



# Timaru Boys' High School

## April Newsletter 2021

16 April Final Day Term 1  
3 May Term 2 Commences  
7 May Conferencing - Whole School  
8 May Rugby Fundraiser - Hogben Hall  
11 May TBHS Cross Country  
13 May Teacher Only Day  
1 June Board Meeting  
3 June TBHS Information Evening  
4 June Teacher Only Day  
7 June Queen's Birthday  
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25 June Open Day - Waihi Students  
29 June OBHS Exchange  
29 June Year 12 Emerging Leaders - Christ's College  
6-10 July Combined TGHS/TBHS Production *Chicago*

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### Rector's Message - April 2021

Kia ora te whanāu

The end of the term is upon us. Crikey dickens - how did that happen! Once we got over our Covid-19 blip in March, everything has been full tilt ahead.

The senior students have been busy working towards achieving their first NCEA assessments in each subject. Once again the focus is on task completion - no fudging, no procrastinating, just getting things finished. Teachers have reported that all classes are showing solid engagement and good learning is taking place.

One big push this year has been to ensure that every student has a suitable device. Thanks so much for supporting your son's learning!!! Sometimes, however, students forget to bring their laptops/chromebooks and this results in delays and the occasional inability to engage with the learning material. Please help us with this and pester your boys to ensure they are bringing their devices.

Summer sports have come to an end and what a great season it has been! We've had some stunning results right across the board, but Rowing and Cricket really stand out.

Our U15 Quad won gold medals at the National Secondary School Rowing Champs - an awesome effort from Blake Parker, Josh Bartlett, Ben Allan, Mac Brown and Finn Gollins. Timaru Boys' also picked up Bronze medals in the U17 Quad and the U15 Double Scull. A great Maadi for Coach Brian Smith and his team.

Our Cricket 1st XI also had a memorable start to 2021. They defeated Otago Boys' for the first time in many years and they were very competitive in the Canterbury Gillette Cup Semi-Final against a strong STAC team. However, their most impressive achievement so far has been winning promotion back to the top tier Canterbury Schools' One Day Competition. A fantastic return for Coaches Dave Fisher and Jamie Linton.

Hockey, Football, Rugby, Basketball and all the rest of the winter codes have been winding up and getting ready to go. Karoline Roberts, our Arts Coordinator, is also flat out planning our Arts Extravaganza for next term. I'm really looking forward to seeing all of our lads engaging in the extra-curricular activity of their choice. We are all different and the important thing is participation in a group activity - this prepares a young man for life.

The 1st Term finishes with our ANZAC service on Friday afternoon. This is a wonderful ceremony and the boys are moved by their connection to the sacrifices made by young men just like them.

Have a safe and happy time during the school holidays.

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## Mervyn Ansley Bull, Rector 1947-1964

Scholar, Teacher, Soldier, Churchman, Gentleman

Timaru Boys' High School was delighted to host a very special assembly on Wednesday 31 March, one that saw the unveiling of a wonderful bronze sculpture of a much loved Rector, Mr Mervyn Bull.

Sculptor Margriet Windhausen is to be congratulated on the remarkable likeness to the previous Rector and sincere thanks are extended to Bruce Lund who commissioned and donated the sculpture. Bruce was a pupil at the school when Mr Bull was Rector.

We were privileged to have in attendance for the unveiling, Dr Robert Bull, son of Merv Bull who journeyed down from Nelson. His presence was very much appreciated.

A snippet from the plaque:

*Mervyn Bull's seventeen years as Rector were a period of growth and progress in the school and the hostel. He was efficient and forthright. He knew every boy by name. His homilies to the boarders at Sunday night services left lasting memories. He coped firmly with the entrenched views of the older staff and he was an admired mentor of teachers. He maintained a teaching presence in the classroom through his career.*

*Outside the school, he had strong community involvement. He was a respected lay preacher in the Methodist Church and took leadership roles within the Rotary Club. Professionally, he served as National President of the Post Primary Teachers' Association.*

The school is grateful to Mr Lund for his ongoing generosity to the school.

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## Music Mentoring Workshop

Tuesday 13 April saw our music students combine with Roncalli and Opihi High Schools for a Music Mentoring session.

