

# Opihi - on campus



Community – Acceptance – Respect – Excellence

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TOP SCHOLARS

Well done to all of the Opihi College students who have excelled in the recent NCEA examinations:

### Excellence Endorsements:

Level 1	Georgia Hammond Madeleine Hammond Hailey Larsen
Level 2	Issy Livingstone
Level 3	Mya Stratford

### Merit Endorsements:

Level 1	Nahia Crawshaw Milly Keen Charlie Te Haate Brooke Thomas
Level 2	Emily Bennett
Level 3	Harriet Grace Jessica Marshall



*2019 Proxime Accessit Jessica Marshall and 2019 Dux of Opihi College Mya Stratford.*





## From Across the Principal's Desk



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora Tatou

Welcome to all of our students, parents/caregivers, whanau and staff who have joined Opihi College in 2020.

We were very happy to see Year 7 students and their families joining our staff at the "Welcome Year 7's" barbeque last Friday. Thank you Miss Manson for organising this event and the staff and students who did so much of the preparation during the day.

To all the parents who came along, I would like to express our appreciation of your support. The transition from Primary school to a secondary environment introduces new challenges to our youngest students, and your on-going support with those changes makes the transition so much more comfortable for your students. Your support is vital to successful outcomes for your students.

### New staff

We have also welcomed new staff this year. We have appointed Mr Ruard Smith as Head of Mathematics, Mrs Shelly Robson as Head of Science, Mrs Rachael Blyth as Head of Humanities (English and Social Studies). We have also appointed Ms Amanda Haines – PE/Health, Ms Jessica Smith – Science, Ms March Crocker – Technology, Mr David Mills – Agriculture/PE, Mr Peter Marsh – Science. It is exciting to have so many new staff, and we are very much looking forward to working with such high calibre teachers in 2020.



## 2019 Successes

I want to take this opportunity to formally acknowledge our 2019 Dux, Mya Stratford and Proxime Accessit, Jessica Marshall for their achievements. I know you will all join me in congratulating them and wishing them well for their tertiary studies. I also congratulate all of our students who gained endorsements in NCEA in 2019, whose names and photos appear in this newsletter.

E waka eke noa

We are all in this together.

Nga mihi.

Tina Johnson  
Principal



*At last our new building is to begin! Pictured above are Councillor Paddy O'Reilly with Hami Te Rahui turning the first sod ready for the construction of our new classroom block. Also, the classroom known as Te Kainga, (the Drama Suite and the AV Theatre) is being demolished to make space for it.*



# WELCOME

*Welcome to all of our new staff, students, and their parents/caregivers and whanau who have joined Opihi College in 2020:*



**Opihi College is very pleased to introduce our new teachers for 2020:**

Top: Mrs Rachael Blyth, Ms March Crocker and Miss Amanda Haines.

Centre: Mr Peter Marsh, Mr David Mills and Mrs Shelly Robson.

Lower: Mr Ruard Smith, Miss Jessica Smith.

## Welcome to our new students:

Annabele Aitken, Harris Bagrie, Harriet Baxter, Jake Armishaw, Caleb Blackburn-Gates, Corbin Bryce-Porter, Zhye Butcher, Jacob Caithness, Lachlan Cater, Jemma Crawford, Carl Domingo, Samantha Donehue, Reikura Edwin, Beth Ferguson, Bailey-Jade Foster, Connor Gould, Jake Gould, Keisha Griffin, Aiden Guile, Brandon Gutsell, Antonella Henderson, Sorayah Henwood, Tyler Hopkinson, Michael Jones, Maggie Keenan, Kash Kelly, Corbett Kennedy, Caitlyn Kruger, Stella Lang, Jordan Langley, Corbin Lee, Will Luxton-Jones, Paige Mackie, Paige McHaffie, Paigyn McLennan, Tayne Morris, Ava Olson, Tess Pipson, Kyah Pound, Cassidy Priest, Jack Reeves, Che-Cruz Reihana, Ashley Rhodes, Mu Robertson, Liam Shaw, Tama Stoakes, Elizabeth Stoa, Lachlan Stratford, Tyrrece Taha, George Thomas, Keisha- Mei Timo-Farnsworth, Arwen Welford.

## OPIHI COLLEGE HEAD STUDENTS



**Opihi College is very pleased to introduce our Head Students for 2020:**  
Emilie Ackroyd (Deputy), Hamish Fikken, Kaia Macpherson (Deputy) and (inset) John Reyes.

