



TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

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RECTOR'S MESSAGE



Welcome to 2018 at TBHS. Congratulations to **Riley Taylor** and **Cathal Guiney** for their selection to the 2018 Prefect team. We're sure they will serve our students and school to the best of their ability. As we applaud Riley and Cathal we are conscious of all the other boys who lead or show important leadership qualities elsewhere in the school.

At TBHS we want leadership to develop in each boy but this can be very daunting for them, and not everyone is, or wants to be, a leader. If only aged 13 – 18 years and already traversing the many challenges of teenage life, expecting leadership confidence and capability of boys can be premature or unrealistic; something they may simply not be ready for yet. Having said that, there are so many fledgling leaders in the school, it does seem that to show leadership, even infrequently, is not too much for most of our boys. For some of them, leadership comes freely, and is applied regularly to great effect.

So where do we see and encourage leadership? Every time a boy volunteers to do more than the norm in a situation, he is being a leader. When he takes the initiative in an activity with and for others, he's being a leader. When he makes decisions that influence others positively, or has the character to act with honesty and integrity, without prompting, he's being a leader. He may not have a particular position, post, or designation to his name. He may not be leading a team or group 'into the fray'. He may not even be obvious in his leadership, but he can still show leadership that will bring out the best in others as well as himself, by committing well to things beyond his immediate self-interest.

Leadership is nurtured each time boys find new self-knowledge. They need to have a sufficient 'sense of self' if going to lead. Again this is tough, because it can take years to achieve the sort of self-actualisation we often associate with leadership. But it is also why the young men who lead at TBHS, where they find a good focus, are all the more impressive. Programmes like our Rite Journey or school-based mentoring, direct boys to self-knowledge and with it leadership potential.

Leadership is also heavily dependent on participation. Active involvement in a task is needed in the first place to function as a leader of some description in it. Leadership doesn't come from spectating only. This means that the wider the range of tasks boys try, the more chance they give themselves to cultivate leadership qualities or to assume leadership roles. This is another reason why getting actively involved in lessons and co-curricular options really matters.

There will be a good number of our boys who open out their leadership at TBHS. There are others who may not become leaders until past school. It is incumbent on us to at least give them plenty of enticing opportunities to realise their leadership, with our support, and to truly find out what could be.

To finish, thank you to everyone who attended the opening of the new main entrance and reception space on Tuesday. It was fantastic not only having those who donated to this particular project with us but other longer term donors and contributors, or their family representatives. Longer term supporters of the school are now acknowledged in the new foyer and on the new wall plaques outside.

Nick McIvor

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Mā te Mātauranga te Mana.

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Gillies Block Upgrade

A much needed facelift has been given to the Timaru Boys' High School reception area which has stood unchanged since 1979.

Funded by generous Timaru High School Old Boys, the official opening of the building saw the ribbon cut by Old Boy, Mr Bruce Lund and was attended by both Old Boys and family members of school benefactors. Sincere thanks to the following contributors who made this possible:

The Old Boys' Association and Old Boys' Foundation

Janie Murray Trust

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Chris McKeown

Barry Thompson

Alistair Ross

Bill Sutton

Bruce Lund

Garth LeRoy

David McBride

As well as providing a new frontage, the outside walls house informative stainless plaques inscribed with the names of generous school philanthropists, and the inside foyer now has a Donors Board, also honouring our generous benefactors through the years.

Next time you are visiting the school, be sure to have a look around.

Young Blake Expedition 2018 Kermadec Voyage

From 26-29 March, 20 student voyagers and 23 crew members embarked on an expedition to the Kermadec Islands on board HMNZS Canterbury. We were extremely proud to have our 2017 Deputy Head Boy, Tim Currie, selected as a participant in this voyage. The following contribution from Tim will give you some insight of what was experienced by this young group of sailors. For further information, explore <https://sirpeterblaketrust.org/kermadec-voyage-2018>



Over the past 9 days, a competition has arisen within the boy's room, aka the meat fridge due to its very similar resemblance to a chiller. The bed containing all the phones, all go off simultaneously with alarms causing one hell of a racket. This buzz continues for two reasons; one because everyone is too tired to move, or two, because no one wants to give in and turn them off. On the 7th of March, the boy's room was no different and awoke to a roar of alarms. Finally, we all crack due to the rumour of pancakes for breakfast acting as a catalyst to get up.

Today was no ordinary day, yet characteristic of Navy life as it was 'ABC', all being changed. We turned back to the New Zealand mainland on the 6th due to an injury to a ship's crewman, leaving us Young Blake Expeditioners with a lot of uncertainty around the plans.

