



TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

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RECTOR'S MESSAGE



We enter the new term with new staff, new students, and a new inter-school. Term 3 also brings opportunities to find new success as work in and out of the classroom culminates. It's the Term when effort invested in the previous two really makes its presence felt.

Mr Kurt Rooney has joined us to teach Physical Education and Science; just returned from the UK, after travelling back through Central and South America. **Mrs Helen Baird** is taking Mrs Paul's Food classes for Term 3 - already well known in the district and formerly of Opihi College. **Mr Tony Blackstock** is teaching Mathematics following longer term service at Roncalli College. **Mr Michael Prentice** is an Australian Science teacher, who like Mr Blackstock, is helping us out for the rest of the year. Also just arrived are our two new Gap

students: **Luke Baker** from England and **E-Jee Crous** from South Africa. Both are here to start their contributions to the school and hostel life. **Mrs Diane Clarke** is our new Thomas House Overnight Supervisor.

In the last Assembly of Term 2 we bid farewell to **Mr Greg O'Neill** who has transferred to teach Physics at the Discovery School in Christchurch, and **Mr David Mills** who has moved up to the Wairarapa for a new teaching post. Our two German Gap students: **Jaro Plettenberg** and **Moritz Waldvogel** also departed and we wish them all the best for their future. All four will be missed and no doubt, take aspects of TBHS with them.

Among the boys to join us from overseas are: **Hamish Napier** and **Tom Richardson** in Thomas House from Kinross School in New South Wales. Our second two rugby players from The Judd School in Kent, **Theo Daviron** and **Callum Stables** visited us to play rugby in a World Champion nation, and experience the numerous advantages of living in the Central South Island! In First XI Hockey we have **Max Schippers** from The Netherlands, who will no doubt enhance this team's strong performances in 2018. For all newly arrived boys we sincerely hope that our school soon becomes their school, in the weeks and months to follow.

On 30-31 July a new chapter in our school's education and connection to other Boys' Schools came with the first Timaru Boys' – John McGlashan exchange in Dunedin. This was a sizeable interschool involving 184 of our boys in 13 teams. Each match was contested in healthy competitive spirit and we won the day on the right side of the ledger with eight wins and one draw, compared to the six wins secured by John McGlashan.

Going into Term 3, the boys have been encouraged to work with purpose and initiative; to find new learning - not wait for new learning, to take increasing control of their progress; to work to add to what they already know and can do (climbing the 'learning ladders' from Term 2); to finish all that they start to the best of their ability, with no 'loose ends' - like all 'good jobs done well'; and to carry themselves with pride and integrity as someone whose reputation is positive and held in high regard by those whose judgement and estimation truly matters. Overall, they've been encouraged to follow our POWER values to grow in character and personal excellence in Term 3. On we go.

Nick McIvor

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

TBHS and John McGlashan College enjoy Historic Exchange

Timaru Boys' and John McGlashan College undertook their first ever Winter Exchange in Dunedin on Monday and Tuesday 30-31 July.

The Senior teams in each code (1st XV Rugby, 1st X1 Hockey, 1st X1 Football and the Senior A basketball side) travelled to Dunedin on Monday afternoon where the boys were billeted. That evening the football and basketball teams played the first of two matches, watched by many of the rugby and football players and billets.

The **1st X1 Hockey** continued their strong recent form with two hard fought victories 2-0 and 2-1. On Monday evening **Max Schippers** and **Sean Rhodes** scored goals in a sound all round team display in which a number of younger players stood up, coming off the bench in the absence of some of the established senior players who were ill. On Tuesday, a **Duncan Rollinson** drag flick and well executed penalty from **Matt Ellis** saw TBHS through to a second win.

The **Under 15 Hockey** team selected for the Exchange put up a spirited effort against a capable McGlashan side who play together each week, going down 3-2. Goals for TBHS came via **Connor Guthrie** and a fine individual effort from **Dougal Gibson** who beat five defenders on route to the back of the net.

