

Opihi - on campus



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PAID UNION MEETING Tuesday 25th June

**Opihi College will close
at 12:30 pm on
Tuesday 25th June
to allow teachers to attend
a Paid Union Meeting**

Excerpt from email from Michael Stevenson, PPTA general secretary:

As you will be aware PPTA has reached a settlement with respect to the Secondary Teachers' Collective Agreement and will be bringing this to members at meetings between 24th and 28th June.

The Secretary for Education has approved special meetings for this under her authority in order to facilitate voting on the settlement before the end of this term. The normal 14 days' notice is not required. I appreciate that this shorter period of notice will put more pressure on you but I am sure that you will recognise the importance of the meetings and of the need to complete them this term.

The Paid Union Meeting for Aoraki (Timaru) is to be held at 1.30 on Tuesday 25th June, therefore Opihi College will be closing at 12:30 pm on that day to allow teachers to attend the meeting.

PARENT TEACHER EVENING Wednesday 26th June

*Please note that school finishes
at 12.30pm on this day*

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

- Code **5bd22** 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. Please let the school office know, by phoning 6157 442 if your child requires supervision on this afternoon so that arrangements can be made.



SMOKEFREE ROCKQUEST

6.30pm Saturday 22nd June 2019

As part of our Music Programme here at Opihi College, we will be participating in Smokefree Rockquest again this year. This event gives our students a chance to show off their songwriting and musical skills to caregivers and friends in a relaxed family environment.

All are welcome to attend the Smokefree Rockquest Concert which is being held at **6.30pm Saturday 22nd June 2019** at the Mountainview High School Auditorium. ***Come along for a great concert!***

WEEKLY CARE CARD DRAW

Term 2 winners:

Jack Murray
Connor McKenzie
Ollie Wells
Jess Marshall



MT HUTT SKI TRIP

The Ski Trip programme for all year groups is scheduled to be held on **Monday 12th August 2019**. Total cost for the trip is \$100. A notice with all of the details for this trip is available from the school office.

COUPLANDS PIES FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser.

Congratulations to the following students who earned Care Cards for their efforts:

Emilie Ackroyd, Dakota Henderson, Calan Meechang, Natalie Stone, Evan Crosse, Grace Bennett, Lachie Ackroyd, Baiden Halkett, Soriya Halkett, Jess West, Hailey Larsen, Elise Warnock, Logan Larsen, Cochise Jones, Damian Price, Jack Joyce, Lucy Priddle, Bridie Williams, Chimera Miller, Coby Hines, Cody Wright, Phoebe Francis, Issy Livingstone, Georgia Hammond, Maddie Hammond, Molly Keenan, Ryan Booth, Amber Cleverley, Cole Robertson, Bailey McDonald-Solway, Nathan Nolan, Mya Stratford, Samantha McLellan, Mitchell Perfect, Shian Coskerie, Hazel Johnston.



Opihi College

Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Staff Election Result

Staff Representative votes:

Stuart GRACE **12 votes**
Ashley HERBERT **11 votes**

I hereby declare Stuart Grace duly elected.

Signed
Sharyn Patrick
Returning Officer

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

June	21	Reports issued
	22	RockQuest Concert 6.30- 9.30pm Mountainview High School Auditorium
	25	Paid Union Meeting <i>Please note school finishes at 12.30pm on this day</i>
	25	BOT Meeting 6.30pm
	26	Parent Teacher Evening 2 - 8pm <i>Please note school finishes at 12.30pm on this day</i>
	27	End of Term Music Concert 6.30pm Te Kainga
	28	Life Education van visits
July	4-5	Barista Course
	5	End of Term 2

END OF TERM MUSIC CONCERT

The Opihi College Music students would like to invite all students and their families to join them for their end of term concert:



6.30pm - 8.00pm

Thursday 27th June Te Kainga
Entry by gold coin donation

ART

Congratulations to Ashleigh Griffiths who won a Merit Prize in the V.O.I.C.E Youth Art Exhibition and Competition held recently in Timaru.
Well done!

NZQA FEES

"The Minister of Education has announced that families of secondary students will no longer have to pay fees to enter NCEA and New Zealand Scholarship. This change will remove financial barriers and ensure all the credits received towards NCEA will be visible in a student's Record of Achievement. These changes also mean schools no longer need to collect fees from around 168,000 New Zealand domestic students who are entering for NCEA and New Zealand Scholarship. Any fees already collected from these students for 2019 will be refunded by schools. Additionally, as fees no longer apply to enter NCEA and New Zealand Scholarship, schools will not need to process applications for financial assistance to pay them. Further information about the NCEA Review can be found on the NZQA or NCEA Review website."