Since 2001, the Musicians Mentoring in Schools Programme (funded by the Music Mentoring Commission) has connected New Zealand's top musical artists with emerging young talent in schools from Kaitiāia to Invercargill. More than 150 artists have shared their expertise in songwriting,

instrumental and vocal technique, recording technology, and music industry insight – including Jon Toogood, Maisey Rika, Anonymouz, Louis Baker, Julia Deans and Troy Kingi.

Tuesday saw Matt Barus working on composition/songwriting with our students. Matt Barus is a freelance songwriter and performer. Currently releasing music as husband-and-wife duo "Terrible Sons", Matt has been in the Christchurch music scene for nearly 20 years.

As a member/songwriter for The Dukes (2005-2010) Matt's successes included a top 10 single as well as several Award nominations and NZ tours with Blondie and The Pretenders. His songwriting prowess triggered Chris Stein from Blondie to ask Matt to write songs for Blondie's next album.

Our boys were grateful for this opportunity offered by the Music Commission.

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## Outstanding Maadi Results.....

What an amazing Maadi Cup for Timaru Boys'.

Six days of racing, 2,432 competitors, 354 coaches, 123 schools and only 50 Gold medals to be won in total, with only 25 available nationally for boys.

Heats were held on Monday and Tuesday, plus repechage races on Wednesday - repechage provides a second chance for those who narrowly missed out on a finals race in the previous 'heats' days. Combine that with the semi-finals on Thursday and the result for Timaru Boys' was 10x A finals, 6x B finals and a C final. Only A finals gain medals.

This has turned out to be our most successful Maadi since 2012, when one of our current coaches, **Hooper Kelly-Smith** won Gold with the Crampton twins and James Walker in a quad. That year the Cramptons went on to take Gold in the double as well.

The first medal this year was on Friday when **Blake Parker** (younger brother to recent Old Boy **Liam Parker**) and **Josh Bartlett** sculled the Under 15 double to a Bronze medal early in the day. Saturday proved even more successful with our Under 15 Quad of **Blake Parker, Josh Bartlett, Ben Allan, Mac Brown**, and coxed by **Finn Gollins** who punched their way through some windy conditions to take Gold. This really lifted the whole team of 24 boys.

The afternoon found success for our Under 17 boys quad of **Sam Wilson, William Talbot, Will Davidson, Billy McCully** and **Ty Bishop** (cox) who, after four seasons of training, managed a podium finish, to collect Bronze.

They were our medal winners at Maadi, but the rest of the team had some pretty stunning races, and many were awarded medals in recognition of their performance at the cancelled South Island Rowing Championships on Lake Ruataniwha.

Other Maadi performances of note included **Ben Goldingham** and **William Light** in their Under 17 coxless pair, and **Charlie Clemmens, Will Davidson, Ben Bartlett, Billy McCully** coxed by **Finn Gollins** in the Under 18 coxed quad. Both teams achieved Top 5 in NZ.

Congratulations also to **Billy McCully** and **Will Davidson** who have been named to contest the South Island trial to select a squad to row against their under-18 North Island counterparts at Lake Karapiro at the end of April. We wish them the very best of luck.

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## SI Mountain Bike Championships

Four hundred riders from Blenheim to Invercargill flocked to Mt Hutt for the 2021 South Island School Mountain Bike Championships.

Held over three days, the event attracted nine mountain bikers from Timaru Boys', competing across three disciplines of cross-country, downhill and enduro.

Congratulations to **Payo O'Sullivan**, for taking out the top rider award in the Under 15 Cross Country over the weekend, an impressive two and a half minutes clear of his nearest rival. The Gold medal was backed up by a Bronze medal he won for the Secondary Schools Triathlon held in Wanaka just a couple of weeks beforehand.

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## Theatre Club - Come and join us!!

What's fun, interactive, and guaranteed to make you laugh at the most unusual of antics?

On the spot Theatre Club!

This group focuses on skilled improvisation, movement, voice, listening, vision, concentration, imagination, teamwork, creativity, and intellect.

Every Wednesday lunchtime, a small group of students meet and are tutored by the very talented Abigail Austin to develop these skills through a range of activities. The boys very much enjoy the comedic, albeit unusual antics that come out of these activities, and we certainly have a group of amazing comedians, guaranteed to match the greats of *Saturday Night Live* or *Whose Line Is It Anyway?* While every Wednesday highlights the comedic talents of the small group of boys, it has been great to see how much these boys have developed in confidence since the inception of this group in August last year.