The **Senior Basketball** side came away with clear cut victories across the two games 89-54 and 85-63. For TBHS, **Jack Crossan** supplied some fine shooting and **James Watt** who controlled the area under the basket led the scoring while **Seb van den Bosch** and **Jordan Henderson** also made important contributions. **Alvin Sutedja** was a key component of the Timaru defence, which at times featured a full court press and effectively shut down the McGlashan offence. The **Junior** side continued their good run of inter-school results with a strong 90-65 win on the back of a good all round team effort.

The **1st X1 Football** fixture was an even, competitive game where the two sides shared the honours in a 2-2 draw. For TBHS, **Matt Rayward** and **Ben Sewell** provided the goals while **Tom Baxter** again marshalled the defence and **Liam Barclay** produced some good second half saves to keep TBHS in the match. The **Junior Football** side were a little slow to start in their fixture but produced a more clinical and controlled second half performance to emerge clear 4-0 victors. **Sam Blades** and **Pero Forman** were stand out performers for Timaru.

The **1st XV Rugby** continued their recent improved form with possibly their best performance of the season in a decisive 32-7 victory. John McGlashan have performed strongly in recent seasons and are currently in 3rd position in the Highlanders school competition and had beaten TBHS twice in pre-season fixtures. TBHS's variety and ball movement in attack created space and put McGlashan under pressure throughout the match. Up front, **Shane Fikken** and **Blake Tippet** led the way while **Logan Goldingham** impressed at hooker in a rare start with his work-rate. In the backs **Ryan Greenslade**, **Joel Hill** and **John Vasurakuta** were dangerous with ball in hand and were key figures in the win.

In other rugby fixtures, the **2nd XV** were competitive but eventually worn down in a 26-12 defeat while the **Colts** continued their fine form with a 51-7 win against a small but gritty McGlashan side.

The **Under 14** side, severely depleted due to injury and unavailability due to other commitments were no match for a strong McGlashan line up.

John McGlashan emerged with decisive victories in the **Badminton** (6-0), **Chess** (10.5 to 5.5) and **Trap Shooting** (403-367). We are appreciative of the excellent hospitality and facilities provided by McGlashan which added to the enjoyment of the occasion.



Tane Mahuta Entrance Carving

Tamati McGregor from Taranaki has been carving the new totara frontage for our Te Reo Māori classroom Tane Mahuta. Whilst here, our Te Reo classes have enjoyed spending time with Tamati as he works on the new mahau, learning about the heritage, spiritualism and symbolism, and technique of traditional carving, and how they can become involved in it more themselves. It was really interesting to see how Tamati has continually expressed in the carving Mā te Mātauranga te Mana, Scientia Potestas Est, Knowledge is Power.

There will be a ceremony mid- September to erect and bless the carvings as a TBHS taonga once finalised, with a very special status and longer term standing in the school's tikanga.



Thomas House News

Kinross Exchange Students

We welcome two students, **Tom Richardson** and **Hamish Napier**, who have joined us from Kinross Wolaroi School in Orange, New South Wales for Term 3. They are both in Year 11 and attend classes at school while living in Thomas House.

Last weekend they were hosted by hostel families and both boys experienced shooting rabbits, ducks and deer. They are keen to get up skiing and hope to stay with other families at weekends while they are here. Two of our Year 10 boys, **Aidan Watt** and **Innes Hanrahan** are spending this term at Kinross.



L TO R: HAMISH NAPIER AND TOM RICHARDSON

Gap Students

We welcome our new Gap Students who have joined the Thomas House family for a year – **Luke Baker** from Hertfordshire in England and **E-J Crous** from Potchefstroom in South Africa.

They will live in Thomas House and assist the Learning Support team within the school.



L TO R: LUKE BAKER AND E-J CROUS

Thomas House Redevelopment

The Thomas House redevelopment continues to gain momentum. It has been extremely encouraging to see the progress being made in recent weeks.



ICAS Science Exam

Five students from Timaru Boys' High School achieved outstanding results when they participated in the 2018 ICAS Science exam. Those students whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with Certificates of Merit, Credit, Distinction.

ICAS Science tests students' skills and knowledge in Science and provides insight into students' understanding and thinking skills.

