

# TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## **RECTOR'S MESSAGE**



2019 brings new ventures, and new students and staff with talent to burn! These first few weeks are not only the time to settle back into the habits and routines for success, but for boys to clarify what their personal excellence should entail in 2019.

Higher education and individual character growth will come from boys having high personal standards and expectations, understanding who or what needs to be added or removed from their schooling, a grasp of key decisions to be made and barriers to be overcome, and knowing how different situations will be handled well. It will also be in efforts made to work with people in new ways so that valuable knowledge, skills, awards, achievements or qualifications are gained. In short, we want them to be 'good men in the making' in 2019 – including improvement of their own making.

On 31 January one of our teachers, **Greg Quinn**, sadly died after a long struggle with Motor Neurone Disease. Greg was a man much loved by his family, cherished by his colleagues, and respected by the students he taught. He was regarded as a friendly, understanding, supportive and dedicated teacher, who wanted the best for all the boys in his classes. Greg leaves behind a wife and son. A minute silence was observed in honour of Greg at Assembly on 7 February.

Joining our school, are 159 new boys including 141 Year 9s – an increase on the 2018 intake. Also joining our staff are six teachers from near and far, after retirements and relocations from the end of 2018; all were welcomed ceremonially by tangata whenua at the Powhiri on 1 February.

**Mr Dominikovich**, or 'Mr D', is our new Head of Mathematics and Statistics. Although out at Opihi College last year, he was previously at New Plymouth Boys' High School for 20 years' service. Mr Dominikovich is passionate about Mathematics and secondary school Running and Athletics - among his other interests. He has worked with special focus on supporting student leadership development in Taranaki.

**Mr Doyle** is our new Art teacher. He's a Timaruvian by origin and prominent part of local tertiary education (tutoring at Ara), athletics (as a decathlete), and contributor to local artistic circles, events, and creative industries. He's also been a playwrite, film maker and Latin dance teacher in his time!

**Mr Horstmann** is joining our Commerce Department from Natal, South Africa – with his wife and three children arriving soon too. He comes from teaching at the prestigious Hilton College. Prior to that Mr Horstmann was at Bishops Diocesan College in Cape Town. Both schools are leading boarding schools and it's our pleasure to be bringing Mr Horstmann to Thomas House in 2019. We're delighted that he can offer his wealth of experience from afar, for the benefit of boys and colleagues here in Timaru.

**Mr Packwood** is our new English teacher. Although originally from Christchurch, having gone to Shirley Boys' High School and Canterbury University, Mr Packwood has taught the last 4 years in Auckland. Three of them at Howick College. Not surprisingly, Mr Packwood loves reading and at his last school was also Teacher in Charge of Debating. Mr Packwood is one of our new hostel housemasters this year too and we look forward to his positive bearing there.

Ms. Parcell has started as our Music teacher after coming up from South Otago High School, where she had been for the last 9 years. She brings a background with great versatility and flair having taught Mathematics as well as being a Careers Coordinator. Her work supporting students in vocal groups, Rock Quest, and local theatre and productions in Southland and Otago has been extensive.

Mr Reimer is our second new staff member from overseas – in his case from Canada. He adds his time and talent to our Science and Physics teaching but also comes with considerable experience teaching Mathematics. Mr Reimer has arrived from the Jordan Christian School in Ontario. Previously he was at Chiang Mai International School, Thailand, and the Neale-Wade Academy in the UK. We look forward to his input to making our teaching and learning the best it can be. Mr Reimer is also the third of our six new staff to be joining Thomas House – a place in which he will undoubtedly be a supportive presence. I know he is looking forward to exploring the Central South Island.

We're pleased to have these fantastic teachers joining us and for them to become more and more part of the TBHS team.

Lastly, congratulations go to all the boys who excelled in NCEA last year and it was pleasing to see the increases in Level 2 and Level 3 achievement in our 2018 results – including Excellence Endorsement and University Entrance. Keep up the good work.

