



APARIMA MATTERS

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to week six of the Term 3 calendar. This term is a very busy one and has already seen students involved in a variety of activities. Last week we hosted the annual triangular winter sports tournament between our school, Northern Southland College and Fiordland College.



The day began with a stirring haka competition and this set the scene for a highly competitive and closely contested sporting day. In fact the day was so evenly contested that at the end of the day there were no more than five points separating all three schools. Well done to Aparima College who successfully competed and won the day, bringing home the coveted Maunga, Awa, Moana trophy back to our school.

Our students have also competed in the Southland Debating Championships where they gained valuable experience. A small number of students made it into the semi-final rounds and the students competed positively and enthusiastically for our school. For a small school we managed to field a surprisingly large number of teams and were one of the most strongly represented schools at the championship.

Our Year 7 and 8 students entered the Southland Polyfest held at Stadium Southland last week. It was lovely to see them competing. Plans are already under discussion for next year's entry. Well done to those students, public performance is never easy and you all did yourselves and the school proud. And of course we also have to acknowledge the amazing work of our students and their teachers in winning an International online English competition. We are now officially the "best small school in the world" for 2017 through the Education Perfect competition. It doesn't get better than that.

Last week also saw some of our senior Young Enterprise students host Woolly-fest at the school. This was a successful day that saw our students showcase the wool industry and the importance of wool to our students and students from neighbouring primary schools. Students were provided with an opportunity to see spinning, carding, weaving and shearing in action. Thank you to the members of our community who came along and supported this venture. It was a positive, informative and rewarding experience for all our students.

On Monday students enjoyed a mini concert from a group called LZ7. LZ7 which are a Christian hip hop and dance group from Manchester. The band was formed in 2005 by Lindz West, a member of dance band The Tribe, who had split up the previous year. The group performed a number of hip hop songs and delivered positive anti-bullying messages to our students.

On Tuesday a small group of students took part in a Ki-o-Rahi competition. Well done to all those students who competed. I remain impressed with the give-it-a-go attitude of our students. Next week our netballers and rugby players head off to tournament week. The netball team heads off to Christchurch and the rugby off to Greymouth. We wish both teams and their coaches the best of luck during this busy week.

A reminder that senior students are quickly approaching the end of their academic year with external examinations starting in November. The expected norm is 1-2 hours of study a night with the expectation that each subject is revised every week.

Kaye Day
Principal

OREC Snowboarding Camp 2017

On the 9 -11 September the Outdoor Recreation class travelled to Coronet Peak for a three day intensive snowboarding course. We headed off on Wednesday morning at 5.30 am and the banter wasn't cracking as much as it usually is, for obvious reasons. We arrived on the mountain to beautiful conditions and our first lessons for the season. The students were split into two groups; first timers and intermediates. Perseverance was the key for our students as they found their 'snow legs' and began carving their first tracks. After a full day on the snow, we headed to the Southland Ski Lodge and introduced the students to the ever friendly custodians Jan and Alan. Students set to work cooking their meals for the night and Jan and Alan were delighted to be entertained by our own MasterChef duo Bailey Allen and Shakhan Lucas.

Day two brought in another day of stunning conditions and the students were eager to hit the 'pow pow' and get started. One student was particularly eager to get up the mountain unfortunately he caused a major stoppage at the chairlift line which almost turned a ski instructor into a human lawn chair. Students worked hard manoeuvring a floating leaf into links and turns and our beginners hit the meadows chairlift (promptly falling off at the other end). It was fantastic to see our intermediate students, Kalani Elder, Joel Seager, Keenan Cleaver and Bailey Allen conquer jumps and tricks and really "sending it" down the mountain. By day three all our students could confidently link and turn down Meadows and it was a hard push to get them off the slopes and back home; luckily a trip to Burger King lifted our moods.