So, if you are keen on a laugh at the most quirky of scenarios and situations - come on down to the Drama Room every Wednesday lunchtime. If you consider yourself the next Alec Baldwin, Jimmy Fallon, or Chevy Chase - sign yourself up!

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## Good Luck to our Footloose Actors

Timaru Boys' High School consistently has a number of students represented each year with the Junior Drama League Section productions.

This year's production of *Footloose* has several of our boys participating and we wish them every success for the sold out season. *Footloose* is over 2 hours long and has difficult harmonies and very challenging fast paced choreography. It has required 3 months of huge commitment and long rehearsal.

The School group photo features three leads from Timaru Boys' High School: **Sam Roadley**, **Andrew Blake** and **Nico Cousau**. Sam is an outstanding character actor with great comic timing, while Andrew is a great all round actor with strong stage presence. He plays the bad guy in *Footloose* very well. His infectious confidence brings life and energy to the rest of the cast. Nico joins us for his first role with Juniors - High School. He has two contrasting roles in the show, that of a teenager as well as a cameo of a father character.

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## International Student Mayoral Welcome

On Monday 29 March, all international students from local South Canterbury schools were invited to a special Mayoral morning tea.

This year was slightly different to the usual Mayoral welcome with Mayor Nigel Bowen providing a morning tea for everyone to catch up, try on his chains and sit in his chair. Although numbers were lower than previous years, this did not stop the students from enjoying the opportunity to gather together and share their experiences

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## Muay Thai Success

Saturday 27 March saw 14 year old AJ Foster fight for a new Muay Thai belt against his 15 year old opponent in the 57kg class.

A muay-thai fight in this class comprises five 2 minute rounds, enough to exhaust most of us, but AJ trains six days of the week for two hours a day.

Further fights are planned for June and November that will see him defend his 63 kg belt that he won last year. Yes - he had to loose 2kg over the last month to fight this 57kg class (no extra snacks during the day) but he celebrated his win with a special meal out!

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## South Island Youth Archery Championships 2021

Congratulations to **Oscar Hill** on his success at the SI Youth Archery Championships, held in Dunedin 20-21 March.

Shot over two days, the first day was a 720x2 which means he shot at the same distance on the same size target face for two ends in the morning and two ends in the afternoon. An end consists of shooting 6 arrows and scoring, with this done a total of six times.

Shooting with a young man from Invercargill, Oscar received a silver medal for the day.

Sunday consisted of match play, run as a round robin when Oscar competed against all archers shooting the same compound bow type. He competed against archers from all divisions - Kiwi, Cub, Intermediate, Cadet, Junior, Senior and above, winning the semi-finals by 2 points and entering the

finals where he competed against Ryan Jones who is a sponsored archer.

Matchplay up until the finals is shooting three arrows and scoring, done a total of five times. The finals are shot differently with only the two archers shooting one arrow at a time. Given 20 seconds to shoot their arrow, this allows the first archer to load his bow and shoot; once the timer clicks over to the next archer they can then shoot. It was very intense and nerve racking.

Oscar lost the final matchplay but came away with a Silver - what an awesome achievement Oscar!

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## South Canterbury Rep U17 Boys Basketball

Congratulations to the South Canterbury Rep U17 Boys' Basketball Team that travelled to Dunedin and competed in the Southern/Otago Tournament.

The boys had four games to play and they won all games. The competition was very tough and considering that they only had seven players, they were outstanding!

Unfortunately, Lucas Mullings' hopes for a second trial for the NZ Junior Tall Blacks has been dashed as South Canterbury Basketball has withdrawn the team from competing in the "Regionals" Tournament and also the "Nationals" Tournament due to take place in July. This is sadly due to the lack of players wanting to play for South Canterbury Rep Basketball.

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## TDC - Developing Aorangi Park and Stadium

When should we do this?

Aorangi Park is recognised as a locally and regionally significant sports hub. It is the home of several regional facilities for sports, including netball, basketball, volleyball, hockey and cricket. It is also a well utilised neighbourhood

park. The Stadium (Southern Trust Event Centre) is the beating heart of the park.

