

TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

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RECTOR'S MESSAGE



H.L. Mencken wrote: "A home is not a mere transient shelter: its essence lies in the personalities of the people who live in it." The design features of a house don't make it a home, the people who occupy it do. A big new home for 36 senior boys was proudly opened last Friday at Thomas House.

While undeniably a special addition to the hostel and history of the school, the real significance of the Peter Lewis Wing will lie in the personality it gains from the boys who will soon move in to make it their 'home away from home'. The true nature and appeal

of the wing will come from those who live in it. Based on how the boys were when entering it on Friday, a fair amount of excitement will probably be there for quite a while! In the formalities, the shifting of the project from paper to completion was recounted by **Colin Murdoch** on behalf of the Thomas House Redevelopment Committee. The building was then blessed by our kaumatua, **Te Wera King**. Then the wing's importance to the late **Peter Lewis** (principal project donor) and Lewis family was conveyed by Peter's wife **Jean**. She gave us a moving speech about Peter's huge soft spot for his old friends and school, and determination to help future generations to live at Thomas House and go to Timaru Boys'.

We're extremely grateful to everyone who donated to the project (see the next page for a donor list) and the 100 or more guests who were able to attend this auspicious occasion. Alongside Peter Lewis, two guests, former House staff, and longstanding Thomas House supporters, **Betty Manning** and **Bruce Leadley**, were honoured in the proceedings for their unwavering commitment to not only this project but to our boarding since the 1950s.

The Peter Lewis Wing is a versatile, self-contained building that will stand the test of time and be an integral part of our boarding for decades to come. It was, from earliest discussions to final tile, seven years in the making. It will give some families a means to continue their long association with Thomas House and the school, and other families new to us, access to the advantages of Timaru Boys' for the first time, and perhaps the start of a new legacy. Incidentally, this is the complete comment I made to the *Herald* last week but half seemed strangely absent when it went online; among some other unexpected things in the article (I can assure you, for example, that the Year 13s are not 'living in flats across the road'!)

Thinking more about what a house can be, it was suggested by K. Gibran that: "Your house shall be not an anchor but a mast..." In this sense we hope those living in The Peter Lewis Wing find that it directs and guides them to personal growth through boarding. If it gives them anchorage or a sound base for living in Timaru that won't be a bad thing either.

Nick McIvor

Knowledge is Power. Mā te Mātauranga te Mana. Scientia Potestas Est.

¹ http://www.quotationspage.com/quotes/H._L._Mencken

² https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/395690-your-house-shall-be-not-an-anchor-but-a-mast

Thomas House Peter Lewis Wing Opening

Sincere Thanks to Friends and Families of Thomas House With Special Recognition

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Friday 8 March was a time for celebrating as we officially opened the new \$1.8 million *Peter Lewis Wing* accommodation block at Thomas House boarding Hostel.

Peter Lewis was a prominent Old Boy, philanthropist of our school and contributor to the project, who was represented by his wife Jean officially cutting the ribbon and declaring the building open. We are appreciative of Jean's ongoing commitment to Timaru Boys' and were also pleased to welcome extended family members of the Lewis family.

Sincere thanks must also go to members of the Redevelopment Committee who committed much time and energy in bringing to life this vision for an improved hostel. Thank you to **Colin** and **Kate Murdoch**, **Virginia Callaghan**, **Karla Yeatman**, **Sue McNulty**, **Peter Stayt**, **Susan Coker** and **Hamish Sheed**.

This much needed and anticipated 600m new build houses 36 beds, a Common Room/kitchenette, bathrooms, Sick Bay and Housemaster accommodation.



Jean Lewis, at the opening of the new Peter Lewis Wing, Thomas House



Hostel Redevelopment Committee L To R: Karla Yeatman, Virginia Callaghan, Colin Murdoch, Kate Murdoch, Sue McNulty, Susan Coker. Absent: Hamish Sheed, Peter Stayt



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ANTS Group

Our ANTS group had their first meeting last Thursday and heard from Ms Whytock about various competitions available and ways to keep themselves mentally fit.

