

Timaru Boys' High School

May Newsletter 2021

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Rector's Message - May 2021

Kia ora te whanāu

What foul weather!! I hope that everyone is safe and dry. The school is closed today but hopefully open tomorrow. More information will be coming to you today on email and on our authorised Facebook page.

The first four weeks of Term 2 have rushed by and we are now nearly half way through. The school year is structured into these 10 week bursts and students need to be careful that time doesn't slip through their fingers. I often bring this up during assemblies but it would be great if this was repeated at home - procrastination is our enemy!

Blair Poulter, our awesome Careers Adviser/HOD, and his hard working team (Lynn Molyneux and Glenn Austin) have been flat out this term. They have been organising the work experience for Gateway students and interviewing those senior boys who need careers advice (that's practically all of them). Also, they have been seeking out extra ways of exposing students to Careers information and opportunities. Year 13 students have recently been taken to Canterbury and Otago Universities. These trips will help cement plans for some and open the minds of others to new possibilities. The entire Year 11 cohort was taken to the Employment Expo at Aorangi stadium in Week 3. Afterwards, the boys were full of chat about what piqued their interest. These events are important for our students and Blair sees Careers education as vital for all boys from Years 9 to 13. There is a lot more to a school than just providing pathways to meaningful future employment. However, we definitely see it as a critically important function.

Last week we had lots of fun celebrating Pink Shirt Day. The boys really got into the spirit of the event with some outrageous get-ups on parade. We talked about the key message of the day which is "Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying". Bullying happens in all fields of life but I feel that the students at TBHS do share a bond during their time here. If we can build on that existing brotherhood (which is great), we can help increase boys' sense of awareness and empathy for others. At TBHS, as in all schools, we act on any information about bullying and we welcome parental feedback on their son's experiences.

Winter Sport is well and truly underway. There have been some amazing results already - the Hockey 1st Xl's 4-0 win over John McGlashan last week (they play them again in the final of the Otago round this week - go guys!) and the 1st XV's victory over Christ's College at Christ College last Saturday to name only two. The school Cross Country was a fun and competitive event that everyone enjoyed. I'm really looking forward to the winter interschool exchanges coming over the next term and a half. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for details.

This Thursday our Year 8 Information Evening takes place in Hogben Hall at 7pm. It's an overview of what happens at TBHS in Year 9. Parents and students will hear from me, our Year 9 Deans, some Year 9 Students and our Head Boy, Balkrishna Uniyal. There will be opportunities to ask questions and chat to people one on one. Looking forward to seeing prospective students and parents there.

Keep safe.

Dave Thorp



Year 8 Information Evening

Parents of potential Year 9 students and their sons are warmly invited to attend our Family Information Evening at Timaru Boys' High School on Thursday 3 June, 7pm-8pm.

Finding the right High School is a big decision. We want to give you and your family a small taste of what you might expect at TBHS if you choose to join us in 2022. The

Information Evening is a chance for families to find out more about the education at Timaru Boys' High School, following our Open Day in March.

There will be presentations from several members of our Timaru Boys' family, along with an opportunity for questions.

To find out more about us before 3 June, please refer to the front page of our school website, authorised Facebook page, or give us a call on 03 687 7560.

We look forward to having you join us on **Thursday 3 June 2021, 7pm** in Hogben Hall, 211 North Street, Timaru.



2021 Prefect Assembly

Timaru Boys' has a time honoured tradition of allowing our Year 13s to hit the stage and take over the responsibility of running an Assembly!

Last Wednesday, roles were reversed as this debonnaire young group of men took the stage whilst staff sat at the back of the Hall.

Students took on the role of "Rector" and a number of other staff members. **Tom Fraser** is to be commended for his note perfect "Mr Sparrow" whilst **Neil Meyer** absolutely nailed Mr Stevenson's regular assembly sermon. Some staff can be seen in school uniform and a good time was had by all.



Aoraki Cross Country

This annual race was held at Ashbury Park on Thursday 27 May in cold, but fine conditions with field sizes of around 30 in each of the races.

TBHS had team success in all three age groups where our top 3 runners placers added to lower scores than the other schools in the region to prove to be the dominant cross

country boys school.

In the Year 9 Race, **Johnson Cleland** lead from start to finish to claim the individual title over the challenging 3000m course. **Ryan Bell** came through the field for 5th and with **Jonty Porter** in 6th place they were comfortable winners. **McArthur Alexander** 10th, **Jack Parry** 11th, **Dylan Scarlett** 12th, **Nashoba Mehlhopt** 13th, **Lachlan Crawford** 16th and **Ashton Wright** 17th completed a very dominant performance for the school.