The review of the Aorangi Park Master Plan, following consultation with key stakeholders, has identified a number of key considerations and challenges, including:

- During traditional peak times (after school and evenings), the Stadium is often at full capacity, particularly for basketball, and its use for sporting competitions could be interrupted for events
- The desire for Netball South Canterbury to deliver its full senior competition indoors

- The need to replace the hockey turf (located west of the Stadium) within the next three years
- Requirements for pavilion facilities for cricket
- Poor quality training fields and lighting for football

Submissions are sought by the TDC on a proposed extension to Aorangi Park that will have direct benefits of more playing space for basketball and netball and will see the hockey turf upgraded to a new wet turf adjacent their existing water turf. Other users of the stadium will also benefit.

The design will also allow sport to continue when events such as the SC Sports Awards are held.

Submissions may be made at: <https://www.thrivingtogether.co.nz/key-issues/aorangi-park>

Questions may be directed to Councillor Stu Piddington

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## Year 9 Drama Theatre Sports Extravaganza

Totara and Manuka are currently completing their 13 week Performing Arts rotation in Drama.

For this rotation the students have been focusing on applying our TBHS POWER values to their understanding and application of Drama skills - in particular, being a willing participant.

Both classes have had an opportunity this term to participate in a Theatre Sports Extravaganza, which was run during one of their regular class periods at school. This session introduced the boys to what Theatre Sports is all about.

It was wonderful to see everyone trying something new, and being able to participate in such a positive and engaging manner.

The remaining four Year 9 classes will also have an opportunity to participate in this one off Theatre Sports Extravaganza later in the year.

TBHS has a **Theatre Sports Club** which operates during Wednesday lunchtimes in the Drama room, and is open to all students. New members are more than welcome to attend.

For further information please contact Megan Blake or Chris Packwood.

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## Fundraiser Thank You

Sincere thanks to members of the community who supported the school's recent Sporting Facilities Charity Auction that raised over \$15,000 for school sporting facilities.

Thanks to Dick Tayler for speaking, Stu Piddington who was MC for the evening, Tom Walsh for sending in a recorded message (he was unable to attend due to the Covid enforced rescheduling of the NZ Track and Field Championships), Snow Buckley of Peter Walsh & Associates as the auctioneer and Barney Cahill of *The Sail* for hosting the auction.

Thanks also to those who donated prizes & attended the evening.

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## Aoraki Golf Croquet

Aoraki Golf Croquet (an A Grade and Festival Grade) saw our boys return some good results.

A Grade: Angus Neal and William Tayler, Robert Spencer and Jed Syme, Ned Milne (Captain) and Harry Blakemore

Festival Grade: Tristan Gaffaney and Aidan Griffin, Sam Roadley and Luc Todd, Ryan Ennis and Robbie Fyfe

### Results

A Grade: Third Place Angus Neal and William Tayler

Festival Grade: Second Place Tristan Gaffaney and Aidan Griffin

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## Fantastic Music Opportunity for Students

Have you ever wanted to learn a WOODWIND, BRASS or a STRING instrument?

We have wonderful itinerant teachers within the school who are available to offer you this amazing opportunity. Lessons are free so why not give it a go? A costly option outside of school, make the most of this opportunity while at high school!!!!!!

Year 9 and 10s have potential over 3-4 years to develop strong musicianship skills that they will have for life.

There is an amazing orchestra you can join once you are confident and some students may have an opportunity to join one of the school rock bands.

Saxophonists - we need you!!! The sax is great in a band, likewise the trumpet or even a violin can sound cool!!! In fact, any instrumental instrument in a rock band miked up can make the band unique and stand out with another layer of sound (Rock Quest)!!!!

There will be a small hire charge for the instrument for the year which is minimal as lessons are free. Instruments are available from the woodwind, brass and string families

MAKE THE MOST OF THE OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED TO YOU AT HIGH SCHOOL AND GIVE IT A GO!!!!!!!!!!

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## Sailing Away.....

Congratulations to twelve sailors from Timaru Boys' High School who spent three days on the water in Timaru competing against teams from Otago Girls' High, Mt Aspiring College, and Christchurch Boys' High School.

Teams sail in 420s and three boats compete against each other in an exciting and strategic style of racing. Conditions were light but steady which has been great for practicing our knowledge of the rules and strategies.

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## Aoraki Volleyball

Aoraki Volleyball took place on 11 March.