Nick McIvor, Knowledge is Power, Mā te Mātauranga te Mana Scientia Potestas Est

# **Thomas House News**

#### 2019 Thomas House Year 9 Intake

Last weekend saw the new Year 9 Thomas House boarders remain in the House for a full two days of activities organised by the Year 13 boarders. They participated in an *Amazing Race* event, enjoyed a barbecue at the beach, and participated in bike races, enjoyed pizza and a movie night as well as tie dying t-shirts and hydro sliding at C-Bay.

Many thanks to the seniors for their input and being big brothers to the new boys in what proved to be an extremely full-on weekend!





# School's back.....

Students are back and our classes are in full swing.....

Pictured left are some of our senior Visual Art students sketching the Jack Lovelock statue as part of their Year 12 and 13 tasks.

On the right, Year 10GI students enjoying using the Stile app website to identify hazards in a virtual laboratory. Junior Science students are Predicting, Observing and Explaining. Laboratory safety and equipment are the topic of lessons to start with. Year 9 students are enjoying learning to safely light the Bunsen burner whilst Year 10 students are getting back into the lab with STEM practical tasks.



# **Powhiri for TBHS Newcomers**

Friday 1 February saw our new staff and students warmly welcomed to the school with a very special powhiri. Supported by Whaea Ani Haua, Whaea Sharon Melrose, Kaumatua (Joseph) Hohepa Holland and Matua Victor we followed the process of gathering newcomers into the fold of Timaru Boys' High School where they were welcomed by the Rector, Mr Nick McIvor and the rest of the school community, with speeches focusing strongly on new beginnings and acquisition of knowledge.

We are appreciative of the support offered to us from our local tangata whenua and proud of our students who supported korero by singing waiata beautifully outside the newly renovated where entranceway.





# Timaru Boys' enjoy success against Otago Boys' in Annual Exchange

The traditional inter-school with OBHS was played in very warm conditions in Timaru on 10-11 February.

Played on the Rectory, the young **1st XI Cricket** side showed some real grit and determination to hold on for a draw against a strong opponent.

Winning the toss and batting first, Otago made best use of the good conditions and quick outfield to reach 242-8 declared. The wickets were evenly shared among the local side.

Timaru batted solidly and patiently to reach 169 with **Caleb Donaldson** top scoring with 36 in an innings that featured a number of starts, but lacking in big scores against an accurate attack.

Otago then quickly piled on 138-2 which featured a rapid half century from **Jacob Cumming** the son of TBHS Old Boy and ex Black Cap Craig.

Set 212 to win, Timaru started well, led by a positive well struck 46 from **Liam Andrew**. Losing wickets stalled the TBHS momentum but they fought hard in the last hour to get to stumps at 174-9 and earn a draw.

The improved technique and application shown with the bat by Timaru was a real positive to emerge from the fixture.

The TBHS **Colts** side worked hard to record a 40 run outright victory over their Otago counterparts. Batting first they amassed 184 led by 86 not out by **Lucas Histen** who had an outstanding match.

Otago replied with 110, with Ross McCullough grabbing a five wicket bag with his leg-spin.

Timaru scored quickly in their second turn at bat, led by another half century by Histon to declare, leaving Otago 220 for victory.

An improved batting performance saw them through to 180. Histon took 3 wickets for Timaru.

In the **Tennis**, Timaru took a deserved victory overall – eight games to four in a tie that featured four Senior and four Junior players on both sides.





# **Peer Support**

Twenty five Peer Support leaders attended John Scott Lodge for a four day training camp at the end of their summer holidays. The leaders learnt how to manage the Lodge, its water system, improved upon their cooking skills and other duties, running games and activities both in the classroom and all those fantastic camp games you play at night.

The photos give you a hint of what takes place and the fun that is had by all participants. Our leaders have been in your sons' Year 9 classes a few times by now and will be seen as a familiar face and support around the school.





# **Board of Trustees Update**

#### Welcome back to 2019 at TBHS

The Board of Trustees welcome new and returning families to Timaru Boys' High School in what is by now proving to be an extremely busy year.

