

# NEWS



**Community - Acceptance - Respect - Excellence**

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## OPIHI COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY



Congratulations to all of the students who participated in this year's Opihi College Cross Country competition. The emphasis was Wellbeing, a positive day in the sun and participation. Competitors were a mixture of competitive runners and social walkers, and unfortunately numbers were down on previous years due to the pandemic. The sun was out but ground conditions were soft and muddy which made the course even more interesting!

*Thank you to Mr Grace and Sports Co-ordinator Mrs McNoe for their organisation of the event.*



### Well done to the winners:

|                   |     |                                |
|-------------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| Year 7 & 8 Boys   | 1st | Michael Shannon (16.16)        |
|                   | 2nd | Benji Shields                  |
|                   | 3rd | Regan Dickson                  |
| Year 7 & 8 Girls  | 1st | Holley Ferguson (18.50)        |
|                   | 2nd | Nevaeh Butcher                 |
|                   | 3rd | Tuesday Cullen                 |
| Year 9 & 10 Boys  | 1st | Tayne Morris (17.47)           |
|                   | 2nd | Soham Desai                    |
|                   | 3rd | Riley Cornelius                |
| Year 9 & 10 Girls | 1st | Ella Ferguson (22.20)          |
|                   | 2nd | Neela Came                     |
|                   | 3rd | Samantha Donehue               |
| Senior Boys       | 1st | Bailey McDonald-Solway (32.58) |
|                   | 2nd | Tyrreze Taha                   |
|                   | 3rd | Kodi Kellas-Taylor             |
| Senior Girls      | 1st | Grace Bennett (17.44)          |
|                   | 2nd | Jessica West                   |
|                   | 3rd | Elise Warnock                  |



### REMINDER:

**TEACHER ONLY DAY Monday 16th May 2022**

*A reminder that school will be closed for instruction on this day*

# CONFERENCING

**Tuesday 24th May &  
Wednesday 25th May 2022**

*Please note:  
School will finish early at 1.30pm  
on Tuesday 24th May 2022.  
School is closed for instruction  
on Wednesday 25th May 2022.*

Students and their families are invited to book parent teacher interview appointments between the hours of 2.00pm and 8.00pm on Tuesday 24th May, and 8.00am and 3.00pm on Wednesday 25th May.

- Code **kdmsk** on the [schoolinterviews.co.nz](https://schoolinterviews.co.nz) website
- Please note these interviews are with your child's **subject teachers** but could also be with the Whanau teacher or Dean. Parents and caregivers of Year 9/10 students may wish to book an appointment with the whanau teacher or Dean for a more holistic overview; or feel free to book with any subject teacher from this term or last term.
- Appointments are for **fifteen minutes each**, it will be essential families arrive on time.
- It is mandatory that students attend an interview, but they do not need to see all subject teachers. We recommend senior students meeting all teachers.
- Students are not required to wear uniform.
- Bookings will be unable to be made on the day.
- Please contact the school office if you require any assistance.

*We want to remind families that you do not have to wait for conferences to discuss any issues with subject teachers. You are more than welcome to contact teachers at any stage and arrange a meeting.*

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2022

|     |    |  |
|-----|----|--|
| May | 16 | <b>Accord Teacher Only Day</b><br><i>Please note: School is closed for instruction on this day.</i>                                    |
|     | 20 | <b>Pink Shirt Day</b><br><i>Wear your pink shirt or mufti and bring along a donation for the Mental Health Foundation</i>              |
|     | 22 | <b>Opihi College Open Day</b><br><i>11.00am to 1.00pm</i>  |
|     | 24 | <b>Conferencing</b><br>Appointments available between 2pm and 8pm<br><i>Please note: School will finish early at 1.30pm</i>            |
|     | 25 | <b>Conferencing</b><br>Appointments available between 8am and 3pm<br><i>Please note: School is closed for instruction on this day.</i> |

## ACCORD TEACHER ONLY DAYS

NZQA have allocated every secondary school four Teacher Only Days during 2022 for development of the NCEA changes that are coming into effect soon. Our first one is **Monday 16th May**. *Please put this in your calendar as school will not be open for instruction on this day.*

Hapori Whakaaetanga Whakaute Kairangi

**C.A.R.E.** Opihi College

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**CARE CARD DRAW WINNERS**  
Congratulations to our recent winners:  
*Ruby-May White  
Chylsea Martin*

## HEAD LICE

There has been a reported case of headlice in the school. Please check your child's hair.



**Speak UP**  
**STAND TOGETHER**  
**STOP BULLYING**

KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA

**FRIDAY 20 MAY 2022**

JOIN THE MOVEMENT:  
[WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ](http://WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ)  
#PINKSHIRTDAYNZ

Mental Health Foundation  
MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA





# OPEN DAY



## OPIHI COLLEGE OPEN DAY

**SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

**11am – 1pm**



Opihi College warmly invites you to our Open Day on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 11am – 1pm.

The Open Day starts at the school hall where you will be greeted by our friendly Senior Leadership Team before you embark on discovering our newly built and renovated facilities. You may choose to have a guided tour or explore our school independently.

This Open Day is not just for the families looking to join Opihi College, but also for our existing families and community members who would like to take this opportunity to see the wonderful new changes and the innovative programmes we have to offer at Opihi College.

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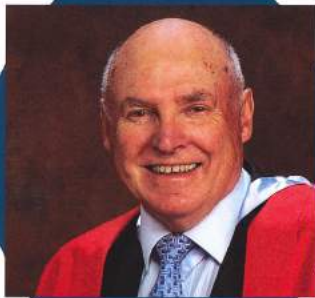
### BASKETBALL

The Opihi College basketball teams have started the season well, already recording some good wins in the local competition.