JAPANESE TRIVIA CHAMPIONS



Last week, eight Year 10 students travelled down to Dunedin and competed in the NZ Japanese Trivia Championships. Congratulations to Mia, Bonnie, Sophie, Kaitlin, Kirsty, Calan, Allysa and Emily, who brought home the 1st Place trophy for the Otago Region! They also won the best dressed team award and the second best dressed team award. A huge "arigatou gozaimasu" to Niwa sensei who helped them dress properly before the competition began!



Opihi College students also excelled in the Japanese Language Perfect competition, finishing in First place! Well done to you all.





OPIHI COLLEGE SPORTS RESULTS



SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Congratulations to all of the Opihi College Senior Cross Country team who competed at the recent New Zealand Secondary School's Cross Country Championships at Ashbury Park. The students enjoyed competing in the championships, and all ran excellent races in the huge field of competitors.

Congratulations to Jack Joyce who was selected to compete in the Aoraki Regional Relay Champs Race team. *Well done Jack!*



CYCLING

Congratulations to all of the Opihi College Cycling team who competed at the recent Aoraki Secondary School's Road Cycling Championships at Levels Raceway. The students enjoyed competing in the championships, and wish to thank Mr Grace for coaching this new team.

Pictured is Jack Joyce.



OPIHI COLLEGE JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Well done to all of our athletes who took part in the South Canterbury Primary Schools' Cross Country at Waihi. Congratulations to Shian Coskerie who placed 10th and has been invited to join in the South Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country training squad.

The Opihi College Junior Cross Country team as pictured:

Back row: Mrs Herbert, Jayden Whitta, Sophie Bool, Keira Narayan, Destiney Donnelly, Jess West, Ethan Bolt, Connor McKenzie, Jahmal Loffley. Front row: Owen Bolt, Kittie Ellis-McDonald, Ella Swete, Aidan Cornelius, Kodi Kellas-Taylor, Katie Renwick, Sian Coskerie & Abbey Renwick.



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 15-16 from 24 July to 14 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 Cindy Coskerie by email at coskeriec@opihicollege.school.nz or ring her at school on 615-7442 or for more information. Thank you!





OPIHI COLLEGE WINTER DUATHLONS

Individual and Team Competition



RACE 1 - SUNDAY 7th JULY 2019

RACE 2 - SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST 2019

- Held in Temuka - running in the Opihi College grounds and cycling on country roads from Temuka to Milford.
- Social competition open to all adults and students
- Competition Grades for Individuals or Teams of Two
- **Short Course:** Run 2km, Cycle 10.8km, Run 1km
- **Long Course:** Run 4km, Cycle 21.6km, Run 2km
- **Schedule:**

9.00- 10.00am	Check in at Opihi College Library
10.15am	Compulsory race briefing
10.30am	Race Start
- **Parking:**

If dry, on school field, entry off Guild Road
If wet, park on Richard Pearse Drive and enter through main gates
- **Entry Fee:**

Individuals and Teams, one race	\$30
Individuals and Teams, both races	\$50
Students representing a High School, one race	\$15
Students representing a High School, both races	\$30
- Great prizes and spot prizes
- Grateful thanks to our generous sponsors



Enter online at www.scpacers.co.nz
Entry forms available at the Opihi College office



Entries on the day accepted*

**Late entries will incur an additional \$5 charge per entry*



WANTED



The Opihi College Trades Academy desperately require old red chimney bricks. If you have any you could donate, please contact Ms Ellis or the school office.
We can collect if required.
Thank you.



Dental Care during the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please contact our Call Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year.

The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

- **Northcote Clinic, 24 Tuckers Road, Casebrook**
- **Hillmorton Clinic, Hillmorton Hospital, Sylvan Street,**
- **Ashburton Clinic, 38 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton**
- **Timaru Clinic, Level 1, 18 Woollcombe Street, Timaru**

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.45am and 3.00pm for school-age and pre-school children requiring treatment.

If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

To book an appointment at one of our clinics please: **call 0800 846 983**

Or email commdental@cdhb.health.nz

Harlaw House Open Home

*Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd June
9am - 4pm*

Entry: gold coin donation to your Hospice

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