A big shout out to Mr Jones our fearless leader (apparently clocked 80kmh) and Jan and Alan our hosts for the three days. Well done to all our students who took part! Some quotes from the students; "I'm hooked for life" Amy Rule and "Miss Careswell is a legend on the ski's" Bryan Allan.

by the Outdoor Rec Class and Miss Careswell



Southland Debating

On Friday 18 and Sunday 20, four teams represented Aparima College at the Southland Debating competition hosted this year by Southland Boys High School. Once again, we were the only rural school represented, and had more teams than either Girls' or Boys' High. Our two Year 10 teams debated whether or not "Terrorism can be justified", and the Year 11 and Year 12 teams debated whether to "Institute a Water Tax" and whether "to support military style boot camps for repeat offenders under the age of 18", so there were some very serious topics. Our Year 10 team of Alexis Halder, Olivia Black and Briana Blasco got through to the semi-finals and debated whether "To choose to be vegan", but unfortunately lost that debate by a small margin. We stayed on to watch the finals which were on the entertaining topic "That the state should seize all children's Christmas presents and distribute them, equally". Thank you to the parents, teachers and supporters who helped transport the debaters and came in to watch.

Our debaters are gaining experience and skills with every successive debate. Some of the comments along the way were very heartening:

"Debating gives me a real buzz" - Briana

"When I'm debating I feel like a different person" - Taleaha



Incubator Programme

Throughout the year Laura Menzies and I went to Southland Hospital for the Incubator Programme. We had three site visits during this time. The first day we did a tour of all the different places in and surrounding the hospital, I didn't know there was a hospice even on site.

Every session we had 2-3 speakers who talked to us about their profession. We had Tracy from the Dental Clinic who also gave us a tour of the dental bus, we visited the maternity ward and had a talk about babies and birth which was very interesting.

We also visited the labs where we saw a stomach, worms that had been removed from a stomach as well as bacteria growing on petri dishes, as well as lots of blood. Some students found this part not too good.

My favorite speaker was Steve, he was a doctor and focused mainly on love and aspirations. He was very gentle and softly spoken which made the talk very interesting.

On our last session we visited the mortuary... it was a weird feeling being in there and I wouldn't go back again.

Altogether I really enjoyed this experience we will definitely be returning to it next year.

by Katie Ronald

PolyFest

We had students participate in the PolyFest at Stadium Southland on Thursday 24 August, there were a few nerves, and forgotten moves, but they all seemed to have lots of fun.



Congratulations

To Carl Bailey on being selected in the Southland Under 65kg Rugby Team.



Triangular Exchange

On Tuesday 22 August Aparima College hosted the Triangular Exchange along with Northern Southland College and Fiordland College in which Aparima came out overall winners and brought home the Maunga Awa, Moana trophy. Well done Team!!



TIMETABLE/ DRAW/RESULTS

Start Time	Age Group	School	vs	School	APARIMA	FIORDLAND	NSC
HAKA	Open				1	3	2
NETBALL							
11.00am	Yr 9/10	Fiordland 2	vs	Fiordland 1	-	3	-
	yr 9/10	Aparima	vs	NSC	3	-	1
11.55am	Yr 7/8	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	3	1	
12.50pm	Yr 9/10	Aparima	vs	Fiordland 1	3	1	-
	yr9/10	NSC	vs	Fiordland 2	-	-	3
RUGBY							
11.00am	Yr 7-8	Aparima	vs	NSC	3	-	1
11.50pm	Yr 7-8	NSC	vs	Fiordland	-	1	3
12.45pm	Yr 7-8	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	3	1	-
7-A-side							
11.15am	Yr 9-10	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	3	1	-
11.35am	Senior	NSC/FIO	vs	Fiordland	-	3	1
	9/10	NSC		Fiordland	-	1	3
12.30pm	Senior	Aparima	vs	Fiordland	1	3	-
1pm	Yr 9-10	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	3	1	-
1.30pm	Senior	Aparima	vs	NSC/FIO	3	.5	.5
SOCCER							
11.00am	Open Boys	Aparima	vs	NSC	1		3
	Open Girls	NSC	vs	Fiordland	-	1	3
12.00pm	Open Boys	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	1	3	
	Open Girls	Aparima	vs	NSC	1	-	3
1.00pm	Open Boys	NSC	vs	Fiordland	-	1	3
	Open Girls	Fiordland	vs	Aparima	1	3	-
BASKETBALL							
11.15am	open	Fiordland	vs	NSC	-	1	3
CLAY TARGET SHOOTING							
10.30am	Open				3	1	2
TOTALS					33	29.5	31.5

3 points means a win
2 points means a draw (or second place)
1 point means a loss

Triangular Clay Shooting

The Triangular Interchange was held up in Balfour on a beautiful still day, ideal conditions for shooting. All three schools fielded teams of six shooters each and they competed in three events, after the first shoot of single rise it was very tight with only 3 points between 1st and 3rd place. A brilliant shoot by Aparima College in Points Score secured the win overall against the other two schools, Aparima were 1st on 403 points, Northern Southland College 2nd on 377 points and Fiordland College on 353 points,. This interchange was a brilliant opportunity for our new shooters to have a go and see how a competition is run, Jack Halder and Thomas Black both competed and received some great shooting scores, we hope you enjoyed this day.

