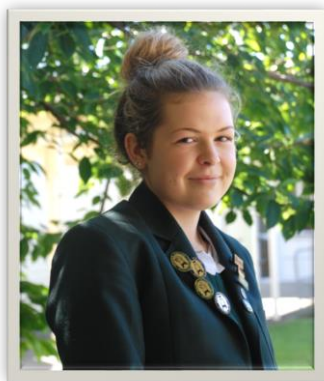




# APARIMA MATTERS

**Congratulations Emma Ronald  
for gaining a Leaders of  
Tomorrow Scholarship from  
Otago University.**



## Also Congratulations to....

Aparima Scarves (Emma, Laura, Shakaiya) and Homes Fur All (Amy, Cece, James, Quin) who took out first and second place as well as awards for High Growth Potential, Enviro Sustainability, Best Trade Stand and Emma for Enterpriser of the Year. Great Work Team!



## Aparima College Clay Target Shooting - North Island and NZ Secondary School Champs 30 September -2 October in Hamilton

Rhys Horrell 15, Thomas Ronald 15, Blake Turner 14 and Kori Horrell 13 competed over three full on days in lovely sunny conditions on the Saturday turning to two days of atrocious weather with horizontal rain on the Sunday and blustery winds on the Monday, making shooting for all competitors very challenging. Our four boys represented their school and community with great pride and sportsmanship. Exceptional shooting results by all four were recorded with personal bests and placings. They should all be very proud of themselves. North Island champs, Thomas had two possibles and was in the shoot offs for single rise and single barrel. Blake also had two possibles with shoot offs for single rise and points score. Rhys with a possible in the single barrel was also in a shoot off. In the single rise Thomas was shooting off against 52 other shooters and came away with a 5<sup>th</sup> placing overall. He received a voucher for this placing. New Zealand Champs were on the Sunday and Thomas once again got a possible in single rise, shooting against 39 shooters, but no placing this time. With the accumulated scores from over the two days Rhys and Thomas were chosen to represent the Southland Region along with two shooters from Southland Boys High School and one from Central Southland College, they were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 12 Regions. A fantastic effort with the 1<sup>st</sup> team winning on 117 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> team 113 and Southland on 111 points. They were awarded a bronze medal each for this National Competition. Certainly a highlight for them both. Skeet shooting followed on the Monday with North Island champs first. Rhys shoot very well in very windy conditions getting 23 targets out of 25 with this score he was placed in shoot off with eight others for first place but unfortunately wasn't able to secure a placing on the day. Together with Rhys's score of 23 and Thomas on 22 they were also in a shoot off for the team's event for a 1<sup>st</sup> placing. Unfortunately also not able to get the gold in this event, they did technically place 2<sup>nd</sup>, but in skeet, teams are only awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> place. Both Kori (his first National Competition) and Blake shot very impressive scores. Blake improved from his totals last year of 153 up to 161 this year with Kori also shooting 161, Rhys on 166 and Thomas on 169 targets out of 180, brilliant shooting. These boys were from one of the smallest schools by far and competed against a lot of 18 year old shooters. We were thrilled to catch up with ex Aparima College Student Max Durning, along with his mum Nicole and dad Neil. Max was shooting for Matamata College on the Saturday and Sunday and then they all came and supported our boys shooting Skeet on the Monday, which was really appreciated.

The boys and fellow shooters who take shooting as an elective are truly indebted to their Coach Mrs Jan Manson who volunteers her own time to offer her expertise, experience and knowledge to all our shooters. We are also extremely lucky to have wonderful support from parents and grandparents in particular a special thank you to Neill and Keri Horrell and Chris Baker who make themselves available every Wednesday with transport and also attending all the various secondary school shoots around Southland and Otago.

*by Leigh Ronald*



Front Row - Thomas Ronald, Rhys Horrell,  
Aparima College

## Guy Williams comes to Aparima

Wow, Guy Williams at Aparima! (For those of you who don't know who Guy is, he is a celebrity/comedian off the Edge Radio, TV shows Jonno and Ben and 7 Days). Our amazing students won this visit by beating other schools in Southland by raising the most money per student for Daffodil Day. As a result, Guy entertained our students (and staff) during lunchtime today. Thank you Aparima College students, you are very generous and this was well earned. Thanks also to The Edge for making this possible.



