



Message from the Principal

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,
Kia Ora, Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to the final edition of Contact for 2016. The previous edition was issued earlier in the term, just after the Senior Awards ceremonies. By publishing at that time we were able to give the senior students and their families details of what will be happening in 2017. If you did not receive a Contact or are in doubt, please go to our webpage as everything is there for the beginning of next year. We will also be advertising the details in the local paper.

The timing of this edition comes at the time junior students are receiving information about their programmes for next week - either the Year 9 Special programme or the Year 10 Wider Horizons programme. We will be having many students off site involved in a vast array of activities. I would like to thank my staff in advance for their huge contribution and all the other parents that are supporting us in this venture. Well done.

Special assemblies will be held this week to advise juniors of the expectations of their behaviour during these upcoming programmes, whether they are staying locally or travelling away.

My congratulations to all the students who were recognised through our Academic Awards, Creative Arts, Maori celebration and Sports evenings. Senior students are now nearing the end of NCEA and scholarship exams and I look forward to positive results being posted in January next year.

My congratulations to our juniors on the manner in which they sat their recent exams. I was impressed with their commitment to their academic programme. Such preparation will hold them in good stead for next year. The exams results will have a bearing on their class placement in 2017.

I trust the Year 9s will have a successful Athletics Day on Friday – again, thanks to the staff for all your work in

organising this event. Year 9 students may come to school in PE uniform. Year 10 – Friday, dress as normal.

Junior Tournament week has been and I congratulate our seven volleyball teams who all qualified for this event. This is amazing for one school – to have so many represented teams at a National Tournament.

The 2016 edition of the magazine TREK has arrived early and is available for collection today. The cost is \$10.00 and if students have not pre-ordered then come and purchase from the office. This is an excellent magazine, a lot of hard work has gone into it and I thank all those involved in it.

The final activity for our Year 13s is their Leavers Dinner. This will be held at 6:30pm on Thursday evening, 1 December at the Bay Park Events Centre. I look forward to the night of celebrations and to farewell a fantastic group of young people who have been with us for the last five years.

Year 9 and 10 Awards ceremonies will be held on Friday 9 December. School will commence at 9.00am. Those students involved in a musical item are asked to report to the PAC at 8.30am for a sound check.

Year 9 Awards will commence at 10:00am and conclude approximately at 11:15am. The Year 10 Awards will start at 11:30am and will conclude approximately at 12:45pm. Reports will be issued at the end of the respective Awards ceremony and the students may then go home. This is the end of the school year.

If you have any uniforms that are in good condition and you wish to donate or sell them, the PTA second hand sale will take these. The sale will happen in our Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday 25 January 2017, 4:00pm – 6pm and then again on the following Tuesday – 31 January 12noon-2pm. If you could also help, all you need to do is contact us, and we will be in touch. All uniforms must be labelled with the sellers name and contact details and

handed over to the school office prior to these dates.

Year 13 students are not required to re-enrol for 2017 classes. All HOD's will check the student's exam results to identify students who need to change their subjects due to not meeting entry criteria for particular courses. Deans will phone these students with an appointment time to discuss subject changes. However, students who were previously told they were unlikely to meet the entry criteria for certain courses and as a result of exam results have now met the criteria should ring and make an appointment with their Deans on Wednesday 25 January.

Year 12 students likewise can do this on Thursday 26 January.

All 2017 Year 13 students are encouraged to attend their camp on Thursday 26 January and Friday 27 January. This is a great way to start your Year 13 school year as we focus on a new initiative in our school called "STARS" – a year programme of Year 13 students mentoring Year 9 students (previously Peer Support went on for just five weeks).

For 2017, only Year 9 and Year 13 students attend school on Wednesday 1 February and the 'whole' school attends on Thursday 2 February. School will finish at 3.05pm on Wednesday 1 February for any further Year 13 subject changes and on Thursday 2 February for any Year 12 subject changes. All changes must be HOD approved and will depend on class spaces being available.

Students must attend school in correct school uniform. Please check the uniform code which is available on our school website. Please check for items like wearing plain black shoes – no boots. White socks for the young ladies not black. All our school uniform has a school crest sewn on to identify it as a uniform.

This time of the year we are farewelling a number of staff. See details in this issue, but all the very best to the seven 'Retirees'.

Planning for 2017 – The Board of Trustees, in conjunction with other interest groups, finalise the College's new Strategic Plan. We have revised our vision and watch this space for information regarding "Values" and "Strategic Intent".

On the property scene next year, we can expect the work on the roofing, recladding and strengthening of the Action Centre to finish in February. Currently planning to revamp M Block (Learning Centre) and part of the Maths Block into an "Innovative Learning Space". Plans are also being drawn up for new changing rooms and an all-purpose covered area on the "Gully" side of the Gym. Also modernising the canteen and re-roofing parts of A Block.

So I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year and make sure you have a safe break and I look forward to you returning on day one next year.

