



APARIMA MATTERS

Punching above our Weight...

I have the privilege of assisting to update and maintain the school Facebook page, check it out and see what is happening at our place. We are lucky to have a huge range of opportunities and achievements at Aparima College because of our amazing teachers and our remarkable students. Some examples are:

- Emma Ronald, our Youth Mark recipient, who has already passed Level 3 with Excellence before sitting any external exams and her excellence in her leadership roles – Emma is an outstanding young woman.
- YES companies: two of our companies won first and second place in Southland, beating other larger schools. The winning team is flying off to Wellington next month.
- We are the only school in Southland with a CNC machine. Take a look at the bench seat on display in the foyer for an example of what this machine can do. SIT was very impressed that we own and train our students with the machine.
- Guy Williams: again, we beat every other school in Southland. Your generosity made this happen.
- The volleyball team is an impressive example of sportsmanship and fellowship.
- James West and Ashleigh Evans have both become published writers.
- The Tree Project: we have received innovative ideas from our Year 7 and 8 students and a team of young leaders are continuing with the planning of this area.
- The Clay Target Team, Netball Team and Rugby team, you have done amazingly well.

We at Aparima College, punch above our weight. We compete and beat other, larger schools because our amazing students and dedicated teachers make this happen. Thank you all for being incredible people.

Leah Fraser
Acting Principal

A Swimming Champ

Congratulations to Finn Alty who competed in the Southland Special Olympics Swimming event at Splash Palace on Thursday 26 October. Finn entered in four events including 25m kickboard, 25m freestyle, 50m freestyle and team relay. Well done Finn on your impressive effort and being as brave as you were.

by Lauren Muntz
Teacher Aide



Thank You

A very big thank you to the caregivers and parents who made themselves available and where able to help with making and serving of the Year 6 Orientation Day morning tea. Your assistance and help and yummy baking was very much appreciated.

Clip n Climb

On Tuesday 30 October Mr Jones' Outdoor Recreation class went on one last adventure together, clip n' climb at Stadium Southland. Students said "*it was such a cool way to end class for the year*" and that it was "*definitely something I would recommend to everyone*". As a class we would like to say thank you to Mr Jones for taking us in the van and for putting up with us throughout the year it's been awesome and can't wait for next year!

by Amy Rule



Watties Cans for Good

Aparima College had a very successful week taking part in the Wattie's Cans for Good campaign.

We held a house competition to see which house could donate the most cans. Longwood 1st with 150, Ngapohatu 2nd with 100, Wallace 3rd with 50, Oraka 4th with 25.

We had the students involved in creating a new label for the Watties peaches can and had to make a very hard decision to choose our top 5. The Wattie's can creation finalists are Tiana Turnbull, Katie Ronald, Ashleigh Evans and Mrs Wallace.

We also had you guys submitting ideas on what creation we could construct out of cans. The winning idea was a whale because; the Whale not only represents our Riverton history and culture but it symbolizes compassion and wisdom. Whales are also very family oriented, so the whale helps us bridge any gaps that are keeping us from connecting with and supporting our wider community. A Whale offers the ability to "cope" and function in highly stressful situations until you can come up for air and reclaim your inspiration and clarity. Aparima College believe the nature of Wattie's Cans for Good Campaign portrays these symbols.

We also held a 20 question quiz based around the campaign itself which involved the whole school even the teachers got involved.

The teachers were undefeated throughout the quiz but our overall student team Longwood Year 10 were our winners.

Including house points from both the quiz and cans collection we have; 1st Longwood with 318 points, 2nd Ngapohatu with 269.5 points, 3rd Wallace with 167 points, 4th Oraka with 150.5 points. The donated cans were then donated to the Salvation Army who will place in Christmas food parcels for families in need.

by Emma Ronald



English Tutorial

Level 2 English tutorial Monday 20 November 2-3 pm in Room 9.



Year 8 Camp – Cromwell

On 1 November we headed for Cromwell. On the way up we stopped in Arrowtown for a quick snack before continuing on our way. Once we got to Cromwell we unpacked and headed to Goldfields to learn about the history of the area and how to pan for gold. After some of us became a little rich we went to the lake for a swim and to cool off.

The next morning we got up and went to Wanaka and when we arrived we were joined by Mrs Fraser. We split into two groups. Group one would go to Puzzle World and the other climbing up Mt Iron. These groups later swapped over after some lunch. We jumped back in the vans and headed back to camp. We had some time to chill out and then were off kayaking and swimming. That night we had a BBQ for tea and went crawlieing afterwards. A couple of students experienced crawlies as earrings.

The last morning we woke up rather tired and packed up our cabins. We headed for Frankton to go for one last swim and even a turn on the hydroslide. We jammed back in the vans and headed home.

