



APARIMA MATTERS

Home really is where the heart is...

Let's start by being frank, I came to Aparima College with the intention of staying a couple of years, padding my CV and then moving on. Well, 15 years ago I came to Southland with similar intentions, I was going to go to Teachers College and then head back up north and wave good bye to Southland. It seems ladies and gentlemen that I am becoming very good at changing my short term plans and replacing them with life decisions.

Over the space of 18 months I have found a very strong tie between this school and myself growing almost imperceptibly, until one day I found myself referring to Aparima College as 'My School'. On closer reflection it is not difficult to understand why, I have had the pleasure of teaching the most engaging and able minded students of my career at this school. I have worked closely with a series of intriguing, gifted and diligent student leaders who are a perfect reflection of the community and the power of a supportive and caring school. Make no mistakes folks, I have come to understand that this really is a 'home'.

The last time I wrote a piece for the newsletter I was a green and eager novice and now having parked my car in the dark early morning of a lonely carpark every morning and then spent countless hours forging a place here, I can quite safely state that I am here because I want to be here, I am here because this place works and I am here because I feel that I can do some good here. I am proof that Aparima College can act as the heart of the vibrant community, a heart that reflects that melting pot of backgrounds and cultures that make up Riverton and the extended Aparima community.

Ray Laurenson
Deputy Principal



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GATEWAY PROGRAMME

This is an exciting programme where Year 11, 12 and 13 students actively participate in structured workplace learning. It offers them a chance to gain new skills and knowledge in a workplace in the community while still working towards NCEA credits. The learning is hands on and practical and is an opportunity to begin a career pathway while still at school.



Every week for a minimum of ten weeks students will go to their respective work places and work towards achieving Unit Standards, the support from Employers is valued and their skills and knowledge will help students to achieve not only academically but also with learning how to work as a team and what exactly the job entails. Each student is required to complete 20 credits during this programme which can be completed at school or in their own time.

So far this year we have placed students in: Kindergarten, Primary School, Childcare, Radio, Farming, Hospitality, Retail, Building, Animal Welfare, Beauty Therapy and Mechanic. Many students over the years have been offered full time employment and the opportunity for an apprenticeship from being on the Gateway Programme. This programme gives students the opportunity to show the employer what they are capable of and if they impress they never know what may come out of it. We also encourage students to ask for a reference at the end of their placement as this can be very helpful for the future. A big thank you goes out to all the employers who take these students for this Gateway Programme.

Students are encouraged to come and see myself or Mrs Fraser if they are interested in being placed on this Gateway Programme.

Tania Cleaver
Gateway Coordinator



Enterprise in Action

On 1 July, I set off to Auckland for a business competition called Enterprise in Action. Enterprise in Action is a full on weekend where you experience business at a fast pace and meet aspiring and knowledgeable students from all across New Zealand. Over the course of the weekend, I worked with a team of seven fellow YES students, against nine other teams. My team was mentored by the host business Air New Zealand. We completed two business challenges and three photography competitions over the busy weekend. Overall, I am very glad that I have experienced this opportunity. I would also like to thank young enterprise trust who runs this event, and to acknowledge the support from all the sponsors, mentors, host companies and Massey University.

by Olivia Hammond



Study Smarter Seminar

Study Skills expert Karen Boys is running a Study Smarter Workshop in Invercargill on Sunday 28 August.

Series 1: Study Tips and Memory Strategies

Learn the powerful strategies that make a difference to your study. Through the use of simple, easy to apply and yet practical ideas, you can boost your own performance and your exam results..... For more information please phone 0800 37 33 77 or Email:

info@spectrumeducation.com

Ukulele Wanaka

On Monday 20 June, six of the Kapa Haka girls (Amanda, Tiana, Tania, Rose, Kauia and Casey) and Rebecca McKay went out to Oraka (Colac Bay) to Takutai o Te Titi Marae to learn Maori waiata on the ukulele. When we arrived we held a powhiri for the manuhiri (guest) which was Riversdale Primary. We chose to sing Manu Tiria to them.

After the powhiri we had some shared kai. Then Judy McDowell taught us some Maori songs with the ukulele. We performed E Papa to the group after learning it throughout the day. It was fun, we had a great time and it was nice to meet new people.