To those of you who are leaving us, all the very best for your future and keep us informed of the successes of your life.

Kia ora, thanks.

DG Randell
Principal

TREK SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2016

Our School introduced by students

- *Information on Creative Arts*
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RETIREMENTS

Stewart Henderson

Stewart, along with his then new wife, Alison, and an MSc from Reading University, arrived in New Zealand from England in January 1970 and travelled to Tauranga where he began and completed a three-month Graduate Training programme (on a full teaching salary!) at Otumoetai College.

On completion of such, Stewart started teaching at the College and gained a permanent full time position at the end of that year. Stewart has taught at the College for 45 years and was only interrupted by two years back in the UK in 1974 and 1980.

Over these years, Stewart has focused on teaching Physics and Science and has stated that he has gained great enjoyment from working with the diverse college staff, both past and present. A talented and passionate sportsman, Stewart played rugby for Torquay and English Universities and for Greerton when he arrived in Tauranga.

Stewart has coached many college sports teams – soccer, rugby, basketball and, the one that he is nationally recognised for, volleyball. He has coached the College 'A' Girls teams to 10 National Secondary School titles, eight North Island titles and five silver medals at the Australian Secondary School Championships. Beyond the college, he has coached the NZ Junior Women's team at three Asian Championships and one USA High Performance Championship.

Stewart has also coached the Tauranga Women's team to three National club Championships. Seconded from teaching for a year, he established the College Sport's Foundation which was the precursor to the Sports Office. He established the Annual Sports Awards ceremony and researched the sports section of the College publications to mark the first 40 and then 50 years of the college. Alison taught at the College from 1985-1995 before moving to further her career at Waikato University. The four Henderson children all attended the College.

Stewart leaves behind a record of devoted, loyal service of 45 years that is never likely to be equalled. All members of the College community sincerely thank you, Stewart, and wish you a long, happy retirement.

Alan Galletly

Alan was born and educated in Christchurch. He attended Shirley Boys' High School and continued on to study and complete an MA in Geography at the University of Canterbury. Alan completed his teachers' training in 1972 and, newly married, began his teaching career at Tauranga Boys' College in 1973 teaching Geography.

The choice of Tauranga said something about Alan's passion for surfing! While at Tauranga Boys' College he continued to teach Geography and Social Studies while both playing and coaching hockey – his other great passion.

In mid-1980, Otumoetai College advertised for a PRI in Geography – assistant to the Head of Department of Social Science – and Alan was appointed to the position. He held this position until the end of 1997 and then in 1998 acted as Head of Department of Social Science for a year. Deciding that the role was not for him, he moved into the Digital Business Faculty where he remained Assistant Head until his retirement at the end of this year.

Over the years, Alan has shown much initiative in growing computing and he was also responsible for introducing the academic programme in Physical Education and Health into the College.

Alan's contribution to Hockey has been enormous both at the College and at national level and is best summarised by his appointment as Chair of New Zealand Hockey. This accolade was granted by his peers because they recognised his talent, passion, skill and dedication to the sport. Alan, the College thanks you for 37 years of loyal, committed service and recognises and congratulates you on a teaching career of 44 years.

RETIREMENTS

Larry Dixon

Larry was educated at Napier Boys' High School and Mount Maunganui College and moved on to Waikato University where he completed a B. Soc Sc in Sociology and Geography in 1972.

His teaching career began in London in 1974 and, enjoying the experience, he returned to New Zealand and formally trained as a secondary teacher at Auckland Teachers' College in 1977.

Larry's first appointment was to Kaitia College in 1978 and returning to Auckland he taught at Selwyn College from 1979-1984. He lectured at Christchurch Teachers' College from 1985-1987 while completing an MA (Hons) in Sociology at Canterbury University. After spending 1988 teaching at Tauranga Girls' College, Larry was appointed to the Social Science faculty to teach Sociology in 1989. Larry has been a member of the faculty for 28 years and was appointed Head in 1999 – a period of 18 years of leadership.

Larry's considerable achievements are too many to record in total, but he has continued to grow the profile of a nationally recognised faculty and been appointed to a number of positions that have seen him influence the subject area at a national level. Larry has been the staff representative on the Board of Trustees, an Acting Deputy Principal, Director of International Students, a Year Level Dean, writer of the initial Sociology Unit Standards, National Moderator for Sociology, teacher's representative on the Executive of the Sociological Association of Aotearoa, and co-author of textbooks that have been published in both Australia and New Zealand and translated into braille. Larry also was a Curriculum Tutor in Social Science for the Waikato University School of Education for a period of five years.

Larry, the College sincerely thanks you for your considerable input and wishes you a long and enjoyable retirement.

Julie Eagle

Julie completed her training at the Auckland Secondary Teachers' College in 1972, gaining a Home Economics Teachers' Certificate.