In the Under 16 Event over 4000m **Payo O'Sullivan** ran an excellent race for a strong 2nd place overall. The teams competition was very close but **Daniel Poulter** (9th) and **Kenta Sato-Allen** (10th) were far enough up the field to win this teams race.

The Senior Boys ran a gruelling 6000m around Ashbury Park and with **Josh Young** (4th), **Malachy Cleland** (6th) and **Tom Allan** (8th) we completed the clean sweep in the 3 person teams races. Also with strong performances were **Will Hutchison** in 9th, **Charlie Clemens** 11th and **William Talbot** 13th.



TBHS Rugby Season is underway....

2021 promises to be another great year for TBHS Rugby. We have started the year with well over 200 players across 10 teams.

The 1st XV will be aiming to get back in to the Top 8 of the Crusaders Competition and after a good preseason, the team has had two good wins so far.

A promising 2nd XV is also going well and showing the benefits of a very good preseason. Two wins from two so far and also some home games this year. The rest of the team compete in the local U16.5 and U14.5 grades.

All have made great starts and have excellent volunteers helping them. Remember - for keeping up to date with rugby news, join our Facebook group that is updated daily. https://www.facebook.com/groups/305349882995872



Division II New Zealand Swimming Championships

This event was held in Dunedin from 9-13 May with fiveTimaru Boys' High School swimmers attending: Thomas Kyle, Jack Boorer-Lilley, Harry Sargent, Luke Tompkins and Alex Tudgey.

Thomas Kyle won a gold medal in the 100m Individual Medley, a silver medal in the 50m Breaststroke and a bronze

medal in the 100m Breaststroke. He also made finals in the 100m Backstroke (5th), 50m freestyle (5th) and 50m Butterfly.

Alex Tudgey won a bronze medal in the 200m Backstroke. 5th in the 1500m Freestyle and made the final of the 100m Freestyle, where he placed 7th. He also placed 10th in the 800m Freestyle. He also swam in the 200m Freestyle (taking 5.16 sec off his personal best time), the 100m Individual Medley and the 200m Individual Medley.

Luke Tompkins won a bronze medal in the 50m Freestyle and gained a 5th place in the 100m Backstroke. Racing in the 50m Butterfly, 200m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle, 200m Individual Medley and the 100m Individual Medley he produced four personal best times from the five races.

Jack Boorer-Lilley made a final in the 200m Individual Medley (7th), 400m Freestyle (5th) and the 200m Backstroke (5th) and 800m Freestyle (7th). He also swam in the 100m Breaststroke, 200m Freestyle, 100m Freestyle, 50m Freestyle and 100m Backstroke, where he produced three personal best times.

Harry Sargent swam in the 200m Breaststroke where he took -3.48 off his previous time. He also swam the 200m Individual Medley.

Well done to all of the boys.



Balloon Power - Art Project

As part of a year 10 Art project, students were required to design and construct a vehicle powered by a balloon.

After they were made, the class held races to see who had the fastest (and slowest) vehicle.



Have you been sucked in?

#DontGetSuckedIn Do you know what you're breathing? Stand out from the cloud and take the test today! dontgetsuckedin.co.nz

As exposure to vaping is on the increase, it's a great idea to learn as much as you can about the potential health risks

posed by this habit. Currently a number of Articles students are choosing to chat with our school counsellor and look honestly at their vaping use.

Don't Get Sucked In is a website encouraging teens not to pick up vaping (or smoking) in the first place, by challenging them to do the research and think critically about vaping.

The website is intended to publish and disseminate information and research about vaping products and their use. It sits within the wider body of work conducted by Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ to reduce the appeal of vaping (and smoking) to children and young people and promote healthy lungs. The material that is on this website is all evidence based and reviewed by our Vaping Educational Advisory Group made up of a wide array of experts including registered health practitioners.

Check it out: https://dontgetsuckedin.co.nz/what-is-vaping/

Note: both smoking and vaping are banned on school grounds.



2021 Arts Extravaganza

The 2021 Arts Extravaganza 16-18 June is set to be an awesome three days of creativity, with all students being encouraged to participate.

All workshops are first come first served and most have limited numbers. These are all great taster courses that can open the students' eyes to new and

Units offered include:

exciting skills.