Smiling Mind is a free app that can be used, when our brains get too busy, to help create calm and relaxation. A number of boys already had mindfulness techniques that they use when preparing for exams.

Three boys reported on their Summer Learnings: **George Mulder** (whom we would like to welcome into the ANTS group) reported back on the *Hands On Otago* week that he was awarded as part of last year's Science Fair. **Joshua Earnshaw** reported back on his week away at the University of Canterbury Science Summer Camp and **Bailey Lissington** spoke about his time in Auckland at the Rotary Science and Technology Forum. Each boy was passionate about what they got to experience and enjoyed the hands on activities that they got to take part in.

We would like to congratulate **Joshua Earnshaw** for being accepted to take part in the *Sir Peter Blake Young Environmental Leaders Forum 2019* which will be in Waikato and Rotorua and will focus on different environmental issues related to climate change, our oceans, freshwater and biodiversity. We look forward to his continued involvement in the TBHS Environmental group and passion in this area.

The ANTS group was also pleased to welcome the new Year 9 ANTS students. They are **Steven Latu**, **Kade Macmillan**, **Jack O'Neill** and **Steven Ramsay**.



ANTS Presenters George Mulder, Joshua Earnshaw, Bailey Lissington

Rite Journey



The Rite Journey program is underway with over one hundred and thirty boys across all Year 10 classes taking part. This program is designed to give the boys greater understanding of who they are as a person, who they would like to become and how to get there.

Throughout the year the boys are challenged in a number of different facets of life, and on Sunday 3rd and Tuesday 5th March, the boys completed two elements of the program.

Sunday 3 March saw approximately 100 Year 10 students and seven staff to part in the *Hadlow to Harbour* fun run and walk. The boys completed this as a challenge in *The Rite Journey Program*, one of the initial challenges in a program that is extremely special to Timaru Boys' High School.

The boys all challenged themselves to complete either the 3km or the 10km run; this is what makes the program special as boys are challenged to extend themselves out of their comfort zone. This is where the most amount of personal character growth happens.

With such large numbers from TBHS competing in the event we were very fortunate to gain two prizes – the *Team Effort Award* and also the *Timaru Schools' Award for Participation*. This was the first year we had ever won the *Timaru Schools' Trophy*.

The second event on the calendar was *The Calling*, an event that sees is where every student walks down to the beach as a class, whilst at the beach they discuss things they are thankful for in their lives and they reflect on who they are as a person.

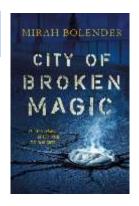
Part of this reflection process is to identify an element in their life that they feel they would like to change or discard. They then write this attitude or behaviour on a rock, as a class all boys symbolically cast their stones into the ocean. This was a great morning walk to the beach in beautiful weather conditions, the boys represented themselves and the school extremely well.

We look forward to the next challenges where the boys will be looking at *Mother's* Day, Attitude, and competing in *Clash of the Classes Haka* and *Rite Journey Sing Off*.

The Importance of Reading for Improved Student learning and Wellbeing

From our Librarian......

As part of the English course at school, all students from Years 9 to 13 are required to read at least two books a year. Increasingly we are finding it difficult to engage students with reading and we are seeing a divide among the students, with some voraciously making their way through an entire series of books, and others who boast to me that they have not read a book since primary school. However, reading and reading for pleasure are important for student learning and wellbeing as there is evidence to show that reading books can develop vocabulary, broaden imaginations, improve writing, lower stress levels and make you kinder to other people.



In the library, we have diversified the types of books available, opening up more options to students who have previously felt that they could find nothing that they wanted to read. We have purchased access to eBooks, for those students who like to read on their devices but in some cases, the need to just 'check' the latest from YouTube, snapchat and Instagram is too strong. However there is only so much we can do at home and support at home with literacy and reading is as necessary when boys are teenagers as when they are new entrants. Here are some things that you could do to help your son with his reading:

- 1. Be an example. Let your boys see you reading.
- 2. **Fill your home with a variety of reading materials**. Leave books, magazines and newspapers around and check to see what disappears for a clue to what interests your son.
- 3. **Build on your son's interests.** Look for books and articles that feature their favourite sports teams, rock stars, hobbies, or TV shows. Give a gift subscription for birthdays to a special interest magazine.
- 4. View pleasure reading as a value in itself. Almost anything your sons read helps build reading skills.
- 5. **Read some books written for teens.** Young adult novels can give you valuable insights into the concerns and pressures felt by teenagers. You may find that these books provide a neutral ground on which to talk about sensitive subjects.
- 6. **Make reading aloud a natural part of family life**. Share what you have read in books, magazines or newspapers without turning it into a lesson.