She then started her teaching career at Spotswood College in New Plymouth before moving on to teach and enjoy a year in Perth, Australia, then to Tauhara College in Taupo (1980-1987), Manurewa High School in South Auckland (1989-1991) and Whangamata Area School (1992-2003). In 2004, Julie spent a year in England teaching at St Mary's High School. Back in New Zealand in 2005 she spent a year teaching at Tauranga Intermediate before joining the College staff in 2006.

Julie, who has a real passion for Textiles and Design, immediately lifted the standard to a new height and has on many occasions had students taking the top award at the Bay of Plenty PIN'ED competition in fashion and design.

Julie - thank you for your wonderful contribution and best wishes for retirement.

Colette MacKenzie

Colette trained as a primary school teacher at Hamilton Teachers' College between 1968-1970.

She held a primary teaching position between 1971-1972 before leaving to travel the world. In 1980 she became a Probation Officer, a position she held until 1986 and in 1987 she spent a year working for 'Family Planning'. In 1988 she joined the staff at Whangarei Girls' High School where she established and became head of the Transition Department. Colette and her husband then moved to England for 10 years where she taught at Oakmead Comprehensive School (1993-1995) and Beaucroft Foundation School in Dorset (1995-2002). Back in New Zealand, home became Greymouth. From 2002-2009, Colette took a break from teaching, bought a beautiful old home and ran a Bed & Breakfast.

Work in Tauranga began in 2009 and soon after she joined the Pathways Department. She developed the then fledgling Directions course, designed to meet the needs of students whose programmes, for a wide variety of reasons, did not meet with the constraint set by the mainstream timetable. Colette was also the form teacher to the Poutama form class which she has considered the greatest privilege. Colette, we say 'thank you' for your invaluable input and wish you the very best for your future.

RETIREMENTS

Anna Shaw

Born and educated in England, Anna completed her teacher training and began teaching Physical Education in London in 1972.

Her skills were recognised because in 1974 she was appointed Head of Department for five years.

Keen to travel, she moved to the other side of the world, and between 1978–1984 she undertook a range of secretarial work in various parts of Australia.

1984 saw her relief teaching in Whakatane, but a year later she was back in Australia for a further five years. Between 1990–1993 she taught at Tauranga Girls' College, Whakatane High School and at the Waiariki Polytechnic in Whakatane. After a year in Samoa, Anna joined the College staff in 1995 from which she retires this year. Her time at the College has seen much change - teaching typing, evolving into teaching computing. Keenly interested in sport, Anna was 'rowing mistress' for a number of years.

Anna, the College thanks you and wishes you success with your evolving future plans.

Doreen Swetman

Doreen was trained at Auckland Teachers' College where she gained a Commercial Teachers' Certificate and a Teaching Diploma in 1969.

Doreen taught at a number of schools around the Waikato (Fairfield College 1970-71, Tokoroa High School 1972, Hamilton Girls' High School 1972-76 and Fraser High School 1977).

After taking a break of 8 years to be a full time mother to her two sons in 1986, Doreen was appointed to the College staff. When it was fully outside school hours, Doreen took responsibility for Young Enterprise for two years and she also completed 12 years as a Dean, guiding year groups from Year 9 to Year 13. Working with Tina Marsh, they were the first teachers to take a group to Mexico to build a house. This was a humanitarian project that has become a College tradition tying us into the international community.

Over the last two years she has broken new ground and job-shared with Anna Shaw – a challenge they have both enjoyed.

Doreen, the College says 'thank you' and wishes you a relaxing and enjoyable retirement.

PERSONAL LEARNING DEVICES:

If you are thinking of buying some kind of digital device for your child this summer, you might like to be aware of our school Bring Your Own Device policy (BYOD).

Students are not required to bring a device to school. It is at the discretion of the teacher as to whether they can use it in class. Inappropriate use of a device in class may result in its confiscation.

We are unable to provide charging facilities for students. Please ensure that the battery life is 7 or 8 hours if your student is intending to bring a device to school.

Student owned devices are brought to school at the student's own risk and we cannot take any responsibility for devices stolen or lost.

There are no facilities available at school for the storage of student devices and so it is also advisable to consider the weight and size of the device when making a purchase.

As a rule at secondary school, laptops and Chromebook devices which have keyboards are probably more suitable than tablets for students studying specialist subjects or for subjects which require a lot of writing. Students are issued with school Google accounts that can be accessed from any device that has a browser.

Library Books and Sports Uniforms

Please return all Library Books to either the Library or School Office before the 8th December.

Please return any blazers, ties, sports uniforms, tracksuits and bags not in current use to either the Sports Office or School Office before the 8th December 2016. Thank you.

STAFF MEMBER CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Margaret Keam started teaching at Otumoetai College in 1979. She taught full-time for 1979 and part of 1980, then took time out to have her children. She taught occasionally as a part-time teacher and a reliever, until she began in January 1992 as a tutor for a deaf student. For the next two years she taught English and Economics before joining the Social Science faculty teaching Geography and Social Studies.

For the past decade or more, Margaret has taken responsibility for Travel and Tourism, developing new courses for both Years 12 and 13.