- working with nationally recognised food artist Tracy Johnston to work on cake decorating and chocolate
- Film Making from scripts moving to actual film making
- a Capella singing intro and advanced
- School of Rock: Have you ever wanted to be in a rock band??
- a trip to the theatre to see how it all works, including lighting and sound
- Live Theatre
- a poetry workshop to introduce the writing process, leading to publishing; there will also be lots of poetry from motivation to inspiration to developing ideas and forming the poem
- Stage Craft: general stage etiquette/IQ
- Script writing
- Woodturning: working with members of the Timaru woodturning club to create a unique
- Digital Art: Have you wondered how to create something on your device? Creating a digital landscape painting using Photoshop
- Hip Hop Dancing for the beginner or more advanced
- Maori art and musical instrument making will look into both subjects with an eye on culture

Plus much much more!!

Keep a look out for the registration forms.



Science Honours Board

The Excellence in Science Honours Board 2020 is up!

In Assembly we celebrated the success of students who gained Excellence Endorsements in Science in 2020 and Year 11 students who are on track to feature on the 2021 honours board as they have gained Excellence in both of their internal assessments.

Well done boys!



Taekwondo Success

Congratulations to **Mitchell Reedy** who was successful in his first dan black belt in Taekwondo examination on 23 May 2021.

This represents the culmination of nine years of practicing taekwondo along with an extremely intensive six months physical training leading up to the examination date. The examination was attended by senior Taekwondo instructors

from Dunedin, Timaru and Christchurch. Also in attendance where a number of senior martial artists and instructors from various disciplines including Judo, Karate, Ju Jitsu and Kung Fu.



School Uniform Shop with Kindo

We are excited to let you know about our online Kindo school shop!

Uniform items that are currently purchased from the Student Office can now be ordered and paid for online with our Kindo School Shop. Select the item, the size, and head to the checkout to complete your order. Easy, no hassle and open 24/7. Items can then be collected from the Student Office.

We will also be adding other items to our school shop during the year too.

More information is available on the school website - click on 'School Uniform Shop' from the main menu or follow this link: https://timaruboys.school.nz/school-uniform-shop

Setting up an account

Creating an account is easy!

Click on this link: https://bit.ly/33VYbve and select the Create an Account option. Simply follow the prompts and in three easy steps you are ready to go!

If you already have an ezlunch or myKindo account, you can simply log in.

myKindo App

The myKindo app is also available to download for both android and iPhone.

Need assistance? The Kindo helpdesk is open 8am to 4pm weekdays. Freephone: 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636) Email: hello@mykindo.co.nz

Online support: support.mykindo.co.nz



National Age Group Swimming Championship 2021

Held in Wellington 19-23 April, TBHS had two swimmers competing in this high level competition: **Thomas Kyle** and **Alex Tudgey**.

Thomas's best swim was the 200m Individual Medley where he made a final, after a fantastic heat swim, and finished with a ranking of 9th in New Zealand. Thomas also swam a

personal best in the 400m freestyle, and the 200m freestyle.

Alex gained a placing of 11th, and was first reserve for the final in the 100m butterfly. He swam a personal best in the 100m backstroke, the 50m freestyle (where he finished 3rd in his heat) and the 50m butterfly. He had a very successful meet for his first time at this level.



Ara Pasifika Room

Our students supported the recent opening of the Pasifika Room at Ara (Timaru) with a Fijian Kava ceremony.

Thank you boys - it is great to see you out and about, supporting our wider community!



Hockey Accolades

Congratulations to striker **Kai Reid** on his 100th 1st XI appearance at the recent Otago Boys' High School match.

As well as this tremendous achievement, Kai also scored on the night, along with his team mates **Ryan Caldwell, Nick Stephenson and Baxter Mason.**

The 1st XI continued to put in the performance of the season to date in beating John McGlashan 1st XI 4/0 in Oamaru. The boys were hungry to reverse the 7/1 loss to McGlashan at the ANZAC tournament four weeks ago and certainly put in a much more clinical effort.

Two goals in each half put the result beyond doubt and it was another clean sheet from Steven Ramsay in goal. The goals were scored by Damon Johnson (2), Kai Reid and Baxter Mason.



Communication with Teachers

If parents have concerns with their son's learning and wish to contact their son's teacher, the easiest way to do this is by email.

It may be appropriate to organise a meeting if needed.

You can find the email address in the following ways:

 the school website <u>www.timaruboys.school.nz</u> has a full list of staff and email addresses under MENU/ABOUT US/STAFF,

- having your son login to his school Gmail account and typing a teacher's name and the address will appear
- contacting your son's conferencing teacher.

The school does not expect parents to wait until a conferencing date to voice any concerns they have.



Rowing End of Season....

What an end to the rowing season for Timaru Boys' - just when we thought we couldn't do any better!

Congratulations to **Will Davidson** for making the *South Island Rowing Squad* and who was named Captain of the South Island team.