NCEA – Parents' Information Evening

All parents and caregivers are invited to an NCEA Information Evening on Thursday 28 March 7-8pm in Hogben Hall.

There will be an overview of NCEA, the Qualifications Framework and school procedure and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Agricultural Science

The Year 12 Agricultural Science class has been busy planning a scientific investigation looking at the effects that physical factors have on brassica growth. Forage brassica crops are grown widely both as a supplement and as an alternative to pastures in New Zealand's animal production systems. Brassicas are important for their potential to produce high quality and high yields of forage that can be fed 'in situ' from early summer through to late winter and for their role as break crops during pasture renewal.

- ✓ They produce high quality feed in periods of pasture feed deficit.
- ✓ They are a feed substitute to avoid pasture-related health problems such as facial eczema and ryegrass staggers.
- ✓ Brassica break crops provide advantages for pasture renovation by reducing weeds, pests and diseases, and creating better soil conditions and cleaner seed beds for establishing new pastures.



L to R: Tom Waldron, Ryan McNulty and Harry Lyon

Many problems with brassica production arise from poor sowing techniques, inadequate seed bed preparation, incorrect fertiliser use and poor watering procedures. The students have researched one of the above areas and have designed an investigation around this on a small scale. This week they planted their brassica, these will grow over the next 10 weeks and growth measurements will be taken periodically. They will then analyse the results and come up with a conclusion that includes recommendations for farmers. This investigation is part of a Level 2 Achievement standard worth 4 credits (AS91289).

Drama Students

SCDL Production

TBHS is well represented with a number of our young men taking leading roles in the upcoming SCDL Juniors production of *Cinderella*, on stage at the Theatre Royal Timaru from 11-13 April. The boys have been rehearsing all term and are now ready to blow you away with their talent. They are fortunate to be part of a cast of 70 after a tough audition process that saw over 120 student apply from all over South Canterbury

We wish Ethan Chittock, Nico Cousau, Maximus Mortimer, Karl Omotoy and Andrew Blake the best of luck for the show. Ethan plays the Prince in the well-known fairy tale, while Nico Cousau is the King and Max is the Head Chef.



Ethan Chittock, Nico Cousau, Maximus Mortimer, Karl Omotoy Absent: Andrew Blake



Year 9 Totara Drama

The following photo shows the class during a warmup activity that encourages team work.

This was followed by a rehearsal time in which the student works on a script with a partner.





A request for the school donation will be added to next month's student accounts. The following amounts have been set by the Board of Trustees for 2019:

\$170 (1 student), \$265 (2 students) and \$335 (3 students or more) with a \$12 donation to the PTA

We are most grateful for the very positive response from families to payment of this donation. In 2018 we received a generous \$ 54,000 from the school community.

The donation is used to support a wide range of activities for the boys including learning support, cultural visiting groups, school magazine, sport and arts activities to name but a few. If you have any queries regarding this donation, please phone Lynda Robinson on 687 7560 ext 705.

Waitaki Summer Exchange

The traditional summer inter-school season concluded in warm conditions in Timaru on Monday 4 March.

The **1st XI Cricket** side continued their pleasing improvement with a 42 run win over their Waitaki counterparts. Batting first, Timaru were in early trouble at 38-4 against a demanding new ball attack. The middle and lower order worked hard to get Timaru through to a competitive 174, on a wearing wicket being used for a third day. **Fletcher Rhodes** with 35, **Taine Cordell-Hull** 31 and **Caleb Donaldson** 21 were the leading scorers for TBHS. In reply, Waitaki started strongly and scored quickly to pass 50 within the first 10 overs for the loss of only one wicket. However, accurate bowling and good fielding turned the match around and saw Waitaki dismissed for 132. **Jayden Williams** with 5-12 and **Balkrishna Uniyal** 4-9 starred with the ball for the locals.

