



APARIMA MATTERS

From the Principal's Desk



It is hard to believe that already we have completed the first term of 2017. It has been an incredibly busy term, with students involving themselves in a variety of different activities, sporting and cultural. We encourage our students to get involved, and to their credit they do. This week has been a busy final week for Term One. We have commemorated ANZAC Day through a special ANZAC Assembly held on Tuesday 11 April. Student leadership is a key component of our ANZAC Assembly and our senior leaders did a fantastic job of leading our school through this sombre and memorable commemoration. I was extremely proud of the way in which our students acknowledged the importance of ANZAC Day. You have all once again shown what a fine group of young people attend our school. Thank you also to our community members including Year 6 students from Riverton Primary who came along to this assembly to help us commemorate.

A number of student athletes represented the college well at both the Southland and the Otago/Southland Athletics Championships and as a result a small number qualified to go to the South Island Secondary Schools Competition. Recently our students have also competed in other sporting opportunities including a Ki-o-Rahi tournament and Western Southland Athletics. We conclude the term with the school swimming sports today.

This week also sees a product launch from one of our Young Enterprise (YES) companies with students being asked to help support the SPCA, who are the organisation chosen by this company as the focus of their efforts. Well done to all of our students who got behind this product launch and helped out.

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The quadrangle now boasts four superb outdoor picnic tables. These tables were designed and built by our senior technology students and funds raised via the Walkathon fundraising project which was started in 2015. I am proud to say this initiative has been student led and students can be very proud of their efforts. This is phase one of the redevelopment of the quadrangle and it is hoped that a new design for the quadrangle will see our school be able to provide a wonderful and sheltered recreational space and eating area for our students in the future.

This term we have also started the process for the long awaited renovation of the junior block. Following on from meetings with our property consultant and the architects we are now eagerly awaiting the concept plans for this redevelopment. Once these have been approved then work will begin and I am very hopeful that our students will be working within the newly refurbished and redesigned rooms in the not too distant future. We look forward to keeping our parents and the wider community updated on the progress of the project once it begins.

I sincerely hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday break, particularly with the Easter celebrations starting things off. I look forward to seeing everyone back ready to start what is sure to be another busy and enjoyable term.

*Kaye Day
Principal*



Hump Ridge Track

Last week the Outdoor Recreation class embarked on a new journey, there was sweat there was a lot of pain and it was probably one of the most rewarding challenges we have done as a class. On 29 - 31 April a group of eight students and three teachers attacked the Tuatapere Hump Ridge Track. It was a three day track from the car park to Okaka Hut then to port Craig and finally back to the car park each day was roughly 20km. The views from Okaka Hut are unbelievable, trust me it makes the 8 hours of walking up a mountain worth it. Overall the tramp was a huge success we definitely made new memories especially the legendary Daniel Bain for walking the last 20km in crocs. I think this tramp was an awesome learning experience and I can't wait to see where the next outdoor rec class adventure takes us.

By Amy Rule



Young Enterprise (YES)

Our Young Enterprise companies have completed their market research and are using the information to develop their products. *Aparima Scarves* are knitting NZ wool scarves in College colours for our students in order to keep them warm this winter. Expert knitters from our community have generously agreed to give their time and skills to knit scarves themselves and to teach our students how to knit-their-own scarf. Another Company, *Homes fur all*, are making chuck-and-chew dog toys out of recycled materials and donating their profit to Southland SPCA. Order forms for their dog toys will also be available from 1 May from the College Office. The third company, *TNZ of Fun*, are running a social enterprise organizing events for families in the region. They held their first event successfully on Sunday 9 April where a number of Riverton families enjoyed an Easter scavenger hunt and a barbecue in the sun. The fourth company, *Southcoast Clothing*, are creating T-shirts designed with southern-flavoured Maori images. Watch this space for more information on their progress.

by Mrs Grove

SPCA comes to Aparima

The Year 7 and 8 students really enjoyed the visit from Jenny MacDonald and her dog Jay from the Southland SPCA. Jenny talked about pet care and the work of the SPCA and Jay loved all the contact with the students. Jenny was really grateful for the funds raised, and donations of pet food and blankets from the Aparima College community. This event was organised by the Young Enterprise Company 'Homes fur all' who are passionate about animal welfare. They are producing a chuck-n-chew dog toy made from recycled materials, and the profit from these sales will go to Southland SPCA.



Young Enterprise – Aparima Scarves

Emma Ronald, Laura Menzies and I (Shakaiya Raman-Angus) have produced a Young Enterprise Company for Year 13 business studies called Aparima Scarves.

Our aim is to produce scarves to uniquely identify Aparima College whilst providing warmth to the students by encouraging some to participate in the knitting of the scarves with members within the community.

The students who participate in knitting the scarves will be eligible of a \$5 discount and free tuition and for those who don't will be charged \$25 per scarf. Pre-order forms will be available from the College office at the start of Term 2 and scarves will hopefully be available to collect at the end of May.