Throughout the last couple of days, all the student voyagers have experienced a meal in the Commanding Officers cabin with the man himself. He was more than a welcoming host, sharing his knowledge with us all and giving an insight into his life and role as the commanding officer of the RNZN's largest ship. It was during lunch with the Commanding Officer that one of his officers came in and confirmed our arrival at Devonport naval base would be on the 8th, leaving us with less than 24 hours on this magnificent ship that has been our home for the past 9 days. With this news, everyone had a flow of emotions. Excited to see their families and friends yet sombre they were leaving their temporal home and all the great people on board this ship that have been a family over the time of the expedition.

Throughout the rest of the day, we heard from Giselle and some of the returning DOC staff about what life on Raoul Island was like as a DOC worker, full of fun and games but also hard work mainly including weeding and maintenance, made extremely difficult when near the green lake, as the crater can reach temperatures near 50°C. Lydia gave her insight into her yet to be released book, 'Mr Peacock's Possessions', describing how Raoul Island was first settled and the culture of the settlers.

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After a hearty feed of all the BBQ meat possible, we had our final hurrah as a group with a prize giving and reflection of the expedition, including next steps we look to take. The takings from this expedition are in the thousands and everyone shared one or two of their takings from the expedition. Collectively as a group, we all experienced a beautiful pristine marine environment that made us all dream that the rest of New Zealand could also be this diverse and healthy and that now we must be the change to achieve this common goal. We also heard from the scientists of what we have achieved. A range of new species never found at the Kermadecs before has been observed/collected such as the black trevally and garden eels, while also a range of important data and specimens has been collected to better understand this mainly unknown environment.

To conclude the expedition, we all shared gifts and heard a new rap from the girls called 'Save Our Seas', with a rumour that they are looking for a producer to record their new single.

Special thanks to the Sir Peter Blake Trust and the New Zealand Royal Navy; all of us who were a part of this expedition thank you for making this expedition possible, and a huge thank you to the scientists and adults for making it full of learning, excitement, and good times. This expedition has been life changing and the best two weeks I have experienced. Today might have felt like the end, but today was just the beginning of our journey, to make New Zealand great again.

Au revoir for now.

St Andrew's College Annual Exchange

Played in Timaru in cool conditions on Monday 26 February, honours were evenly shared in the annual exchange between Timaru Boys' High School and St Andrew's College.

The **1st X1** match saw an improved performance by the young Timaru side against a strong opponent who used the fixture to give some members of the wider squad an opportunity. Batting first in the 100 overs declaration fixture, St Andrew's closed their innings after 50 overs at 207-7. Best performer with the ball for TBHS was **George Copland** whose 4 wickets included 3 in 4 balls to have St Andrew's in early trouble at 47-5. The TBHS reply was led by hard hitting innings of 39 from **Hugh Cameron** and 32 apiece by **Jack Sands** and **Ben Stayt**. This saw Timaru reach a respectable 147 and take the game within three overs of stumps and earning a draw.

In **Touch Rugby**, one 40 minute game was played. In a very even contest with the lead alternating throughout the match, Timaru scored right on time to earn a 6 all draw. Best performers for TBHS were **Joel Hill**, **Ryan Greenslade** and the "white Serevi" **Jimmy Robertson**.

Timaru recorded two hard fought victories in the **Volleyball** encounter against a STAC side who were without their top line up due to the upcoming South Island Championships.

The **Tennis** saw a St Andrew's victory in a tight contest against a Timaru side missing an injured George McAleer. Timaru, led by **James Watt**, won both the number one singles and doubles matches.

From the PE Department.....

Weight Room Training

Students were given the opportunity to acquire information on weight training from James McFarlane (Personal Trainer at C Bay). James presented three lunchtime sessions to advise the students on the purpose of weights, with a focus on technique, nutrition and general health and safety.

Programmes were given to the students to follow. Students could then talk to James about fitting the programme to their specific needs.

The boys pay \$60 for the year which helps keep the weight room equipment up and running. The weight room is accessible before school, lunchtimes and after school but that needs to be arranged with Mr McFarlane (HOD PE)

It is important students know how to use the weight room correctly so they don't injure themselves and so they can get maximum benefit from their time training.



TBHS Athletics 2018

The Timaru Boys' Athletic Sports were held in warm, calm conditions at Aorangi Stadium on Friday 2 March.

In the Minor grade, **Nick Webb** and **Saxon McNoe** were prominent with two victories each on the track, but the overall champion was **Reuben Bowen** with wins in the High jump, Hurdles, Javelin and Long-jump.