In **Tennis**, the TBHS team of **Josh Cameron**, **Aidan Watt**, **Tim Sheed** and **Connor Crotty** went through both the singles and doubles matches unbeaten, to comprehensively win the tie 6-0.

The **Senior Touch** team also went through untroubled in all three games 13-0, 8-1 and 8-1 on the back of a good team performance.

The **Volleyball** match was an even encounter throughout with Waitaki eventually coming through 25-19, 25-14, 19-25, 22-25, 15-12 to win by three sets to two.

St Andrew's Summer Exchange

The annual STAC Summer Exchange was played in challenging weather conditions in Christchurch over Sunday/Monday 24-25 February.

The **1st XI Cricket** side continued their encouraging improvement on the first day of their two day fixture. Batting first on a day interrupted by showers they amassed 175-6 declared. A solid top order effort was led by F**lynn Linton** with 47, **Toby Clemett** 40 and **Jayden Williams** 27. In reply, STAC were 29-1 at stumps. Unfortunately, some heavy overnight rain and morning showers led to the second day being abandoned.

In the **Tennis**, STAC were far too strong for a TBHS side, missing two of its top senior players. This led to them running out emphatic 11-1 winners in a tie played indoors at Wilding Park. For TBHS, Year 9 student, **Malachy Cleland** was the only player to record a victory.

TBHS were pleasing winners of both **Volleyball** matches against a STAC side off to the South Island Championships. For TBHS, **Sio Latu** used his size and athleticism to good effect to lead his team to victory.

The **Touch** was a hard fought contest with TBHS taking the first game by 3 points and STAC prevailing by a point in the second encounter. A drop off match was used as a decider with STAC again coming out on top by a solitary point. **Jimmy Robertson** was a key playmaker for TBHS.



PB4L Rewards System 2019

A positive behaviour reward system is used to promote positive behaviour in and out of the classroom. The school values are set out to encourage and promote positive behaviour with all students in all settings. There are many ways that we acknowledge and reward students following the school-wide values of **P**ride, **O**ur responsibility, **W**illing participate, **E**arning respect and **R**ight attitude.

Year 9- Stamp Cards

When a student shows behaviours that reflect the theme from the school POWER values, teachers could give students a stamp on their PB4L card. Each cards have 12 spaces to be stamped. Once completed the cards get placed into the draw for different levels of prizes. Bronze cards are drawn weekly, Silver drawn each term and Gold at the end of the year. Students complete 5x Bronze, 3x Silver and as many Golds as they can.



We encourage caregivers to ask the students about their cards and enquire why they got each stamp.

Year 10 and Year 11: POWER Vouchers (New for 2019)



After feedback from staff and students it became clear that we needed to revamp the reward system for these year levels. Each fortnight teachers will be allocated "POWER" vouchers. They then allocate the vouchers at any time during the fortnight to a student who exhibits the values at a level above and beyond what is expected of them. When a student receives a voucher, they are acknowledged for why they have been given the voucher. If appropriate, this can be done in front of the class to reinforce the behaviour.

Once the student has received the voucher they can redeem it at the Student Office for an instant prize. Alternatively, they can hold on to the voucher and wait to collect additional ones to gain a reward of greater value.

Year 12 and Year 13 - POWERing for the Future

The POWERing for the Future cards have been designed for each student to manage their own progress during the year in the following areas.

- ✓ Academic performance
- ✓ Leadership opportunities
- ✓ Co-Curricula involvement
- ✓ Community help

✓ Personal development

Students become more aware of how they can show the school POWER values in school life and how these can transfer to skills beyond school. Completing the profile requires students working closely with staff. This working relationship encourages communication and advice which will have the potential to turn into positive outcomes for both parties.

