

NEWS



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PPTA INDUSTRIAL ACTION CONTINUES

Unfortunately we have received notification from the PPTA on behalf of our member teachers that a settlement has yet to be reached in their collective agreement negotiations. This means that industrial action is planned to continue in the coming weeks.

Included in the actions planned are:

Extending rostering home to four days per week, two year levels per day:

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19-23 June	Years 9 & 10	Years 11 & 12	Years 9 & 13	Years 10 & 11	
26-30 June	Years 12 & 13	Years 9 & 10	Years 11 & 12	Years 9 & 13	

*Please note that Year 7 and 8 students are **not** rostered home on any day.*



Bring your Tractor to School Day

Thankyou to Pye Group for visiting our Agriculture class at school last week! 375 Horsepower and 18 tons of beast in the school quad.

Opihi College Agriculture students were able to learn how to do a pre start check on this 8R John Deere, with hands-on experience from one of the largest arable farming companies Pye Group. A great opportunity for our students.



OPIHI COLLEGE BIOLOGY FUNDRAISER

In Year 13 Biology, students have the opportunity to visit the University of Otago Marine Studies Centre. Help us get there at the start of 2024!

**10kg bag agria potatoes
\$15**

Email smithj@opihicollege.school.nz



CARE CHALLENGE

This year, we have implemented a new acknowledgment system called the CARE Challenge. The aim is to help our students to grow into well rounded individuals capable of setting goals and aiming high. Students achieve points for challenges they complete, such as playing sport, representing our school, being on time and playing a musical instrument. We want to recognise students who are already doing lots of these things, but also push them to challenge themselves and try something new.

We have chosen the following whakatauki for this kaupapa:

Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei
- Seek the treasure you value most dearly, if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain.

We want to celebrate the first students to earn a Bronze award in the CARE Challenge: **Abigail Barning, Alice Baxter, Taylor-Bell Kearney, Michael Shannon, George Stratford, Ruby-May White (Y8), Lachlan Stratford (Y10) and Amelia Holland (Y13)**. These students have consistently shown our CARE values and actively look for ways to get involved in wider school life and challenge themselves.

Ka mau te wehi!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR 2023

June	20	Aoraki Junior Girls Basketball
	21	Aoraki Junior boys Basketball
	21	NZ Defence Force visit
	21	Board of Trustees Meeting 5.30pm
	22	Year 9/10 Military Fit course
	22-23	Year 12/13 Barista Course
	23	Antarctic Centre trip Year 9/10 Social Studies
	25	Aoraki Netball
	30	Opihi College Senior Ball Opihi College
	30	End of Term 2
July	17	Start of Term 3
	27	Tsurugaoka HS visitors arrive
August	1	Ski Trip to Mt Hutt

TERM DATES FOR 2023

Term 2
Wednesday 26 April to Friday 30 June 2023

Term 3
Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September 2023

Term 4
Monday 9 October to 13 December 2023

CARE Challenge Acknowledgements



Bronze - certificate, letter home



Silver - as above, plus free choice lesson



Gold - as above, plus badge

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SKI TRIP

Wahoo, it is time for our annual Ski Trip to Mt Hutt!

Tuesday 1st August
For all ages



Mt Hutt offer an international class ski field. Included in the price of \$120 is the transport to and from the ski field, all equipment hire, 2 hour ski (or snow board) lesson, and lift passes.



Notices will be given out to interested students. Spares will be in the office. If you are interested, **please return the second page of the notice and a \$30 deposit by Wednesday 28th June.**

CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to the Opihi College Junior Cross Country team who represented us with pride at the Cross Country event held at Waihi School this week:



Azayah-Jay Brokenshire, Nevaeh Butcher, Georgia Cater, Ava Cristos-Pow, Tuesday Cullen, Thalia Griffin, Dean Joyce, Taylor-bell Kearney, Hugo Muff, Ty Narayan, Millie Oliver, Micheal Shannon, Ben Smith, George Stratford, Riley Sullivan.