The following boys have been awarded certificates in 2018:

- **Josh Earnshaw** Year 11 gains a distinction certificate which places him in the top 4% of students in New Zealand and the Pacific region
- **Thomas Corbett** Year 10 gains a credit certificate which places him in the top 12% of students
- **William Jack-Hydes** Year 10 gains a credit certificate which places him in the top 25% of students
- **Neil Meyer** Year 10 gains a merit certificate which places him in the top 37% of students
- **Ben Walker** Year 10 gains a merit which places him in the top 37% of students

Taking it Easy.....

A relaxing finish resulting from many hours of hard work has paid off for **Jack Fulton** (*pictured right*). He is one of 28 Year 11 Wood Technology students to undertake the construction of an Adirondack (Cape Cod) Chair base around a standard sized plan. Students have used a range of hand and machine tools to accurately fabricate the many different components, then assemble them with precision to ensure that all the parts align correctly.

Each student has also made alterations to personalise the use of the chair and some students may fabricate an additional item such as a foot stool or small table to complement the chair. Projects that have an authentic outcome are always popular. This is a great learning experience as students can also see the wider picture of producing an item that has commercial value, as well as learning skills that enable opportunities for future employment.



South Island Secondary Schools Road Cycling Championships

Contributed by James Smith, Parent

Timaru Boys' High School fielded a 10 boy strong team for the South Island Secondary Schools Road Cycling Championships hosted in Timaru on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th July. The team was led superbly by **Hayden Jefferson**, and the team had a number of boys coming into the Champs in great form, some in their very first competition.

Day one was an Individual Time Trial over various distances depending on age group. **Hayden Jefferson** was the best of the team placing 5th in the Under 20 category in a time of 11 minutes 52 seconds over the 16km course. **Kallum Puttick** in his first time trial placed 18th in the 30 boy strong field which was an outstanding effort. The conditions for the day were extremely demanding with a strong tail wind down to the half way point and then return into the extremely strong head wind meant pacing yourself very difficult. All of the boys performed extremely well.

Results: Under 20 Boys

Hayden Jefferson 11.52 over 8km, 5th place
Sam Ritchie 12.47 over 8km, 16th place
Kallum Puttick 12.53 over 8km, 18th place
Benji Ward 13.52 over 8km, 25th place
Leroy Dunn 14.35 over 8km, 28th place
Harry Taylor 14.37 over 8km, 29th place

Results: Under 16 Boys

Ollie Smith 7.27 over 4km, 21st place
Thomas Allan 7.27 over 4m, 20th place

Results: Under 17 Boys

William Rawlins 15.43 over 8km, 20th place (first ever event)

In the Team Time Trial, conditions continued to be very windy and the youngest team which had to compete in the Under 20 category which has two boys from the Under 16 category performed extremely well placing 10th in a time of 25.33 over 16km. This was a superb team ride lead strongly by **Thomas Allan** and supported by **Ollie Smith**. The senior Timaru Boys' A team placed 8th in a time of 23.24 over the 16km distance. The Team Time Trial concluded Day one.

Day 2 riders were greeted with extremely cold conditions and keeping warm proved to be real struggle. First up was the U16 Boys Scratch race, with ten laps of the Levels International Raceway. In a field packed full of elite riders, **Thomas Allan** and **Ollie Smith** rode superbly and managed to stay out of the crashes and managed to hold the main bunch in a very fast race. While finishing out of the placings, the 2 boys have performed extremely well. Thomas Allan finished in 12th place and Ollie Smith 16th place

William Rawlins was next up and unfortunately for William in his first race, he was in amongst a field with some of the fastest in New Zealand and they were there to prove a point to the rest of the field. William to his credit battled hard all race and this will see him learn and grow from this race, and bodes well for the future.

The pinnacle event was the U20 Scratch Race over a gruelling seventeen laps (40km), again with a star studded line up, Timaru Boys' were possibly overlooked by some of the bigger schools.

In a fast and surging race, the race tactics from Timaru Boys' were superb. **Sam Ritchie** chased down every breakaway all day and protected **Hayden Jefferson** who led an attack with under two laps to go with another rider. Hayden then was left on his own as he dropped his fellow rider and had to ride the final lap and a quarter on his own with the chasing peloton really upping their pace hunting Hayden down. Hayden fought extremely hard and was only chased down in the final 100m of the race to take a superb 2nd place, and Sam Ritchie then came in for 6th place - a fantastic recognition of his contribution to the race.

