



APARIMA MATTERS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

A warm welcome back to staff and students for 2017, and a special welcome to new students. It is lovely to see everyone back looking full of energy and ready to tackle another year. I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable break despite the shocking weather experienced over the holiday break. Aparima College is fully staffed for the 2017 school year and once again we have managed to escape teacher shortages causing problems in other parts of the country. It is my pleasure to introduce to our staff Mrs Alexandra (Alex) Grout who has been appointed as the Head of Mathematics at the school. She is an experienced teacher and local resident. We look forward to her contributions to the life of our school.

2017 begins another chapter in the life of the college with the introduction of new and revamped programmes throughout the school. We are really excited about the new timetable structure that has been developed with students in Years 9 and 10 working collaboratively in option subjects. This move generates opportunities for collaboration and competition amongst our students and furthers our aim to encourage students to contribute to their learning as part of a family approach.

I would like to congratulate the students in our senior school who achieved outstanding results in NCEA in 2016. I am very proud to announce that 85% of Year 11 students achieved NCEA Level 1 prior to sitting examinations, and 100% of Year 11 students gained the compulsory literacy and numeracy requirements. In Year 12 80% of our students achieved NCEA Level 2 prior to sitting examinations, and in Year 13 71% of students achieved NCEA Level 3 prior to examinations. These are excellent results and we are looking forward to being able to celebrate the full level of achievement once the New Zealand Qualifications Authority confirms the results of internal and external assessments.

Kaye Day
Principal
Aparima College



Young Enterprise Bully-Free Kits

Our regional winners “Sweeten up your Day” had a wonderful time at the National Awards in Wellington at the end of Term 4. They pitched to internationally-known business judges, and even managed to be recorded for the ‘Te Karere’ programme on Maori TV. They met some interesting people and networked with some of the other winning teams.

During the holidays, the team was approached by the BullyingfreeNZ coordinator, and asked if they could supply as many kits as they have time to produce. The kits supply enough materials to make up 100 bullying-free ribbons and are designed for groups of school students or community groups to make up. While they are producing the ribbons, groups can discuss other bullying-free activities or messages that they could do, perhaps taking ideas from ‘Sweeten up your day’s’ Facebook page.

by Mrs Grove



Southland Island Rowing Champs

During the last weekend of the holidays Regan, Reana, Taleaha, Mary Jane, Erin, Joel and I travelled up to Twizel on Friday 27 for the South Island Club Champs for rowing. The weather on the Saturday was amazing, some of us got a bit burnt. Everyone put all their effort into every race. Our results were:

Mary Jane 2000m Single – 7th, Taleaha 2000m Single – 7th, Alexis 2000m Single – 7th
Alexis and Taleaha’s Double 2000m – 8th, Mary Jane and Regan’s Double 2000m – 7th
Lexi, Reana, Taleaha, Mary Jane Quad 2000 – 5th

Our Quad qualified into the B-Finals but unfortunately the wind picked up on finals day so our race was cancelled. Overall we had an amazing weekend. I would just like to thank all the parents and caregivers, and our coach John Wilson.

by Alexis Halder



Stationary Lists

These have all gone out to students this week, please fill these in and return to school with payment by Wednesday 8 February. It is important that the students have their stationary so they can resume their lessons. Automatic payments are welcome - arrangements must be made first through the office.



Colgate Games

During the school holidays, Invercargill hosted the South Island Colgate Games over three days. There were about 850 children competing from ages 7-14. Riverton Club had a squad of 23 athletes. Five of which attend Aparima College.

Reuben Brand – 5th high jump jumping 1.30m and doing well in long jump.

James Willis – competed well in the 100, 400, 800 and long jump

Aiden Turner – 8th shotput, 10th 400, 800 and long jump

Kaitlin Heath-Tree – competed well in the shotput, discus, long jump and walk.

All students combined and completed in the mixed medley relay, picking up a 7th.



Teagan Ashley
and Takunda Mabonga
reading the Athletics Club Oath.

Teagan Ashley – Bronze medal in shotput and 5th in discuss. Also was honoured with reading the athletics oath at the opening ceremony. Overall it was a fun weekend even though the weather thought otherwise.

By Teagan Ashley

MAORI EDUCATION TRUST – 2017 SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship Applications are now available, please see Mrs Ward if you would like to know more information and to collect an application form.

R J Graham Scholarship

Available to Year 12 and Year 13 Maori students with academic merit studying To Reo Maori and either mathematics, information technology or science Value \$500 scholarship.