Should you wish to contact any of our board members, please email the Board Secretary, Carolyn Bunting on

buntingca@timaruboys.school.nz or phone 03 687 7560 ext 703.



Board of Trustees Members	
Peter Stayt	Chairperson
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Jane Sullivan	Parent Rep
David Forman	Co-opted Member
Nick Light	Property Committee Chair
William Urquhart	Student Rep

#### 2019 Board of Trustees Elections

Every three years, school communities elect their parent and staff trustees to help govern their schools. Right now boards around the country are preparing to hold their 2019 triennial school board of trustee elections.

If you are considering standing for the Board of Trustees and wish to speak with a Board member, please email the Secretary at <a href="mailto:buntingca@timaruboys.school.nz">buntingca@timaruboys.school.nz</a> or phone 687 7560 to arrange a suitable time for a board member to contact you.



# From the School Guidance Counsellor.....

Parents and students may have seen the Office of Film and Literature Classification's NZ Youth and Porn research launched in December which explores young people's use and experiences of online pornography. It is a valuable and timely contribution to the New

Zealand 'porn and young people' conversation indicating 67% of aged 14-17 New Zealand youth have been exposed to pornography and 32% of boys and 23% of girls have seen it by the age of 12 or younger.

The Light Project have noticed that young people are keen to seek help with our most popular website page over the past 3 months being the 'I need help' page and a growing number of personal requests for help from youth and whānau. I am really keen to see help available to young people and are ask you as parents to explore yourselves, and then encourage your son to check out the website <a href="https://www.thelightproject.co.nz">www.thelightproject.co.nz</a>

# **Public Health Nurses**

Hello to students, staff and parents. We are your school Public Health Nurses: Steph Chapman and Sophie Stevenson. We will be running the boys' Health Clinics each week on Wednesdays (main school) and Thursdays (Thomas House) at lunch time.

Primarily, we aim to offer the boys information, advice, assessment and referrals where necessary. Students may attend for a myriad of health concerns or issues, including mental health concerns, anxiety related, weight issues/monitoring/guidance, skin issues, contraception, screening for sexually



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transmitted infections, smoking cessation help, sports related issues, general health concerns, referral to specialists via DHB, family support etc. We look forward to getting to meet you all and helping you as needed.

# **Sporting Congratulations to these students.....**

#### 2019 Coast to Coast

Congratulations to **George Guerin** who not only came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 15-18 years schoolboy section of the Coast to Coast, but finished 11<sup>th</sup> overall out of 258 competitors. This was a two day individual event that has seen George commit to numerous hours of training during the summer break, running, biking and kayaking - training that has reaped a wonderful return! Well done George!

#### Cricket

The Year 9 and 10 cricket side continued their progress in the National Junior Cricket Knockout Competition with a comprehensive win over Lincoln High School on the Rectory. The highlight was an unbeaten 97 by Year 9 **Oliver Linton** in his first match for Timaru Boys'.

## Wrestling

**Matthew Holwell** (Year 11) and **Jack Black** (Year 10) have been selected in a New Zealand National Development Wrestling Squad to travel to Indianapolis in the United States during the term one holidays. Congratulations boys – we look forward to keeping an eye on your achievements.

#### Softbal

Congratulations to **Lucas Mullings** who has once again been selected in a New Zealand age group Softball side (the under 15's) to tour Australia.

# Ice Hockey

**Flynn Linton** (Year 11) has been selected in a New Zealand age group Ice Hockey Squad. This is a great achievement Flynn.

#### NZ National Speed Skating

Well done to **Kaylum McAuley** (Year 11) and **Keaton Swindells** (Year 13) who competed in two NZ National Speed Skating Events during the holidays, returning strong results..

Kaylum won 10 National titles in the under-15 category and was named the Overall Junior Boys Champion across both events.

Keaton won 10 National titles in the under-17 category and was named the Overall Intermediate Men's Champion.