The Timaru Boys' High School Team consisted of **Tafu Tafunaia, Peter Tafunaia, Pate Lelenoa, Nico Rosero, Joeli Vinakadina, Tai Pangai, Joseph Ueanteiti, Hamilton Taule'alo, Kallum Borlase, Matthew Gonzales and Mac Faalupega.**

The first game was against St Kevin's Blue A and the team showed a little rustiness in the first set to go down 23 to 25. However, they found their rhythm in the second set, winning 25 to 22, and then winning the third set 15 to 8.

The second game was against Roncalli Varsity. It was a hard fought game with the TBHS team taking out the first set 29 to 27 and the next 25 to 16.

These two pool wins were enough to put the team into the quarter finals against Ashburton B. The first set was a close game, but a couple of errors meant TBHS went down 20 to 25. The second set saw a fight back with TBHS winning 29 to 27. The last set was out of 15 and some mistakes early on meant that Ashburton got a lead that was too hard to pull back and the team went down 10 to 15.

Overall it was a pleasing display from a team that has not played in the local competition and only had a couple of official practices. It was also good to see the majority of the team happily participate in the three duties that they were allocated, one straight after their last loss. Thanks to Rob Emerson for coaching and Tafu for helping out with refereeing.

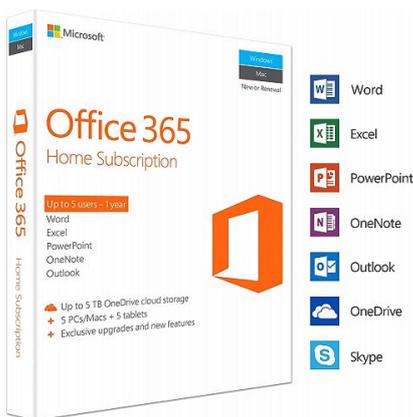


## KAMAR Parent Portal

Our KAMAR parent portal gives access to daily notices, student details, financial, attendance, NCEA summary, results, POWER scores, reports and career pathways.

This is a great way to keep track of your son's progress. Your son is also able to access the Portal with his logon.

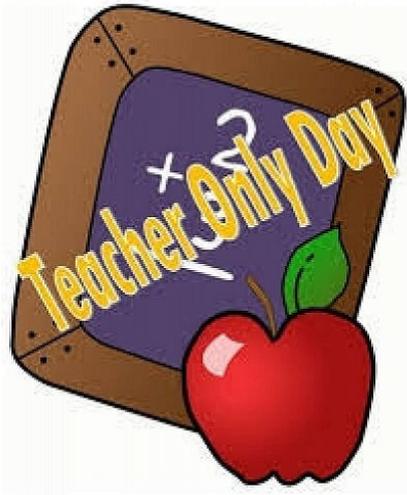
If you are unsure of your password and logon details please email Michelle Bower at [bowermi@timaruboysschool.nz](mailto:bowermi@timaruboysschool.nz)



## Office 365

All students are able to download this for free on up to five devices.

This can include computers at home. If there are any questions, email Mr Burke [alphatech@timaruboysschool.nz](mailto:alphatech@timaruboysschool.nz)



## Teacher Only Days - Term 2

Please note the following dates for upcoming Teacher Only days.

- **May 13th Thursday (Term 2 Week 2)**  
This is part of the NCEA Change process. There are no timetabled classes on this day.
  - **June 4th Friday (Term 2 Week 5)** This is a Kahui Ako focused day when all schools involved in the Kahui Ako clusters meet to further their learning development. There are no timetabled classes on this day.
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## 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.

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## South Canterbury Highland Pipe Band Open Day

Sunday 23 May, 1pm Onwards

Where: South Canterbury Highland Pipe Band Hall, 2 Turnbull Street, Timaru

If you or your child have an interest in pipe bands, come on in and see what we're all about. Doors open to the public at 1:00pm for anyone to have a go on whatever instrument they'd like. Talk and information at 2:00pm.

You can't make it? No problem! Just get in contact to come in another time.

Contact Tiffany Gilchrist: [tiff.g@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:tiff.g@hotmail.co.nz) or 0279159851

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## St Andrew's Dominate Annual Summer Exchange

Played in Christchurch on 22 March, this year's STAC Exchange did not return good results for TBHS.

