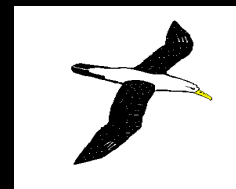


Tahuna News



Welcome

Welcome back to the 4th term, another term full of challenge, fun, and hard work.



It was great to see the enthusiasm of our athletes participating in our athletic sports yesterday. All students competed strongly in eight different athletic events and those who have done well will be entered in the South Zone Athletics Day which will be on Wednesday November 4th.

Mark this day on your calendar now.

Congratulations to all the students and staff for a excellent day of participation, competition and fun.



Tony Hunter
Principal

Congratulations

National Hockey Hatch Cup

This tournament for U13 Boys was held in Invercargill over the last holidays.

We had the following in the Otago Team-

Cody McMullan
Theo Darling
Robbie Milne
Aarie Verwey

I heard that the team played very well with Robbie being named the Most Valuable Player. With 24 teams in the competition the boys were delighted to be placed 7th overall which is the best result for an Otago team over the last 10 years.
Well done boys.

12th Grade Soccer

Alex Growden
Josh Dijkstra
Nathan Mac Donell
Josh Bromwell

Were all members of the 12th grade soccer team which was placed 8th out of 13 teams in the South Island Tournament over the holidays. A good effort boys.

South Island Rugby

It was very pleasing to hear that the Otago U48 Rugby Team had won their grade over the holidays. Luke Maker was in this team and he told me that they had wins against Southland 13 – 7, North Otago 84 – 0 and South Canterbury 31 – 13. They drew with Canterbury Metro and Canterbury Country. Our U65 Otago team also had three wins but 2 loses so ended up being placed a fine 3rd.

Congratulations to Hamish Taylor for being named prop in the South Island team and Joseph Cairns for being named the reserve hooker. Well done boys.

Y.I.P. Awards

The following have been successful in receiving their awards at recent assemblies.

Gold

Josephine Devereux
Andrew Tomlinson

Silver

Vicki Jackson
Jessica McLeod
Amelia Gaskill
Cameron Shearer
Erin Milner
Erin Mc Henry
Saskia Ruston – Green
Zach Taiaroa
Shayde Bain
Aleisha Sorensen

Letting us Know

Children are asked to see Mr Hutton if they have had successes / good news which should be celebrated through the newsletter. Parents can also let me know of news worthy items.

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Dental Clinic Forms

All Year 8's have had transfer cards issued for free dental care until 18 years of age. Parents please ensure these are completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Thank you

Weekly Highlights for Term 4

Wk 1- School Athletic Sports

Diary Dates

Tuesday 13th October- School athletic sports and Multi Cultural group to perform at NZ Normal Schools Conference at the Scenic Circle Hotel.

Friday 16th October – Special choir at Knox Church for practice and to perform there on Sunday 18th.

Tuesday 20th October– Some Yr 8 girls to get their vaccine + group of children to attend Indian Dance Performance at the College of Education Auditorium.

Wednesday 21st October – Room 1 out Kayaking + Tahuna groups competing in ODT Extra Social studies Quiz at Macandrew Int Hall 6.30 – 8.00pm.

Monday 26th October – LABOUR DAY - School shut for the day.

Monday 2nd November –Room 1 at Long Beach.

Wednesday 4th November – South Zone Athletic sports and Deca Day.

Friday 6th November – Room 15 at Long Beach.

Monday 9th November- Life education Bus sessions commence for Year 8 classes.

Wednesday 11th November– Choir Interchange Day with Balmacewen Int School.

Art Classes for Term 4

Over this term these Tuesday sessions from 3.30 – 5.00pm will have a Christmas theme and run from Tuesday 20th October to Tuesday 8th December.

If you are interested in your child attending please send along an envelope containing their name, age, school, phone number and \$20.

If you have any enquires please ring the school office or Keith Hutton.

Secondary Enrolment reminder

Dunedin Secondary schools have asked us to remind parents and caregivers of Year 8 students to get their enrolment forms in as soon as possible. Thank you.

ENROLMENTS 2010

2010 Enrolments are arriving at the school in good numbers. Thankyou .

Activ8



Activ8 team 2009

On Thursday 17th September eight Year Eights went down to the College of Education to compete in the Active8 course around the Botanical Gardens and Logan Park.

Each team was given a College student teacher to work with. We started at the entrance of the gardens and did 14 activities, which took us around the supermarket, university clock tower, Logan Park High School, the hockey turf, and more. Each team also had to take photos of sustainable things around the area, like the new stadium.

After we had completed the course we went back down to the College of Education and completed a quiz about sports, eating healthily and our bodies.

At the end of the day we won Best Photographers and \$50 for the school.

By Rachel Horn

Commitment

Most of our children are very good at attending games, meetings, practices and the like after trialling and/or being chosen.

Some are still adapting to sticking with their choice or are side tracked by a new activity which seems more exciting.

With so much happening in and about the school we want all our groups and teams to be selected and prepared well so that they perform to the best of their ability.

In the end a good effort or result generates satisfaction for those involved.