## Ski Trip

On 16 September about 25 other students and I went to the Remarkables ski field for a day of skiing and snowboarding. We all headed off on a road trip to get to the ski fields. Firstly we had to get up to them. Everyone drove up around the mountains all the way to the top. Once we got to the top the views were beautiful, you could see all of Frankton from up there. We geared up and then prepared for lessons. I was first up down the learner slope in my group. I went down with zero control and wiped out. The second time round I bowled into the instructor. All my previous experience had left me but that didn't change how much I enjoyed it. There were a variety of ski lifts for different skill levels. Some slopes were steep, others weren't. If you fell over, fellow students would help you up and make sure you were okay. The day was amazing, the sun was shining the entire time. Teachers and parents were inside in the cafeteria ready to help any time. I think everyone wiped out at least once. People progressed throughout the day. It was super fun and a great experience. I'm super glad that I had an opportunity like this and I think every student had a good time. Thank you to all the teachers and parents who took students up and helped through the day.

by Casey Halder



## Congratulations

To James West! He has won 'The Life's' writing competition and will have his poem published in the 2017 edition of this Southland glossy magazine, which is due out mid-November.



### Riverton Days

Woken to sounds of birds and trees creaking,  
This is a day that I've been seeking,  
Morning greetings, I pack my bag,  
Our puppy barks "goodbye" with a wag.

Crossing the bridge in fresh sea air,  
A look at the sun, I'm trapped in a snare,  
Crystalline water reflects sky's golden sphere,  
The tide is rising, water swirls near.

Sighting school, my spirits lift  
Friends are close, my steps are swift,  
The classroom buzzes with news and natter,  
I bowl on through, and join the chatter.

The school day ends. Students escape,  
Ready to game, play or skate,  
Riverton is a beautiful place,  
For all my life this has been the case.

Night draws close and I look up high,  
Mesmerized at the radiant sky,  
Stars dance in darkest places,  
Giving me energy, my heart races.

To me Southland's the best place on Earth.  
It will always be home, for what that is worth.  
Big cities may call me away for a while  
But I'll always return back home with a smile.

James West  
Aged 15, Year 11  
Aparima College

## Watties Cans for Good

The Student Council are participating in the annual 'Wattie's Cans for Good' campaign, that is organised by the Salvation Army for the week of 30 October to 3 November. During this week we would ask each student to donate at least one can of canned food to help make a difference to vulnerable families and individuals in our community who need food assistance to deal with New Zealand's rapidly rising living costs especially over Christmas. Last year the Salvation Army provided more than 56,600 food parcels to help Kiwis in need to get back on their feet. This year they have given schools the task to construct a large can based creation. The winning prize is a \$500 voucher that can either be put towards art or sports supplies.

During this week, there is also a small competition running for students to design the most creative can label. We would love to encourage all students to get amongst it. Students will be given more information over the next day.

By Emma Ronald



## Cups and Trophies

**All cups and trophies received by students at last year's prize giving are to be cleaned and returned to the College office by Wednesday 1 November please.**



## Busy Mode.....

Here are some examples of work from our Technology Department's new CNC (Computer Numerically Controlled) machine. Thomas and Rhys are putting the finishing touches to their bench seats they are constructing.



## Take the Challenge – Switch to Water

Aparima College has registered to take part in the 'Switch to Water' Challenge for the month of November. The Switch to Water Challenge is all about switching your sugary drinks to water for 30 days. Yes, it is as simple as that! This challenge helps you to set a realistic goal to reduce the amount of sugar you consume. The aim of this challenge is to build better habits, with water becoming your drink of choice over time.

The canteen will not sell juice or flavoured milk during November with students and staff challenged to 'Switch to Water'. Please bring your water bottles to school.

## Basketball

Our basketball boys Quake Webster, Aiden Turner and Nic Mennell competed in the Southern Region (South Island) U13 Basketball Tournament over the holidays at Stadium Southland. Nic and Quakes team were 5<sup>th</sup> and Aiden's 4<sup>th</sup>. Aiden and Quake were selected for their respective tournament teams. Well done.



## Aparima College Exam Centre Manager

We are looking for a suitable person to be an Exam Centre Manager.

The Examination Centre Manager (ECM) is responsible to NZQA for the conduct of the NZQA examinations held at Aparima College in November /December. As ECM, you will be responsible for the management of all processes relating to the conduct of secondary examinations at Aparima College according to NZQA procedures. Secondary examinations comprise those for NCEA, and those for New Zealand Scholarship at some examination centres.

The person needs to have excellent communication skills, the ability to work well with young adults and have an affinity with students, computer skills and access to a computer and email during the exams, the ability to work under pressure and within deadlines, be well organised, methodical and adaptable, they must have integrity beyond question.