I would like to thank Oraka Aparima Runaka for having us. I would also like to thank Mrs Ward as well as Chas and Barbara Tohiariki for transporting us to and from the Marae. Big thanks to Judy McDowell and Rangimaria Suddaby for taking the time to teach us, and Rebecca for coming out and helping us and looking out for us.

by Amanda Bull



Star Wars Episode X

Our Riverton version of Star Wars was performed over three nights last week. The title was "Episode 10: The Whanau Reunites" and it told the story of how "Dark Fader" rejected the dark side and returned to his "Skywaka" family. This was the first year that College linked in with the Primary School, who provided two groups of dancers: The ewoks from Years 1-4 and the young padowans from Years 5-6. Staff members helped out by providing props, making costumes, doing hair and makeup, and supervising actors during performances.

Here are some of the aspects of Production that most appealed to the cast and crew this year:

The best thing about Production was.....

"The ewoks" (Amy),

"The dances especially C3PO" (Sarah),

"Amy's well-timed sister remark" (Sarah),

"Sound and lighting" (Joel),

"The props, especially the Ground Control centre with the fairy lights" (James),

"The padowans" (Jaimee),

"Being superstars" (Finn),

"Makeup and costumes" (Katie),

"Participating in Jarod's song" (Dylan)

"Nailing our dance on the last night" (Tyla and Laura)

"Having fun" (Genna)

"The whole thing" (Stacey)



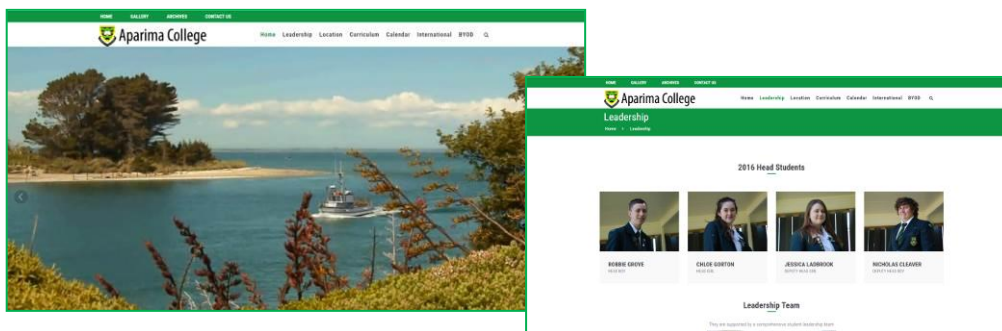


Aparima College Website Version II

Aparima College is very proud to announce the arrival of its new website. The website has been developed over the last six months, and has as its goal; the promotion of the school, its values, its wonderful students and the opportunities available to all who walk through the front door.

www.aparima.school.nz is a community first website where you will be able to find information on the College approach to curriculum, images of your children and their exploits and information from the school in daily, weekly and quarterly basis. The updating of student notices will be undertaken in Term 3 so parents and students will be able to see what is available and who to talk to about it.

*By R Laurenson
Deputy Principal*



APARIMA COLLEGE CLAY SHOOTING TEAM FUNDRAISER

To help send College
Shooting Team to National
Competitions
In Christchurch 24th-26th
Sept 2016

Clay Target Shoot Sunday 17th July

\$35.00 Registration Start 10.30
Bryan Bickley's Woolshed 215
Endowment Road Thornbury
BBQ, Raffles & Prizes.
For inquiries Leigh Ronald Ph
2246130 Neill & Keri Horrell
Ph 2246056

FREE STUDENT EXCHANGE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

Hear from one of our staff members, find
out more about discounts and
scholarships available and ask questions.

