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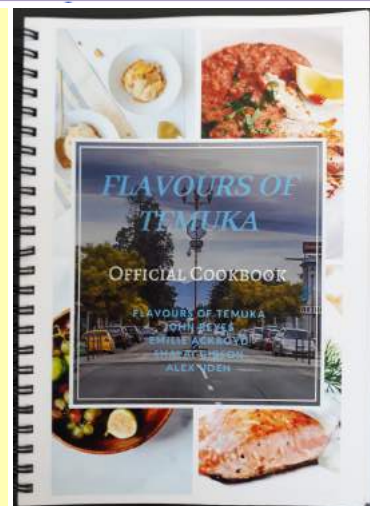
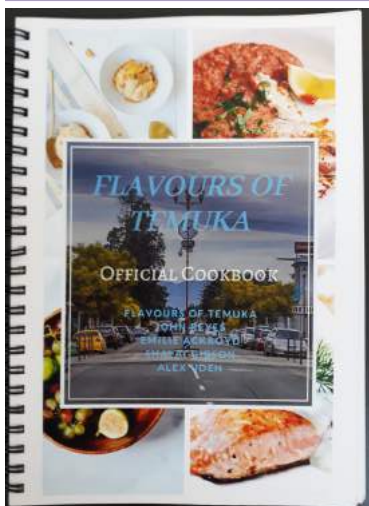
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FLAVOURS OF TEMUKA

Opihi College Young Enterprise Scheme Business 'Flavours of Temuka' are selling cookbooks featuring Wonderful recipes supplied by local cooks. These beautiful cookbooks are full colour and filled with yummy recipes and local scenery photos by Clare King Photography.

*For sale by order
at the Opihi College school office
\$25 each
Or Two for \$40*



'Thank you!' from the Music Department

Over the past few months the Music Department has received gifts of unwanted musical instruments. I would like to thank the families and the individuals that have contributed Guitars and Recorders, etc, to our Music Department. The students that are now able to learn the Guitar will have a life-long skill that will enrich their lives. If you have any unused, unwanted or spare instruments that you would like to donate to the school (especially recorders at the moment!) can you please drop them in to the Opihi College office.



From Across the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers
Kia Ora Tatou

This is our last newsletter for 2019.

We have all been so busy that I know our students are looking forward to the end of the school year and the opportunity for a little relaxation. This week we've had students attending Year 10 Camp and next week our juniors are away at Year 7 Camp. I always grasp the opportunities I get to go out to Raincliff camp and I am seriously impressed at the opportunities the students have there.

Buildings

Last year at this time I told you that H Block would be coming down over summer, and in the end it was a little late but it has happened!

This year the announcement is that the Ministry of Education has appointed a contractor for our new buildings and they will definitely begin work over the summer. It has taken a long time, and a lot of negotiating, but it really is finally going to happen.

Awards Ceremony

Next week Friday (6th December) we will be holding our day time Prize Giving (see info in this newsletter) at the Temuka Stadium. Later that evening is our Awards Ceremony, which will also be held at the Stadium this year. This is when we will celebrate the 2019 achievements of our students. Students will be released after the morning prize giving, and will be expected back at the stadium in the evening in full correct uniform. I encourage you all to come along and help us acknowledge their effort, their hard work and their participation.

Thank you all for being part of the great year we have had.

Nga mihi.

Tina Johnson
Principal



NEW CHROMEBOOKS

Thank You to all who supported our recent fundraising raffle. The proceeds from this fundraiser have been used to purchase new chromebooks for our students to use. Many thanks to Miss Coskerie for organizing this.

Above: Piper-Lee Suddens, Miss Coskerie, Tony Milne.



The South Canterbury Cancer Society
SINCERELY THANKS...



25/10/2019

Opihi College

FOR YOUR WONDERFUL FUNDRAISING
EFFORTS FOR THIS YEARS 2019
DAFFODIL DAY COLLECTION

Leola Smith
Leola Smith - Centre Manager



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Emily Wells who has passed her Trinity College London Grade 1 piano exam with Merit (85%). Well done Emily!

Well done to our Opihi College sportspeople who were Finalists at the South Canterbury Sports Awards recently:

- Cody Crawshaw
- Hailey Larsen
- Jack Joyce
- Madison Barclay



WELCOME

This term at Opihi College we welcome two new staff members:

Mr Robson

We welcome Mr Tony Robson to Opihi College. Mr Robson has come to us from Ashburton College, and is our new Deputy Principal, NZQA Principals' Nominee and will be teaching PE and Science.



Mrs Johnston

Also new to Opihi College this term is Mrs Andreia Johnston. Mrs Johnston is joining our wonderful team of teacher aides assisting our students in Kowhai House.



