



# APARIMA MATTERS

## From the Principal's Desk

Over the last few weeks I have been talking to the students during assembly time about the way we do things at Aparima College. Our way, our culture, our ethos, our tikanga are all based on the core value of Respect. We want our students to know that respect is a living thing at Aparima College and through our tikanga we focus on concepts to help us achieve and succeed. The tikanga concept I have been focusing on since the beginning of term is “i runga i te manaaki” where we actively create a school culture of support, caring and understanding, based on the concepts of *tika* (fairness), *pono* (integrity) and *aroha* (compassion).

I have encouraged our students to be kind and caring toward others, to pay kindness forward and to engage in random acts of kindness for no personal reward. I have encouraged them to support each other and to work together for the common good, emphasising cooperation and teamwork which contributes to a school where students feel able to take risks and try new things because they know they are supported.

So it was with real pleasure that I witnessed during our recent school athletic sports positive interactions that involved both students and staff. It was such a positive experience and it made me incredibly proud as a Principal to note the number of students who actively encouraged and supported others in the school to try their hardest, even if they were from a rival house or perhaps a different age group.

A number of key incidents stood out for me. One was the student who ran alongside their sibling down the home straight, encouraging them to get to the finish line during a race. One was a group of new Year 7 students who stood near the finish line to the 200m race and yelled encouragement to every student who was running, even if that student was unlikely to finish with a placing.

I was proud of the “can do” attitude displayed by many of our students who would not have considered themselves natural athletes but who gave it their all and participated with enthusiasm and determination. Notable amongst these students were the students in our senior school who led by example. You young men and women are exactly the role models we want at our school.

Perhaps the most notable incident for me however came with a degree of discomfort for all concerned, as it occurred when the predicted bad weather front arrived with a

great deal more force than was originally expected. I was extremely proud of the senior students who sprinted to help staff who were struggling to rescue gazebos and equipment all over the event. Those students selflessly braved the terrible weather and found themselves as thoroughly drenched in the downpour as the staff they ran to assist. Their help and support was appreciated. To all our students who, through their various acts of kindness and support embodied and modelled everything that is “the Aparima College way” I offer my sincere thanks. Well done and keep up the good work.

*Kaye Day*  
*Principal*

## Longwood House.....



We had an amazing two and a half days where our students competed in our athletics day, the students looked very colourful in their House colours. Longwood has won victory coming 1<sup>st</sup>, Wallace 2<sup>nd</sup>, Nga Pohatu 3<sup>rd</sup> and Oraka 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Individual Champs

Alice Smith - Under 12 Girls  
Rose Winders - Under 13 Girls  
Mackenzie Shaw - Under 14 Girls  
Teagan Ashley - Under 15 Girls  
Rachelle Dillon - Under 16 Girls  
Senior Girls – Amy Rule

Aiden Turner - Under 12 Boys  
Kalani Grimwood - Under 13 Boys  
Jacob Braithwaite - Under 14 Boys  
Taine Paulin - Under 15 Boys  
Henry Wallace - Under 16 Boys  
Senior Boys – Kalani Elder.

Thanks to the community, parents, grandparents and caregivers who came along and supported our day.

## Southland Secondary School Athletic Results

Nine students have qualified for the Southland Secondary Schools Athletics held on Friday 10 March, results from this competition are:

Teagan Ashley	Under 15 Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> Hammer Throw, 1 <sup>st</sup> Discus, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Shot Put
Carlos Crawford	Under 14 Boys 7 <sup>th</sup> Javelin
Jacob Braithwaite	Under 14 Boys 6 <sup>th</sup> Long Jump, 4 <sup>th</sup> 200m
Zyon Taylor	Under 14 Boys 2 <sup>nd</sup> High Jump, 5 <sup>th</sup> 100m
Kalani Elder	Senior Boys 4 <sup>th</sup> 100m, 4 <sup>th</sup> 200m
Henry Wallace	Under 16 Boys 5 <sup>th</sup> 1500m, 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3000m, 1 <sup>st</sup> 2000m Steeplechase, 5 <sup>th</sup> 800m
Blake Turner	Under 14 Boys 3 <sup>rd</sup> 400m
Mason Herbert	Under 16 Boys 7 <sup>th</sup> 400m
Under 14 Boys Relay Team 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Zyon Taylor, Jacob Braithwaite, Grayson Elder, Jackson Bevin	

### Special Congratulations to....

Teagan Ashley who is the Southland record holder for U15 Girls Hammer Throw.

Henry Wallace is the Southland record holder for U16 Boys 3000m.

## School Social

The Year 13 students decided to give the younger students a social. It was a great turn out and heaps of kids came. All the money we made goes to the ball. We had heaps of fun we did a limbo, best dance off, best dressed and played some games. Gave out prizes and sold cold drinks and snacks.