The **1st XI Cricket** fixture doubled as a Canterbury regional Gillette Cup semi-final. St Andrew's batted first and started strongly on a good batting wicket, passing 100 only one wicket down. A determined bowling effort led by captain

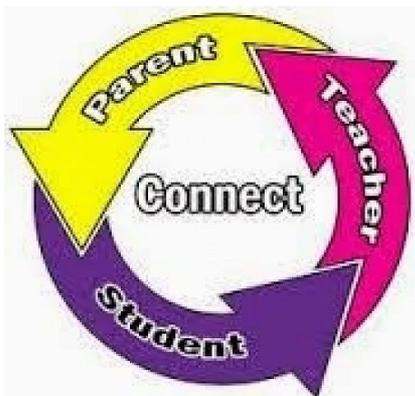
**Taine Cordell-Hull** (5-29) saw TBHS fight back to restrict STAC to 221 all out in the 50th over.

In reply, TBHS led by **Flynn Linton** 52 and **Toby Clemett** 35 got themselves into a winning position. Unfortunately, the run outs of key batsmen Linton and Caleb Donaldson were very costly as Timaru's middle and lower order struggled under pressure to be dismissed in the 45th over for 186, 36 runs short of their target.

The **Colts** game was one-sided as TBHS struggled batting first on a green wicket to be dismissed for 110. St Andrew's cruised to victory only 3 wickets down.

In the **Golf** played at the Harewood course, a very strong St Andrew's quartet with a combined handicap of only four were too good for TBHS. They recorded three wins while Damon Johnson did well to halve the 4th match for Timaru.

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## Conferencing Reports

These have been emailed to Parents/Caregivers and the students.

They are also available on the Parent Portal. Note that the senior reports had an email suggesting they were from the end of 2020; this was an error.

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## School Conferencing

Whole school conferencing takes place on Friday 7 May (the first Friday Term 2).

Parents will be sent a time for this. The meeting is scheduled for 15 minutes. Students do not need to wear uniform but should be tidily dressed. There are no regular classes on this day.

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## Timaru Boys' beats Otago Boys' in Cricket Exchange

Timaru Boys' recorded their first win in over a decade against the Otago Boys' 1st XI Cricket side in fine conditions on the Rectory, Thursday 18 March.

Although Otago were missing a couple of key players due to injury and other commitments, this still represents a significant achievement for a side that has been steadily

improving over recent seasons.

Sent in to bat, TBHS lost three early wickets but an outstanding 4th wicket partnership between the in-form duo of **Caleb Donaldson** (88 not out) and **Fletcher Rhodes** (64) set up Timaru's competitive total of 224-7 off their 50 overs.

In reply, Otago started strongly but then lost wickets consistently against a steady attack led by **Jayden Williams** 5-41 and **Taine Cordell-Hull** to be dismissed for 189 to give Timaru a 36 run victory.

In the 40 over Colts game, Otago made 191 batting first. Best of the bowlers for TBHS were **Reuben Brown** 3-36 and **Sage Cronje** 2-34. Timaru batted strongly in reply led by 72 from Lachie Munro, 36 from **Flynn Brookland** and an unbeaten 34 from **Harry Elliotte** to record a decisive 7 wicket win.

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- Individual Walk or Run Competition, 5km, 10km, 15km
- Team & Solo (Bike, Run, Walk) Triathlon, 10km MTB, 5km Run, 5km Walk
- Outdoor Triathlon, 10km MTB, 5km Run, 5km Walk

Register online at [whitehorsebigeasy.co.nz](http://whitehorsebigeasy.co.nz) or contact 027 405 2772 for an entry form

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18 APR  
2021

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## Whitehorse Big Easy

Run it- Walk it - Bike it!!!

The Waimate Whitehorse Big Easy is on this weekend. MTB, Walk/Run, Duathlon, Team/Solo challenges are on offer.

Register online at [whitehorsebigeasy.co.nz](http://whitehorsebigeasy.co.nz) or contact 027 405 2772 for an entry form.



## Policy Review: Home Learning

Timaru Boys' values feedback from our board members, staff and parents on policies and procedures.

