



TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

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RECTOR'S MESSAGE



Quiet pride. Lots of it was seen at our three achievement ceremonies held since late September. Crossing the stage in the Arts Awards, Winter Sports Awards, and Senior Prizegiving, boys carried themselves with pride and showed respect for each ceremony and the school. Those who didn't receive an award, but committed to self-improvement all the same, are rightly proud of how far they've come in 2018 too. We look forward to Junior Prizegiving later this term when we honour our last group that have stepped up to know more, do more, and be more at TBHS in 2018.

Congratulations to our top Arts student, **Connor Rabbidge**, and top winter sportsmen, **Ryan Bagrie** (Junior Sportsman of the Year) and **Will Gibson** (Senior Sportsman of the Year). From Senior Prizegiving our highest accolades went to **William Valentine** (Proxime Accessit) and **Thomas Valentine** (Dux) for their academic mastery in 2018; a big night for the family!

Following the announcement of the 2019 Prefects in Week 1, it was a pleasure to announce our new Prefect Leaders: **Liam Parker** (House Captain), **Bailey Lissington** and **James Davidson** (Deputy Head Boys) and **Matthew Gualter** (Head Boy). This team will have an important bearing on 2019.

At wrap up meetings on 2 November, Seniors were encouraged to use their time wisely from here, and to keep themselves and their mates safe while on leave. This was done to help them to optimise remaining NCEA opportunities and to encourage good sense and mutual support of mates over Summer, when new freedoms can sometimes become overwhelming.

As occurs every year, we have staff moving on to other ventures. We farewell two relocating and four retiring staff at the end of this term. **Hamish Cameron** and **Sonia Everitt** go to new callings in 2019 - having completed two years good teaching at Timaru Boys' as the first two years of what will no doubt be flourishing careers in our profession.

David Gibb, **Ros Bennett** and **Sharon Melrose**, and Business Manager, **Lyn Stewart**, all retire to enjoy well-deserved breaks from the 'hustle and bustle' of school life. Each has done much to provide support, warmth, wisdom, and innovation for students and colleagues alike. They will each leave lasting legacies. In the case of Ros and Sharon, legacies from 23 and 32 years' dedicated service to TBHS respectively. They've given a staggering amount to the boys and school. We wish our departing staff good luck for the future.

As 2018 passes we're conscious of the strenuous efforts made by staff this year to:

- implement new teaching techniques to drive individual excellence
- nurture more student wellbeing
- expand use of new technology in learning
- support greater work readiness for those seeking employment
- provide new 'lessons for life' in special Year 11, 12 and 13 workshops
- diversify participation and excellence in co-curricular Arts and Sport
- extend Thomas House support for in-school learning
- increase our focus on exceeding key thresholds and standards in NCEA
- and foster TBHS biculturalism.

We are now doing strategic planning for 2019 and beyond. If you have something you would like to be considered in teaching and learning, pastoral support, or co-curricular activity for the boys in 2019, please call the school on PH: 687 7560 or email it to: tbhs@timaruboysschool.nz for consideration in our planning.

Nick McIvor

Knowledge is Power

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2018 TBHS Prizegiving

Another year has drawn to a close and was celebrated at the annual Timaru Boys' High School Prizegiving, held this year on Thursday 1 November. This is a time of celebrating not only the prizewinners but acknowledging the hard work put in over the year by all students and staff.

Highlights of the evening are too numerous to mention – from the wonderful musical performances, the Guest Speaker's address to the many well deserved awards earned by our studious young men.

History was made as twins **Thomas Valentine** (left) and his brother **William Valentine** (right) received the prestigious Dux and Proxime Accessit awards respectively.

We wish all of our senior boys every success as they participate in their NCEA Exams.



Winter Sports Prizegiving 2018

Wednesday 17 October saw another highly anticipated celebration of our school sportsmen and their achievements during 2018.

The highest honours bestowed during this celebration are the **Todd Burtenshaw Cup**, presented to *the Junior student who has achieved the most in sport in a single year* and the **Sir Roy McKenzie Cup**, presented to *the Senior student who has achieved the most in sport in a single year*.

Congratulations to **Ryan Bagrie** (Todd Burtenshaw Cup) and **Will Gibson** (Sir Roy McKenzie Cup) for their well-deserved

Ryan received the junior award for his efforts in Athletics, Cross Country and Football, most notably being part of the winning Canterbury team at the Cross Country Nationals where he finished 4th in the junior boys' race.