By Shakaiya Raman-Angus



Lit Quiz

On Friday 30 March, at about 8.30am, Alice, Summa, Tessa and I got in the car and drove to Gore. About two hours later, we finally arrived at Longford intermediate, where the quiz was held. As we walked into the hall there were about 30 or more teams from schools all over Southland waiting for the quiz to start. Exactly five minutes later the quizmaster explained what was going to happen. The categories we were good at were footwear and fables. We could have got a \$10 Whitcoulls gift, but we were too slow. The team that versed us was James Hargest two and the question was a Harry potter one, which Stacey almost got first. In the end Southland Girls High School won \$1000 and will be competing in Wellington for the New Zealand championships.

by Stacey Adams and Tessa Lindsay

Basketball

Aparima College basketball playing students were fortunate to have Oliver Smith, ex player for both the Southland Sharks and Otago Nuggets coach them for an afternoon last week. He ran the players through some impressive, difficult drills and plays - and the students really stood up! It was an excellent experience and the students really enjoyed it. Thanks so much to Oliver for giving our students that valuable time and teaching them some excellent new skills.

by and from all the basketball coaches and fans



PTA News

Special thank you to those who were able to attend our Cake and Coffee meeting last Monday, we trialled an evening meeting after consultation from our recent survey, where some parents suggested evening meetings suited them best. We also had some come back wanting meeting times during the day, so we will possibly look at alternating our meeting times, as we do genuinely need your support and the committee value the input we receive at these meetings from our school community and caregivers. It was passed at our meeting that we will look at purchasing some soft shelled dress school jackets to be used for students who are representing the school maybe in sports, debating or leadership roles etc. We have applied for some funding to help us with this.

We will once again be looking at selling the Entertainment Book this year, this is a great fundraiser with many great deals offered in the book. In consultation with the senior school management and Year 13's we are hoping to help with some of the School Ball arrangements. Our AGM is to be held in the new term with the date to be advised. Please consider offering your time on this committee, we work quietly in the background here at Aparima College with always focusing on helping all of our students in some way.

by Leigh Ronald

Save the Date...

Aparima College Netball Team Murder Mystery Fundraiser evening Friday 16 June.

2017 Clay Shooting

We have been able to offer eight places for Year 9 and above students to go into Invercargill Clay Shooting Club as an Elective for the next two terms. Coach Jan Manson volunteers her time with our students and we are sincerely grateful that because of her, we are able to offer this sporting opportunity to our students. The new year is already flying by and we are already on the fundraising trail with the hope of being able to send a team of five shooters up to the Nationals in Hamilton in September early October this year. A number of parents have helped with a stocktake at Riverton Supervalu as well as running a barbeque at a sporting duck shooters shoot for the Western Shooting Club this last Sunday, with sausages and patties being very generously donated by Riverton Butchery, Nigel and Melissa Horrell, and along with an oyster raffle and scratchy boards we were able to put in just over \$400.00 into our fundraising account. We are off to a great start. The first Secondary Schools Shooting Competition that Aparima College will attend will be on Sunday 14 May and I look forward to reporting on the results of our shooters.

by **Leigh Ronald**

In need of Knitting Needles...

Do you have any spare Size 4 Knitting needles lying around being unused? We would love to take these off your hands! Our Young Enterprise Company, Aparima Scarves, are wanting size 4 knitting needles to produce a 'knitting kit', where students have the opportunity to knit their own scarf. If you have some you are willing to lend or donate, please drop these into the Aparima College School office. We would truly appreciate it.

Experienced Knitters of Riverton wanted...

If you are willing to knit a scarf for a cold child or help children learn how to knit, please contact the Aparima College office on 03 2348900 and leave your name and contact number.

Up and Coming Events

1 May 2017

2 May 2017

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8 May 2017

10 May 2017

10-12 May 2017

16 May 2017

24 - 26 May 2017

31 May - 2 June 2017

5 June 2017

6 - 9 June 2017

16 June 2017

Sports

16 June 2017

First day of Term Two

Auckland University Liaison 8:45am

HPV Immunisations 9:00am

STS Exchange Rep 1:45 Year 10-13

Dunedin Tertiary Open Day

Incubator Programme

Work Exploration Year 12 & 13's

Year 10 & 12 Health Expo

OREC Ropes Course

Senior Biology Camp - Dunedin

QUEENS BIRTHDAY

Senior Exam Week

Aparima College Netball Murder Mystery Fundraiser

Southland Cross Country

Happy
Easter

Community Notice

Letting off S.T.E.A.M in the Library:

April School Holiday Program at your Library.

Kids can experience a range of S.T.E.A.M activities around their library with demonstrations at the times and places below: Riverton Library 21 April, 10am -12.30pm, Otautau Library 27 April, 9am - 12pm.