The Junior Champion was **Quinn Motley** with titles in the 400 metres, Discus and Shot put as well as a second placing in the Javelin. **Jed Symes** in the sprints and long jump and **Ryan Bagrie** in the middle distance events both claimed three titles.

The Intermediate grade was dominated by the **Rawlins** twins with a clean sweep between them of all non-hurdle track events with William recording wins in the 100, 200 and 400 metres to go with the Javelin title thereby winning the intermediate title, and Peter claiming victory in the 800, 1500 and 3000 metres.

Dean Andrews with strong performances in the sprint and throwing events emerged as the Senior Athletics Champion. **Bailey Gebbie** in the middle distance events, **William Valentine** in the Discus and Javelin and **George Guerin** (pictured right) in the 3000 metres and open 2000 metre Steeplechase all claimed two senior titles. Guerin's time of 6 minutes 26.2 seconds in the Steeplechase was the day's only record. Japanese exchange student **Taiyo Watanabe** followed in his idol Tom Walsh's footsteps by claiming the senior Shot-put title with a 14.36 metre effort.

A highlight was provided by Year 10 student **Jed Symes** edging out Andrews in the Open Champion of Champion 100 metre race in 11.6 seconds.



PTA FUNDRAISER: 2018-19 Entertainment Book

An advertisement for the Entertainment Book. It features a white box of the book, a smartphone displaying the app, and three smaller images: a man eating pizza, a plate of food, and two women looking at a phone. The text at the bottom reads "Christchurch, Canterbury and Nelson" and "Including Ashburton, Timaru, Blenheim, Tasman and more...".

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Support Timaru Boys High School and you'll be rewarded!

We are raising funds for our School and you can help. Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our School PLUS, order now to receive **over \$200** of bonus Early Bird Offers (hurry, these sell out quickly).

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<https://tinyurl.com/TBHS-Ent-Book-2018>

Aoraki Athletics 2018

The Aoraki Athletic Sports were held in ideal conditions at the Aorangi Stadium track on Wednesday 14 March. Timaru Boys' performed strongly at the meet and claimed numerous titles. A highlight came in the 4x100 metre relays at the end of the programme where TBHS won all of the 4 grades.

In the Minor (under 14 Boys) grade, **Isaac Simpson** (100 metres), **Jackson Ross** (discus), **Reuben Bowen** (High Jump) and **Harry Schmack** (Long Jump) claimed titles.

In the Junior (under 15 Boys), **Ryan Bagrie** was a stand-out in the middle distance events, easily winning the 800-1500 metres double. **Shannon Drake** was the other star performer claiming an unusual double in the Shot-put and High Jump. **Quinn Motley** (Discus) was the other athlete to claim an individual title.

The **Rawlins** twins **William** and **Peter** were to the fore in the Under 16 Boys events. William claiming the 200-400 metre events, while Peter chased home St Kevin's College's talented Max Yanzick in the 1500 and 3000 metre events. Peter's time in the 3000 metres would have broken the existing record eclipsed by Yanzick.

In the Senior (under 19 Boys) grade, TBHS was especially dominant. **Bailey Gebbie** won the 400-800 metre double as well as the triple jump. **Ben Sewell** was victorious in the 110 metre Hurdles and Long Jump, while **Taiyo Wantanabe** (pictured right) claimed the field event double of Javelin and Shot put. **George Guerin** put in a strongly controlled run to record a decisive win in the 1500 metres.

These boys now go forward to the South Island Secondary Schools Championships to be held in Timaru this weekend 23rd-25th of March.



**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

School Jacket Orders

XCM Group are suppliers of our school jackets. Unfortunately, there has been an issue with the overseas factory who makes these jackets. With the closure of the factory, until one week ago, there has been an uncertainty over the supply of jackets.

However, going forward, the factory is now up and running again with new owners. XCM apologise unreservedly for the delay but this has been out of their control. They are doing everything possible to make sure the product is delivered as soon as possible. The school will notify parents as soon as these jackets arrive in the school via the school notices and an email.



From the Deputy Rector's Desk.....



Conferencing

Whole school conferencing will take place on Friday 4th May. On that day all students will meet with their conferencing teacher, who is their form teacher, for 15 minutes with their parents or caregivers. Students only need to come in for their conferencing time. Times will be sent out.

**Exams
are
coming!!!**

Senior Examinations

These take place in Term Two Week Four Wednesday May 23rd –Friday May 25th. All students with examination based subjects will have examinations on these days. 11BN will remain at school on those days.