The senior award was won by Will for his excellence in the field of Water Skiing, including a 5th placing at the World Junior Championship, held in Spain in August with a final jump of 51.7 m.



L to R: Will Gibson and Ryan Bagrie

2019 School Leaders

Congratulations to the following young men who have been selected as members of our leadership team for 2019.

Head Boy: Matthew Gualter
Deputy Head Boy: Bailey Lissington
Deputy Head Boy: James Davidson
House Captain: Liam Parker

Prefects

Joseph Allen-Perkins
Haowai Cole
Darian Dysart
Nico Evans
George Guerin
Ben Helliwell

Matt Kennedy
TJ Lensley
George McAleer
William McArthur
Dion McKeown

Ben Robinson
Xaden Stringer
Alvin Sutedja
William Urquhart
Scott Wright

Thomas House News

Thomas House Christmas Dinner/Year 13 Graduation

The Thomas House annual Christmas Dinner/Graduation was held in the dining room at Thomas House on 24 October. The Rector, Nick McIvor, and Board Chairman, Peter Stayt, joined us for a special Christmas dinner celebration and farewell function for our senior leavers.

Our Year 13s have been exceptional this year and this was reflected in the calibre of speeches during the evening. It has been a privilege having these young men in the House and we wish them well as they embark on the next stage in their lives. Our Head Boarder, **Mac Edwards**, cut the Xmas cake with Year 9 student **Jasper Keating** whilst **Ethan Bowmar** played the "Jolly Santa" role with gusto.

The Junior Prefect team for the rest of this term was named as well as the Senior Prefect Team for 2019. Congratulations to all.



Junior Hostel Prefects 2018

L to R – Jock Urquhart, Aidan Watt, Jed Syme, Isaac Smyth (Deputy Junior Head Boarder), Hugh Cameron (Junior Head Boarder), Liam Andrews, Angus Munro, Dan Patterson, Innes Hanrahan, Nathan Harbutt



Senior Hostel Prefects 2019

Back L to R: Duncan Rollinson, Flynn Meyer, Matthew Gualter (Head Boarder), Tim Sheed, Matt Kennedy.
Front L to R: William Urquhart, Tom Scott, George Guerin (Sports Captain), Joseph Allen-Perkins (Deputy Head Boarder)

Thomas House Redevelopment

The Thomas House Redevelopment continues to progress on track, with the aim of having the new building completed by the end of November 2018.

The Redevelopment team will continue to oversee the furnishing of the hostel and look forward to scheduling an official opening for the beginning of 2019.



Secondary Schools Mini Bike Championships

Sunday 14 October saw a team of eager young men meet in front of the school and start the big trek north, loaded with eight mini bikes. We arrived at the Picton camp ground in the afternoon and after setting up camp, headed into town for a dinner of fish and chips.

Monday morning was an early start as we had to catch the ferry at 7:00am; the crossing was a bit rough and a few boys felt what it was like to be sea sick for the first time. After leaving Wellington we went directly to the race track in Feilding where the bikes were scrutineered and locked away for the night.

Qualifying was first on the program on Tuesday followed by a series of races for all the different classes. After the day's racing, bikes were serviced and locked away again ready for the final race day.

In the final races, we looked good for two podium placings but unfortunately Cadell lost his exhaust and had to stop whilst William had a mishap and took a tumble on one of the last bends. Wednesday afternoon saw us heading back to Wellington so we could catch the ferry on Thursday morning and head for home. A great experience was had by all and we look forward to next year with the hope of a few top 3 placings.



Aoraki Secondary Schools Sports Awards

Riley Taylor (pictured left) was the star of the night for TBHS at the Aoraki /secondary Schools Sports Awards, walking away with one of the top awards of the evening - the 2018 Aoraki Male Sportsperson of the Year - for his swimming achievements. This awards has been highlighted by his selection in the New Zealand Silver Squad and a third placing in the Open Men's 1500 metres Freestyle at the New Zealand Championships. Riley was recently awarded the M J Scott Cup for best sporting performance throughout his school career at the recent TBHS Senior Prizegiving.