PATCHWORK

Patchwork with Angela Richardson at Aparima College. Beginners to Advance.

Everyone Welcome. Cost: \$40 per day. Time: 9:30am to 4:30pm.

Dates: Saturday 1st April Saturday 29th April, Saturday 27th May and Saturday 24th June.

For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209

or register at Aparima College office 234 8900.

Mother's Day Fun Run:

Join us for a 5km run, walk or leisurely stroll this Mother's Day.

When: Sunday 14 May, 2017, Where: Thompsons Bush, Queens Drive, Invercargill.

Check-in: from 8:30am. Event Starts: 10:00am. Tickets: Early Bird \$15.00 pp (before 31 March). General Admission: \$20.00 pp. Mother/Child Combo: \$15.00 pp. Group of 10+: \$14.00 pp

Register Online - \$25k worth of prizes up for grabs!

For more information, registrations & ticket sales visit

www.jennianmothersday.com

Oraka Aparima Rūnaka Inc - Achieve your Learner Licence:

Southern Adult Literacy are holding free Driver Licensing tuitions at our Rūnaka office 175 Palmerston Street, Riverton on Wednesday evenings 6pm - 8pm starting 26 April 2017. For more information or to register your interest please contact Lynley McKay 03 2348 192 or email

Lynley.McKay@OrakaAparima.org.nz

by 21 April 2017.



Dave Armstrong's
ANZAC EVE
First class entertainment. A strong exploration of unsavory fact versus popular fiction.
ONGOING DAILY TIMES

Sat 6 May
7:30pm
Aparima College,
Riverton

Book at Eventfinda
Booking fees apply.
Dur: 1h
\$20/\$5
Door sales from
7pm

Adolescent Oral Health Service:

Adolescents (from year 9 until their 18th birthday)

Adolescents* are entitled to FREE basic dental care, from Year 9 until their 18th birthday - regardless of whether at school or in employment. Free basic dental care is available by enrolling with a dentist/adolescent provider (the transfer to the adolescent service is usually arranged at the child's final dental visit in school year 8). The dentist/adolescent provider you choose will contact you directly to make an appointment. If you have any questions please call: 0800 825 583 – option 2. For more information visit: <http://www.southernhb.govt.nz/pages/adolescent-oral-health-service/>.

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*who meet the eligibility criteria for publicly funded health and disability services

The Southland Brick Show 2017:

Southlands' Biggest Lego Display, Cost: Children \$2, Adults \$3, under 2's Free, Family Pass \$10 (2 adults & up to 3 kids), Ascot Park Hotel Invercargill, Cnr Tay St & Racecourse Rd, Time: 10am to 5pm Saturday 22 April and 10am to 4pm Sunday 23 April. For Lego competition details see 'LUG South Brick Evens' Facebook page.

Wanaka Trail Ride 2017:

Sunday 23 April - Make it a family weekend at the 3rd Annual Wanaka Trail Ride - a unique trailbike ride that caters for all ages and abilities and attracts over 500 enthusiasts from across the South Island. Pre-register online now for discounted entry fees and a chance to win fantastic prizes! Visit www.wanakatrailride.org or contact Nicolle on 022 139 3021 for general enquiries.

Why host an exchange student?



STS Student Travel Schools are seeking typical Kiwi families who are busy, friendly, interested in other cultures and willing to welcome an STS exchange student into their family. New Zealand families come from all walks of life and all cultural backgrounds, that's what makes up our country. Our exchange students are keen to live in a typical Kiwi family and join in your family lifestyle while going to the local high school. Therefore we welcome all families willing to offer one of our exchange students a bed to sleep in, their meals each day and treat their host son or daughter as a member of their own family. Exchange students have their own spending money and medical insurance. While your exchange student is learning about New Zealand culture, your family members will learn about theirs. What a great way for your children to learn about another country!

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STS Student Travel Schools, PO Box 1399, Invercargill 9840



Driver Licensing – The Rules

Learner	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>MUST</u> have supervisor (full licenced driver for more than two years and aged 20+) at all times, and they must be capable of driving i.e. not drunk• <u>MUST</u> display 'L' plates
Restricted	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No passengers unless supervised (as per Learner's)• No driving between 10pm-5am unless supervised

If you are not following your licence conditions, Police can:

- Stop you from driving until licence conditions are met
- Follow you home
- Take your car keys for a full licenced driver to collect
- Clamp or move your vehicle to a place of safety
- Issue fines to Parents/Caregivers who knowingly permit drivers to breach licence conditions for aiding and abetting

Penalties for licence breaches:

- Range between \$100 - \$400
- Demerit points up to 35 (if you have 100+ demerits = licence suspended for 3 months)

Alcohol

The limit for under 20s is '**ZERO**'



Hope you have all have a lovely long Easter weekend and Happy Holidays.
First day back of Term Two is
Monday 1 May.

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