## FAREWELL

At the end of 2019, Opihi College farewelled Mrs Maryclare Wood. Mrs Wood has been our hardworking Head of Technology for the last four years, and we will miss her dedication and incredible cooking and baking. We wish Mrs Wood all the very best for her new teaching position in Ashburton.



## FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2020

February	10-14	Senior Student Leadership Camp <i>Peel Forest</i>
	13	House Assembly
	13	HPV Education Presentation <i>Yr 8 students</i>
	13	Aoraki Tennis
	14	Farmbikes course <i>Day 1 - Year 11</i>
	20	School Assembly
	21	Newsletter
	24	First Aid course <i>Gateway students</i>
	25	Board of Trustees Meeting <i>6.30pm Opihi College</i>
	26	Swimming Sports
	27	Swimming Sports postponement date
	28	Animal Handling course <i>Day 1 - Group 1</i>



# SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM 2020



**PRINCIPAL**  
**Miss Tina Johnson**

<b>Deputy Principal</b>	<b>Mr Robson</b>	<b>robsont@opihicollege.school.nz</b>
<b>Assistant Principal</b>	<b>Mrs Rose</b>	<b>roseb@opihicollege.school.nz</b>
<b>Assistant Principal</b>	<b>Ms Henderson</b>	<b>hendersonv@opihicollege.school.nz</b>

## **HOUSE DEANS**

Aoraki	Mr Grace	graces@opihicollege.school.nz
Rata	Ms Henderson	hendersonv@opihicollege.school.nz
Opihi	Mrs Hauptfleisch	hauptfleisch@opihicollege.school.nz
Pacific	Mrs Ellis	ellis@opihicollege.school.nz

## **FACULTY HEADS**

Maths	Mr Smith	smithr@opihicollege.school.nz
Humanities	Mrs Blyth	blythr@opihicollege.school.nz
Science	Mrs Robson	robsons@opihicollege.school.nz
Arts and Languages	Mr Peters	peterse@opihicollege.school.nz
Technology	Mrs Rose	roseb@opihicollege.school.nz
PE / Health	Mr Grace	graces@opihicollege.school.nz
Learning Support	Mrs Gold	golda@opihicollege.school.nz
Gateway / Careers	Mr Grace	graces@opihicollege.school.nz
Year 7 & 8	Miss Manson	mansonk@opihicollege.school.nz
NZQA	Mr Robson	robsont@opihicollege.school.nz
School Counsellor	Mr Sharp	sharpj@opihicollege.school.nz
Bus Controller	Ms Ellis	ellisp@opihicollege.school.nz



## School Access

With the new construction work beginning at last, it has meant that we have a large portion of the school now cordoned off. The front office is still accessible from the western entrance on Richard Pearse Drive, however people can no longer access the whole school from this entrance. Therefore, students must now enter and exit through the eastern most entrance point on Richard Pearse Drive. We have asked students that bike or scooter to walk their bikes and scooters down this driveway for safety reasons. When leaving school, students will go down the footpath (not across the grass) to the pedestrian crossing to cross the road (if needed). No students are allowed to enter or exit the school from the Guild Road gates.

## Lunch and Transport Passes

If your child wishes to go home for lunch, they need to fill in a lunch pass application form. These are available from the office and need to be completed each year. Also, if your child wishes to bring a vehicle to school, they need to fill in a transport form. These are available from the office too.

## Lateness

Every student must be at school by 8:40am when the bell for Whanau goes. This then gives them time to be in class which starts at 8:45am. If for any reason your child is late, they need to come to the office with a note and sign in.

## Absences

If your child is absent for the day, please leave a message on our absence line as early as possible. A message can be left on the message line during out of hours times.

## Appointments

If your child needs to leave school during the day for an appointment, a parent or caregiver must ring the office to notify them of that appointment, or send a signed note to school with your child. A text message via your child's phone is not acceptable, as we are unable to verify its authenticity.

## Sick Bay

If your child becomes unwell during the day, they are to come to the school office to be cared for in the sick bay. If necessary, the office staff will then contact parents/caregivers if required. Please remind your child to follow these procedures, rather than texting parents themselves or just leaving.

## Uniform

Please refer to our website for our uniform guidelines. If your child for any reason is wearing the incorrect uniform, they are to present a signed note from a parent/caregiver to their Dean as soon as they arrive at school. Otherwise feel free to contact your child's Dean regarding any other uniform issues.

## Fruit for Students

This year, a free piece of fruit will be available from the library for students to enjoy at morning tea and lunch breaks. If you have spare fruit on your trees you are able to donate, please deliver to the office.



**OPIHI COLLEGE**

P O Box 175 Temuka 7948, New Zealand

4<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### OPIHI COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### CASUAL VACANCY FOR AN ELECTED TRUSTEE

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative.