Other boys in this race were **Kallum Puttick**, **Leroy Dunn**, and **Harry Taylor**, all who found the pace of this race just a little too hot, however showing genuine guts and determination hung in there the entire race.

The entire Timaru Boys' High School Road Cycling Team really performed extremely well and are a total credit to the school. The school should be incredibly proud of all the riders who have genuinely given there all over the the days of racing. The behaviour of these boys was impeccable, incredibly polite, respectful and courteous. The boys looked like a team, performed like a team and were an absolute pleasure to be around. Timaru Boys' High School Road Cycling is set for some impressive years to come with the quality of riders they have, and with continued training and racing together will become a force in Secondary Schools Cycling.

Sincere thanks must also go to the parents for their ongoing commitment and support to this growing sport – your input is very much appreciated.



L to R: Thomas Allan, Ollie Smith, Harry Taylor, Leroy Dunn, Hayden Jefferson, Sam Ritchie, Kallum Puttick



Hayden Jefferson, pictured left, 2nd placegetter in the U20 Scratch Race.

Swimming News

New Zealand Open Championships 2018

This year Timaru Boys' was lucky enough to have swimmers of such a calibre that they were able to attend the New Zealand Opens, enabling them to swim against older and more experienced swimmers. **Riley Taylor** and **Jack Sands**, swimming for their clubs (Swim Timaru and Geraldine respectively), both produced some amazing swims. Riley had an outstanding swim in the 1500 metre Freestyle to gain a bronze medal, taking 3.44 seconds off his previous personal best.

Jack gained an impressive 4th in the 400 Individual Medley also swimming in a personal best time.

In addition to these swims, both boys continually swam well to record the following results:

- Riley: 5th in the 400 Freestyle (PB), 12th in the 200 Freestyle, and 15th in the 200 Backstroke having gained a finals place in each one of these races. He also swam the 200 Individual medley (PB) and the 100 Freestyle.
- Jack: 6th in the 800 Freestyle taking an amazing 11.64 seconds off his personal best, 7th in the 1500 freestyle (PB), 11th in the 400 Freestyle and 14th in the 200 Individual Medley having gained a finals place in each of these events.

South Island Secondary School Swimming 2018

The event returned to Blenheim again this year, with heats and finals taking place on Saturday 7 July. Only two swimmers from our swim team were available for this competition - **Reed Stevenson** and **Dominic Coleman** - but both represented the school well. All 50 metre and 100 metre races had heats and were split into two age groups (14 and under, and 15 and over), with those races over 200 metres being straight timed finals and open in terms of age. Therefore the boys were in separate age divisions for the shorter races.

Reed was seeded second in the 200 Individual Medley, but in an extremely close race, just touched ahead to win gold in this race.

Reed, seeded third in the 100 breaststroke, qualified for the afternoon final in second place and maintained that position in the final race. He swam a personal best in gaining the silver. Dominic also swam a personal best, and having qualified third, finished third in the final.

Swimming the 50 Butterfly, Reed was just overtaken in the last stretch to finish second, while Dominic came fourth. In the next race, the 100 Freestyle, Dominic swam a personal best in his heat to qualify in first place, and then bettered that time in the final, however, it was not quite enough to gain first place, but he finished in a strong second place.

The 200 butterfly is an endurance race, and it was very close for the whole race with Reed just missing the gold by 0.15. In the 200 Breaststroke, Reed finished third with Dominic sixth, and in the 200 Freestyle Reed came fourth and Dominic again finishing sixth.



REED STEVENSON AND DOMINIC COLEMAN

The 400 Individual Medley is an exhausting race, and the two swimmers were very tired by this stage of the meet. Reed gained a third place and Dominic fourth. Overall, this was an extremely successful meet.

Result summary at a glance

Reed Stevenson – 1st 200 Individual Medley (PB), 2nd 100 Breaststroke (PB), 2nd 50 Butterfly (PB), 2nd 200 Butterfly, 3rd 200 Breaststroke, 3rd 400 Individual Medley, and 4th 200 Freestyle (PB).