*by Tyee Boniface*



## Help Wanted.....

Our Physical Education Department Aquatics / Swimming - Starts 20th March, If you are able to assist with pool supervision could you please contact Richard Jones via the College office on (03) 2348900 or [rjones@aparima.school.nz](mailto:rjones@aparima.school.nz)

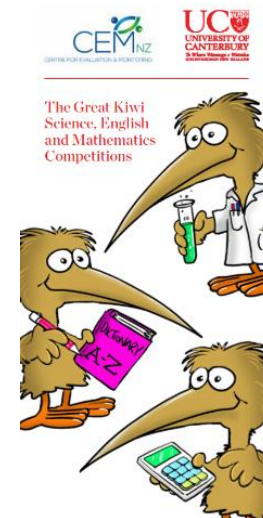
## The Great Kiwi Competitions

This year competitions in Mathematics, English and Science have been made available by the University of Canterbury. These are the equivalent of the Australian ICAS examinations, but with a New Zealand context. The competitions give our students the chance to test themselves against other students from all over the country. Entry is voluntary and students and costs \$8.50 per subject. Students may choose to do any one or all of the subjects. The competitions will be sat online in school time during the last two weeks of Term 2, but entries need to be made by the end of Term 1. Letters have been sent out to all students. As Digital Technologies is not available yet as a Kiwi competition, we will continue to offer this subject through ICAS, and entry for this subject will also need to be made by the end of this term.

*By Mrs Grove*

## Year 10 English

Our Year 10 English extension students enjoying the newly refurbished room.



## 2017 New Zealand Division II Swimming Competition

On Friday 3 March I departed Invercargill airport for Rotorua with the rest of the team of 13 swimmers to participate in the New Zealand Division II Swimming Competitions. There were over 500 kids from all over New Zealand competing it was packed. I got 100% best times so I knew I swum the fastest I ever had in my life. In the events I did I got a 6<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 37<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and a 15<sup>th</sup>. No medals but I'm still really happy how I did. We also did somethings in and about Rotorua including going into the 40°C creek. It was heaps of fun and I would do it again anytime.

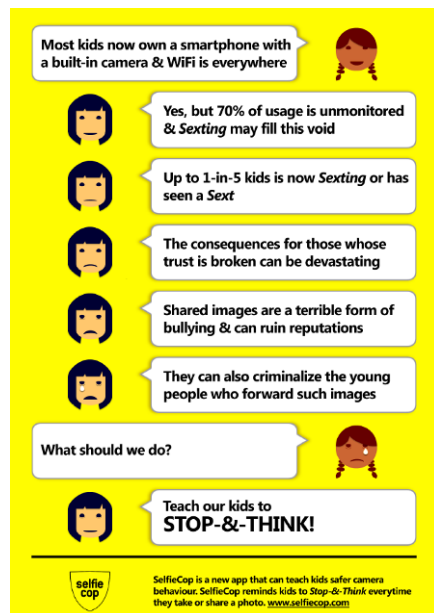
*by Thomas Black*

A reminder to parents and caregivers that our morning notices and newsletters can be found on our website [www.aparima.school.nz](http://www.aparima.school.nz). Many of the student achievements and school happenings are also published on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/pages/AparimaCollege/176201749211254](https://www.facebook.com/pages/AparimaCollege/176201749211254).



## Careers New Zealand – NCEA Support Page

To support parents and their teens with next steps after receiving NCEA results we have launched a NCEA resource page on the Careers New Zealand website. The page features a video starring former All Black Michael Jones sharing his experience of supporting his children through NCEA, plus a range of helpful articles and an eBook. For further careers information please contact the Careers Advisor: Mrs Helen Ward, email [hward@aparima.school.nz](mailto:hward@aparima.school.nz).



# Community Notice

Is your First Aid Certificate about to expire??  
**Riverton Childcare are hosting a RED CROSS –  
First Aid Revalidation Course**

Date: Saturday 1 April

Venue: Senior Citizen's Rooms, Princess St, Riverton

Time: 9-4 pm

Cost: \$100 pp

Additional Information: Join the team for lunch at the Carriers

– Midday – cost \$10-\$14 depending on order.

