## Below is a brief outline of the history of the schools in this area

- 1858 West Taieri School began at Woodside on a site near the cemetery. It was moved to Woodside when the school opened in Outram. (The old school building can still be found in Woodside)
- **1866** Maungatua school started.
- 1873 The first school in Outram was situated further along Beaumaris Street, it moved to the present site in 1880 and a brick and stone building was erected.
- 1880 The school moved to its present site. In 1893 a wooden building was built. This was commonly known as the infant room. This is now situated up at the Historical Park above Outram.
- **1838** West Taieri, Maungatua and Lee Stream all consolidated at Outram.
- **1970** Lee Stream re-opened once again.
- **2004** Amalgamation of all the small schools in the area into Outram School.

## **Jubilee and Anniversary Celebrations held**

- 1958 A centennial Jubilee was held for West Taieri Schools.
- 1983 The 125th year Jubilee was held for West Taieri Schools. This was held at the rugby grounds
  - With a large marquee set up beside the Hall. 450 people attended this celebration.
- **2008** 150<sup>th</sup> Jubilee for West Taieri Schools. Held in the School Hall with a marquee set up beside.
  - 315 registrations were received for this Jubilee.
- **2023** It is now time to start celebrating Outram School since its inception 150 years ago.

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