The following boys were Category Winners on the night:

Thomas Valentine (Athletics), **Taylor Donaldson** (Football), **Tim Sheed** (Hockey), **Thomas Waldron** (Motocross), **Josh Wilson** (Rowing), **Lucas Mullings** (Softball), **Riley Taylor** (Swimming), **James Watt** (Tennis), **Will Gibson** (Water skiing), **Jack Black** (Wrestling).

Ben Grant (Hockey) won Coach of the Year and **Glenn Austin** was recognised in the Community and Staff Contribution section for his efforts in Basketball.

The following boys were Category Finalists on the night:

Ryan Bagrie (Cross Country), **Hayden Jefferson** (Cycling), **Keaton Swindells** (Inline Speed Skating), **Hamish Yeatman** (Rowing), **Shane Fikken** (Rugby), **Nicos Shearer** (Sailing), **Stephen Garner** (Squash), **Jack Sands** (Swimming), **Jimmy Robertson**, (Touch Rugby), **Bailey Lissington** (Outstanding Referee), **William Sharp** and **Oli Anderson** (Student Contribution to Sport), **Jonathon Smitham** (Athlete with a Disability), **Jack Sands** (All Rounder), **TBHS Tennis Team** (Team of the Year).

Sports Snippets

New Zealand Secondary School Swimming Championship

This event took place from 13-16 September in Wellington with the swim squad members consisting of **Reed Stevenson, Matthew Moore, Dominic Coleman** and **Will Tudgey**.

The two medals won by Matthew were a highlight of the meet. He gained a silver in the 200m butterfly and a bronze in the 400m freestyle. Both of these were great swims, as Matthew stuck to his race strategy and did not get taken in by other boys' tactics. Matthew also gained two 4th placings in the 200 individual medley and the 200 freestyle, and swam five personal best times. It was an amazing meet for him, and to achieve these results at national level is a great feat.



Will Tudgey, Dominic Coleman, Matthew Moore, Reed Stevenson

The other three boys also swam well: Reed gained 10 personal bests from his eleven swims, with his highest placing being 10th in the 200m breaststroke, and finishing in the top 20 for five of his races; Dominic placed 9th in the 200m butterfly, swam five personal bests and finished in the top 20 three times; Will finished 8th in the 200m butterfly and 400m freestyle, swam five personal bests and also finished in the top 20 three times.

Swimming in the senior 16 and over relays was a challenge with three of our boys aged 15 and under. The team acquitted itself well, earning 10th in the medley relay and 9th and 11th in the two freestyle relays.

NZ Short Course Swim Nationals 2018

During the first week of the recent holidays, our swim squad was busy in Auckland for the 5 day National Short Course Swimming Championship. Those attending were **Jack Sands, Matthew Moore, Reed Stevenson, William Tudgey** and **Dominic Coleman**.

Jack experienced a meet that he will never forget, winning six gold medals (200 Freestyle, 400 Individual Medley, 200 Individual Medley, 400 Freestyle, 200 Backstroke, 1500 Freestyle) and one silver (100 Individual Medley). He got first or second in every age group race he swam. Not only that but he produced some amazing personal best swims – 25 seconds faster in his 1500, 7 seconds in his backstroke and 6 seconds in his 400 freestyle. Outstanding. He then qualified for the super finals. This combines the fastest swimmers from all age groups, including those older than Jack. He finished in the top ten for 4 of these events.

The other members of the squad also had a good meet. **William Tudgey** finished in the top 20 in all 6 of his races. He came 4th in an amazing 1500 freestyle race where he took 32 seconds off his previous time. He also took 23 seconds off his 200 freestyle earlier in the meet.

Matthew Moore, swimming in a new age group as his birthday was only the week before, made two superfinals, in which he swam extremely well in, taking a total of 6.54 seconds off his 400 Individual Medley time overall and 5.47 seconds off his 400 Freestyle entry time overall. He finished in the top 20 for all nine of his races. His best result was 6th in the 1500 free.

Reed Stevenson had four top 20 placings, with all but one race being a personal best time and taking 2.95 seconds off his 200 breaststroke time. Dominic Coleman finished in the top 20 in one of his races, also swimming personal best times in all but one race, with his outstanding swim coming in the 400 Individual Medley where he took 5.88 seconds off his entry time.