Thanks to the teachers for organising the camp and our parents for allowing us to go.

by Kalani Grimwood and Ethan McDonald

Year 8 Camp - Cromwell



Building Websites with the Experts

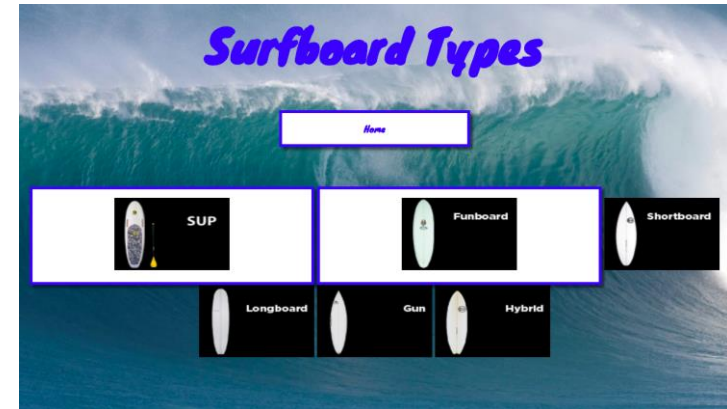
In Term 3 on 4 September 2017 three experts who work on making websites for companies and other businesses, came here to Southland to Aparima College and gave us the opportunity to learn how to make our very own website.

Myself along with other students from Aparima and Central Southland College took that rare opportunity and signed up for the course which lasted a whole day.

Throughout the day I learned how coding works, designing and editing websites.

And at the end of the day, everyone including me had their very own websites which we were all very proud of. That was a very exciting day that made me think of taking chances even though I might not know what the outcome of it will be.

by Mheltricia Tolentino



Rescue Me Challenge

While the Year 8's were away on camp the Year 7's undertook a "Rescue Me Challenge" where in their groups they had to make a stretcher strong enough to carry a small child over rough terrain to safety. They only had newspaper, string, card, scissors and tape. Using their thinking skills and teamwork most groups were successful!



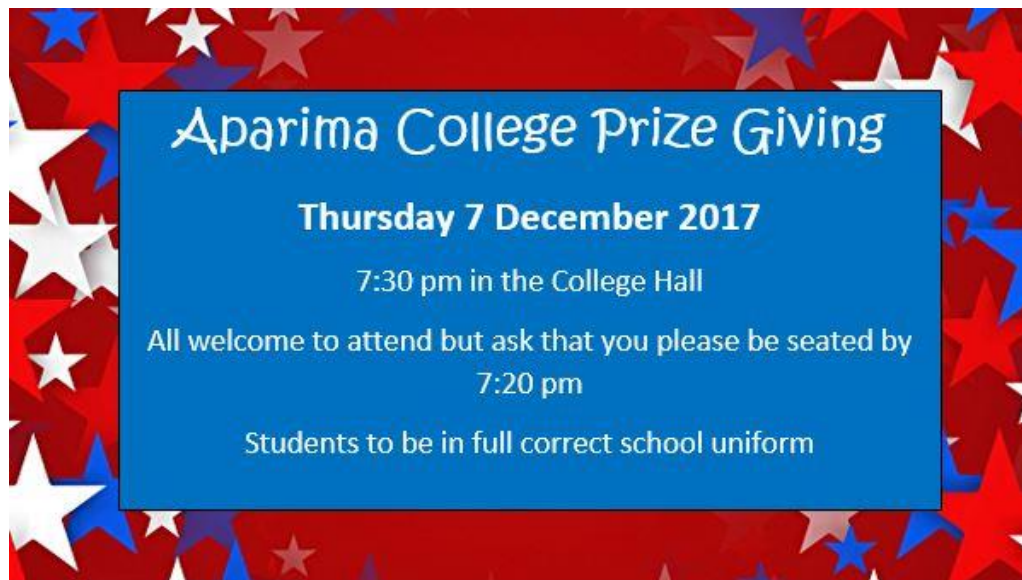
Year 7/8 Basketball

The year 7/8 basketball competition kicked off on the 27 October and what a great start Aparima College had. All three teams coming out on top. Aparima Warriors beat SBHS Bucks 48-25, with the last quarter the boys letting their hair down and trying to nail some deep threes. The Aparima Breakers beat the SBHS Suns 31-8 with some really good teamwork. The Aparima Aces beat the James Hargest Sparks 42-2 with a score like that what can be said other than fantastic effort girls. Week 2 rolls around and another fantastic win by the Aparima Warriors beating James Hargest Rams 46-30. A complete team performance with all the boys standing up but especially the three who had just come back from camp a little sleep deprived. The Aparima Breakers just about turned a 10-point deficit in the last quarter to lose by two to the Verdon Thunder 31-33. The Aparima Aces played a really close game, the lead changing hands after nearly every basket, until the last couple of minutes when the opposition's basket went in and ours bounced around the ring and eventually losing 20-27 to Tokani Mixed.

by Mr Grimwood

Wanted.....

Class 10J are looking for some unwanted photo frames for their English Market Day. If you have any that you would like to donate can you please drop them off to the College office.



Career information for parents and students

At this time of year students are selecting subjects for NCEA classes or looking at moving into a career or another tertiary provider.

If your child is in this position here are a number of websites you can visit for information.