Margaret also teaches Level 2 (Year 12) Geography and for many years has organised the field trips for students at that level.

Margaret is an integral and very important member of the Social Science faculty. She takes responsibility for managing the Resource Room and for ordering and maintaining textbooks and visual resources. She has been at the forefront of the changes to the units of learning for Years 9 and 10 Social Studies.

Margaret is highly respected by her colleagues. Her contribution to the Social Science faculty and to the school has been considerable.

NCEA & Scholarship 2016 Results Publication in 2017

Students should access the Learner-Login area of the NZQA website to view their NCEA results in early January 2017 and Scholarship results in early February.

Printed NCEA result notices will NOT be distributed to all learners automatically. Learners who require a printed result notice must have requested one from the Learner-Login between September and December 1st.

Scholarship result notices will be distributed to all candidates in February 2017. They will also be displayed on the Learner-Login site.

Certificates, School Results Summaries, Records of Achievement.

Will only be distributed on request via the NZQA Login for delivery (in 15-20 days). The first copies of these documents are free, but additional copies will cost \$15.30 each.

Learner-Login - To Register on-line – you will require your National Student Number (NSN)

1. Go to www.nzqa.govt.nz/learner-login
2. Click register
3. Complete your details online

If you have forgotten your password, phone NZQA on 0800 697 296.

JUNIOR SPEECH FINALS 2016

The Junior Speech Competition this year yielded some wonderfully lively speeches. For the first time the judges offered awards for Highly Commended and Commended above that of First place.

Year 9

Winner	Alexandra Reyes
Commended	Michael Goulton
	Hannah Macklow

Year 10

Winner	Makayla Wadsworth
Highly Commended	Grace Martin



SPEECH FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIRPERSON ON THE YEAR 13 SENIOR AWARDS EVENING

Tena koutou katoa. Ka nui te mihi ki nga akonga nei e rere atu ki te ao. Ka pu te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi, No reira , Tena koutou katoa.

Greetings to everyone. Big greetings to these students who are escaping into the world. The worn-out net is cast aside, and the new one goes a-fishing. Greetings to you all.

The college vision is to create a united community of resilient lifelong learners where knowledge, social skills and a culture of care are valued and where all learners achieve their potential.

Well, year of 2016 I wonder whether we have succeeded? Did you experience a united community? Have you become a resilient life long learner? I hope so, because you are likely to be making some big decisions, and changes are coming in your lives. I hope you have seen what can be achieved in community during your time at Otumoetai College.

Community begins with the decision of an individual to acknowledge that it is better to do life together. You can always achieve more when you work together with others.

I have a challenge for you year of 2016. Seek to Bless your family, local community and global community with your life. To "Bless" per dictionary.com (Verb) "to bestow good of any kind upon someone".

Here, I think, is a simple way to be a big influence on those around you!

"Bless" the B is simply for you to Begin. Be people of action and take the initiative, don't sit back take every opportunity. It's too easy to look for someone else to take the initiative but maybe you, are the, you, you are looking for!

Then the L, Listen great leaders are great listeners. It's hard work to listen but essential to seeing the needs around you. Without seeing needs you won't make a difference. However smart you become often the best thing to do is shut up and listen.

E for eat.. always take time to eat together, so much is achieved around food. In every culture in the world the best times and biggest decisions are made around tables.

S for Serve. Radical world changers served others. "We make a living by what we get but we make a life by what we give" Winston Churchill. "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others" Mother Teresa.

S for share. It is a lonely life if you live to gain just for yourself. Learn to share your talents and resources and you will find yourself surrounded by those who want to share with you. For this is where you will find true purpose, resilience and satisfaction in life. So you remember the message about BLESS. I have brought a visual, this year it's.... " Pineapple Lumps". You may have to think about that for a bit but the next time you see the ad, you will get it.

To our learning community, firstly our teaching staff. Thanks a lot - you do a seriously great job!

To our senior leadership team. Thank you for your wisdom, and the genuine care that you bring to our college. Thank you Dave Randell for leading the team.

Thanks to our volunteers, coaches, drivers, organisers, fundraisers, the PTA, your contributions are greatly appreciated. And of course to our parents.

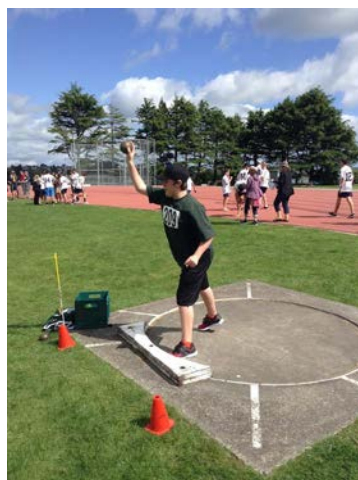
Thanks to our Kuia and Kaumatua you are highly respected and doing a great job with our school and Maori students. To my fellow board members thank you for your many hours of meetings, questions, reading and caring for our school. Together we are a community of learning.