Welcome to you both!

SCHOOL ACCOUNT PAYMENTS

As the end of the school year approaches, we would appreciate it if the balance of school accounts be settled. We will be sending out hard copies of all accounts in the next week. Payment can be made in cash to our school office or online. You will find our bank account details at the bottom of the invoice. If you have any questions regarding your account please contact the office.

For those wishing to pay their accounts by internet banking, please use the following account number:
OPIHI COLLEGE 01 0885 0039753 00
Please mark clearly with the student's name(s).
Many thanks

NCEA EXAMINATION DATES

The NZQA are pleased to report that the external NCEA and Scholarship Examination Timetable is now available on your smartphone at:

timetable.nzqa.govt.nz

FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2019

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| December | 2-5 | Year 7 camp <i>Raincliff</i> |
| | 3 | SCPSS Athletics |
| | 5 | 'Hapi Puku' Canteen closes for the year |
| | 6 | Awards Ceremonies: <i>11.30am Day Awards ceremony</i> <i>7.00pm Evening Awards ceremony</i> |
| | 10 | School office closed for afternoon |
| | 12 | School office closes for the year at lunchtime |

FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2020

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| January | 28 | Teacher Only Day <i>School Office opens</i> |
| | 29 | Teacher Only Day |
| | 30 | Course Confirmation & Mentor Training |
| | 31 | Year 7 students begin with Mentor support |
| February | 3 | Year 7 students attend and New Student induction (Years 8- 13) |
| | 4 | Whole school attend |
| | 4 | 'Hapi Puku' canteen opens |
| | 5 | Mihi Whakatau |
| | 6 | Waitangi Day <i>Statutory Holiday - School closed for instruction</i> |

THANK YOU

Claire from the 'Hapi Puku' canteen would like to extend her thanks for your support this year, and wish you all an enjoyable holiday break.

'Hapi Puku' will close on Thursday 5th December 2019 and re-open on Tuesday 4th February 2020.

2020 SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES

Saturday 11 April - Sunday 26 April 2020
(includes Easter, Easter Tuesday and ANZAC Day)
Please note: Good Friday will be observed on Friday 10 April and ANZAC Day will be observed on Monday 27 April 2020.

Saturday 4 July - Sunday 19 July 2020.

Saturday 26 September - Sunday 11 October 2020

OPIHI COLLEGE PRIZEGIVING AND FINAL DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2019

If any student is not returning to Opihi College in 2020, they **MUST** complete a sign out form. Juniors will be given their form on Tuesday to complete before Friday. Senior students will be given one on Friday to complete.

Friday 6th December

- **ALL** students are attending school this day, including SENIOR STUDENTS
- **Wear correct and clean uniform** – Ensure you have the correct shoes (clean), no jewellery and no makeup.
 - 8:45 – Whanau
 - 9:05 – Period 1 class. Seniors to the Library
 - 10:05 – Interval – no canteen open
 - 10:25 – Whanau
 - 10:50 – Leave for Temuka Stadium
 - 11:30 – Formal Day Awards Ceremony
- When the awards ceremony has finished, you will be released for the remainder of the day from the stadium
- Try to collect all your books from your teachers and return library books

Evening Awards Ceremony at Temuka Stadium

- 6:45 -Meet outside stadium
- 7:00 – Awards ceremony starts
- Wear correct and clean uniform
- FORMAL occasion



Helping you achieve personal excellence



We're pleased to assist people in their area of excellence, be that sporting, cultural or community activities.

Our personal development grants help South Cantabrians striving to attain excellence in their field of endeavour. As we're local first, the grants are given out to those who reside in the Alpine Energy electricity distribution area.

Grants are awarded within a mix of cultural, sporting or community activities, but not for tertiary education studies.

Over the years, thousands of locals have seen their personal development goals boosted through our assistance and financial support.

Application dates are as follows:

February 2020 - Applications open 1st February. Close off date for applications is 1 March 2020.

August 2020 – Applications open 1st August. Close off

date for applications is the 1st of September 2020.

Application forms will be posted here on opening dates.

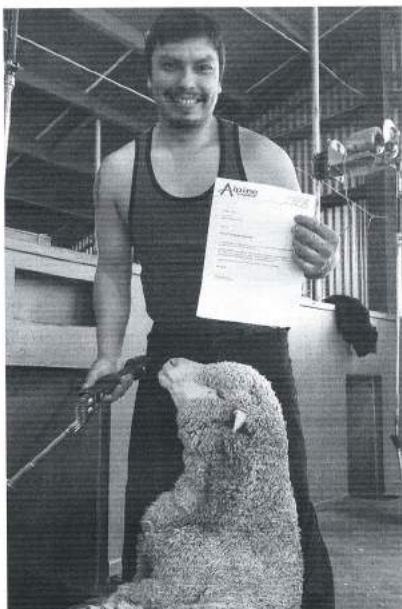
Additional information

We're fortunate to have many talented and dedicated people in our region. While this is heartening, it does mean difficult choices have to be made as there's a limit to the funds available.