School Photographs

All students present on that day had individual and vertical form class photographs taken. Year 9 had 'Tree' class photographs and Year 10 their Rite Journey class photographs. Students will be able to order copies of these as well as an ID card with their photograph, date of birth etc. There is no obligation to purchase. Order envelopes have been distributed to all boys and these are due back at the Student Office **by 30 March**.

Vehicle Permission (Senior School)

A reminder that senior students, Year 12 and 13 (Year 11 may bring a moped or similar), must have completed 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.



BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)

Our aim is to have all Year 9 students by the start of Term 2 this year with a device.

Why are we doing this? "We want to enhance lessons to make great learning even greater with a blending of digital with long-valued teaching and learning techniques. We believe that an internet capable device is now an important part of a boy's modern learning toolkit. It gives them instant access to unlimited resources and enables them to support, extend, communicate and share their learning in ways that prepares them for the future."

Currently we have over 75 Year 9 boys indicating they have a device they can bring to school.

All Year 9 students have had an IT induction programme in their first week and Mr Burke (IT support) is visiting English classes supporting their connection to the school system.

Mr Burke is providing IT support for any student in the second half of lunchtime each day.



Office 365

All students are able to download this for free on up to five devices. This can include computers at home. Students have been emailed the details on how to action this.

If there are any concerns email Mr Burke alphatech@timaruboysschool.nz



KAMAR Parent Portal

All parents have been emailed log on details to access this. This has recently been upgraded.

There is a link from the school website or you can have it as a KAMAR app on your phone although some of the material is better accessed on a larger screen.

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.

Sports News

Meridian SISS Rowing Regatta

Timaru Boys' High School had a very successful South Island Secondary Schools regatta held in Twizel 3-4 March. Our boys earned their places in 6x B finals and 10x A finals.

The hard training over the season and committed team work led to the following squads winning medals.



Boys under 17 single skulls
Boys under 15 double skulls
Boys under 18 novice double skulls
Boys under 17 double skulls

Kallum Puttick
Josh Wilson/Hamish Yeatman
Jack Blakemore & Ben Bartlett
Neil Paver and Kallum Puttick

B final placed 2nd
A final placed 3rd
A final placed 3rd
B final placed 1st

Boys under 15 coxed 8

Luke Goodger, Billy McCully, Ben Bartlett, Ben Bampton, David Edh, Robbie Adams, Will Taylor, Harry Blakemore
A final placed 3rd

Boys under 18 novice coxed quadruple skulls

Billy McCully, Jack Blakemore, Robbie Adams, David Edh and Tom Scott
A final placed 2nd

Boys under 15 coxed octuple skulls

Josh Wilson, Will Davidson, David Edh, Hamish Yeatman, Ben Bampton, Robbie Adams, Fletcher Joyce, Will Taylor
A final placed 3rd

Congratulations to these medal winners and to all the boys and their committed coaches for an exciting season. Aon Maadi Cup 2018 is now underway and our squad are looking strong and well prepared for the hardest competition on the rowing calendar – over 2000 students compete at Maadi and our boys compete with the best of them. Good luck Timaru Boys' High School!

Aoraki SS Bowls

The TBHS 2 team of **Jack Aicken** (pictured right) and **Caleb Anngow** finished runners up to Waitaki Boys' 4 in the pairs section of the Aoraki Bowls Competition. A total of 10 pairs entered the event, played in very cool conditions at the West End Bowling club on Friday 9 March. The South Island Secondary Schools Bowls is being played in Timaru during Summer Tournament week 19-23 March.



Aoraki SS Touch

Timaru Boys' High School successfully defended their Aoraki touch title on Sunday. A comprehensive 8-2 victory over Ashburton College was followed by a hard fought 6-5 win over Waitaki Boys' in what was effectively a final. Stand out players for Timaru were **Joel Hill**, **Ryan Greenslade** and **Jimmy Robertson**. The team now moves forward to the South Island Championships.



Cricket Accolades

Year 9 **Ross McCulloch** (pictured left) achieved the rare feat of a 9 wicket haul. Playing for the TBHS White team McCulloch recorded the outstanding figures of 9 for 16 against Geraldine in Colts Grade.

This was a superb effort Ross – well done☺

SCSS Softball

The Timaru Boys' Softball Saints won the South Canterbury Secondary Schools final with a clear-cut but hard fought 10-2 victory over Temuka. A number of players stepped up to bat for the Saints against an able pitcher, while **Toby Milne** performed well on the pitching mound for TBHS. A committed fielding performance was also a highlight as was the face-plant by **Haowai Cole** when stealing home. A number of these boys are competing this week in the South Island Tournament in Ashburton from the 19-22 March.