Both boys will be representing NZ at the Oceania Speed Skating Championships in Brisbane, in the April school holidays.

#### TBHS 1500m Swim Results

Well done to the following students, placegetters in the recent 1500m swim held at our TBHS pool, and swum in cool water conditions.

1<sup>st</sup>: **Jack Sands** 17mins 3secs

2<sup>nd</sup>: **Matthew Moore** 17mins 56secs 3<sup>rd</sup>: **William Tudgey** 18mins 29secs

# **Sports Expo**

Wednesday 13 February saw representatives from numerous sporting bodies from outside the school, visit for a lunchtime "Expo" of sporting opportunities within our community.

This event was well patronised by the boys and we trust it bears fruit in encouraging boys to explore the various opportunities available to them.







# Eniwa Homestay required.....

Eniwa students in reciprocity will visit Timaru from 17 March (Sun) to 06 April (Sat).

If you could help by offering to host an exchange student, please phone Sarah Shaw, Homestay Co-ordinator on 027 293 1636



# Celia – The Movie

Parents are encouraged to consider attending the return of the important feature film, CELIA that details the life and legacy of the late social advocate, Celia Lashlie.

The film is back on the big screen in Timaru at Movie Max from 28 February following an extremely successful season at last year's NZ International Film Festival with sold-out sessions. It was Celia Lashlie's dying wish to make this documentary so that as many New Zealanders as possible could hear her messages and continue her work.

You are helping to fulfil her dream by reaching out to your own networks.

# **TBHS Rowing**

Timaru Boys', coached by **Brian Smith** and **Jaimee Harrison**, had an impressive medal haul, bringing home a Gold in the Boy's Under 15 coxed quad sculls (**Billy McCully**, **Will Davidson**, **Sam Wilson**, **William Talbot** – coxed by **Zack Wilson**).

Three crews won Silver, in the Under 16 coxed four (Fletcher Joyce, Hamish Yeatman, Ben Bartlett, Ben Bampton – coxed by Ben Wratt), the Men's novice double (Charlie Clemens and William Talbot) and the Men's novice coxed quad sculls (Jan Kuepper (Roncalli), Charlie Clemens, Quinn Gledhill and William Light – coxed by Zack Wilson). Four crews won Bronze medals, in the Under 16 double sculls (Josh Wilson and Hamish Yeatman), Under 15 double sculls (William Talbot and Sam Wilson), Under 16 coxed quad sculls (Josh Wilson, Hamish Yeatman, Will Davidson,

Ben Bampton – coxed by Ben Wratt), and the Under 16 coxed eight (Josh Wilson, Hamish Yeatman, Fletcher Joyce, Ben Bartlett, David Edh, Ben Bampton, Robbie Adams, Will Tayler - coxed by Ben Wratt) events.

All the TBHS crews placed well in their heats, making it through to 12 A finals.

Following Photo: TBHS Under 16 Coxed Quad Sculls racing at Lake Ruataniwha at the weekend. Black armbands were worn by all TBHS rowers in recognition of 2 crew members who lost family members the previous week.



#### **Tour of New Zealand**



In April 2019, five Road Cyclist from Timaru Boys' will be racing in *The Tour of New Zealand*, a seven day/eight stage international style bike race covering 600km. Riding mountain passes and country towns from Glenorchy-Queenstown-Wanaka-Omarama-Mt Cook –Tekapo, we then fly to Rotorua and ride down to

Wellington finishing with a criterium in the grounds of the New Zealand Parliament.