Successful applicants might not get the full amount applied for and we don't allocate funding to school sports teams.

Our sponsorship advisory committee considers a range of applications across sporting, cultural and community areas of personal development.

Tuition expenses/fees or activities which generate income for the recipient will not be considered.



Hospice Harcourts



29 November
30 November
9 Stunning properties
Tickets \$30

from your Hospice Shops or online
www.hospicesc.org.nz



Stalls, art, plants, and more



FAREWELL

At the end of this term we will be sadly farewelling four staff members from Opihi College:

Mr Wallis

Mr Wallis has been our dedicated Agriculture and PE teacher, as well as badminton, football, volleyball and futsal coach during his time here at Opihi College. He has put a lot of time and effort into coaching and fundraising for all of these sports teams. Mr Wallis is leaving New Zealand to travel and we wish him all the best.

Miss Sutherland

Miss Sutherland has been our wonderful PE & Health Teacher, Dean and organizer of so many events here at Opihi College. Miss Sutherland is taking extended leave to travel the world and we wish her all the best.

Mrs Shaw

Mrs Shaw has worked at Opihi College as our dedicated Careers / STAR and Gateway Co-ordinator, NZQA Principals' Nominee, Distance Learning Co-ordinator and teacher. Mrs Shaw has been a tireless organizer of the Opihi College senior ball for several years and she has always made a wonderful job. We thank her for her expertise and hard work in so many areas of the school and wish her all the best of luck in her new school.

Mrs Herbert

Mrs Herbert has worked as our Science Head of Faculty, a role where she has inspired many students to enjoy science. Mrs Herbert has also been one of our Cross Country running coaches, an activity enjoyed by many students here at Opihi College. Thank You Mrs Herbert, and all the best of luck for your new school.

Mr Page

Sadly Owen is leaving the district in the holidays and will not be returning to Opihi College in 2020. Owen has been of great assistance to our students and staff during his work as a teacher aide here at Opihi College. We thank him for his valuable contribution to our school.



Christmas 2019 Toy Appeal
Collecting new toys and gifts for the
Timaru Salvation Army
Drop off donations by 13 December to:
Smallbone Timaru
177 Evans Street
OR
MediaWorks Timaru
56 Woollcombe Street
*Please no soft toys

THE SALVATION ARMY **SMALLBONE** **THE BREEZE**

INTRODUCE ANOTHER COUNTRY INTO YOUR HOME - HOST A STS STUDENT IN JANUARY!

Niklas from Sweden -
Niklas is half Dutch/half Finnish and moved to Sweden in 2014. He enjoys playing instruments, such as guitar, drums and piano. He enjoys sports including sailing, hiking, snowboarding and skiing. Niklas is here for a yearlong exchange.

Mattheo from France -
Mattheo lives in Africa with his family but is from France and attends a French school. He enjoys scuba diving, snow-sports and running amongst many other sports. He likes spending time with family and friends, reading novels, watching movies and caring for animals. Mattheo is here for a semester length exchange.

Contact us for more details or to apply to become a host family today!
<https://www.sts.eu/en-nz/hostfamily/>
0800 991 991

Happy Holidays

active KIDS PROGRAMMES
January 2020 Registrations Now Open

Sign up your child today to experience a huge range sports & heaps of awesome activities!!

Active Kids is a fun, safe and affordable holiday option that combines a large variety of sports, fundamental skills & offsite visits for children aged 5-13 years.

When: 20 - 24 January 2020
Where: The Southern Trust Events Centre Morgans Road, Timaru

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
www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

sport canterbury SOUTH CANTERBURY
Contact Sport Canterbury: phone 03 686 0751
Limited Spaces available.
REGISTRATIONS CLOSE MONDAY 13th January 2020 or when sessions are at full capacity.

Get those stationery orders out of the way
in December!

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School**
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"Fantastic, such a huge time saver and I was able to order on the last day of school within 15 minutes for 3 children and have all stationery ready for the following year before Christmas. Thanks OfficeMax!"
Naomi Olive - parent

"OfficeMax for back to school stationery is fast, easy and affordable. I love how my kid's stationery had been delivered before Christmas for the following year! So easy, we're all ready for back to school and it's not even January!"
Jo Atkinson - parent

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better**
these
holidays

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Delivery**
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REWARDS**
Earn rewards for your school!
Mention your school in-store or select your school online at myschool.co.nz

OPIHI COLLEGE STATIONERY

Opihi College Stationery Lists are available on our website, or from the school office, and Office Max.