Rose Hellaby Scholarship

To assist Year 9 Maori students with the purchase of school uniform or textbooks. Available to students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude - Value \$500 scholarship.

Sister Annie Henry Scholarship

The Sister Annie Henry Trust was established in 1972 to assist in the education or training of any direct descendants of Reverend John George Laughton, or of Tūhoe descent - Value \$700 scholarship (1 recipient in total, at Secondary or Tertiary level).

VW & LM Rosier Scholarship

Available to Year 13 Maori students with academic merit, studying mathematics and two science subjects at NCEA Level 3 (or higher) - Value \$500 scholarships.



Important Information for Year 8 Boys and Girls

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Immunisation Programme 2017

From this year all boys and girls in Year 8 are able to have the HPV vaccine at school to protect them against future infection from nine types of HPV that lead to cervical, anal, genital, mouth and throat cancers, as well as genital warts. HPV is the final immunisation given as part of New Zealand's free childhood immunisation programme.

All year 8 students will be given a consent form which includes detailed information about the immunisation. Please complete the consent form, either consenting or declining to the school based programme, and return the form to school before Friday February 17th.

For more information:

- www.health.govt.nz/hpv
- contact the HPV Immunisation Team at WellSouth (03)214 6436 or 0800 800 249

Tahua Taunaki Akonga – Learner Support Fund

Students who are registered with Whakapapa Ngai Tahu, who attend school and are between the ages of 5 and 18 are eligible for this support.

Each Youth/Child is limited to one term of tuition up to \$450 (plus GST where applicable) in any financial year.

Application forms for the Learning Support fund are available at the school office.

Incubator Programme 2017

Incubator is an exciting innovative programme at Aparima College which offers the opportunity for senior students to experience health from a difference perspective.

Programme Incubator was introduced to Southland by Southern District Health Board in 2009 in conjunction with Hawkes Bay District Health Board.

The programme is a workforce development initiative designed to nurture a passion for a vocation in health, through sharing the experience and knowledge of people from within the health sector. The programme is reliant on the generous support of community funders. The Community Trust of Southland, The Invercargill Licensing Trust, and The ILT Foundation. The programme is designed to: Create interest in health careers from Year 12 and 13 students; Provide health information in an engaging and interesting manner that both furthers interest in health careers, as well as increase the health literacy of the students, their family and whanau; Provide access to health care workers who can act as informants and mentors of those wanting to find out more about health careers or health issues.

Aparima College Year 12 and 13 students are invited to apply to join the programme. Please see Mrs Ward if you are interested.

Visitors to Aparima College

For the College to comply with the Health and Safety Laws and the Vulnerable Children's Act any person coming onto the College grounds whether it be parents, and caregivers, contractors, etc, ALL must sign in at the College office and permission will be given from there regarding access to the school.

For Your Information

SCHOOL OFFICE: The office hours are 8:00am – 4:00 pm. All general enquires, appointments with the Principal and Deputy Principals', communication with staff or students and stationary purchases must be made through the office.

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College Website: www.aparima.school.nz
(for morning notices and newsletters etc.)

Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/pages/AparimaCollege/176201749211254

Information will put onto our Website, Facebook and in the weekly newsletter. Please check regularly to ensure you are up to date with what is happening at Aparima College.

BELL TIMES

Form Time	8:40 – 8:45
Period One	8:45 – 9:45
Period Two	9:45 – 10:45
Interval	10:45 – 11:00
Period Three	11:00 – 12:00
Period Four	12:00 – 1:00
Lunchtime	1:00 – 1:40
Warning Bell	1:40 – 1:45
SSR/Assembly/Electives	1:45 – 2:05
Period Five	2:05 – 3:05

Attendance

Students should ensure they are at school by 8:40am and leave by 3:05 pm unless otherwise indicated. If your son or daughter is absent please contact us by 9:00 am on the day of the absence, with your child's name, reason for the absence and the name of the person phoning/texting in. Texts will be sent to parents/caregivers for unexplained absences. Students arriving late **MUST** sign in at the office when they arrive. There are personnel in the office from 8:00 am onwards, a text message may be sent to 027 5244551 or a message may be left on the answer phone.

Any messages to go to students need to be left at the office before 11:45 am.