Tahuna encourages team players.

Ariki Athletics – Children's Section

ARIKI ATHLETICS

Do you love to run, jump and throw? Then give athletics a GO!

When: Monday nights

Where: Bayfield Park

Time: 6pm-7pm (5yr-9yr)
7pm-8pm(10yr -14yr)

Guthrie Pavilion, Bayfield Park 6pm-7pm

For further enquiries phone - Michael 4761708 or Deidre 4545775.

The Otago Peninsula Presbyterian Parish Church Fair

Saturday 17 October 2009 at 10am

Fun things to see and do. A chocolate wheel, white elephant stall and lots of other exciting stalls. We are the church at the top of **Silverton Street.**

We can't wait to see you there!

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Albatross Mosaic

Mrs Whitson has been co-ordinating the construction of a beautiful albatross mosaic outside Rooms 23 and 24 with a group of students. It looks fantastic and finishes off the newly paved area really well and is another example of Tahuna art in our playground. A big "Thank You" to all those involved who contributed to this project. Well done.



A group of year 7 children make a start.



Sophie Tonks and Britta Hamill spent a considerable amount of time working on this project – Thanks girls.



The finished piece of art which can be viewed outside Rooms 23 and 24.

Revamp for Gold Card Room



Over the holidays the Richardson Family kindly spent numerous hours cleaning out the Gold card room and then giving it new life.

After emptying the room of all the extras, 1000's of staples were then removed from the walls before new paint was applied to one wall while another was decorated by fastening ribbons and colourful half balls to the surface.

Art was hung, games and disk player added with a microwave installed to heat food for lunches. To finish it all off colourful new curtains were hung.

On the first day back the new room was ceremoniously opened.



James Richardson cuts the ribbon to open the new Gold card room.

End of Term Disco

Term 3 ended on a positive, with the School Council Disco being another successful event, owing to the students and staff who attended. Special thanks to our Support, part time staff members and College teachers who also went the extra distance to assist on the night. Thank you also to the parents who promptly collected their children from the hall at the end of the evening.

Over \$895 was raised and some of this money raised will go towards the purchasing of our new school flags and relay batons.

Multicultural Update

A small representation of our Kapa Haka group were given the honour of performing at the opening of the Normal School Principals' Conference. This was a special occasion and our students were again, a real credit to themselves and Tahuna.

On Sunday, several of our performing Multicultural performers will be performing again, at the Lalomanu Village Benefit concert at the Anderson's Bay Presbyterian church in Silverton Street, from 3.30pm.

This concert is an opportunity to join with members of the church community in remembering those who have been affected by the tsunami in Samoa.

We are delighted to be able to actively support, having direct links to the Lalomanu village, one of the more severely devastated villages in the tsunami.

Alexandra Summer Camp

This camp will be held between 16th - 19th January 2010 at Tititea Lodge, Wanaka and is for children 10 – 15years of age.

Activities – river crossing, bush walks, ropes courses, team building team challenges, camp fire cooking and more.

Cost - \$110

It is hosted by St John the Baptist Parish and the Catholic Women's League and is open to all children no matter their religious affiliation.

See Mr Hutton for more information or ring Ph 03 448 8822.

Tahuna Master Chef



Joseph McAuley wins one of the six heats being run over recent weeks for the Tahuna Master Chef.

As a judge I have been most impressed with the standard and variety of dishes prepared by our students.

Thanks to all involved especially Mrs Sayer for all the organising.

Sun Hat Use

Now that the sunny weather is with us, it is timely to encourage your children to take their sunhats to school.

We will be expecting to see our children wearing them during P/E and sports sessions as well as over breaks and at lunch time.

Looking at the Term planner I also see classes will be out for kayaking and abseiling so it is opportune to fit out your child.

Many thanks.

New Flags

This term our new, free standing Tahuna flags will be a visible presence both in and out of our school community.

We are very, very grateful to **ADAMS FLAGS and ACCESSORIES** who went the extra distance to provide exactly what was required, at short notice, for a very reasonable price.

A huge thanks to Mr and Mrs Adams.

They look fantastic and really make us proud of being a part of an adventure at Tahuna Normal Intermediate School.

Year 8 Road to Sexuality Programme

Just another reminder for parents that Gayna McConnell, from Family Planning, will be presenting the Sexuality programme to parents, **TOMORROW evening, (15th October) in the Tahuna School Hall, from 7pm till 8.30pm.**

Gayna will talk about how she empowers the students to use an assertive voice, be comfortable with their own sexuality, owning the S.R. when they are ready and alcohol safety. The knowledge content will be a recap on puberty, hormone change and the importance of decision making and assertiveness on the sexual road.

We are hoping for a large turn out, as 7 Year 8 classes will be involved in the 2 sessions, taken by Gayna, before the end of term.

NZ Playhouse present - Cinderella



At the end of last term we were fortunate to have the NZ Playhouse performers in to present – Cinderella.

Costumes and props were colourful and set the scene for an entertaining show. The script was clever and very funny and had the audience in fits of laughter.

We certainly enjoyed the performance and would consider having them back again to entertain.



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