## OPIHI COLLEGE LOCAL LEGENDS



**WAYNE GILLETT**

**EMERITUS PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO  
GYNAECOLOGY & OBSTETRICS SPECIALIST, DUNEDIN  
HOSPITAL (RETIRED)**

TEMUKA HIGH SCHOOL 1963-1967

**Advice for Current  
Ākonga**

Never give up on your dreams and aspirations - if you commit and do the work, you can make it

"School was always a happy place with amazing teachers and friends for life"

**Proudest Achievements**

Being a proud father of three and grandfather of six, Professionally, being awarded a distinguished service medal and being appointed Emeritus Professor by the University of Otago

# OPIHI COLLEGE 'LOCAL LEGENDS'

Here at Opihi College, we are celebrating and promoting the achievements of some of our ex-students (of both Opihi College and Temuka High School) as an inspiration to our current students. An initial set of posters has been created which we are displaying here at Opihi College.

We are currently seeking nominations of ex-students who have experienced success in a range of careers and life experiences. Nominees would be invited to complete a short on-line questionnaire.

If you, or someone you know would like to be nominated for the 'Local Legends' project at Opihi College please contact the school by emailing [smithj@opihicollege.school.nz](mailto:smithj@opihicollege.school.nz).



## OPIHI COLLEGE LOCAL LEGENDS



**CLARE GOODWIN**

**FOUNDER, THE PCOS NUTRITIONIST**

TEMUKA HIGH SCHOOL 1997

**Happiest Memory  
from School**

Saving Temuka High School from government closure (their protest even got on the news!)

"Just get out there and make it happen!"

**Advice for Current  
Ākonga**

Get involved in everything you can because you don't get the same opportunities once you leave school



## OPIHI COLLEGE LOCAL LEGENDS



**RICHARD WEBBY**

**LEAD SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHER, ST JUDE  
CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL, USA**

TEMUKA HIGH SCHOOL 1984-1988

**Advice for Current  
Ākonga**

Goals are important, but don't be too concerned if there isn't a clear path of where you want to go. Opportunities will come along that change them anyway

"I had no idea I would be here 21 years ago"

**Proudest Achievements**

Leading a research group that helps the world prepare and respond to pandemics like Covid-19

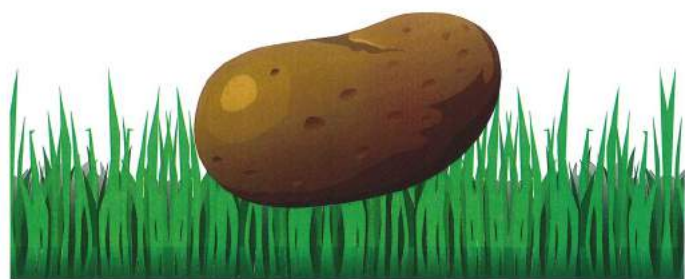


## OPIHI COLLEGE YEAR 13 BIOLOGY FUNDRAISER

Help us get to Dunedin to visit the  
University of Otago Marine Studies  
Centre!

**10kg bag agria potatoes  
\$13**

Email [smithj@opihicollege.school.nz](mailto:smithj@opihicollege.school.nz)



## 2022 Kiwi Competitions

Certificates  
and prizes  
awarded

Online competition  
for Primary, Intermediate and  
Secondary students

Ask your teacher  
for details and  
entry form.



Kiwi Science  
Competition



Kiwi Maths  
Competition



Kiwi English  
Competition

Designed by NZ teachers for Kiwi students

The competition will  
be the first

**ENTRIES CLOSING SOON**  
Please get your entries in to the school office now

CAM  
CENTRE FOR ASSESSMENT & MONITORING

UC  
UNIVERSITY OF  
CANTERBURY  
Te Whare Wānanga o Hīkaka  
CHRISTCHURCH NEW ZEALAND

## CANCER SOCIETY DAFFODIL BULBS

If you would like some tulip or daffodil bulbs for your students to plant in your garden right now so that they flower in Spring, we have some available for sale. These are excellent quality bulbs from Hadstock Farms. The cost is \$10 for a pack of 10 mixed daffodil bulbs and \$12 for a pack of mixed tulip bulbs. For larger orders, discounted rates of \$95 for 100 daffodil bulbs and \$110 for 100 mixed tulip bulbs apply.

Please call us on (03) 688 0124 or email [fundraisesc@cancercwc.org.nz](mailto:fundraisesc@cancercwc.org.nz) if you would like to purchase some bulbs.



## 2022 KIWI COMPETITION

The University of Canterbury is delighted to offer the annual Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary schools in years 5 to 10. The skills based Kiwi competitions are written by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and closely align with the New Zealand Curriculum. The online competitions will be run in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. Parents/caregivers will be provided with an individual student report outlining student performance distributed by the school. All participating students will be awarded a certificate and a prize will be awarded to the top student in each competition. The cost for a student to participate is \$9.50 per competition entered. Students can get a letter to take home from either their English/Maths/Science teachers.

## TERM DATES 2022

Term 2: Monday 2 May to Friday 8 July 2022  
Term 3: Monday 25 July to Friday 30 Sept 2022  
Term 4: Monday 17 October to December 9 2022

## 2022 Statutory Holidays:

|                 |                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Queens Birthday | Monday 6 June 2022       |
| Matariki        | Friday 24 June 2022      |
| Anniversary Day | Monday 26 September 2022 |
| Labour Day      | Monday 24 October 2022   |

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!