The school team is heading up to the Nationals and would also like to thank all the students that helped us in our final fundraiser of our Mufti day and sausage sizzle, your support was very much appreciated.

We have our final intercollegiate shoot before heading away this weekend in Wanaka on the Saturday and Alexandra on the Sunday, before three of our team members are collected at Cromwell to join their U15 Rugby team who are heading up to Greymouth.

by Leigh Ronald



We have a winner.....

On the 19 and 20 of August, I competed in the Provincial contest which was hosted by the Ascot Park Hotel Auxiliary Brass Band (the band that I am in). The contest was held over the space of two days with the solo, party events, the hymn and the test piece on Saturday and the entertainment on Sunday. Over all our band did really well, coming first in the test and the entertainment for the C Grade bands. Everyone did great in the solos and I ended up coming first in the Under 13 slow melody.

by Stacey Adams



Shear Joy at Woollyfest

As part of their Sustainability Project Emma, Tyee, Shakaiya and Laura created a festival to celebrate the importance of wool to our Southland culture. Their interest began when seeking wool to knit their Young Enterprise Aparima Scarves, which gave them insight into the sustainability issues that our local wool industry is facing. They wanted to raise awareness of these issues and also celebrate the place that wool holds in our lives. On 25 August, Room 2 was transformed into a Wool Expo, equipped with information panels and live hands-on demonstrations of wool crafts. Chas Tohiariki rounded up 20 sheep on his mobile shearing unit, and Rhys and Adam demonstrated their shearing skills in front of the crowds.

We were hugely fortunate to have four expert craftswomen volunteer their time and skills to demonstrate and teach visitors how to do traditional processes and crafts with wool. An enormous thank you goes to Tanya Roberts, Isobel Bates, Joyce McGimpsey and Marion Black for doing such an excellent job with the 200 visitors who passed through Woollyfest between 8.45am and 7.30pm. The children, in particular, loved these hands-on opportunities, and many showed real aptitude. One suggestion for next year was to run some in-depth craft workshops. By the end of the day we had all learned so much more about the benefits of this multi-faceted resource – wool – and how important it is to our Southland culture.



Rhys and Adam demonstrating their shearing skills.



Happily shorn



Ian Brinsdon 'supervises' the shearing.



Chas Live Steaming the event



Tony really gets into the spirit of wool-handling



Year 3-6 children from Riverton Primary discuss weaving techniques with Isobel.



Year 7 and 8 students trying out the hand-carding machine and the home-made hackle, which gets rid of knots in the wool.



Visitors came from as far afield as New Delhi in India to admire Marion Black's display of different types and uses of wool.



Joyce teaches Jamie how to spin.



Tanya Roberts had green wool ready for the visitors to make embroidered leaves.

Isobel Bates shows how much weaving was done collectively by students over the course of the day, from her mini-loom.



Thank you

As a thank you for their hard work shearing all day on Friday as part of the WoollyFest held at Aparima, Rhys and Adam were each given a shirt, sponsored by Chas Tohiariki, from the World Shearing competition. Well done Team!



Akina Foundation Workshop

On Monday 28 August the Akina Foundation, Venture Southland and the Community Trust of Southland helped sponsor a workshop covering the basics behind setting up a social enterprise business. This was attended by Aparima Year 12 and 13 students who have been participating in Young Enterprise and Sustainability projects, and by community members who are running a social enterprise or plan to. It was facilitated by Rachel from Akina, and there was a guest appearance from Janice Lee who told us about the amazing work she is doing with Koha Kai in Invercargill. Rachel took us through the types of social enterprise and then gave us the chance to work our way through a Social Lean Canvas based on our social enterprise ideas. This was an excellent introduction to future whole-day workshops which will be held in Invercargill in October and November.

by Lynne Grove



All the best to our rugby players who are participating in the Rural Livestock Under 15 Rugby Tournament in Greymouth next week. To our Netball girls who are competing in the South Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament in Christchurch and also to our shooters who are participating in their final Intercollegiate shoot in Wanaka and Alexandra this weekend. Good Luck to you all.

