



Otago Boys' High School

DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND

Otago Boys' High School, established in 1863, is one of the oldest state funded boys' schools in New Zealand and has a proud history of academic, sporting and cultural success, both in New Zealand and worldwide. The iconic campus, which overlooks Dunedin city, provides excellent facilities for boys to learn, develop and build strong, lifelong relationships. "Best for Boys" frames everything the school does.

KEY FEATURES

- 800 + boys enrolled across school years 9-13 (13-18 years old)
- Main intake in late January
- Short term enrolments are accepted – one or more terms
- NCEA (National Certificate of Educational Achievement) qualification provides progression to tertiary institutions in New Zealand and worldwide
- Domestic and international students are integrated in most classes
- Specialist English language classes are available for second language speakers – minimum 4 classes per week
- Wide variety of sports, clubs and cultural activities available
- Outdoor Education programme covers a wide range of adventure activities
- Otago Boys' High School Lodge in the Matukituki Valley (Mt Aspiring National Park) provides outstanding outdoor education and field study opportunities for students
- OBHS House provides boarding accommodation for all years of study (limited places available)
- A homestay placement service arranges high quality homestay accommodation for students
- Strong support for students is provided by the International Department

2026 FEES AND DATES

FEES	NZ\$
Tuition	\$17,600
Administration	\$550
Homestay Placement Fee	\$400
Boarding Hostel (full year)	\$19,400
Homestay (full year)	\$16,744
Homestay for Boarding Students (Term Breaks)	\$3,172
School Related Expenses	\$2,200
Insurance (full year) (Estimated)	\$646

All information about fees are subject to change and are inclusive of the NZ GST rate of 15%. Pro-rata fees apply for periods of enrolment less than four terms (one year)

DATES

Term 1	Late January – early April
Term 2	Late April – early July
Term 3	Late July – late September
Term 4	Mid October – early December

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OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Outdoor Education is a popular subject at Otago Boys' High School and can be taken at NCEA Levels 2 and 3 (Years 12 and 13). Activities are mostly based in and around the local Dunedin area as well as some trips to popular adventure activity locations in the Queenstown-Lakes and Mackenzie Districts. A visit to the School's lodge in the spectacular Matukituki Valley (on the edge of Mt Aspiring National Park) may also be part of the programme. Activities may include tramping, rock climbing, snow-caving, diving, surfing, mountain biking and ice hockey. Outdoor Education provides opportunities for boys to develop self-management skills, teamwork, and communication.

SPORT

Summer Sports (Terms 1 & 4)

- Athletics
- Cricket
- Futsal
- Golf
- Handball
- Indoor Climbing
- Mountain Biking
- Orienteering
- Sailing
- Surfing
- Softball
- Rowing
- Tennis
- Triathlon
- Touch Rugby
- Volleyball
- Waterpolo

Winter Sports (Terms 2 & 3)

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cross Country Running
- Curling
- Football
- Hockey
- Ice Hockey
- Indoor Climbing
- Rugby
- Squash



DUNEDIN

Dunedin is the southernmost of New Zealand's main centres and the largest city in the province of Otago. Although relatively small in size (population 134,000), it boasts many natural attractions as well as facilities usually offered only by cities many times its size.

There are more than 150 walking tracks in the Dunedin area and many other sporting facilities which are all easily accessible. The long natural harbour is favoured for watersports and St Clair beach is considered one of New Zealand's best for surfing.

Dunedin is encircled by a "Town Belt" of native bush and trees and its coastline is home to colonies of yellow-eyed penguins, fur seals and sea lions, and the world's only mainland breeding colony of the Royal Albatross.