A final reminder year of 2016, from another African proverb. "If you want to go fast go alone, if you want to go far- go together."

Tena kotu katoa

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

On Friday 28 October all students in the Special Needs Unit competed against other schools in athletics; the last Special Olympics event of the year, held at Tauranga Domain. The students took part in several track and field events like long jump, mini javelin, shot put, softball throw, walking and running races as well as a relay and a wheelchair race. Stand out Athletic achievements were Sarah Hoonhout, Maja Scott, Tara O'Neill and Joseph Harrison. The Good Sportsmanship awards went to Joseph and Sarah who offered special support and encouragement to their fellow athletes who needed it during their events. It was a great fun day, really enjoyed by students, family and staff and meticulously organized again by Collen Black, Central North Island Regional Sports Coordinator.



From left: Matthew Westenberg proudly shows his first place certificate for the Men's 100m walking race. Timothy Dobbs throws the shot put and Ella Mazzola Bowles was proud to take third place in the Women's 100m walking race.

OTUMOETAI COLLEGE RUGBY COACHES WANTED

Rugby coaching opportunity



Under 14s (ages 12-13yrs) 2 Coaches required

2nd XV (ages 15 – 18 yrs) 2 Coaches required

1st XV (ages 15 – 18 yrs) 2 Coaches required

All positions are volunteer coaching. There is no remuneration or financial assistance.

Coaching positions start during Term 1 of 2017. Dates to be advised.

We are seeking experienced and motivated local rugby coaches for 2017.

If you would like to coach Rugby at Otumoetai College in 2017 please contact

Paul Braddock on 0295762317 or 075765675

Email pbraddock@otc.school.nz

or

Jamie Davis on 027 229 1562

Email jdavis@otc.school.nz



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WET BELLS WET DAYS

When the weather is such that it is inappropriate for the students to be allowed on the field then lunch will be shortened to 30 minutes. This means times will be adjusted so that:

Period 5 will begin at 2:05pm

School will finish at 3:05pm

A 'wet lunch' decision is made just prior to lunchtime. A message is voiced onto the main school phone number indicating this at around 1:28pm. This 'wet bells' message precedes our standard welcome message.

Please remember: No 'wet bells' message on the school phone means no wet day and school will finish at the normal time.

On 'early finish' days bus students who have to wait an extra 20 minutes to catch their bus, have the option to wait in a classroom or the PAC (whichever is available on the day).

2017 INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

The Otumoetai College PTA has started planning for the 2017 International Food Festival, to be held on Friday 24 March at the College.

If you have first-hand knowledge of a particular cuisine or culture that you would like to share with you local community, the PTA will gladly support you in representing your heritage at the International Food Festival.

We supply all the ingredients and any equipment that you need, as well as any helpers or help that you may require - please do not hesitate to contact Debbie Blair: blair.family@xtra.co.nz or 027 245 4939 with any questions.

HOST FAMILIES WANTED

The New Zealand Institute of International Understanding is looking for genuine caring families to host international exchange students for the 2017 school year. We have a cheerful Thai girl and a sporty Japanese boy studying at high school in Tauranga from February. A board payment is made to cover the students' expenses.

For more info call Scott on 021511151

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BIG JANUARY PTA UNIFORM SALE

Wednesday 25 January 2017

4-6pm in the Performing Arts Centre

**SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS
TO SELL / FOR SALE:**

If you have a second-hand uniform that you no longer require our Uniform Shop is happy to sell on-behalf for a small fee. Proceeds from the sale of your second-hand uniform can be made to offset student accounts or be banked to your nominated bank account.

If you wish to make use of this service, you will need to tag each garment with your name and contact phone number. You will also need to supply a 'list' of all garments you are selling, with your contact details and bank account number. **The uniform shop is open during term time every Wednesday 1:45-2:30pm email: uniforms@otc.school.nz**

INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

The end of another busy and wonderful year in International. These pictures show the farewell lunch for our senior students and Activity Week run by Learning Journeys for students not sitting NZQA Externals. We wish them all the best for their return journey home - from everyone in the International Office.



INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT



SPORTS NEWS

Beach Volleyball

The Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Junior Beach Volleyball was held on Wednesday 9th November over at the Mount Main Beach.

Year 10 Girls

Division 1

- 1st – Emma Hegarty & Alexandra Tomson
- 2nd – Kebriah Newman & Sarah Ensor
- 4th – Makaylah Rae & Cliona Whyte

Division 2

- 1st – Gemma Bateman & Madison Mackenzie

Year 10 Boys

Division 2

- 1st – Ollie Wesley & Te Taumata Jack-Kino

Year 9 Girls

Division 1

- 1st – Larissa Meads & Lucy Schuler
- 3rd – Antonia Ballantyne & Kassi Glanville-Rolleston

Division 2

- 1st – Lilly Muspratt & Rosie Hunt
- 2nd – Olivia Elton & Jessica Jervis
- 3rd – Courtney Bennett & Nicole Cook

Sevens

Congratulations to Makaylah Rae who has been named in the Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Girls Sevens team. This is an awesome achievement as she has only picked up Sevens this year for the Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools tournament back in October. Milika Niu has also now been called into the team so congratulations to Milika.