SISS Tennis

The Timaru Boys' High School Tennis Team has made history by qualifying for **Tennis NZ National Secondary Schools Teams Finals**. The team of five players: **James Watt**, **Josh Cameron**, **George McAleer**, **Matt Ellis** and **Connor Crotty** competed in the South Island Secondary School Championship Play-Offs at the Trust Aoraki Tennis Centre, here in Timaru, 2-4 March, 2018.

There were two spots up for grabs to represent the South Island at the National Finals. TBHS were seeded 3rd behind the fancied number 1 seeds, Christ's College and 2nd seeds Christchurch Boys' High School. Four singles and two doubles were played in each tie, with six schools competing at the South Island play-off, after qualifying to represent their region in regional play-offs.

Day one started on Friday 2 March with two ties. In the morning tie, TBHS got off to a good start making it a clean sweep winning all six matches in the tie. The afternoon tie against Christchurch Boys' proved to be the most exciting tie of the weekend. After the singles matches it was two a piece, with valuable wins netted by Matt Ellis playing at number 4 and by TBHS number one player James Watt. Moreover, the match of the tie was played by Josh Cameron who took the vital set off Alex Emslie in an absolute thrilling three set encounter. At the conclusion of the doubles, it was all tied up at 3 matches each and the tie was decided on a set countback with TBHS taking it 7-6. This proved to be the crucial win for Timaru Boys'.

Back on court, day two saw TBHS take on the top seeds Christ's College. Christ's goal going into the championship play-off was to not drop a set. George McAleer, came agonisingly close to upsetting this goal by taking Liam Adams to a tie-break in the second set. Christ's team stacked with NZ representative players were just too good and won all six matches in the tie.

Next up on Day 2, TBHS faced off against St Bede's, who had also gone close with Christchurch Boys' in which they lost the tie after being equal on matches, equal on sets and losing out on a games countback. This put a little added pressure on the TBHS team going into this tie with St Bede's but TBHS had nothing to worry about winning five of the six matches.

After Day 2, the possibility of making it through to the national secondary school finals was looking very achievable. The last hurdle now on Day 3 was to secure a win over Marlborough Boys' College. McAleer and Cameron had comfortable wins, while Watt had to work hard against Marlborough's number one, left-hander Torban Otway to gain the win in 3 sets. Doubles pairings of Cameron/Ellis and Watt/McAleer delivered and the tie was won, 5-1.



L TO R: JANE SULLIVAN (MANAGER), CALEB CAMERON, MATT ELLIS, JAMES WATT, GEORGE MCALEER, CONNOR CROTTY, RACHEL ELLIS (COACH)

This is an outstanding achievement and comes from the culmination of three years of work and support from Tennis South Canterbury. TBHS and Tennis South Canterbury entered into a memorandum of understanding to develop its

school tennis players which included coaching from Kane Newland and more recently Rachel Ellis, with the ultimate goal of getting TBHS to the national finals.

The national secondary schools team finals are being held in Christchurch during summer tournament week: 19 – 22 March, at Wilding Park. Christ's College and Timaru Boys' High will represent the South Island, and there will be four teams representing the three zones of the North Island. Full results available at:

<https://tennis.org.nz/InterclubCompetitionGradesList.asp?cnID=2841>



SISS Triathlon

A Timaru Boys' High School team comprising **George Guerin**, **Cathal Guiney** and **Jack Sands** won the team event at the South Island Secondary Schools Triathlon Championships held in Oamaru on Sunday 4 March.

Sands completed the 750 metre harbour swim, followed by Guiney on the 20 kilometre bike leg and Guerin finished with the 5km run. The boys recorded a time of 57 minutes 1 second to win by a comfortable margin from Waitaki Boys'.

L TO R: GEORGE GUERIN, CATHAL GUINEY, AND JACK SANDS

Gillies Block Official Opening



TBHS CALENDAR Term 1-2 2018

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

24-25 March	SI Athletics	13 April	ANZAC Service 2:00pm
26-29 March	Year 9 Totara Camp 5	14 April	FINAL DAY TERM 1
30 March-3 April	EASTER HOLIDAY BREAK	30 April	TERM 2 COMMENCES
4- 6 April	Year 13 Geography Karitane Field trip	15 May	CBHS Exchange
5 April	Prefect Leadership Day - Waimate	18-20 May	48 Hour Film Festival
5 April	Timaru Girls/Boys' Junior Social	23-25 May	Senior Exams
8-9 April	Lake Hood Sailing Regatta	28 May	Teschmakers Cup Assembly
10 April	Aoraki Swimming Champs	31 May	Information Evening
11 April	RYDA Training – Year 12	4 June	Queen's Birthday

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