Students can use any aspect of their Profile in their CV and when applying for scholarships. Every student will have their profile on file in the school for 5 years in case information is needed for a character reference by an employer, landlord etc. The whole process will make students more aware of their strengths and weaknesses. They can be self-rewarded for both their commitment to building on their strengths and to developing their weaknesses.

We would like to thank the following businesses for ongoing support. The staff and student greatly appreciate it!! CBay Aquatics, Burger King, Subway, Centennial Park Store, Pack n Save, Flipout, Front Runner, McDonalds, Columbus, U-Bake, Noel Lemmings, Hells Pizza, Zest, Whitcoulls and Movie Max.



PTA AGM

Our PTA will be holding its AGM on 20 March 2019 at 7:00pm in the school staffroom (off North Street entrance).

We encourage those who are considering becoming involved to join us on this night – new members are welcomed!

Sports News

Aoraki Bowls

Well done to our TBHS Bowls team who participated in the recent Aoraki Bowling Championships. The team of **Jack Aicken** and **Callum Bowmar** came second in the pairs while **Mitchell Bowmar** and **Jock Urquhart** were unplaced.

Cricket

Timaru Boys' High 1st XI advanced to the next round of the National Knockout Gillette Cup cricket finals with a hard fought two wicket win over Ashburton College at Mountainview on Sunday.

Batting first, Ashburton posted 234-3 at the end of their 50 overs on the back of a strong top order performance. **Balkrishna Uniyal** with 2-56 was the most successful of the local bowlers.

In reply, the depth of Timaru's batting was again the key to reaching the target eight down with four overs to spare. Liam Andrews with 55 and Hugh Cameron 32, top scored for TBHS after a patient 27 at the top of the order from Caleb Donaldson. Alex Doyle continued his run of important contributions with 29 not out to steer his side home. It looks like the next game will be against the strong St Bede's combination in Christchurch.

Cycling

Excitement is growing for the members of our TBHS *Tour of New Zealand* cycle team. They received their riding kit at a launch function where **Chris Key** from the Child Cancer Foundation spoke to the team of the work they do for families and children with cancer. The students have chosen to raise money for the Foundation, as part of their commitment to the 630km race over 8 days, in April. Remember to follow our boys on the *Timaru Boys' Tour of New Zealand* Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/TBHSTourofNz/

Rowing

National Club Championships

Our Rowing boys continue to excel. All ten TBHS boys who attended the New Zealand Championships at Lake Ruataniwha in February, achieved a place in A finals in various events and performed very well overall. Congratulations to **Charlie Clemens**, **William Talbot**, **Sam Wilson**, **Jan Kuepper** (Roncalli) and cox **Ben Wratt** who won a gold medal in the Men's Novice Coxed Quad. To win gold at the Nationals is a significant achievement.

Canterbury Junior Secondary School Champs

Timaru Boys' High School Rowing produced another weekend of great results at the Canterbury Junior Secondary School Champs held at Lake Hood. Head Coach **Brian Smith** and Assistant Coaches, **Andy Oliver** and **Jaimee Harrison** were pleased with the results from all crews, which largely achieved the top 3 placings in their heats and final, in over 25 races entered at the regatta (6 crews 1st, 4 crews 2nd, 5 crews 3rd, 5 crews 4th).

SISS Rowing Champs

In near perfect rowing conditions, with 39 schools and over 1000 competitors, the Meridian South Island Secondary School Rowing Championships were held at Lake Ruataniwha, near Twizel, at the weekend. Yet again, the local Timaru Schools that entered the regatta returned some impressive results.

Timaru Boys' High School scored fourth overall on the points table, bringing home a double-trifecta medal haul of 3 golds, 3 silver and 3 bronze. "The boys have proven to themselves that they are athletes who can achieve consistently solid performances" said Head Coach, Brian Smith. "I am incredibly proud of our squad effort at SISSC last weekend. We are now on the home stretch to Aon Maadi Cup in less than two weeks' time, so we will continue to fine tune our crews and our performance".