Volleyball

Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Junior Indoor Championship:

- Junior A Girls – 1st
- Junior B Girls – 10th
- Year 9A Girls – 11th
- Year 9B Girls – 15th
- Year 9C Girls – 29th
- Junior A Boys – 3rd
- Junior B Boys – 8th
- Year 9 Boys – 14th

North Island Secondary School Volleyball Championships:

- Junior A Girls – 4th in Division One
- Junior B Girls – 10th in Division Two
- Year 9 Girls – 14th in Division One

- Junior A Boys – 2nd in Division One
- Junior B Boys – 11th in Division Two
- Year 9 Boys – 14th in Division Two

Congratulations to Emma Hegarty, Cliona Whyte, Luke Chuter, Henare Richards and Jerome Morris who all made tournament teams following their week at the Junior North Island Volleyball Championships.

Sailing

Over the weekend James Barnett won the Bay of Plenty Tanner Cup Trials in P Class. He finished with three wins, a 3rd, and a 2nd taking home a trophy at the end of the weekend. The Tanner Cup trials regatta is held to determine who will represent BOP region at the Tanner Cup - an annual event with the best sailors from each region. This season the Tanner Cup regatta will be held at Plimmerton in January 2017. Congratulations James and good luck for your event in January.

Coaches Needed!!

If you have thought about coaching at Otumoetai College in 2017 let us know, as we will be looking for coaches for the following codes for both senior and junior teams:

- Rugby
- Netball
- Girls Hockey
- Boys Hockey
- Girls Basketball
- Boys Basketball

Please email sport@otc.school.nz or phone (07) 576 1390 if you are interested in coaching any of the above codes.



2016 NCEA EXAMINATION TIMETABLE



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2016 Examination Timetable						
	Day	Date/Time	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Day 1	Wed 9 Nov	9.30am				Drama
		2.00pm				
Day 2	Thurs 10 Nov	9.30am	English	Spanish		English
		2.00pm		Earth and Space Science	Biology	
Canterbury Anniversary Day Weekend						
Day 3	Mon 14 Nov	9.30am	Science	Classical Studies	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	History
		2.00pm	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Making Music	Chemistry
Day 4	Tues 15 Nov	9.30am	Economics	Physics	Latin	Economics
		2.00pm	Physics	Economics	Physics	French
Day 5	Wed 16 Nov	9.30am	Geography	Dance	Geography	Japanese
		2.00pm	Dance	Geography	Dance	Physics
Day 6	Thurs 17 Nov	9.30am	Mathematics		Spanish	Statistics
		2.00pm		English		Biology
Day 7	Fri 18 Nov	9.30am		Biology	History	Spanish
		2.00pm	History		Accounting	Music
Weekend						
Day 8	Mon 21 Nov	9.30am	Home Economics	Chemistry	Home Economics	Geography
		2.00pm	Chemistry	Home Economics	Chemistry	Te Reo Māori
Day 9	Tues 22 Nov	9.30am	Accounting	Art History	Classical Studies	Chinese
		2.00pm	Te Reo Māori	Accounting	English	
Day 10	Wed 23 Nov	9.30am	Biology	History	Art History / Calculus	Agricultural and Horticultural Science
		2.00pm	Chinese / German	Latin	Music Studies	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira
Day 11	Thurs 24 Nov	9.30am		Mathematics		Art History
		2.00pm	Spanish		Statistics	
Day 12	Fri 25 Nov	9.30am	Business Studies	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Business Studies	Calculus
		2.00pm	Music	Business Studies	Economics	Earth and Space Science
Weekend						
Day 13	Mon 28 Nov	9.30am	Health	French	Health	Latin
		2.00pm	French	Health	French	
Day 14	Tues 29 Nov	9.30am	Latin	Media Studies	Chinese / German	Classical Studies
		2.00pm	Media Studies	Chinese / German	Media Studies	
Day 15	Wed 30 Nov	9.30am	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Social Studies	Samoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Accounting
		2.00pm	Social Studies	Music	Earth and Space Science	German
Day 16	Thurs 1 Dec	9.30am	Japanese	Te Reo Māori	Japanese	Media Studies
		2.00pm	Classical Studies	Japanese	Te Reo Māori	
Day 17	Fri 2 Dec	9.30am	Drama	Education for Sustainability	Drama	
		2.00pm	Art History	Drama	Social Studies	
Weekend						

THANK YOU!

With your very generous sponsorship we could purchase jackets and shorts for our Rugby teams.



HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTRE

Bay Physiotherapy

@ Otumoetai College



Your Physio is
Deb Glen Vile

Available at school for your convenience

See the Health Centre for appointment request forms
Or phone 5779798

Your first appointment is free No referral necessary

☎ 5779798

www.bayphysiotherapy.co.nz

Email: enquiries@bayphysiotherapy.co.nz



Year 9 Health Assessment

The School Health Nurse Tricia Tyrrell will be providing youth friendly services that will give the students the opportunity to access a Registered Nurse.

As part of an agreement between the Ministry of Health and the Western Bay of Plenty Public Health office these Health assessments are offered to randomly selected Year 9 Students.

These assessments include development checks, hearing, vision, weight and height, blood pressure, home situation, education, eating, activities, drugs and smoking, sexuality, moods, and safety discussions.

The goals of our Nursing service for all students is to support early detection, referral and treatment of students problems related to vision, hearing, behaviour and development, and other health and disability conditions, to support learning, school performance and positive youth development.

Please contact Tricia the Nurse on ph 5762316 ext 808 if you have any concerns.

Guidance Department Otumoetai College

As part of the Student Support Services at Otumoetai College we have two full time and one part time fully qualified counsellors.

The counsellors are available to meet with students and their families to assist with any concerns they may have.

If you wish to use this service please do not hesitate to contact: Alison Crawford Acting HOD by phoning (07) 5762316 ext 729 or email alccrawford@otc.school.nz to organise an appointment.

Teen Tools

'teentools' is an online resource for Parents wanting advice, contacts and ideas.

Our teens are faced with many opportunities and issues where the choices they make can make a lasting impression on their lives. Parents with an understanding of the issues our teens face will be better equipped to provide support and help when needed.

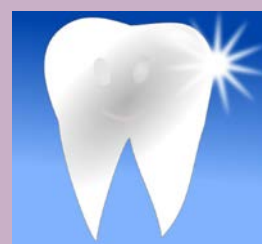
Visit www.teentools.co.nz to find out more.

Dental Care on-site at our College

The Mobile Dental Unit has returned to Otumoetai College and is located next to the Health & Wellness Centre. The Unit will stay on-site until the end of the year and will return for the 1st Term and for the beginning of the 2nd Term in 2017.

We welcome new Enrolments with our service for any student who is not currently enrolled with another Dentist. We offer a FREE yearly dental examination, oral health advice, x-rays and treatment for all students up until the day before their 18th Birthday. Enrolment forms are available from our Dental Unit or the Health & Wellness Centre.

We welcome your enquiries and any concerns. Please don't hesitate to call us on 027 807 2038 or come and visit us at any time during school hours. We are here to help you and your students. Thank you.



Hot tips to keep safe this summer

• Sunscreen

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP & WRAP. Wear a shirt, sunblock, hat and sunnies. Use the highest SPF as possible; factor 80 is now available. Find some shade between 11am & 4pm, also be aware of the days UV index.

• Hydration

Drink plenty of water especially in hot weather and when active to avoid dehydration and heat exhaustion.

• Food

Eat regular low fat, low sugar and low salt snacks when active. Fruit is a great choice. Choose 5+ each day. If camping or picnicking watch food hygiene and safety keeping food at the right temperatures.

• Stings

Be prepared for insect / jellyfish stings. Have appropriate creams or medication with you.

• Parties (and alcohol)

Go as a group and stick together. Plan ahead: Will there be alcohol? Will I drink? What is my limit? Can I say no? How will I get home? Plan for every possible outcome. Have some money put away for a taxi. Be aware that alcohol can lead to poor judgement and decisions that a sober person wouldn't make. This may be going off alone with someone who may harm them, risky sexual behaviour or getting behind the wheel of a car or getting a ride with an intoxicated driver.

PLEASE take care this summer as we want to see your smiley face safe and sound back at school next year.

Tricia Tyrrell

Student Health Co-ordinator



Kids Surfing
Summer Holiday Surf Programmes
at Mount Maunganui

Surfing Dec & Jan school holidays
email: surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz
7-17yr olds / \$175 for week / AM & PM Sessions

Kids Only School Holiday Surf Programme



WAVE WARRIORS
After School Surf Club
at Mount Maunganui

Available Term 1
7-11yrs | Thurs | 3.45-4.45pm
12-15yrs | Fri | 3.45-4.45pm
surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz

Learn to Surf

Get the kids off the X-box and down to the beach these holidays with our Learn to Surf week at Mount Maunganui

FUN, ACTIVE & HEALTHY

- Open to Kids aged between 7 – 17 years old
- Surf sessions 10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm
- Mon 19 – Fri 23 December 2016
- Mon 2 – Fri 6 January 2017
- Mon 9 – Fri 13 January 2017
- Mon 16 – 20 January 2017
- Cost \$45 per session or \$175 for 5 days

Limited spaces available per session, bookings essential!