Please register interest with Marina Seager,

Riverton Childcare. 0210419041, 2348234 [rivertonchildcare@paradise.net.nz](mailto:rivertonchildcare@paradise.net.nz)



## Up and Coming Events

16 March 2017	Otago Polytech Liaison 10:00
20 March 2017	DriveTech 3:30pm - Wharenuui
27 March 2017	DriveTech 3:30pm – Wharenuui
27 March 2017	PARENT INTERVIEWS
29 - 31 March 2017	OREC Hump Ridge Tramp
30 March 2017	Newsletter
31 March 2017	LIT Quiz – Gore 10:00am – 1:00pm
3 April 2017	Year 7 Vision Screening
3 April 2017	DriveTech 3:30pm - Wharenuui
4 April 2017	Otago University Liaison 1:45pm
10 April 2017	ANZAC Assembly
10 April 2017	DriveTech 3:30pm – Wharenuui
11 April 2017	Ki o Rahi at Takitimu
12 April 2017	Mufti Day – SPCA run by YES Homes
	Fur All Company (sausage sizzle at lunchtime)
13 April 2017	Newsletter
13 April 2017	Term one ENDS

### Sports

27 March 2017	Southland Lawn Bowls
28 March 2017	Southland Golf Champs
28 March 2017	Western Athletics
29 March 2017	Otago/Southland Road Cycling Champs
8 April 2017	Southland Athletics

### AGM:

Riviera Touring Car Club AGM to be held on Saturday 29th April at 2pm at Grant and Andrina's place 377 Otautau Riverton Road Riverton.

### Riverton Nature Discoverers:

Wednesdays from 3.15 – 4.45 at the Union Church hall. Come join the adventure! For kids aged 5 – 12 years and families of all ages. 1 child \$5, 2 children \$8, 3 children \$10. For more information and to register, please contact: **South Coast Environment Centre**, 154 Palmerston Street, Riverton 9822, Phone/Fax (03) 234 8717 - Website [www.sces.org.nz](http://www.sces.org.nz)



### Riverton Netball Club:

Senior girls - Year 7 up. We are going to hold 3 squad trainings: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March 6pm-7.30pm at the college courts.

These are not compulsory trainings as we understand some girls have other commitments.

It's just a chance for the girls to start training together and to help us finalise the teams. Please let us know if you are unable to attend or have any queries. Many thanks - Ashley Barker 0273800976.

### Templeton Flaxmill Open Day:

Sunday 26 March 2017, Demonstrations, 1pm--1.45pm--2.30pm--3.15 pm approx. \$5 donation per person (cash). No charge for children. Flax Weaving Demonstrations—Heritage Farm Walk

### Part-time Cafe Assistant required:

We are looking for a mature, self-motivated, outgoing, friendly and reliable cafe assistant, with initiative. Willing to do everything e.g. cooking and baking. We would like you to be available weekdays and weekends. Sometimes a 7am start. Do you think you are this person, please contact us by the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2017. email us on [postmastersriverton@gmail.com](mailto:postmastersriverton@gmail.com) or come and see us at the café.

### Thanksgiving Service:

A service of thanksgiving for the Harvest will be held during the Heritage Harvest weekend 25-26 March, at St Mary's Anglican Church on Sunday 26 March at 10.00am. All are welcome.

## Big Rides Day BIGGER AND BETTER!

TWO LOOPS—MORE RIDES—LESS QUEUES!!

SUN 2 APRIL, 10AM—2PM

Southern Field Days site, Waimumu

Only 45 mins drive from Invercargill or 10 mins from Gore.

→\$5 gate entry per child (includes first ride)

→Extra rides: 2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10

→Free entry for adults and babies under 6 months



Note: A ride pass will need to be purchased if babies with free entry are to ride. An adult can accompany a child on rides for free.


CASH ONLY!  
NO EFTPOS  
AVAILABLE



For kids of all ages, whatever the weather!  
A huge variety of 'Big Rides' to experience: trucks, silage chopper, fire engine, diggers, tractors, milk tanker, bus and much much more!

FAMILY FUN—FOOD & DRINKS—SAND PILES—BOUNCY CASTLES





**Oraka Aparima Rūnaka Inc**  
and  
**Southern Adult Literacy**  
are holding FREE tuition at our Rūnaka office

## Driver Licensing

Where: 175 Palmerston Street Riverton  
When: Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April – 9.30 am – 3.30 pm  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April – 9.30 am – 3.30 pm

**WHAT TO BRING:**  
You will need to have two forms of I.D. - one being a photo I.D which has to be verified. We can help you with this if you don't have one.

**FORMS OF I.D.**  
Passport  
Firearms license  
Birth Certificate (issued after 01/01/1998)

Morning and afternoon tea supplied  
Please bring your own lunch

Register your interest before Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017

PHONE: 03 2348 192  
EMAIL: [Lynley.McKay@OrakaAparima.org.nz](mailto:Lynley.McKay@OrakaAparima.org.nz)

Please note: the \$93.90 to sit your test is still applicable. Some assistance maybe available to registered Oraka Aparima Rūnaka members.

## Athletics Day



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