2018 Australian State Teams Championships

While the rest of the swim squad swam in Auckland, **Riley Taylor** attended a three day New Zealand Training Camp in Auckland, before competing in the Australian State Swimming Championship. Seeded 6th in the 1500 freestyle, he comfortably came home in 5th place. Riley also gained another 5th in the 4 x 200 m freestyle relay. Congratulations to him on gaining his New Zealand cap.

Judd Rugby Exchange

The Judd Rugby Exchange was initiated in 2017 for the purpose of allowing students from both Judd and Timaru Boys' High Schools to experience the educational, cultural and sporting (rugby) characteristics of each other's schools. Boys must be aged between 15-17 years and are selected on their suitability to be good ambassadors for their school and country. This year saw **David Edh** and **Quinn Motley** selected for the award.

The following updates have been received from these boys:



Quinn Motley

I've been busy sightseeing and doing activities. In Wales I went canoeing and biking and have also been on a few day trips to London. It's been an awesome experience so far!! And I'm looking forward to the rest of it. The weather is starting to get a lot colder after the real warm patch of weather – temperatures are not getting above 10 degrees now. It is meant to be cold, windy, and rainy for the next 2 weeks. I've also been playing club rugby on Sundays for Tunbridge Wells RFC.



David Edh

I am continuing to love my time at Judd and because of their mid-term break, I have been travelling. I have had the opportunity to visit London, the Scottish Highlands and Edinburgh in the last two weeks. I go back to school and rugby training today with Callum. I have lots of games coming up and will also be attending the England vs South Africa test. What an amazing experience

National School Road Cycling Championships

The first four days of the holidays saw the National School Road Biking Championships held on Christchurch's country roads. Racing in fields of 80 riders per age group, our seven riders all jostled for position in a peloton on a single lane of road results in aggressive and dangerous racing.

Unfortunately, a major crash the week before with one of our team members left us short for the Team Time Trial but we entered the road races in Rangiora and points race around Ruapuna Race track.

Ollie Smith came home with a well-deserved 3rd in the U16 grade, supported well by team-mate **Thomas Allan**. U19 riders **Sam Ritchie**, **Cathal Guiney** and **Kallum Puttick** all performed well.

South Island MTB Championships

The final four days of the holidays were spent on Dunedin's Signal Hill with ten mountain bikers carving up some muddy berms, 'sending it' over some massive jumps and racing in sleet, hail and wind. Although not the best weather for spectators, the ten boys were happy, even with some massive 'offs' down the slippery slopes and rocky, rooty trails.

We left with some fantastic results for **Liam Barclay**, 3rd in U20 Enduro and 3rd overall (Enduro, Downhill and XC) and **Cathal Guiney** 3rd in U20 Cross Country.

The team of riders also included: **Neil Paver**, **Stephen Garner**, **Ben Schikker**, **Hone Walker**, **Pero Forman**, **Angus Hyde**, **Josh Mills**, **Aaron Jefferson**.

South Island Track Championships

South Island Track Champs held in Invercargill's Velodrome saw **Hayden Jefferson** gain 2nd place in all four races (5 lap Kerin, 4km Point Lap, 4km Scratch, 3km Tempo) and also awarded 2nd overall. It was a nice sweetener, as Hayden was scratched from National Road Champs the week before due to a fractured elbow. Congratulations Hayden on a fabulous result.

Aoraki Secondary Schools' Caroline Bay Relay

Timaru Boys' High School won the Year 9 and 10 Aoraki Secondary Schools' Caroline Bay Relay in cold conditions on Thursday 8 November 2018. This was a 4 x 2 kilometre relay raced by a TBHS team comprising **Ryan Bagrie**, **Hamish Yeatman**, **Charlie Clemens** and **Saxon McNoe**.

Ryan Bagrie recorded the fastest individual time of the day.

Condor Rugby 7s

Congratulations to the Timaru Boys' Rugby 7s team that has once again shown its strength in sevens rugby to qualify for the Condor National Secondary Schools finals to be held in Auckland 29 November – 2 December with over 100 teams competing from all over the country.

This is the third year in a row they have reached the national event and the second time they have been Canterbury Sevens Champions in three years. The boys face a tough challenge and we wish them well.