A review of the school's *Home Learning* policy is now underway via our SchoolDocs link, with feedback closing on 16 April. To have your say:

1. Visit the website <https://timaruboysschooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

2. Enter the username (timaruboyss) and password (power).
3. Follow the links to **Home Learning**
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.
9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Timaru District  
Thriving Together

**Thriving Together Competition**

Do you have ideas on how to make the Timaru District the best place to live in New Zealand?  
**We want to hear from you!**

Entries open from  
**10 April - 10 May 2021**

We've drafted a Long Term Plan for the Timaru District that lays out some of the big challenges we're facing, and our ideas on how to solve them. Young people have an important role to play in helping us solve these problems – the future is YOUR future!

By sharing your views, you have the opportunity to learn something new, gain valuable research skills, help shape the future of our District and win some AWESOME prizes!

**The competition**

1. Head online to [www.thrivingtogether.co.nz](http://www.thrivingtogether.co.nz) and watch the Big & Bold 2021 for the Timaru District
2. Choose the best of 100 ideas to be most impactful and answer those we can do
3. If you're stuck, there's always a support team to help
4. No limit on the number of ideas and detailed input and feedback from District - we want your ideas!
5. The only way to be a winner is to have your entry made to the District Council Office or emailed to: [thrivingtogether@timarudistrict.govt.nz](mailto:thrivingtogether@timarudistrict.govt.nz)
6. Send your completed entry and entry form to [thrivingtogether@timarudistrict.govt.nz](mailto:thrivingtogether@timarudistrict.govt.nz) by 10th May 2021
7. The competition is open to 12-25 year olds who live in the Timaru District and are open from 10th April 2021 until 10th May 2021

For more info, tips and T&Cs, visit [thrivingtogether.co.nz/competition](http://thrivingtogether.co.nz/competition)

**The prizes!**

ALL entrants will receive a certificate acknowledging their entry, and your entry will be considered by Council when finalising the Long Term Plan for the District. This is something you can put on your CV or resume - you've helped shape the future of our District!

**FIRST PRIZE**  
**\$1000 CASH**

- + Meeting tea with the Mayor, Nigel Bowen
- + Invitation to present your entry to the Council

**SECOND PRIZE**  
**\$250 CASH**

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**THIRD PRIZE**  
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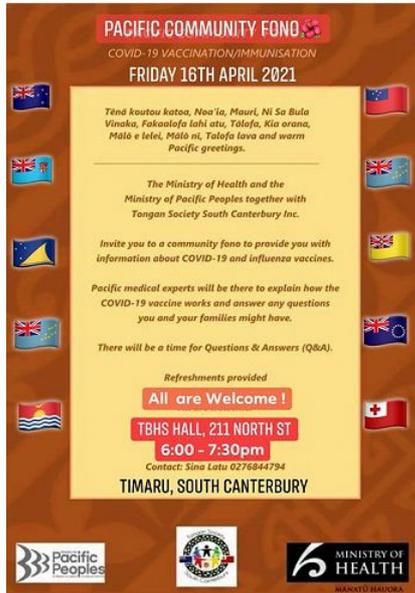
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## Community Fono - Covid-19 Vaccine Information

The Ministry of Health and Ministry of Pacific Peoples together with the Tongan Society South Canterbury Inc invite you to a community fono providing information about Covid-19 and influenza vaccinations.

TBHS Hall, 211 North Street, timaru  
Friday 16 April  
6:00pm - 7:30pm

See attached information.



## Entertainment Book

Get saving these school holidays with your Entertainment Digital Membership.

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20% of the sale goes back to the school. APP valid for 12 month & downloadable on up to 4 devices.

Upgrade to the Multi City if you're heading outside of your region or over the ditch to Oz.

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## Street Smart Young Driver Programme

Street Smart is a world-class, cognitive based driver programme that aims to positively influence the lives of young kiwis across the country, and help them to become a safer and more aware driver on our roads.

Offering a practical hands-on learning experience, Street Smart is a one-day event providing young drivers and their parents/caregivers the opportunity to undertake supervised driving practice. There is a focus on developing good decision-making strategies for safe driving, including assessing themselves, reading the road environment, resisting peer pressure, managing or eliminating distractions and planning

ahead.

Street Smart takes place in safe, controlled, off-the-road environments, under the watchful eye of qualified coaches plus the parent/caregiver. This provides the parent the opportunity to also assess themselves, in order to be a better coach and mentor to their teen.

Registrations can be completed via the easy to use pages on our website [www.streetsmart.nz](http://www.streetsmart.nz)

<https://www.facebook.com/StreetSmartKiwi>

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