The Board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Chairperson  
Board of Trustees  
Opihi College  
PO Box 175  
Temuka 7948

By 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020

## YEAR 8 HPV IMMUNISATION

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February Public Health Nurse Claire Neilson will give a short presentation to all Year 8 students about Human Papilloma Virus (HPV). At this time all students will be given a HPV form to take home for parent or legal guardian to complete. Students need to return the completed form to their class teacher by WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY for the nurse to collect. Please complete the form whether or not your child is to be vaccinated at school ie either a consent or a decline completed. VACCINATION day for consented students is Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March and all students should have a good breakfast on the day and something to eat at interval.

Thank you  
Claire Neilson  
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

# 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**



## YOUNG ENTERPRISE SCHEME 2020

YES is a programme designed for Year 12 and 13 students to gain experience in setting up and running their own companies. Throughout the year they will be working towards developing their own unique product, conducting market research and completing business plans. It is essential that the student's gain insights into the real world of business and as such we would like to partner our teams up with business mentors from our local community. This commitment would require a meeting with the team (of approximately five students) once every fortnight. If you are a business owner, and are willing to help develop our young entrepreneur's skills, we would be thrilled if you would volunteer to be a mentor for one of the teams in 2020. Kindly e-mail Mrs Debbie Hauptfleisch ([hauptfleischd@opihcollege.school.nz](mailto:hauptfleischd@opihcollege.school.nz)) your details and she will get in contact with you.



## TEMUKA DOMAIN SWIMMING POOL

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HEATED POOLS - Main Pool 28 degrees. Paddling Pool 30 degrees

\$4.00 Adults. \$2.50 Child. \$3.65 over 65's.

FREE for Over 80's.

Early Bird Swimming - Week Days 6am Aqua Monday & Fridays 10am

Saturday and Sundays Pools Open 10am

Watch out for pool bookings - (Check pool office)

Paddling Pool Open daily.

Complex will be back to 6pm closing from Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

Pool will close for the season Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

## WANTED

OLD DENIM JEANS SUITABLE FOR AN UPCYCLING PROJECT



If you have any old denim jeans that could be used for an 'Upcycling Project' in our Technology classes, please deliver to the school office.



## Geraldine RAISING CAPABLE KIDS

2 March 2020

Parenting isn't easy, and not for the fainthearted. As parents, we want the best for our kids and at times can wonder if we're getting it right. You are not alone. This seminar will help you discover strategies to outsmart your kids as well as meet their deep needs. Learn how to become more resilient and less reactive. Richard Black will take you on a practical and light-hearted journey to strengthen you as a parent and find ways to raise capable kids.

**Monday 2 March 7pm - 9pm**

St Andrew's Church, Cox St, Geraldine

EARLY BIRD \$20pp | \$25 couple

after 21 Feb \$30pp | \$35 couple

To register email Maia  
office@standrewsgld.org.nz  
ph 693 9503



Temuka Golf Club

Temuka Golf Club wants YOU!!!

**FREE PROFESSIONAL COACHING**

MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 4PM to 5.30PM

Venue- Temuka Golf club

Are you under 18 years old and interested in learning to play golf?

We have our professional Matt Davies ready to teach you the basics.

Some Equipment Available for you to use.

This coaching is available to you for FREE

and has been provided by Aorangi Eagles N.Z.

Please contact Willie Powell on 021 278 0779

To indicate your interest



# HAPI PUKU CANTEEN

## 2020 MENU

CHARGRILL KNOT	\$5.50
PORK RIB ROLL	\$6.00
BREAKFAST WRAP	\$4.50
WRAPS - VARIETY	\$4.50
TOASTIES	\$3.00
SAMMIES	\$5.00
SAUSAGE ROLLS	\$2.50
CHEESE ROLLS	\$1.50
SAVOURIES	\$1.50
BEEF NOODLES	\$3.00
SLICES	\$2.50
LICORICE LOGS	\$1.50
POPCORN	\$1.00
CAKES	\$1.00
JELLY & FRUIT CUP	\$2.00
FRUIT & YOGHURT	\$2.00