ONEILL SURF ACADEMY

Please email surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz



Wave Warriors
After School Surf Club

The O'Neill Surf Academy have teamed up with Surfing New Zealand to deliver their national junior surfer programme....Wave Warriors

Available Term 1 & 2 – 8 weeks
7-11yr olds | Thursday | 3.45pm-4.45pm
12-15yr olds | Friday 3.45pm-4.45pm

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Mt Maunganui

Limited spaces | Please email to book
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2016 Remaining Dates

30 Nov	Year 9 AL PE Excursion School Magazine Trek available
1 December	Introduction Year 12 STAR
1 December	Leavers Dinner 6:30pm
2 December	Year 10 Normal Classes Year 9 Athletics Day
6-8 Dec	Year 9 / 10 Special Programme
9 Dec	Junior Awards Year9 10am Year 10 11:30am Year 9 and 10 Reports Issued

2017 Term Dates

Term 1	Tuesday 31 January - Thursday 13 April
Term 2	Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July
Term 3	Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September
Term 4	Monday 16 October - Friday 8 December

2017 Teacher Only Days

Tuesday 31 January
Friday 19 May, Friday 18 August
Monday 11 December, Tuesday 12 December

2017 Other Holidays

Monday 6 February	Waitangi Day
Friday 14 April	Good Friday
Monday 5 June	Queens Birthday
Friday 1 September	Mid Term Break
Monday 23 October	Labour Day

Please note: the above dates are subject to change

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' OFFICE REQUIRES HOMESTAY FAMILIES

To host short term and long term students
Preferably families who can relate to teenagers & are willing to care for the student as part of their family. Good remuneration.
Please ring 5762316 ext 760

SCHOOL DATABASE

Don't forget to update your student details with our School Database Manager - for changes to contact details etc.

If you have not already done so - you can have your email details added to the student database to receive our newsletter electronically.

To update details please phone on 576-2316 Ext 755 or email dbadmin@otc.school.nz

2017 Important Dates

18 Jan	SCHOOL OFFICE OPENS
24 Jan	10:30am - 3:30pm Year 12 Mentor Training (Group 1)
25 Jan	10:30am - 1:30pm Year 12 Mentor Training (Group 2) All NEW enrolments to G4 All Year 13 Students to be available if called in re. subject courses (Library) BIG JANUARY PTA UNIFORM SALE PAC 4:00pm - 6pm
26 Jan	9:00am Year 13 Leadership Camp (including STAR's training departs for Totara Springs 1:30pm - 4pm Year 12 Subject changes (by appointment) G3
27 Jan	Year 13 Leadership Camp returns 3pm
30 Jan	Auckland Anniversary Holiday
31 Jan	TEACHER ONLY DAY 12noon-2pm PTA Uniform extra sale PAC
1 Feb	Y9 + Y13 Start today / IFFS Year 10 - 13 Orientation Day 8:45am Year 13 to PAC 8:45am Year 9 Meet Action Centre Carpark 9:00am Year 9 / 13 / IFFS / new staff Powhiri 9:45am Year 9 & Year 9 IFFS to PAC 9:45am Year 13 Assembly / IFFS away 10:35am Year 9 & Year 9 IFFS to Form Room 11:00am Interval 11:25am Yr 9 & Yr 9 IFFS to PAC - Info re. Itin. Music 11:25am Year 13 Form Class 12noon Year 9 & Year 9 IFFS Meet Year 13 - STAR Session 1 (non STAR Year 13 report to Gym) 12noon Head Student Photo 12:45pm Lunch 1:30pm Year 9, Year 9 IFFS and Year 13 Form Class 2pm STAR Session 2 2:45pm Form Classes 3:05pm School Closes for day 3:15 - 5pm Year 13 Final Subject changes
2 Feb	Full school in attendance Year 9 Form Class Year 10 PAC (Assembly) - check noticeboard outside G6 for Form Class Year 11 Form Class - check noticeboard outside Library for Form Class then assembly 9:45am Y12 Form Class - check noticeboard in Canteen Quad for Form Class then assembly 10:25am Y13 Form Class 10am Student Executive nominations close 10-10:45am STAR Session 3 11am - 11:25am Interval 11:25am onwards 5 shortened periods (P1 11:25am-noon, P2 12:05pm-12:40pm, P3 12:45pm - 1:20pm, Lunch 1:20pm - 1:55pm, P4 2:00pm - 2:30pm, P5 2:35pm - 3:05pm) 3:05pm School Closes for the day 3:15 - 5pm Year 11 & 12 Subject Changes
3 Feb	Full school in attendance 8:45 - 9:05am Form Class, 9:10 - 10:05am Period 1, 10:10 - 11:00am Period 2 (then classes as timetabled)
6 Feb	Waitangi Day
7 Feb	Special Needs students begin Assembly for all Bus Students in PAC during Period 2
8 Feb	Voting for Student Executive Period 2: PATs Years 9 & 10 Reading Comprehension
9 Feb	Period 2: PATs Years 9 & 10 Mathematics

**** Please Note ****

Above events dates / times are subject to change

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