Homestay Families needed

As part of an outreach programme designed to give our students maximum exposure to the wonders and intrigues of the world around them, we are opening our doors to International Students on a much wider scale. We are going to accept students from Europe and Asia with the hope to extend as far as South America. As such, we require homestays for the students that come to us. These students will be eager to experience the grandeur that we take for granted, life in the South. If you are willing to take a Homestay student into your house you will be compensated \$250 per week for the duration of their stay. If you would like to be considered then please contact the school office and let us know. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Up and Coming Events

11 September 2017	PARENT INTERVIEWS
14 September 2017	Digi – Web Design Workshop
14 September 2017	Newsletter
18 – 22 September 2017	EXAM Week
19 September 2017	Algebra CAT Exam – Hall
19 September 2017	Year 7/8 Science Exhibition Primary School

Sports

4 - 7 September 2017	Under 15 Rugby Tournament Greymouth
4 - 8 September 2017	SISS Netball Tournament Christchurch

Community Notice

Riverton Community Medical Trust:

We wish to inform Individuals, Community Groups and Organisations that we are offering a Grant. This is to provide resources, programmes or training likely to enhance the public awareness, benefit or access to Health Services. A map showing the designated area including Riverton, Orepuki, Colac Bay, Thornbury and Waimatuku is included in the Guidelines. Application Guidelines and Application Forms can be received by contacting J Anderson - 03 2348-478 or rlanderson@farmside.co.nz. **Applications close: 31 October 2017**

KD Clean:

Cleaning and Gardening Service. Let us take the stress out of your life and make the most of your free time. Our services include general housekeeping, book a batch, gardening, one off cleans and property maintenance. We can make your property sparkle. Excellent references available. For all enquiries or a free quote phone or text Debbie 027 334 9190.

PATCHWORK: with Angela Richardson at Aparima College. Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day, 9:30am to 4:40pm.

Saturday 23 September

Saturday 28 October

For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.

Riverton District Baths:

Paid Positions for 2017-2018 Season



1) Over 18 Supervisors for public sessions – must have a first aid certificate

2) Over 16 Supervisors for public sessions

Hours: 1.30-4.30 Saturday and Sunday from 7 October – April 2018

Also: 1.30-4.30 every day during school and summer holidays (except Public Holidays)

If you are interested, names and numbers to Marina: 021-1463020

We also require: POOL CLEANERS – Starting Tuesday 3 October 2017.

We are looking for four cleaners – to work ½ season each. You will work in a team with another person, and clean once a week (for approx. 2 hours) – either Tuesday or Friday. This is quite physical cleaning, and an essential service for the pool to run smoothly. Full training given, and all equipment provided.

In return for your ½ season of cleaning – you will receive a full season family key (valued at \$350) – which allows you and your family to swim for free any day during the season, including public sessions (excluding private bookings). For information about the cleaning positions – contact Lynley Woodward: 027-2805279 by Monday 11th Sept.

Flower Show – Celebrating Sprint

Flowers, floral, art, food, fine china and all things that are beautiful.

Where: Union Church, Palmerston Street, Riverton

When: 6 – 7 October 2017

2 days, Friday and Saturday from 11:00am to 4:00pm

Judging by popular vote. More information to follow.



Building a Positive Relationship

BETWEEN COACHES & PARENTS

Date/Time
Tuesday 12 September, 6:00pm

Venue
ILT Stadium Southland, Legends Lounge 1

CLICK HERE to register

This workshop is open to all coaches and parents of young athletes from all codes.

Coaches and parents are great influencers in young athletes' lives and performance on and off the field.

Therefore it is important that parents build a positive relationship with their kids' coaches and vice versa to ensure everyone is on the same pages and understands their roles and responsibilities.

In this workshop, Wayne Goldsmith, will be facilitating an opportunity for coaches and parents to share ideas and discuss on how they can better work together, help each other and, first and foremost, how to support the athletes/own children's in sport to ensure they have positive experiences.

CLICK HERE to see Wayne's bio.

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