At the school office we have very minimal stocks of stationery items for sale during the year. The only items we will be selling in 2020 are:
Clever Kiwi Books \$3.00 each
1B8 & 1E8 Exercise Books \$1.40 each

Order your child's stationery in December... and you decide when you pay.

The OfficeMax team have done all the hard work for you! Your school's stationery lists are already online at **myschool.co.nz**

Order online between 1-31 December 2019 then choose when you pay - and when we deliver... no holiday worries and no back to school hurries! Plus, you'll get a free gift* with your order.

Three easy options

1. Pay & receive in December*
2. Pay in December, receive in January 2020*
3. Pay[†] & receive in January 2020*

* School donations and charges will be charged when you place your order.

Order in December and:



**Back
to
School**
made easy

What's for dinner?

Protein & Vegetables

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

Protein

**Free
Gift***
A5 Magnetic
shopping list &
menu planner

**Order
The Easy
Way**

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0800 724 440

**Free
Delivery** For orders over \$46
Conditions apply. see myschool.co.nz

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OPIHI COLLEGE SPORTS RESULTS



Volleyball

Our Senior Girls Volleyball team played Craighead A in a mid-week friendly game and had a narrow 2sets to 1 loss. Player of the Match was Geneva Hati - congratulations Geneva!

Our Senior Boys Volleyball team played Timaru Boys' High B in the Friday Competition and had an awesome win, beating TBHS in the final set to win 3-2. Player of the Match was Caleb Kellas-Taylor - congratulations Caleb!

Our Junior Girls Volleyball team played in the Aoraki Junior Volleyball Tournament in Timaru recently. They played well against some tough opposition, with some of the newer players experiencing their first games of volleyball. The team all enjoyed a very successful tournament.

Futsal

Our Junior Year 7 & 8 team had a top of the table clash against Gleniti and had an impressive 7-4 win. They are now top of the table and will be looking to win the competition! Player of the Match was Kodi Kellas-Taylor - congratulations Kodi!



OPIHI COLLEGE UNIFORM ITEMS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE



OPIHI COLLEGE

WHITE SHIRTS FOR SENIORS



Opihi College have a stock of an alternative white shirt for senior students. These shirts are made from a thicker, higher quality fabric. Available in short or long sleeve.

\$40

OPIHI COLLEGE

WHITE BLOUSES FOR SENIORS



Opihi College have a stock of an alternative white blouse for senior students. These shirts are made from a thicker, higher quality fabric. Available in short or long sleeve.

\$40

OPIHI COLLEGE TIES



Opihi College ties are only compulsory if wearing the Opihi College blazer. Blazers are able to be worn by senior students only.

\$20

OPIHI COLLEGE EX-RENTAL BLAZERS



Opihi College have a supply of ex-rental blazers. Assorted sizes available while stocks last. Blazers are only able to be worn by senior students.

\$100

OPIHI COLLEGE UNIFORM ITEMS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE



OPIHI COLLEGE CAPS



*Opihi College caps are made from a cotton fabric.
One Size Fits All with an adjuster on the back.*

\$10

OPIHI COLLEGE SUNHATS



*Bucket style sunhats made from sturdy cotton drill
fabric. Two sizes available.*

\$10

OPIHI COLLEGE BEANIES



*Opihi College beanies are made from a warm navy
polar fleece.*

\$10

CLEVER KIWI EXERCISE BOOKS



- Assignment Books
- Reading Workbooks
- All Purpose Books

\$3 each

OPIHI COLLEGE PE TOPS



Opihi College are pleased to be able offer a choice of two styles of PE tops

OPTION 1

TK MANUFACTURING RUGBY TOP



Locally made rugby tops in a heavier weight fabric. These tops are extremely hardwearing and have been proven to last many years.

\$50

OPTION 2

AURORA SPORTS TOP



New alternative style top supplied by XCM. These are made of a lighter weight polyester Quick Dry fabric.

\$40

We have a range of sizes of both styles of PE tops available for immediate purchase at the school office.

These can be purchased at any time from the school office. The office is open from 8.00am until 4.30pm on weekdays, term time only. The PE tops must be paid for on collection, and we can accept cash, cheque or internet banking payments. Please note that the Opihi College office does not have Eftpos facilities.

In the event of short supply of any size or style of top, we will order for you.