Dominic Coleman – 2nd 100 Freestyle (PB), 3rd 100 Breaststroke (PB), 4th 50 Butterfly, 4th 400 Individual Medley (PB), 6th 200 Breaststroke, and 6th 200 Freestyle.

Sports Snippets

Basketball

Congratulations to the undefeated U15 Champions of the Mainland Basketball Tournament held in Greymouth. Ten teams entered this tightly contested competition and saw three of our Timaru Boys High students selected and contribute to the success of the South Canterbury A Rep team. Well done to **Lucas Mullings, Caleb Small** and **Jai Holden**.



Football

The inaugural presentation of the *George Hill* Trophy took place on Saturday 14 July at the annual match between senior teams from Hill's former school, Timaru Boys' High School, and Thistle Football Club at Sir Basil Arthur Park.

The life of the 17-year-old, who died in tragic circumstances in Timaru's CBD in March, was honoured at the special presentation following the game won by Thistle 8-1.

The trophy was presented to the Hills by Thistle president and Coach Mark Offen. The family will look after the trophy until next year's match between the two teams.



Congratulations to **Keaton Swindells** who has recently returned from a successful Inline Speed Skating International Competition held in Haining, China. Keaton participated firstly in a training camp at Lishui before joining competitors from all over Asia. This has proven to be a good grounding for his next venture which is the Asian Roller Skating Championships to be held in South Korea in September. Good luck Keaton – we look forward to more positive results.

School Donations

We are most grateful for the very positive response from families to payment of the school donation. In 2017 we received a generous \$ 62,039.25 from the school community, an amount we are working towards in 2018.

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.

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



Thank you to parents who have set up automatic payment of their school accounts. This is helpful to school staff and ensures regular payment of accounts are made.

Student Office Accounts are paid into: **12-3159-0038004-00**

Thomas House Accounts are paid into: **12-3159-0038004-02**

Please note that these are two different account numbers.

Examinations (Senior School)

These take place from Monday 20th August to Friday 24th August for Years 11-13.

Students with three or more non-examination subjects may be required to be at school during examination leave depending on their current achievement. They will be informed about this. 11BN will be at the school for this week.

Students have been given an information book detailing expected examination preparation and behaviour along with their examination timetable emailed to them.



Year 12 and Year 13 students have been issued with letters enabling them to purchase their tickets for the TBHS Ball to be held on **Friday 14 September**.

Tickets are on sale Monday 13 August and these need to be purchased by **FRIDAY 17 AUGUST**



Please note that the Senior Conferencing will take place on the final day of Term 3 – Friday 28 September.

Junior Work Day

Timaru Boys' High School is planning on holding its junior school WORK DAY later in the year (date yet to be confirmed). Junior students (Years 9 & 10) across the school will be seeking paid employment for the day.



The very generous support in recent years has provided boys at the school with extra amenities and items of equipment. This has been greatly appreciated by the staff, students and Board.

Our aim each year is to raise \$10,000 for student facilities.

To those providing paid employment for the 2018 Work Day - this is very much appreciated. For your guidance the school has found that a common rate of payment for student work has ranged around \$8-\$10 per hour. This will vary according to the nature of the job and the age and strength of the boys. We feel the boys will gain useful work experience from this project.

Thank you for employing a Timaru Boys' High School student enabling him to help his school in this way.

If you have work our boys could undertake, please contact us on 03 687 7560 or email tbhs@timaruboysschool.nz



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TBHS CALENDAR Term 3 2018

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

12 August	Aoraki Trapshooting	9-11 September	Year 11 Tramp
12 August	Aoraki Snow Sports	14 September	TBHS School Ball
13-14 August	TBHS Science Fair	15 September	Aoraki Mountain Bike Champs
15 August	ANTS and Senior Science Engineering Day (ChCh)	19-20 September	Social Studies Quiz
17 August	FLAVA Festival	21 September	Sports and Cultural Photos
20-24 August	School Exams	24 September	South Canterbury Anniversary Day
27 August	Thomas House Ski Trip	25-27 September	Year 12 Wanaka Cycle Trip
29 August	BoT Meeting	TBC	Junior Work Day
29 August	Waitaki Boys' Exchange (Home)	28 September	Senior Conferencing
3-7 September	Tournament Week	28 September	FINAL DAY Term 3