Thanks also to Owen Bolt for assisting with marshalling, and to all who helped to manage and support our team.



AGRICULTURE

Agriculture students have had some interesting visits to a farm neighbouring the school recently. The Year 12 Agriculture students assisted with shifting steers, while the Year 10 Agriculture students assisted with farm tasks such as trough cleaning. Many thanks to Rowdy Aitken for hosting our students.



Some of our young men have been gardening at the College, helping to replace lavender beds with natives. This is part of the Agriculture class and gives them a chance to get their hands dirty. Well done Liam, Jake and Uriah!

WELCOME

Opihi College would like to welcome new students to our school:

Liam Cloughley, Tylar Cloughley, Jake Durham, Nanda Latabua, Daiton Makiri, Zyran Makiri, Sonakshi Sharma and Nate Shefford.

We hope you enjoy your time here!

EPRO8

Well done to the Opihi College E-PRO8 teams who represented our school with pride at the competition held in Timaru this week: Alice Baxter, Sophie Dennison, Khala Mookkaiah-Butler, James Reihana, Michael Shannon, Chase Southgate, George Stratford and Jess Tubb. Thankyou Mrs Robson for managing these teams!



The Interschool Epro8 event for year 7/8 took place at Bluestone School in Timaru. I am so happy to announce that Team TIMMAH (aka Opihi College 2), of George, James, Michael and Chase, came in First place with 350 points!! Massive congratulations to the boys. They will be going through to the next round in Ashburton for the semi finals!! Congratulations also to the fantastic four, although they didn't get in the top 3 they worked so hard and tried their absolute best.

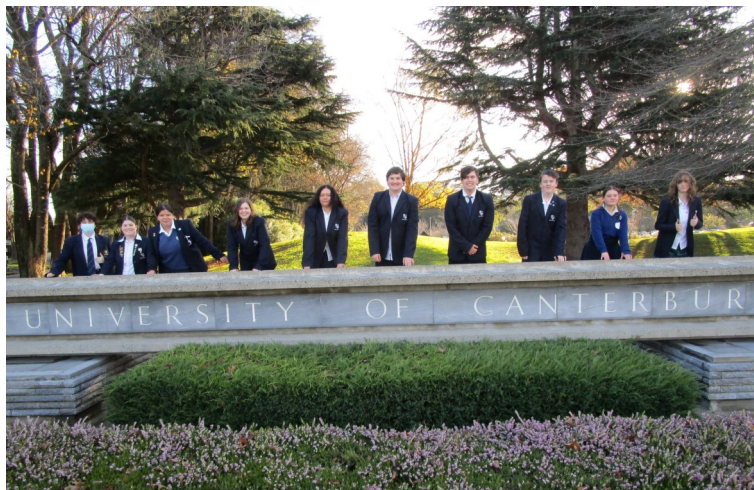
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POLICY REVIEW

At Opihi College the Board of Trustees regularly review our policies. This term we are reviewing the following policies:

1. *Education Outside of the Classroom (EOTC)*
2. *Acceptable Physical Contact*
3. *Reducing Student Distress*
4. *Minimising Physical Restraint*
5. *Concerns and Complaints*

All of these policies are open to review by the Board of Trustees and the School Community. If you would like to review a policy, please view the policies on our website. If you would like to place feedback on the policy you may do so by completing a Review Form. These are available on our website or from the school office.



JAPANESE NCEA TRIP

Another successful Japanese NCEA Day at the University of Canterbury. Our students attended Japanese language sessions provided by UC professors and secondary Japanese teachers and enjoyed interaction with 533 other students representing 17 different high schools from the Canterbury region. From the left - Charlie, Amelia, Toni, Alyssa, Tara, Noah, Lachlan, Tony, Lyric and Samantha.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ben Smith, Reid Brazendale, Connor Bolt, Ty Narayan and Josh Leonard who were all selected for the South Canterbury U13 Boys Basketball squad.



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