TBHS Sevens: George Brown, Harry Bampton, Hugh Cameron, Jack Mullany, Jimmy Robertson, Joel Hill, John Vasu, Liam Parker, Mavae Paongo, Patelesio Latu, Ryan Greenslade, Sam Milne, Shane Fikken, Taniela Wacokecoko, Liam Blackmore



Board of Trustees Updates

Board Profile: Michael Howard



Michael is the Staff Representative on the Board of Trustees. He was born in Johannesburg, South Africa in 1961 and after completing High School, he participated in two years of National Service as a Marine in the Navy before commencing an apprenticeship as an Auto Electrician.

After qualifying, Michael worked in the trade for two years and was then offered a job as a Technology teacher at Willowmoore High School in Benoni, South Africa where he worked and studied part time, completing a Higher Diploma in Education and a Further Diploma in Educational management.

Married in 1986 to Melanie, he has two children who have both completed degrees and are working.

In December 2009 they decided to emigrate to New Zealand and moved to Feilding where he was appointed as HoD Technology. In 2016 we decided that we would like to discover the South Island and moved to Timaru where they are very happy.

As a hobby, Michael enjoys restoring and riding motorcycles.



Youth Community Spirit Award

Congratulations to Ben Hargreaves who was recognised as one of three finalists in the Timaru region at the Trustpower Youth Community Spirit Awards held in Ashburton. Although the top prize was taken out by another student, this is a great achievement. Well done Ben.

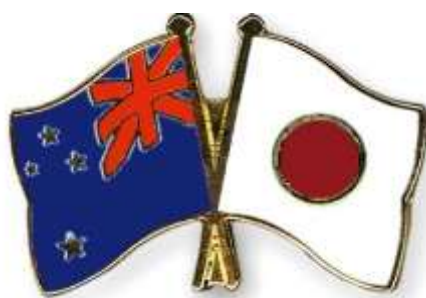
PPTA Paid Union Meeting

As TBHS teachers will be attending a Paid Union Meeting on **Wednesday 21 November**, the school day will finish for all students at 12:45pm.

Supervision will be provided by non-union members in the library for students who remain at school. Bus times will remain unchanged.

We apologise for any inconvenience this adjustment to the school day may cause.





Student Exchange Between Timaru and Eniwa, Japan

Sister Cities Timaru invites applications (on the attached form) from Secondary School Students to represent the Timaru District on an escorted Educational and Cultural Exchange to Eniwa, Hokkaido, Japan. The exchange visit is planned for late June/early July 2019 and will be for 3 weeks. 3 students will be selected.

A short essay (of between 150 - 200 words) stating "Why I would make a good representative of my District" should accompany the application with a current photo.

Applicants will need a current passport & preferably both reside & attend a High School in the Timaru District. There will be no accommodation cost as you will be home-hosted with a Japanese family.

Approx airfare cost to the student \$3000 + taxes and optional personal spending (\$250-500)

Students shortlisted will be contacted by the sister city Committee for an interview at end of November 2018. Whilst a knowledge of Japanese language & culture is not a pre-requisite, an affinity with Japanese culture would be an advantage.

For further information please contact Barrie Suter 688-5501 (bazsuter@xtra.co.nz), Eric Lindblom 615-8680 (lindblom@xtra.co.nz) or Nachiko Schollum 684-7997 (nachiko@xtra.co.nz).

Applications close on Friday 23 November 2018 and send to:

Eniwa Exchange Trip
Timaru Sister City Committee
c/- Barrie Suter
191 Douglas Street
Timaru
Or e-mail to bazsuter@xtra.co.nz

TBHS CALENDAR Term 4 2018-Term 1 2019

(Please check the Google Calendar on our website for up-to-date information)

7-30 November	NCEA Exams	11 December	Year 10 Induction to Year 11
14 November	Aoraki Junior Volleyball	12 December	Junior Prizegiving 11:00am
14 November	Waitaki Junior Summer Exchange	12 December	School Bus run – Final Day
15 November	Aoraki Junior Touch	12-13 December	Junior Conferencing
19-23 November		13 December	FINAL DAY Term 4
20 November	Aoraki Junior Tennis	22-25 January	Peer Support Training
27 November	John McGlashan Junior Exchange	28 January	Year 13 Course Confirmation
28-29 November	Year 10 Leadership Training - Burnham	29 January	Year 12 Course Confirmation
04 December	Leavers' Dinner	30 January	Year 9 Students (All day)
10-11 December	Year 9 House Competition	31 January	ALL students commence school
10 December	Year 10 Electives	14 February	Swimming sports