

# Opihi - on campus



Community – Acceptance – Respect – Excellence

Issue 11 - 3rd September 2020



## OPIHI COLLEGE'S 'WEEK OF AWESOMENESS'

This year as part of the Senior Health programme our students had the opportunity to organise a health promotion week for our Opihi community. The idea to run a 'Week of Awesomeness' was focused around creating inclusive, engaging activities that continued to develop our sense of school pride and bring us together during our breaks. It was an action packed week full of fun! Every morning tea, the students ran 'Brekkie at Break' where students could come and get Weet-Bix and hang out. Lunchtimes consisted of a compliment booth, where students could write anonymous compliments to students and staff which were delivered during whānau time, colouring in, balloon games, tug-of-war, three legged races, oreo eating challenges, ultimate frisbee, a dance party, and a scavenger hunt. The students also created an school Instagram account to promote well-being at Opihi and keep the community up-to-date with all the fun things we get up to. Feel free to check it out at [opihicollege\\_health](https://www.instagram.com/opihicollege_health). All the students involved in our 'Week of Awesomeness' had a blast! Well done to all the Senior Health students - your enthusiasm, organisation and teamwork was appreciated.





# PARENT/WHANAU CONFERENCING

## Wednesday 23rd September 1:30 – 6pm

Students and their families are invited to book conference times with your child's Whanau teacher between the hours of 1:30pm and 6pm on this day.

***Please note that school finishes at 12:30pm for everyone.***

- The focus of this conference is for current Y10-12 students to confirm their subject choices for 2021. This is extremely important as it helps us to decide which subjects will run in 2021.
- Year 7-9 students and their families will be reviewing their goals that were set earlier in the year.
- There will be another opportunity for Y7-9 families to meet with Whanau teachers and/or Deans later in Term 4 as well.
- The booking code will be advertised on the Facebook page – Opihi College Staff Notices
- Appointments are fifteen minutes each, it will be essential that 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 6157442 if your child requires supervision on this afternoon, so that arrangements can be made.

## OPIHI COLLEGE PRACTICE EXAMINATIONS

Opihi College will be holding practice examinations from Wednesday 14th October until Tuesday 20th October, as per the schedule below.

**We would like to remind all students of the importance of these examinations as the marks could be used for derived grades should the End of Year NCEA Examinations be unable to be held.**

	Time	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Day 1 Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9-12	DIGI 101 (3Hrs)	HLT 201	MAT 301
	1-4	JPN 101	MUS 201	
Day 2 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9-12	ENG 101	JPN 201	
	1-4		ENG 201	CHE 301
Day 3 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9-12	SCI 101		ENG 301
	1-4		BIO 201	JPN 301
Day 4 Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9-12	MAT 101		BIO 301
	1-4	HLT 101	MAT 201	
Day 5 Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9-12	SST 101		STAT 301
	1-4	MUS 101	SST 201	CAL 301
			CHE 201	GEO 301

Morning 9-12

Afternoon 1-4

## SMOKEFREE ROCKQUEST

Opihi College band "The Bigfoots" are celebrating again!



After being awarded First Place in the Aoraki regional competition of this year's Smokefree Rockquest they have now been placed in the Top 20 National Finalists! Well done! This is a great achievement in a strong competition with over 500 musical acts entered nationwide. Congratulations to Reef Brazendale, Liam Pelvin and Luke Smith who are now waiting for the results of the next round of the national finals! Thank You Mr Fleming for his excellent support of these young musicians.

### TEACHER ONLY DAYS

Please add to your calendar now:



Wed 23rd September	Parent Conferencing - School finishes 12.30pm
Friday 25th September	Teacher Only Day
Thursday 19th November	Teacher Only Day

## NCEA EVENING

All parents, caregivers and students are invited to come along to an information evening about NCEA.

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**6-7pm**

**Opihi College Library**

We understand that the NCEA system is confusing for some, so we encourage you to come along and ask lots of questions. If you cannot make it on the night, feel free to make an appointment with either Mr Robson or Miss Henderson.

### FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2020

<b>Sept</b>	3-4	Climbing Trip - Year 11/12
	7-9	Geography Trip - Mt Cook
	10-11	National Careers Expo - Christchurch
	11	Aoraki Table Tennis
	15	NCEA Evening 6-7pm Opihi College Library
	18	Senior Ball *To be confirmed on 7th Sept 2020
	22	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm Opihi College
	23	<b>Parent Conferencing</b> School finishes at 12.30pm
	25	<b>Teacher Only Day</b>
	25	End of Term 3
<b>October</b>	11	Start of Term 4
	14-20	Practice Examinations
<b>Nov</b>	13	Senior students begin Study Leave
	16	NCEA External Examinations begin
	19	<b>Teacher Only Day</b>
<b>Dec</b>	9	NCEA External Examinations finish
	11	End of Term 4

### OPIHI COLLEGE SENIOR BALL

The school, in consultation with the Ball Committee, has decided to wait until Monday 7th September to make the final call on whether we can continue to run the ball on the current date of September 18th. If we are still at Alert Level 2 on this date and are unable to go ahead with holding the ball on this date, we are exploring options for an alternative date. Payment of tickets for the ball date of September 18th, will be extended to Friday 11th September. (Any money which has already been paid, will be refunded if the ball is postponed).