Remuneration is paid by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority.

**Please note that Parents and Caregivers of Aparima College students are NOT eligible for this position.** Applicants for this position close on Thursday 2 November 2017 at 3:00 pm. Please apply in writing, including your CV, to: The Principal's Nominee, Aparima College, 33 Leader Street, Riverton 9822 or email [office@aparima.school.nz](mailto:office@aparima.school.nz).

## Senior Students

We would like to wish you all the best for your up and coming NZQA Exams!

Remember heads down and study!

See you all at Prize Giving on Thursday 7 December dressed in correct full school uniform.



## Aparima College

## ORIENTATION VISIT

All Year 6 students are invited to spend the morning on **Monday 30 October 2017** with us.

Students will spend the morning investigating the College and enjoying some of the fun activities the College provides.

The day will start at 8:45 am in the Library and will finish at 12:00 pm. Bus students are welcome to use the service and come to school with the College students. Students are to return to school at the end of the Orientation morning. Parents and caregivers are to arrange transport if necessary.

S Wilson      R Fraser      M Gibb  
Year 7/8 Homeroom Teachers

# Up and Coming Events

<b>30 October 2017</b>	<b>2018 New Students Orientation Visit</b>
31 October 2017	Governance Meeting
1 - 3 November 2017	Year 8 Camp Cromwell
6 November 2017	Senior Students last day – Graduation Dinner
6 November 2017	HPV Vaccinations
9 November 2017	NCEA Exams Start
9 November 2017	Year 9 Science Estuary Visit
9 November 2017	Newsletter
20 - 22 November 2017	Year 9 Borland Lodge Camp
21 November 2017	Junior Sports Day
23 November 2017	Newsletter
27 - 29 November 2017	Year 7-10 Camp – Te Anau
1 December 2017	Friends of School Morning Tea
7 December 2017	Prize Giving 7:30pm

# Community Notice

## Notice of AGM

The South Coast Environment Society AGM will be held on Tuesday the 21st of November, 7pm at the Environment Centre. Everyone is welcome, we would love to see some new faces! Phone/Fax (03) 234 8717 - Website [www.sces.org.nz](http://www.sces.org.nz)

## Riverton Twilight Tennis:

When Friday nights 6pm (from 20<sup>th</sup> October)

Where Aparima College

The Aparima College courts have been upgraded with repainted lines and new nets. We are now heading back into tennis season so I thought it timely to rally up the troops! Twilight Tennis is for everyone, regardless of ages and stages (beginners/intermediate/experienced) and we will organise games/lessons depending on who presents on the night. Play starts at 6pm and a BBQ will be cranked up for hungry participants (gold coin donation). Racquets will be available if required. Any queries please contact Jo 021 400557.

## Riverton Athletics Club

will start back the 1st Wednesday of Term 4 6pm at the Rugby Club rooms. All welcome. Any enquiries to Kelly 0273514726.

**PATCHWORK:** with Angela Richardson at Aparima College. Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day, 9:30am to 4:40pm. Saturday 28 October. For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.



## Student Travel Schools - International High School Exchange:

STS now has applications open for high school exchanges with departures in August and December 2018. For more information please phone: 0800 991 991 or Email [sts@stsnz.co.nz](mailto:sts@stsnz.co.nz)

## Wanted to Buy:

A size 12-14 Aparima Kilt in very good condition. Please phone 03 2348 109.



Riverton District Baths  
**50th Birthday Celebration Dinner**

**Saturday 25th November**

**Aparima College Hall 7pm**

Come help us celebrate & fundraise!

- \*Delicious 3 course Meal\*
- \*Cash Bar\*
- \*Guest Speaker\*
- \*Raffles\*
- \*Auctions\*

Tickets and enquiries to  
Rebekah - 0273514132.  
Kelly - 0273514726.

**\$50**  
ticket  
Book a table of  
10 or  
individual



Riverton District Baths  
**50th Birthday**

*So get your squad/team organised and register to take part in a range of fun water based relays!*

**When: Saturday 25th November**  
11am at the Riverton Swimming Pool  
Cost: \$50 per team (4 people in a team)  
Adult & Kids teams (kids aged 15years and under)  
Kids can swim in a team with adults but no adults in a kids team!

Entries close: Friday 17th November  
Any queries or to register your team email or phone/text  
Lisa lbrady@rivertonschoolnz.net 0279193418

A BBQ will be operating on the day

**Will your team take the trophy on the day?**

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