Tuesday, 12th July at 9.30pm
or
Thursday, 11th August at 7.30pm

Register online to reserve your place



www.studentexchange.org.nz
0800 440 079 (cost of local call)

**Have a Safe and
Happy Holiday
First day of Term 3
is Monday 25 July**

UP AND COMING EVENTS

8 July
25 July
26 July
4 August
4 August
5 August
10 August
10 August
10 August
12 August

Sport

8 July
8 August
8 August
8-10 August
11 August

Term Two Ends
TERM THREE BEGINS
Incubator Programme Southland Hospital
Aparima College Open Day 9:00am
Newsletter
Careers Fest 11:00am Stadium Southland
YES Exam 12:00 – 3:00pm
Lincoln Uni Liaison 8:50am
Otago Uni Maori Dept Liaison 9:45am
SDC Youth Council Meeting

SISS Swimming Invercargill
Southland Target Shooting Champs
Southland Table Tennis
OREC Snow Camp
Southland Indoor Bowls Champs

Community Notice

Tutor Available:

Senior Maths and Physics tutor available in Riverton. Also exam preparation for Maths and Physics. Please phone Adam on 0273107329. Discount for group sessions

Design your town of the Future:

July School Holiday Program at Southland District Council

Swimming pools, Libraries, Skate-parks, Theatres, Malls, and Monorails - Bring your dreams and let us know how you would make your town come alive. Bring Boxes!

For more information please phone 0800 732 542 to book your place.

Otautau Tuesday 19th July 2:30 – 4:30pm

Riverton 21st July 10:00 – 12:00noon



JENNIAN HOMES STEEL CLUB
(Formerly known as the Jennian Homes Junior Academy)

Want some specialist netball coaching?
Keen to improve your skills?
Then join the Jennian Homes Steel Club!

Suitable for players from 8 – 14 years of all abilities
Mondays – Invercargill
Tuesdays – Gore

Join us for 8 sessions during Term 3! Cost is \$100 for the term.
For full details and to register visit www.netballsouth.co.nz
or email joie.degozali@netballsouth.co.nz



Flecks Hall Fundraiser: Saturday 23 July 2016

If you would like to have a stall in the Hall – Cost \$10.00 a table.

Please ring Robin Frew 03 234 8426.

Riverton's' Midwinter Twilight Market:

Friday July 29th from 5-8pm

The perfect opportunity to dust off the glad rags, and get out of the house for a night of family fun.

There are over 30 stalls, live music, and even Mr Whippy is coming so you can get your midwinter treat. So come along, have a nousey, and enjoy all that's on offer!!

Volleyball Southland July Holiday Programme 2016:

Volleyball Southland would like to welcome children to come along to our July holiday programme.

Dates: 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd July 2016

Times: 9am – 3pm each day

Venue: ILT Stadium Southland

Age: Children aged 7 – 13 years of age

Cost: \$25 per person (Full day)

To register your child please go to the Volleyball website www.volleysouth.org.nz. If you wish to find out more please contact the Volleyball Southland Office via email above or call 03 2112259.



PARENTING ROADSHOW
MARCH – JULY 2016

GROWING BOYS AND RAISING GIRLS
WITH JOHN COWAN

Inspiring, guilt-free, entertaining, fun!

Tuesday 26 July, 7:30pm – 9:00pm
Cost \$5 per person
Corinthian Convention Centre
154 Esk St, Invercargill

- Knowing your child and working with their personality
- How to help them thrive at school and in their relationships
- Moving them on to a healthy maturity

Enquiries: Karina Ritani 027 841 7763
southland@parentingplace.com

book now at
theparentingplace.com






Aparima College

Valuing excellence and offering a world of opportunities at your doorstep

Open Day Thursday 4 August

**Tour the College at 9:00 am
followed by interviews
at 9:45am.**
**Please phone the College office,
2348 900, to book your interview**

- See classes in action
- Talk with subject teachers
- Discuss the opportunities available for your child at Aparima College



Warning from the IRD around Fraudulently Intentioned Calls

In this day and age it seems no one is safe from phone and internet scams. Lately hundreds of people around the country are getting calls about "unpaid taxes" from scammers saying they are from the IRD.

The IRD has a significant number of people that have reported calls telling them they are being investigated for historic tax fraud or evasion, and threatening legal action.

Some of the callers have made threats around legal action being taken and police being called. Scammers often target the vulnerable and the naïve and those with limited IT knowledge. However, no one is immune to receiving such calls and emails.

Remember the IRD would never ask for credit card details or bank account numbers over the phone in order to process a monetary payment, especially if this is the first contact you have had around the issue.

We recommend that if you receive a call of this nature you hang up and if you are concerned email phishing@ird.govt.nz. If you have any concerns over your accounts or your position with the IRD, please contact your local [Crowe Horwath advisor](#).

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