

# Opihi - on campus



Community - Acceptance - Respect - Excellence

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## **Introducing our Student Leadership team for 2021:**

*From left: Olivia Andreassend (Deputy Head Student), Baiden Halkett (Deputy Head Student), Hailey Larsen and Georgia Hammond (Head Students), Nahia Crawshaw (Deputy Head Student) and Emily Wells (Student Representative to the Board of Trustees)*



## **Congratulations to Opihi College students who achieved NCEA Endorsements in 2020:**

*From Left: Excellence Endorsements gained by Georgia Hammond, Hailey Larsen, Calan Meechang & Emily Wells. Merit Endorsements gained by Madeline Hammond, Charlie Te Haate, Sophie Hall, Ashleigh Griffiths & Brooke Thomas.*

## **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 \_\_\_\_\_

Tutor Class \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



# OPIHI COLLEGE

Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka 7920, New Zealand

## OPIHI COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BY-ELECTION

Nominations are open for the election of two parent representatives to the board of trustees.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form and a notice calling for nominations – you can use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community.

If you need more nominations forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Signed

S. Patrick  
Returning Officer





## WE NEED YOUR HELP

### RECORDER CRISIS!

Due to the effects of Covid 19 on the shipping channels around NZ we are experiencing a shortage of Recorders and other instruments imported from Japan!

As we move from level to level in the Covid alert system the importance of students owning their own instrument becomes more and more important.

Please send any unused or unwanted recorders to school-Good instruments that have been cleaned in a little detergent will be used by the students to help develop their musical abilities and their potential as musicians.

We are happy to offer \$10 as a reward for each instrument or you are welcome to donate them to the school as a gift.

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2021

<b>February</b>	19	School Photos
	23	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm
	24	Athletics Sports
<b>March</b>	4	Swimming Sports <i>Postponement Date 5th March</i>
	17	Aoraki Athletics
	17-19	Year 13 Biology Trip <i>Portobello</i>
	18	Otago University Visit
	19	Aoraki Swimming

### SPORTS EVENTS

Opihi College are hoping to hold the annual Athletics and Swimming competition days in the next few weeks. However, in the event of further COVID restrictions we may need to alter the format slightly. For handy updates and information, please join our facebook page. *We will keep you posted!*

### WELCOME

Opihi College would like to welcome our new students: Navaeha Heather, James Bennett, Maddox Bennett, Wyatt Bird, Jazmin Bool, Zach Brookland, Liliana Price-Burgess, Hunter Cooper, Neela Came, Brody Cattermole, Onyx Cavanagh, Sam Coskerie, Natasha Couchman, Cassidy Crawshaw, Harper Davidson, Regan Dickson, Xavier Edwards, Kordiel Ellery, Holley Ferguson, Kyle Ferguson, Peyton Gee, Brooke Gosling, Ronin Gray, Chloe Gunderson, Harli Hemara, Carter Henwood, Sacha Jenkins-Drummond, Gracie Johnson, Alice Johnston, Joshua Johnston, Regan Larsen, Maddox Lester, Zac Lithgow, Corin Luxton-Jones, Charlotte Mattingly, Georgia McIntyre, Savannah Miller, Zoe-Lee Milne, Tobias Mua, Vinni Murchie-Goodwin, Regan Murdoch, Mia O'Connor, Declan Parker, Fienix McKay, Hunter Priddle, Tobie Priest, Hunter Prue, Paige Richardson, Ainsley Russell, Mikayla Ryan, Liv Ryan, Malakai Schwenke, Mya Sherriff-Wardell, George Casey, Alex Smith, Aidan Sturgeon, Paige Sutherland, Hudson Swete, Kahurangi Taha, Jade Thompson, Nathaniel Tubb, Larkin Underwood, Quintin Van Tongeren, River Wadsworth, Benji Shields, Hayden Young and Ebony George.

### WELCOME

We would like to welcome Teacher Aide Mr Owen Page back to the Opihi College. Mr Page has returned to the district after a time spent working in Christchurch. Both our staff and students are very excited to welcome him back to Kowhai House!

## 2021 SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS

### Term 1

*Monday 1st February to Friday 16 April 2021*

Public Holidays: Easter -Good Friday 2nd April, Easter Monday 5th April, Easter Tuesday 6th April (a school holiday).

School holiday Saturday 17th April to Sunday 2nd May (includes ANZAC Day 25th April).

### Term 2

*Monday 3rd May to Friday 9th July 2021*

Public Holiday: Queens Birthday 7th June 2021.

School holiday Saturday 10th July to Sunday 25th July 2021.

### Term 3

*Monday 26th July to Friday 1st October 2021*

Public Holiday: South Canterbury Anniversary Day Monday 27th September 2021

School holiday Saturday 2nd October to Sunday 17th October 2021.

### Term 4

*Monday 18th October to Thursday 16th December 2021*

Public Holidays: Labour Day 25th October 2021

## BEWARE

Due to current road-works, heavy traffic (in particular milk tankers and large trucks) are using a diversion route along Wilkin Street and Domain Avenue. This diversion will be in place until the end of February. Please take extra care when cycling, scootering and crossing roads in these areas.



### **ATHLETICS DAY – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

Next Wednesday, we have our whole school athletics sports. This is a fun action packed day where all the students are out on the field participating. There are competitive and non competitive events for the students to enter in, as one of our focuses is on participation. Should the weather not be suitable, the sports will be postponed until the following day. As long as we continue in Covid Level 1, parents and caregivers are more than welcome to join us for the day. Please enter through the Guild Road entrance as this is closer to the field. If we go back into Level 2, the athletics sports will still go ahead but no spectators are allowed.