Leaving the College Grounds

All students who leave the college during the day **MUST** have permission from the school as well as their parents/caregivers contacting the college office. The students **MUST** sign out through the office. Late students and those returning to the college **MUST** sign in at the office. Exeat passes are available to town students who wish to go home **ONLY FOR LUNCH** on a regular basis. Medical, dental and other appointments should be made outside school hours whenever possible. **Reminder to Senior students – if you wish to drive a vehicle to school you must collect a permission form from the office and get this signed by parent/caregiver and return to the office. Note that you need to bring your driver's license to the office to be copied. (A new form needs to be filled in every year so although you did this last year you need to do it again this year).**

10 Ways to Help Your Child Succeed at School

1. Talk with your children often. Provide them with feedback, a sympathetic ear, good advice based on family values, support rather than criticism.
2. Set high but realistic expectations. Note their strengths and talents and gently encourage them. Identify where assistance is needed and find help. Assist them in setting realistic self-expectations.
3. Build your child's sense of self-worth. As children grow and make choices they will also make mistakes. Knowing they have your unconditional love and support whatever happens will help them to pick themselves up and start again when things do go wrong.
4. Keep your children healthy. Children who do well at school come to class rested, well-fed and emotionally prepared. Children who are well nourished in every respect have the foundation for success.
5. Support learning at home. Involvement in your child's learning starts at home. Create the conditions for good learning – books, quiet study area, time set aside for homework, interest in progress and reports, membership of the local public library. Most importantly, talk to them about their learning. Your interest in their achievement at school is one of the most powerful motivators there is!
6. Communicate with school. Attend meetings, read notices and newsletters. Offer help. Join the PTA. Come along to sports days and school events. Your interest will be noted by your child and appreciated.
7. Encourage a spirit of inquiry. Show your children what a wonderful place the world is. Visit parks, museums and art galleries. Curiosity about the world around them is the first step in building a child's thirst for knowledge.
8. Build friendships. Children want to fit in and feel they belong. Welcome their friends to your home. Show your children how to be a good friend. Teach them the difference between true friendship and popularity.
9. Keep your children safe. Children develop a sense of security when they are taught what to do if they are in danger.
10. Speak well of teachers and schools. Children learn their attitudes from you and will like and respect their teachers if they see you do the same. Children who develop negative attitudes against going to school often find it difficult to achieve.

Up and Coming Events

3 February 2017	Year 7 Activity Day
6 February 2017	WAITANGI DAY
16 February 2017	Newsletter
21 February 2017	Governance Meeting at 7:00pm
22 February 2017	YES E-Day 9:00am – 1:30pm at SIT
2 March 2017	Newsletter
3 March 2017	Canterbury Uni Liaison 8:45am

Sports

18 – 19 February 2017	Otago/Southland Water-skiing Champs
19 February 2017	Softball Champs
21 February 2017	Southland Tennis Teams Champs
23 February 2017	Western Swimming at Riverton
24 February 2017	Southland Triathlon
25 February 2017	Southland Surfing Champs
3 March 2017	Aparima College Athletics
7 March 2017	Southland Touch Tournament
10 March 2017	Southland Athletics
11 March 2017	Paddles Up
12 March 2017	Southland Seniors Volleyball Champs



Community Notice



Garage Sale:

15 Richard Street, Saturday 4 February 2017, Sign out 8:00am

Riverton Athletics Club:

Starts up again on Wednesday 8 February at 6:00pm at Riverton Rugby grounds. Any queries please contact Debra 027 414 8632.

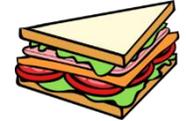
CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2017

Flavoured milk \$1.80
Cool change drinks \$1.80
Juicies \$1.00
Cool sips \$1.40



Cakes and slices \$2.00
Waffles \$1.00
Scones \$1.20
Hot noodles \$2.50

Cold salad and ham wraps \$3.80
Salad and ham sandwich \$2.50
Garlic bread \$1.80
Jimmy's pies (Wed and Fri only) \$3.80
Spaghetti bun \$1.70
Pizza bun \$1.70
BBQ Hot Pork roll \$3.50
Chicken tender roll \$3.00
Chicken tender salad wrap \$4.00
Toasties \$1.60



Bacon and egg pies \$2.00
Beef meatball sub \$3.20
American hot dog \$2.70
Mouse traps \$1.50

Wedges \$2.60 with chilli sauce \$2.70
Sour cream extra .50 cents
Chilli bean Quesadilla \$2.40
Chilli bean nachos \$4.50
Baked potatoes \$1.50-\$2.00 either with cheese and onion, cheese and bacon, cheese and corn, sour cream is extra.
Lasagna Toppa \$3.00

Also coming soon potato and bacon brunch cake and other goodies.
Students please remember that the canteen is open all interval so please ensure to get your orders in then so you don't miss out on your favourites.

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