### Ordered for lunch:

Fries \$2.50

Chicken Burger \$4

Tropical Burger \$5

Breakfast Burger \$5

Popcorn Chicken  
& Fries \$5

### Wednesdays

Nachos \$5

### Fridays

Mini Cooked Breaky  
\$5

### COLD TREATS

Ice Cream Tubs \$2.00

Juicies \$1.50

### DRINKS

Bottle Water \$2.50

Cool Sips \$2.00

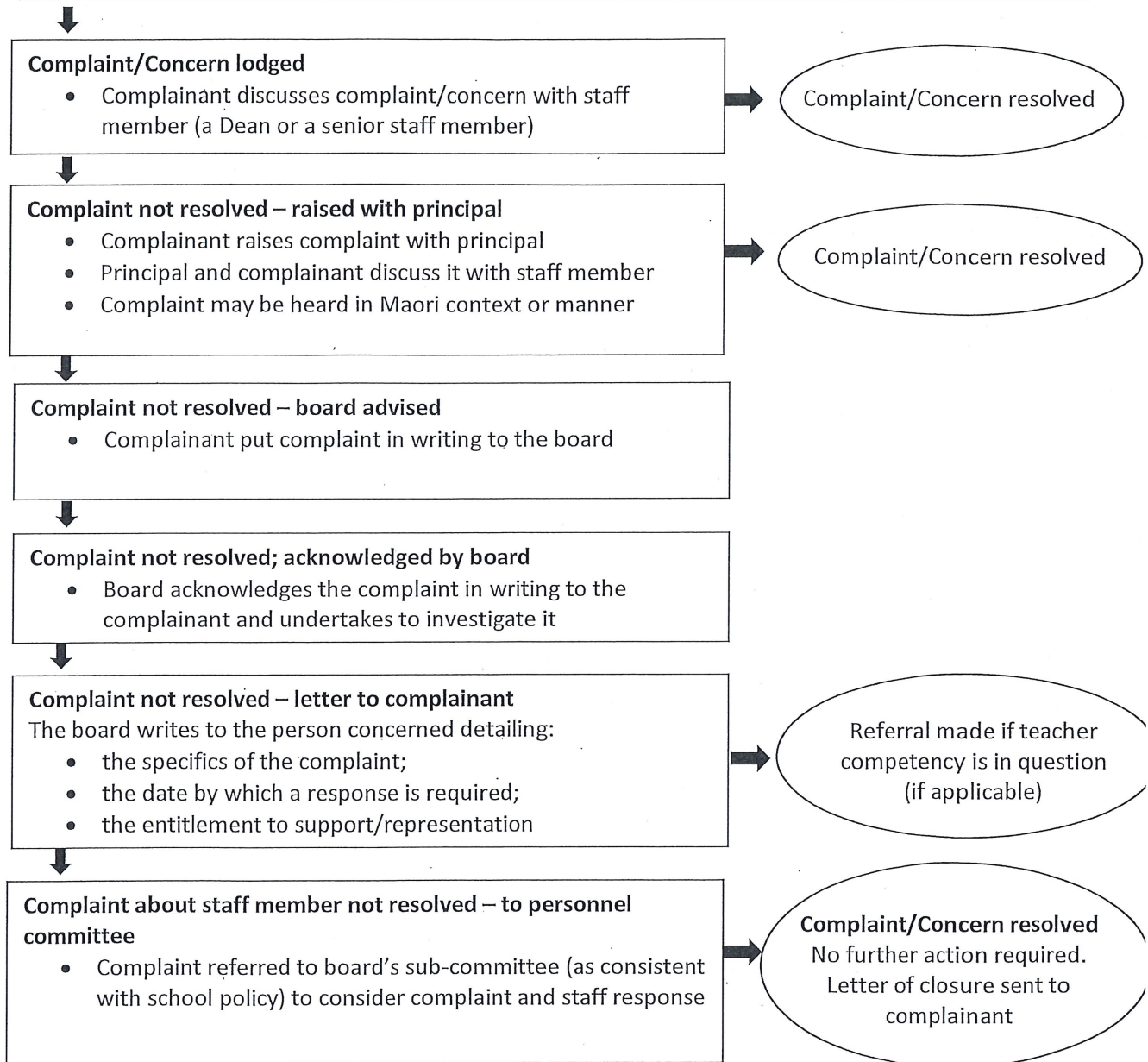
Drink Boxes \$1.50

Thickshakes \$5.00



### OPIHI COLLEGE CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS POLICY

When concerns and complaints from any member of the school community arise they will be handled promptly with care and sensitivity. Following this procedure will ensure that a fair resolution is reached. Everyone has a right to support person throughout this procedure.



**Concern/Complaint Form**

House: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person making the complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person/s being complained about: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the issue/concern? \_\_\_\_\_

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What action have you taken in regard to this issue? \_\_\_\_\_

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What would you like to happen now? \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you willing to have a restorative conversation with the person/s whom the complaint is about? (if appropriate)

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Office use only:

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Action taken:

Actioned by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_