#### **Important information for the day**

- Students come to school in house coloured sports gear
- Apply sunscreen before coming to school and bring some more with you
- Free school lunches will still be delivered at lunchtime
- The school canteen will be open all day
- Bring plenty of water and extra food
- Students arrive at 8:40 and go straight to the tennis courts to line up in their Whanau groups
- Programme of events will be loaded onto our website

### **SWIMMING SPORTS – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

The annual Swimming Sports are held at the Temuka Pool. This year is even more exciting as over the summer our local pool has been revamped. This has meant that some changes have been made. All students attend the swimming sports, but they are not compulsory. We have added lots of fun activities and non competitive events to try and get more students participating. These events earn the students house points. Last year the winning house only won by 4 points, so we really encourage our students to give it a go.

#### **Important information for the day**

- Students come to school in house coloured sports gear. They are more than welcome to have their togs on underneath.
- Students arrive at 8:40am and go straight to their Whanau class.
- After a safety briefing, we will all walk, bike or scooter to the pool.
- The times given on the programme are just estimates.
- School buses will pick students up from the pool at the end of the day.
- Students will be released from the pool at the end of the day.
- We recommend applying sunscreen before coming to school and please bring more.
- Sun hats and extra clothing is recommended for sun protection.
- Free school lunches will be delivered to the pool. There will also be a sausage sizzle, juices and donuts available as fundraising for the Volleyball Team.
- Bring plenty of water and extra food.
- New records will be set for all 50m and 100m events.
- 25m events are considered to be non-competitive and will not count towards championship points.
- All events are timed finals.





### **VOLLEYBALL** **Check out our new volleyball tops!**

They are simple and lightweight but very tidy. On the back is the number and Opihi College. The best part is I asked the students to design a logo and the one the team voted for (and used) was created by Ryleigh Davis. How cool is that?! She's super proud.

*Miss Haines*

### **OPIHI COLLEGE SHIRTS AND BLOUSES**

At the school office, we have just had another order of new white blouses, white shirts and black/white PE tops arrive!  
Good stocks available - \$40 each.



*Our Year 8 students enjoying their Food & Nutrition class*





## MONDAY

### Cauliflower and Chipotle Tacos<sup>(V,DF,EF)</sup>

Cauliflower bites, lettuce, rainbow slaw, mayonnaise and chipotle sauce in a wholemeal tortilla wrap

**Snack:** Fresh apple slices  
**GF:** GF tortilla



## TUESDAY

### Chicken Nacho Bowl<sup>(GF)</sup>

Shredded chicken, lettuce, cheese, sour cream, chipotle sauce, tomato salsa and corn chips

**Snack:** Orange slices  
**V:** Peking tofu  
**DF:** Deli mayo, vegan cheese

## WEDNESDAY

### Ham and Egg Sandwich

Ham, egg, lettuce, and mayonnaise in between slices of Oatlicious bread

**Snack:** Fruit yoghurt  
**V:** Extra egg  
**GF:** GF bread  
**EF:** Vegan mayo  
**DF snack:** Orange wedges

## THURSDAY

### Crispy Chicken Roll

A crispy chicken tender, lettuce, grated carrot, cucumber and mayonnaise in an Oatlicious long roll

**Snack:** Fresh apple slices  
**V:** Kumara rosti  
**GF:** GF bread, shredded chicken  
**DF:** Shredded chicken  
**EF:** Vegan mayo



## FRIDAY

### Beef Wrap

Beef bites, lettuce, grated carrot, cheese and burger sauce in a wholemeal wrap

**Snack:** Pretzels  
**V:** Kumara rosti  
**GF:** GF wrap, roast beef  
**DF:** Roast beef, vegan cheese  
**GF snack:** GF cookie

V-Vegetarian. GF-Gluten Free. DF-Dairy Free. EF-Egg Free. Meals will be prepared to cater for children with specific allergies or cultural requirements. If you need gluten free, vegetarian or dairy free options please make the school aware two weeks in advance. Meals are prepared in a non-allergen controlled environment. If you have low tolerance towards certain allergens please notify the school immediately. Items may vary subject to supply.

## MONDAY

### Vege Taco Bowl<sup>(V,EF)</sup>

Chilli beans, corn, lettuce, cheese, tomato salsa, sour cream and corn chips

**Snack:** Vanilla cake  
**GF:** GF Beans  
**DF:** Vegan cheese  
**GF/DF snack:** GF cookie



## TUESDAY

### Beef Sliders

Beef slider, lettuce, cheese, burger sauce and a french bakery slider

**Snack:** Carrot sticks  
**V/GF:** Kumara rosti  
**GF/DF:** GF roll  
**DF:** Vegan cheese

## WEDNESDAY

### Crispy Chicken Wrap

A crispy chicken tender, lettuce, grated carrot, sweet chilli sauce and aioli in a wholemeal wrap

**Snack:** Orange slices  
**V:** Falafel  
**GF:** GF wrap, shredded chicken  
**DF:** Shredded chicken  
**EF:** Vegan mayo



## THURSDAY

### Bacon Ranch Pasta Salad<sup>(DF,EF)</sup>

Bacon, spinach, cucumber, ranch dressing and macaroni

**Snack:** Pineapple wedges  
**V:** Chickpeas  
**GF:** GF pasta

## FRIDAY

### CLT Sandwich

Shredded chicken, lettuce, tomato relish and aioli in between slices of Oatlicious bread.

**Snack:** Yoghurt  
**V:** Mashed egg  
**GF:** GF bread  
**EF:** Vegan mayo  
**DF snack:** Whole banana

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