statements for all students are being prepared to be sent to all parents and caregivers by e-mail. If you would prefer for your school account to be printed and posted to you, could you please notify the school office.

NZQA FEES

A reminder to all families of students in Year's 11 – 13 that NZQA fees will need to be paid by the beginning of September. The fee for Domestic students is \$76.70 unless you qualify for Financial Assistance which reduces it to \$20.

To be eligible for financial assistance, the applicant (normally the parent or guardian of the candidate) must be the fee-payer and must apply under one of the following application types:

- * *Benefit applications – those receiving a Work and Income or Study Link Benefit*
- * *Income based applications – Community Services Card Holders*
- * *Multiple Candidate Applications – Where the total fees exceed \$200*

To apply for Financial Assistance you must complete an Application Form, available through the School Office or online at www.nzqa.govt.nz.

Please feel free to phone the School Office if you have any questions.

IMMUNISATIONS

*School Based Immunisations –
Year 7 DTaP (Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis/
Whooping Cough) and
Year 8 HPV (Human Papilloma Virus)*

By now your son or daughter will have given you a consent form to complete. PLEASE complete this form whether or not you want immunisation to be done at school. There is a section for consent and a separate section for non consent. PLEASE return forms to the school office by 28th February. The nurse is required to follow up non returns.

Immunisation day for Opihi College is Monday 25th March. Please ensure the student has a good breakfast on this day.

Any enquiries to:
Claire Neilson PHN



RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

Some of our Kowhai House students enjoying their weekly horse riding lessons.



HOT CROSS BUNS

TERM 1 FUNDRAISER

Money raised will go towards new computers and sport tracksuits

6 Pack \$4.00

Traditional or Chocolate

(School makes \$1.00 per pack sold)

Orders and money to be in by Friday 15th March

Pick up will be the last week of March – date to be confirmed

More order forms available from the office

Prizes for the top 5 sellers

CARE card for the top 10 sellers

One house point for every pack sold



Welcome to Japanese in 2019!

All students at Opihi College get a small taste of the Japanese language and culture in Years 7 and 8. Then they can choose to study the language more in depth from Year 9 to 13. The goal for many of the students is to travel to Japan and use what they've learned in real-life situations on the biennial school trip to Japan. Others choose Japanese because it's a bit different; it's a challenge and fun at the same time. Visit our school website for more information in the section called "Curriculum".



February: We welcome international students Erin Nakaya, Toma Naito and Yuri Oda, who will all help us with our Japanese studies while they're working on their English skills! Rinka Abe joins us for the whole year from Ikubunkan Global High School in Tokyo.

March: At the beginning of the month students will go to Christchurch to participate in Japan Day. It will be a fun filled day of Japanese cultural activities and Japanese musical entertainment.

March: Hina Inao, from our Japanese Sister City (Eniwa, Hokkaido) will visit us for three weeks and stay with Amelia Holland's family!

May: Language Perfect World Championships – A world-wide competition with big prizes open to all students.

June: Our senior students will travel to the University of Canterbury for a full day of studying Japanese with 300 other students and teachers from around Canterbury region.

June: The Year 10 Japanese Trivia Competition will be held in Dunedin. Let's keep up our winning tradition in this competition!

July: They're coming again! Don't miss out on your opportunity to host a student from Shigakukan High School (Chiba, Japan) for three weeks! Please tell Mr. Lindblom if you are interested.

September: Rugby World Cup 2019 in Japan!

October: Unfortunately, no Japanese Language Trip this year. The next trip will be in 2020! Arigato gozaimasu!

BEGINNERS CLASS Temuka Seido Karate

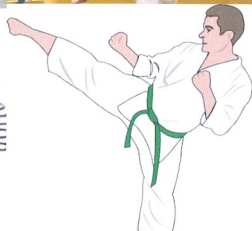
Start Date: Tuesday 12 th February 2019

Time: 6.00pm-7.00pm

Where: Alpine Energy Stadium, Temuka Domain, Temuka

Duration of Beginners Course: 12 weeks - one class per week, which upon completion, you are invited to your first grading

For more information: please contact Cherie Pierce 0276937576



Childrens Day

PUE TAMARIKI FIRST

childrensday.org.nz
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TE RĀ O NGĀ TAMARIKI
CHILDREN'S DAY

Sunday 3rd March 2019 10:00am - 2:00pm Caroline Bay Hall
Free activities and entertainment for families.