The South Canterbury Sports Awards then saw our Rowing Coach **Brian Smith** receive Coach of the Year award and our

Under 15 Coxed Quadruple Sculls (Josh Bartlett, Ben Allen, Mac Brown, Blake Parker and cox **Finn Gollins)** took out *Team of the Year.*

Congratulations boys - a job well done!

Sincere thanks are also extended to the wonderful team of parents and coaches who work quietly away in the background to ensure our boys' success. It truly has been an exceptional team effort with the secure "behind the scenes" work making sure that our boys are well supported at all times.



Wanted for the Library.... Barry Crump Books

Barry Crump is a much loved author by the boys here at TBHS.

His yarns of life as a deer-culler and pig hunter have always proved popular with boys who have struggled to find books in the library that they want to read.

Unfortunately, the books that we have in the library are well-used and to be honest, falling apart (and that's the better looking ones). I have tried to purchase new copies for the library however, most of the books are out of print, the only two that we can purchase (and have) are "Wild Pork and Watercress" (which Hunt for The Wilderpeople was based on) and "A Good Keen Man".

To help keep our collection going, if anyone in the school community has any copies of any of the Barry Crump classic Kiwi yarns that they would be willing to donate to the school library they would be much appreciated!



Senior Hospitality

The **Year 13 Hospitality** students have been busy on their assessment days at ARA, with their Pop Up Coffee Shop, where they have been part of a team of students from several schools in the area making coffee for members of the public and ARA staff. There has been lots of positive feedback from members of the public and ARA tutors alike who visited this Pop Up shop.

From this idea, our Year 13 Hospitality students have now opened a Pop Up Coffee Shop, *Crimson Brew* at school on a Monday morning at intervals for the staff at TBHS.

This Pop Up shop will reinforce and strengthen the skills and knowledge of barista work and customer service that these students have already developed.

The **Year 12 Hospitality** students have also been engaged in learning new skills which have focused on specific knife cuts, a standard requirement within this industry for example; julienne, brunoise, chiffonade cuts to name but a few. This class has been fortunate to take part in a master class focussing on these skills, run by ARA Chef **Steve Le Corre** earlier in the term. The students will continue to practice these skills during practical times in class and at home in preparation for the final assessment later in the term.



TBHS Ball - Change of Date

Due to supplier issues the TBHS Ball date has changed to Friday 10 September (Week 7 Term 3).

The Ball committee has started organising the event - any other Year 13 students who want to be part of the organising committee need to see Ms Whytock.

All Year 12 and 13 students are reminded that a good attendance record and good POWER scores are essential to be eligible to attend the ball.



Teacher Only Day Term 2

June 4th Friday (Term 2 Week 5)

This is a Kahui Ako focused day when all schools involved in the Kahui Ako clusters meet to further their learning development. There are no timetabled classes on this day.



South Canterbury Sports Awards 2021

The Sport Canterbury Sports Awards held on Friday 14 May saw great representation from Timaru Boys' High School - with both current students and Old Boys reaping awards.

Old Boy **Cullen Grace** won the overall award for Sportsperson of the Year after being selected into the All Blacks in 2020 and being a regular starter for the champion Crusaders side.

1st XI Coach and Old Boy **Ben Grant** won the overall award for Official of the Year after being appointed to the Premier League and umpiring both the SC and Canterbury Men's Finals.

The **TBHS U15 Rowing Quad** won the overall Team of the Year award after picking up gold at the Maadi Cup in 2021 and that squad featured 1st XI midfielder Blake Parker.

Brian Smith collected the overall Coach of the Year trophy after leading the TBHS U15 Rowing Quad to gold at Maadi Cup.

The Young Sportsperson of the Year high achiever was **Noah Hollamby** and guest speaker for the night, Old Boy **Dick Tayler**, was proudly inducted into the South Canterbury Sports Hall of Fame with his gold medal efforts in the 10000m at the 1974 Commonwealth Games.

You can rewatch the awards ceremony here: https://youtu.be/mSZaBlp0lg8



Drug Free Sport Presentation

Our Year 12 and 13 Physical Education students and the Sports Course Boys were privileged to recently have Casie Bowry from *Drug Free Sport NZ* as a guest speaker.

Drug Free Sport NZ assists in delivering lessons that contribute to a comprehensive programme for educating NZ students and youth athletes on values and integrity in sport,

with a focus on health and life skills.



International Students

During the recent school holidays, a number of students from Timaru Boys' and Timaru Girls' took a day trip to Mount Cook.

The superb weather ensured it was well worth the drive.