The squad took the opportunity provided by the regatta to unveil the name of the brand new skiff purchased from grant money provided by Pub Charity Limited. Named after the current Head Coach, Brian Smith, the new skiff can be used as a quad or a four, and is named *Brian* The Aon Maadi Cup Secondary School regatta attracts over 2,500 entrants and runs from the 25th to the 30th March 2019 at Lake Karapiro, near Cambridge.

U15 2X	<mark>Gold</mark>	McCully, Davidson
U18 Novice 2X	Silver	Clemens and Talbot
U15 Octi	Bronze	McCully, S Wilson, Gledhill, Davidson, Talbot, Light, Wratt, Z Wilson, (Goodger)
U16 4+	Silver	Joyce, Yeatman, Bartlett, Bampton (Z Wilson)
U16 2X	Bronze	J Wilson, H Yeatman
U15 4X+	<mark>Gold</mark>	McCully, Davidson, Talbot, S Wilson (Wratt)
U18 novice 4+	Bronze	Clemens, Gledhill, Light, S Wilson (Goodger)
U15 4+	<mark>Gold</mark>	McCully, Light, Davidson, S Wilson (Z Wilson)
U18 Novi 4X+	Silver	Clemens, Talbot, Gledhill, Light (Z Wilson)

South Island Tennis Championships

The South Island Tennis Championships were held in Timaru at the Trust Aoraki Centre from 1-3 March. The Timaru Boys' team comprised in playing order **George McAleer** (Year 13) at number 1, **Josh Cameron** (Year 12) at number 2, **Aidan Watt** (Year 11) at number 3, and **Ben Goldingham** (Year 10) at number 4.

TBHS also played in a number of competitive ties over the weekend, especially the 3-3l draw with the strong St Andrew's College side. This was highlighted by singles wins to McAleer and Cameron who also combined to win their doubles match.

Athletics

TBHS School Athletics

Year 10 student **Saxon McNoe** was the star of the TBHS athletic sports held on 18-19 February at the Aorangi Stadium all-weather track.

Competing in the Minor Grade, McNoe won six titles in the 400 and 800 Metre races on the track and in the Discus, Long, High and Triple jump field events, completely dominating that grade.

McNoe also broke the only two records to fall at the meet in the High Jump (1.64 Metres) and Triple Jump (11.24 Metres)



In the Junior Grade, **Reuben Bowen** was the dominant athlete winning titles in the 100 Metre Hurdles, High, Long and Triple Jump events.

The honours in the Intermediate division were shared between **Jed Syme** in the 100 and 200 Metre Sprint races. Syme also won the open Champion of Champions race in 11.7 seconds. **Ryan Bagrie** was predictably dominant in the middle distance events, making a clean sweep of the 800, 1500 and 3000 metre titles. **Quinn Motley** emerged with victories in the Hurdles, Javelin, Discus and Shot Put.

In the Senior Grade, **George Guerin** and **Liam Johnston** both took home four titles. Guerin was powerful and uncontested to win the 400,800, 1500 and 3000 Metres on the track while Johnston took the Hurdles and dominated the Field Events with wins in the Discus, Javelin and Shot Put. Again, as with the Swimming Sports, Simmers were the dominant house.

Aoraki Athletics Records Fall.......

TBHS had a memorable day at the Aoraki Athletics sports up at the stadium on Wednesday 13 March in warm, still conditions. The day was highlighted with four record breaking performances

- Saxon McNoe in the Under 14 Boys Triple Jump with a leap of 11.41 metres
- Ryan Bagrie in the Under Boys 1500 metres in 4:17:44 and the 3000 metres in 9:18:91
- George Guerin who broke Dick Tayler's long standing 1500 metre record with a time of 4:05:46 in the Boys' Under 19 final





NZ Track and Field Championships

At the Jennian Homes New Zealand Track and Field Championships held in Christchurch March 8-10, **George Guerin** (Year 13) won his first New Zealand Title in the NZ MU20 3000m Steeplechase Gold in an impressive 9.38.36 - a 12 second PB. He was runner-up in the NZSS Championship last December, as well as finishing 10th in the 800m - his Steeplechase effort has qualified him for the Australian MU20 Championship in April, and also would have placed him third in the New Zealand SM Championship.