Visit: <a href="http://www.tourofnewzealand.co.nz/">http://www.tourofnewzealand.co.nz/</a>

We also have a public *Timaru Boys' Tour of New Zealand* Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TBHSTourofNz/">https://www.facebook.com/TBHSTourofNz/</a> where the boys will have a link to an *Everyday Hero* page as they have decided to raise a minimum of \$1250 towards the *'Child Cancer Foundation'* as a team. Our team consists of five students: **Thomas Allan, Hayden Jefferson, Sam Ritchie, Ollie Smith** and **Benji Ward.** 



# The Developing Brain

Timaru Boys' High School, Timaru Mon 18 Feb 2019 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm Tickets at Eventfinda.co.nz



# 2019 Academic Assembly

The 2019 Academic Assembly was held on Wednesday 13 February when we celebrated those students who received Merit or Excellence Certificate Endorsements. Scholarship awards were also highlighted and we were delighted to be able to have Thomas Valentine present to receive recognition of his Scholarship in Calculus.

#### **Level 1 Merit Endorsement**

Thomas Atwill, Nikau Barton, Jack Blakemore, Callum Bowmar, Rylan Cummings, Taylor Donaldson, Paul Harrison, Abraham Hix, Lachlan Hyde, Youngbin Kim, Matthew Moore, Patrick Moore, Max Mortimer, Quinn Motley, George Mulder, Karl Omotoy, Joshua O'Neill, Campbell Plows, Leo Ritchie, Samuel Rogers, Toby Seeler, Jimmy Son, George Squire, Bruce Waites, Lucas Wood, Vincent Wutama.

#### **Level 1 Excellence Endorsement**

Aicken, Mackenzie Annett, Andrew Cheung, Joshua Earnshaw, Matthew Lang, Coltrane Leach, William Rawlins, Peter Rawlins, William Snuggs, Hamish Stayt, Seb van den Bosch.

#### **Level 2 Merit Endorsement**

Luke Giddings, William Hampton, Rory Inglis, Hayden Jefferson, Ryan Lam, George McAleer, Dion McKeown, Natan Oliveira, Fergus Prouting, Samuel Ritchie, Benjamin Robinson, Duncan Rollinson, Jack Sands, Thomas Scott, Tim Sheed, Xaden Stringer, Lewis Tinkler, Hunter Voice, William Urquhart, Alec Whitticase.

#### **Level 2 Excellence Endorsement**

Joseph Allen-Perkins, James Davidson, Anthony Faeldin, Harry Gawne, Matthew Gualter, George Guerin, Ben Helliwell, Liam Johnston, Bailey Lissington, Jack Lister, William McArthur, Blake McLellan, Liam Parker, Will Rushton, Alvin Sutedja.

#### **Level 3 Merit Endorsement**

Keroles Abousif, Eli Auld, Thomas Baxter, Ethan Bowmar, Mac Edwards, Logan Hope, Bryn Houghton, Flynn Parker, William Pudney, Hayden Rae, Mathew Rayward, James Watt, Dylan Wiid.

#### **Level 3 Excellence Endorsement**

Oliver Anderson, Logan Goldingham, Cole Melhopt, Harry Pierce, Joshua Reynolds, Reed Stevenson, Thomas Valentine, William Valentine, Bram Van Den Bosch.

#### **Scholarship**

3 March

Cole Melhopt Scholarship in Chemistry Thomas Valentine Scholarship in Calculus



#### (Please check the Google Calendar on our website for up-to-date information) **Hostel Redevelopment Opening** 14 February **Swimming Sports** 8 March Nathan Wallis Roadshow Tour 7:30pm 12-15 March 18 February Year 9 Matai Camp 3 19 February Athletic Sports 19-22 March Year 9 Rimu Camp 4 International Camp - John Scott Lodge 25-27 March Year 12 Geography Camp 22-24 February STAC Exchange - Away 26-29 March Year 9 Totara Camp 5 25 February 26-29 February Year 9 Rata Camp 1 28 March Junior Social - TGHS

TBHS CALENDAR Term 1 2019

9 April

4 MarchWaitaki Boys' HS Exchange - Home9 -11 AprilYear 13 Geography Camp5-8 MarchYear 9 Kowhai Camp 212 AprilANZAC Service5 MarchRite Journey "The Calling"12 AprilEnd of Term 1

Rite Journey - Hadlow to Harbour

RYDA Training Day – year 12