Vehicle Permission (Senior School)

A reminder that senior students, Year 12 and 13 (Year 11 may bring a moped or similar), must complete a vehicle permission form before they bring a vehicle to school.

These forms are available from the Student Support Office. Passengers are only allowed to be transported if the appropriate documentation has been completed.



Alumni Awards event!

Young Enterprise Alumni Awards

Young Enterprise Trust has officially launched the new Alumni Awards and nominations are open NOW!

The Alumni Awards will now be their own stand-alone event celebrating the impact and achievements of our alumni across 8 different categories: Once to Watch, Start-Up of the Year, Contributor of the Year, Community Leader, Distinguished Alumni, Innovator of the Year, Cultural Leader and the Supreme Alumni of the Year award. Nominations are now open:

https://yesalumni.wufoo.com/forms/qrjdis51m2rd12/Mark those calendars for July 15th as we celebrate at the first-ever



KAMAR Parent Portal

Parents are able to access: Daily notices, student details, financial, attendance, NCEA summary, results, POWER scores, reports and career pathways.

A great way to keep track of your son's progress. Your son is also able to access the Portal with his logon.

If you are unsure of your password and logon details, please email Michelle Bower at bowermi@timaruboys.school.nz



Office 365

All students are able to download this for free on up to five devices.

This can include computers at home. If there are any questions, email Mr Burke alphatech@timaruboys.school.nz





National Volunteer Week

Consistent with the theme of this year's National Volunteer Week: *Recognise, Connect, and Reimagine*, **Volunteering New Zealand** are asking for 'touching volunteer moments' from volunteers. Let's connect our hearts together by sharing our best volunteering moments!

Connect our hearts

https://www.volunteeringnz.org.nz/campaigns/connect-our-hearts/

"What is your best volunteer experience, or the most touching moment you have had from volunteering?"

- 1. Schedule: 5/10 (Mon) 05:00 5/31 (Mon) 23:59 NZST
- 2. Subject: Connect Our Hearts
- 3. Submission:

Volunteers can upload their story here: https://forms.gle/VcRv3LuextbURfKo8

Or email your stories to us with the title: Connect Our Hearts

To this email address: celina@volunteeringnz.org.nz

Be sure to include the following information:

- 1) Name
- 2) Organisation that you volunteer for (if there is)
- 3) A meaningful and touching moment from your volunteering experience
- 4) What does volunteering mean to you
- 5) An e-mail address that we can contact you and issue a copy of the participation award
- 6) A photo of you volunteering

4. Reward:

A. Participation Reward: We'll send an e-certificate to all entries and will choose one of the most touching stories for a special award.

B. Best Touching Moment Announcement: 6/20(Tue)

Look forward to hearing your stories!

To see the latest newsletter from Volunteering New Zealand: https://mailchi.mp/c5d409c417bd/nationalvolunteerweek-students-youth



Street Smart Young Driver Programme

Street Smart is a world-class, cognitive based driver programme that aims to positively influence the lives of young kiwis across the country, and help them to become a safer and more aware driver on our roads.

Offering a practical hands-on learning experience, Street Smart is a one-day event providing young drivers and their

parents/caregivers the opportunity to undertake supervised driving practice. There is a focus on developing good decision-making strategies for safe driving, including assessing themselves, reading the road environment, resisting peer pressure, managing or eliminating distractions and planning ahead.

Street Smart takes place in safe, controlled, off-the-road environments, under the watchful eye of qualified coaches plus the parent/caregiver. This provides the parent the opportunity to also assess themselves, in order to be a better coach and mentor to their teen.

Coming to Timaru's, Levels raceway on Wednesday 21 July, and to register for Street Smart, visit:

www.streetsmart.nz

https://www.facebook.com/StreetSmartKiwi



From the Careers Department

Things to do in your final year of school:

https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/year-13-checklist.html

Money advice for teenagers https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/money-in-a-nutshell.html

Scholarship links

https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html



Policy Review: Reporting to Parents

Timaru Boys' values feedback from our board members, staff and parents on policies and procedures.

A review of the school's *Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement* policy is now underway via our SchoolDocs link, with feedback closing on 9 July. To have your say:

- 1. Visit the website https://timaruboys.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
- 2. Enter the username (timaruboys) and password (power).
- 3. Follow the links to Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments.
- 9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.



Measles immunisation

Become a Guardian of the Future by getting immunised against measles.

Not only will you be protecting yourself against a disease that's even more contagious than COVID-19, you'll also be protecting your whānau, your community, and future generations from harm.

Aged 15-30? Immunisation is free at GPs and participating pharmacies.



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The pdf version of the May 2021 Newsletter is available here.