### CONGRATULATIONS

Opihi College rugby players Ben Cleverley and Cole Robertson have both earned their caps for playing 10 games for the Roncalli Aoraki Combined First XV rugby team. The team has travelled to Christchurch, Nelson and Oamaru for matches. This weekend they are travelling to Blenheim for a match. *Good Luck!*



## OPIHI COLLEGE CANTEEN

We would like to welcome Amy Stephens of 'AJ's Hospitality' to Opihi College. Please be aware that if you had internet banking payments arranged with our previous canteen operator Claire that her business account has now been closed. The new menu for our school canteen is listed below:

### AJ's HOSPITALITY CANTEEN MENU

Sandwiches \$3	Ham, Cheese & Pineapple Pita \$3
Chicken Wraps \$4.50	Southern Chicken Stick \$1
B.L.T. Wraps \$4.50	Potato Top Savoury \$1.50
Sausage Roll \$2.50	Noodles – Chicken or Beef \$3
Cheese Roll \$1.50	Corn Chips \$2
Spaghetti & Cheese Toastie \$3	Popcorn \$2
Lasagne Topper \$3	Yoghurt \$1
	Slice \$2.50
	Cake \$1

### *Ordered for lunch*

*Fries \$2.50*

*Chicken Burger \$4*

*Pork Rib Panini \$6 (Cheese & BBQ)*

*Chicken Panini \$5.50 (Cheese & Sweet Chilli)*

*Chicken Sticks (3) & Chips \$4.50*

*Hawaiian Pizza \$3*



### *Drinks*

Bottle Water \$2.50

Cool Sips \$2.00

Up & Go \$2.50

Lipton Iced Tea \$4.00





## Secondary School Netball Experience 2020



With Covid causing the cancellation of the annual SISS Netball Tournament, Canterbury Sport in conjunction with Netball South Canterbury organised a regional replacement. 15 teams from North Canterbury to Oamaru played in Timaru from Monday 31st August to Wednesday 2nd September.

On Monday our team played some very tough games against very experienced teams from Marion College, Riccarton High School and Waimate High School. The snow and rain forced the tournament indoors on Tuesday where we played Mountainview High School, losing 32-12.

Wednesday morning we played MacKenzie College. Started well against MacKenzie being ahead at the end of the first quarter, unfortunately tiredness set in and our girls are now well aware of what is needed for a tournament. Final score being 23/15.

Compared to most other schools we had a very young team but they put in their all and made our school proud. It has been a great experience for them and we look forward to watching them in future tournaments.

A big thanks to coach Dianne Manson and co-coach Janine Hogg for guiding the girls during the three days. Also, thanks to Mary Cumming for helping out on Monday and Madi Barclay for being our umpire. And a special thank you to Duncan Engineering who donated \$200 which helped pay the tournament entry fee.

Cindy Coskerie  
Team Manager

*Pictured:*

*Back row from left: Paxton Bennett, Kaitlin Johnson, Molly Keenan, Georgia Hammond, Thea McNoe, Ryleigh Davis, Grace Bennett and Dianne Manson. Front row: Jordyn Morris, Molly Davidson, Bailee Ellery and Kiya Hogg. Laying down, Madi Barclay.*



### OPIHI COLLEGE SKI TRIP

We had the most wonderful day skiing this year at Mt Hutt. The weather was awesome and we had plenty of snow. It is always fabulous seeing the students improve during the day and I was stoked with how well the first time skiers and snowboarders did. Thank you so much to our parent helpers - Kahu Jones, Jeremy Hines, Shaun McNoe, Bryan McHaffie and Russ Davies. Also thanks to Mrs Bergamini and Mr Goodman for all of your assistance.

Miss Henderson







# OPIHI COLLEGE GIRLS FOOTBALL

## Temuka Athletics Club

**Looking for a new challenge or to keep fit during the off-season ?**

Why not join the Temuka Athletics Club and stay fit while learning new skills that improve agility and strength in a fun family-friendly environment.

Regular Inter-clubs available (uniforms supplied)

Training with qualified coaches available

Events: Running, Walking, Throwing and Jumping—Caters for all abilities!

**SEASON START—MONDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2020**

Ages: 5+

When: Monday Nights (Term Four & One)

Time: 6.15pm start

Where: Opihi College Sports Grounds (Guild Road)



For further information and registration details:  
[www.sporty.co.nz/temukaathletics](http://www.sporty.co.nz/temukaathletics)  
 Like our Facebook Page "Temuka Athletics Club"  
 Email: [temu.athletics@gmail.com](mailto:temu.athletics@gmail.com)  
 Phone: Nicola—021 622 942

## MUKA PUTT

IS OPEN FOR  
FATHER'S  
DAY!

10am - 4pm  
Sunday  
6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

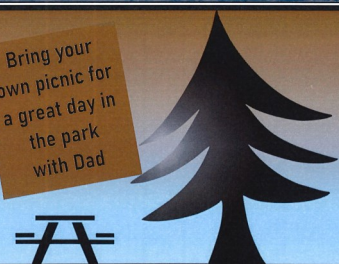
Just \$3 a round  
and Dad plays for  
free

*Located in the Temuka Domain*

*Any queries or bookings please  
phone Andrina 027 3766 881*



Bring your  
own picnic for  
a great day in  
the park  
with Dad



*Please bring your own pen or pencil to  
record Dad's score. Clubs and balls will  
be sanitised before use. Contact Tracing  
Register available. Hand sanitizer  
available for use before and after play.*