Jed Syme (Year 11) was a member of the Canterbury MU18 4x100m that took the Silver behind Waikato-Bay of Plenty, with Jed running the anchor leg. He also finished 12th overall in the 100/200m double, and qualifies for the Australian U16 Championships in the 100m in April.

Congratulations also to World Champion Shot Putter, **Tom Walsh** who took out the New Zealand title for the 11th time in a row (21.70m) in a close tussle with former World Junior Champion and World Record Holder, Aucklander Jacko Gill (20.71m) with Polish International, Konrad Bukonieck (20.25m).

Other results:

Liam Johnston (Year 13) MU20 4th hammer (just over a metre away from 3rd), 5th discus **Quinn Motley** (Year 12) MU18 4th javelin, 6th discus, 10th shot put

Competition was held in very wet conditions making rotating in the throwing circle challenging. All four boys still have another year left in their respective age groups.

TBHS Swimming Sports Records Tumble

In an outstanding individual performance, Year 13 student **Jack Sands** won seven titles and eclipsed five records in this year's TBHS Swimming Sports championship events

At the short-course finals afternoon on Thursday 14 February, Jack won titles in the 50 metre Backstroke, Breast-stroke, and Open Butterfly events all in record time as well as breaking Riley Taylor's 100 metre Freestyle record. He also retained his 50 metre Freestyle title but was 0.1 seconds outside his 2018 record time. In the lead in to the finals afternoon, Jack had also recorded victories in the 200 metres Freestyle again in record time and the 1500 metres Freestyle.

Jack now owns a total of eight TBHS swimming records across the junior and senior ranks set throughout his school career.



L to R Jack Sands (Senior Champ), Matthew Moore (Senior Runner-Up) Benson Arnold (Junior Runner-Up) Kyle Thomas (Junior Champion)

Matthew Moore, a fine swimmer in his own right, was runner-up to Sands as Senior Champion.

In the Junior Championship, **Kyle Thomas** was in fine form winning five Championship titles and dominating across all disciplines with **Benson Arnold** finishing runner-up to Thomas.

Simmers House won the Inter-House competition for 2019.

Country and Town Swimming Championships

On 23-24 February, the South Island Country and Town Swimming Championship took place in Blenheim. Timaru Boys' High School had two swimmers attending this club event.

Campbell Plows swam in seven races, gaining a 2nd place whilst swimming in the Canterbury region 200 metre freestyle relay team. In his other six races, Campbell achieved top eight placings or above in all events, swimming four personal best times.

Joshua Young swam in ten races. He achieved two top ten placings, achieving two 9 second personal bests and finished in the top twenty in another seven of his races.

Results at a glance:

- **Campbell Plows**: 6th 100 metre butterfly, 7th 50 metre backstroke, 8th 200 metre freestyle, 8th 50 metre butterfly, 8th 50 metre freestyle, and 8th 100 metre freestyle
- Joshua Young: 10th 200 metre Individual Medley, 10th 200 metre backstroke, 12th 200 metre freestyle, 13th 50 metre butterfly, 13th 100 metre breaststroke, 13th 100 metre backstroke, 14th 50 metre breaststroke, 15th 100 Individual Medley, 19th 100 metre freestyle and 20th 50 metre freestyle

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	(Please check the Google Calenda	r on our website for up-	-to-date information)
12-15 March	Year 9 Matai Camp 3	9 -11 April	Year 13 Geography Camp
19-22 March	Year 9 Rimu Camp 4	12 April	ANZAC Service
25-27 March	Year 12 Geography Camp	12 April	End of Term 1
25-29 March	Rowing – Maadi Cup	29 April	Term 2 Commences
26-29 March	Year 9 Totara Camp 5	14 May	CBHS Exchange
27 March	Aoraki Croquet	22-24 May	Senior Exams
28 March	Junior Social - TGHS	29-31 May	TGHS/TBHS Production: Joseph
28 March	NCEA Parents' Information Evening	30 May	TBHS Information Evening
9 April	RYDA Training Day – Year 12	3 June	Queen's Birthday

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