OUTWARD BOUND

COURSE PROGRAMMES - APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Outward Bound is one of New Zealand's leading organisations for showing people their full potential through outdoor challenge and adventure.

All courses are delivered from our school in Anakiwa based in the beautiful Queen Charlotte Sound.



SCHOOL LEADERS

16-18 year olds

8-28 April - 21 days

For students transitioning to or in a leadership role in year 12 or 13.

Understand what it means to become a leader and work as part of a team. Learn how to inspire others and be a great role model, form life-long friendships and networks with other young leaders from schools across New Zealand.

Key Outcomes:

- Explore and build on your leadership strengths
- Learn how to be part of a high performing team
- Communication skills including inspiring, coaching and understanding others perspectives
- Develop new networks and relationships with other young leaders across NZ
- Gain an understanding of how your personal values influence you as a leader

LEAPS & BOUNDS

13-15 year olds & parent/caregiver

11-18 April - 8 days

Leaps & Bounds is the ultimate parent/teen bonding experience.

Leave devices at home and reconnect with your teen over 8 days of outdoor challenge and adventure. Together you will problem solve, overcome challenges and celebrate each other's strengths.

Key Outcomes:

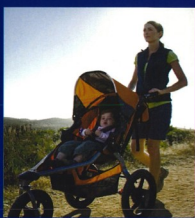
- Gain trust, respect and a more meaningful connection with each other
- Experience working in a partnership and as part of a wider team
- Push your own self-imposed boundaries and support your teen as they push theirs
- Develop an understanding of each other's strengths and capabilities
- Gain a better understanding and appreciation for the outdoors

To find out more go to outwardbound.co.nz or talk with our friendly team on 0800 688 927

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STONEBRIDGE

TEMUKA ATHLETICS CLUB

Is celebrating 125 years since our first athletics meeting on 02 March 2019.

We are inviting the whole community to come and celebrate with us, you do not need to be a current or past member to join in.

Family Athletics Day

Opihi College, Guild Road, Temuka.

9.00am Registrations

9.30am Start

\$5 Entry Fee. Use our Book Now button on our Facebook page for pre-registration or enter on the day. Prize money in all age groups. Food stalls available or bring a picnic lunch. Senior events in the afternoon. See our Facebook page for the programme.

TEMUKA HOCKEY CLUB

Temuka Womens Hockey team is looking for new players, year 9+ for this season.

All welcome.

Games on Sundays, and practice's Thursday evenings.

Contact Kerry on 021 148 2887



TEMUKA & GERALDINE A&P 145th WINCHESTER SHOW

2nd March 2019

GATES OPEN 8AM
ADULTS \$10 - KIDS FREE

- ★ FACE PAINTING
- ★ WOOD CHOPPING EVENTS
- ★ AGRI KIDS
- ★ CHILDREN'S SAWDUST DIG
- ★ BLADE SHEARING DISPLAY
- ★ FMX HARDCORE MOTORCYCLES
- ★ CAM SCOTT ENTERTAINING

- ★ SCHOOL SHED
- ★ WATER WALKERS
- ★ CARNIVAL RIDES
- ★ PET SHOW
- ★ BALLOON ARTIST
- ★ PLUS HEAPS MORE!

**BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS
SEE YOU AT THE SHOW!**

**GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN JEWELLERY
MADE BY JEWELCRAFT JEWELLERS
AND X2 CHILDRENS SCOOTERS**



Temuka and Geraldine A&P Show

Saturday 2nd March

LEGO TENT

This year at show a LEGO tent will be operating. Children of any age are welcome to come along and build and create LEGO models with LEGO provided.

The theme for the show this year is Space /The future and beyond so if you are very clever you can practise making these models at home and then create it at the show and enter in an age group competition

Judging will take place at 1.30pm and all prize winners will receive money prizes. All prizes will be posted or delivered if entrants have left the show.

The models remain the property of The LEGO Tent

Children can just stop by and play with the LEGO there is no need to enter competitions and there is no entry fee.