NCEA

NZQA have put out a really good little video around how NCEA works. If you attended the Options Night on October 18 you would have viewed this video. If you were unable to attend then you can see this video by going to YouTube and typing in Understanding NCEA (animated version). The NZQA site www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualification also gives very good information and direction around how this qualification works.

Leaving School

Career Quest – Careers New Zealand – This website has an amazing amount of information. It is the government website for career education and well worth an in depth look.

This site holds the latest information available. It is regularly updated and has many links to other sites that pertain to career information. There is also an online quiz that you can do with your child.

At Aparima College our students complete this quiz in Year 10 in preparation for subject selection for NCEA Level 1. We also take our Year 10 students to the Career Fest held in August and the Open Day at SIT in September. Career decision making is a unit of work covered in Year 10 English so these visits fit nicely into this learning.

- www.careers.govt.nz/plan-your-careers/im-at-school-and-need-ideas/thinking-about-leaving-school/leaving-school-checklist
- The above site gives information for those leaving school.
- If you are wanting to know more about different occupations the following site is useful. www.mbie.govt.nz

There are a number of publications available for students. These are kept in the school library and there are enough that the students can take them home.

- LEAVING SCHOOL – A free guide to study and career options for secondary school students Years 10 – 13
- JETmag – The essential guide to life after school.
- JETmag is available online as well. Just type in JETmag in google search engine and you will be able to access it.

CareersNZ have also put out a video which you can access on YouTube called – Student Life in New Zealand. Five students are interviewed about their experiences as students. This video gives good advice and a realistic view of student life.

To know anything about studying at another Tertiary Provider such as a University, Polytechnic or Private training provider e.g. SAE Institute, the best advice I can give you is to go to their website and read the information provided. There is generally a free number to call for information. If you don't know what providers are out there do a google search for providers for the area that you are interested in.

Apprenticeships

Career Quest has information around apprenticeships but you can also get this information by contacting the Industry training Organisation for that careers. MITO is the training organization for automotive apprenticeships and BCITO is the training organization for Building and Construction. As school careers advisor I am also able to put anyone who is looking for an apprenticeship in touch with these organisations.

Scholarships

The Riverton Library has access to GIVme which is a site for scholarships. Over recent years scholarships have changed. There is more emphasis on financial need and there are more scholarships targeted for certain careers.

If your child is going to a University or Polytechnic, information for scholarships from these providers will be on their web page.

Another good site for scholarship information for Universities is Te Pokai Tara. This site will help you apply for scholarships to the eight NZ Universities.

Information for scholarships available from community groups are often listed in the paper or the information is sent directly to the school and it is then given to the students who fit the criteria.

I would also suggest that you google search Local Community Scholarships and Grants. There is a wide range out there and you never know you/your child might just fit the criteria. For more information on the above please see Mrs Ward.

by Mrs Ward

Careers Advisor

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Live, Learn and Earn in Ireland – Ireland Exchange Programme

This is a fabulous opportunity for school leavers who have some dairy experience and are interested in travelling, taking a gap year and getting into the dairy industry. 'Live, Learn & Earn' while working on a dairy farm in Ireland. For more information visit NZ Dairy Career website: <http://www.nzdairycareers.co.nz/irish-exchange.html>.

2018 MITO Scholarships

For school leavers who are now employed full-time, or have an offer of full-time employment, in a MITO industry in 2018. You could be eligible to apply for a MITO Kick Start Scholarship. MITO is the industry training organisation for the automotive, transport, logistics, drilling, mining, quarrying, gas, industrial textile fabrication and resource operations industries. For more information please see Mrs Ward or alternatively visit mito.org.nz.

Outstanding Accounts

Please settle all outstanding school accounts before the end of the term. If you wish to pay online you can obtain the bank account number from the College office. ***Please note that if you are paying us online that you make sure the student's name and what the payment is for is included.***

Lost Property

If your child has lost an item of clothing during the year can you please ask them to come and have a look in the lost property cupboard at the office – it is rather full.

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 ASAP please.

Up and Coming Events

9 November 2017	Year 9 Science Estuary Visit
20 - 22 November 2017	Year 9 Borland Lodge Camp
21 November 2017	Junior Sports Day
23 November 2017	Newsletter
27 - 29 November 2017	Year 10 Camp – Te Anau
1 December 2017	Friends of School Morning Tea
7 December 2017	Prize Giving 7:30pm

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.

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

Riverton Athletics Club

Wednesday Nights 4 6pm at the Rugby Club rooms. All welcome. Any enquiries to Kelly 0273514726.

Wanted: House in Te Anau to rent from boxing day until New Years, or swap with house in Hawea. Two adults and three children Phone 0274905771

PATCHWORK: with Angela Richardson at Aparima College. Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day, 9:30am to 4:40pm. Saturday 18 November. For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.

Year 8 Leadership Voyage with Elwing Discoveries *Experience Stewart Island* - Ph: 027 2768817 / 034811040 - Email: info@elwing.co.nz Website: www.elwing.co.nz - 22-26 January 2018

QUIZ

Thursday 16 November
Starts 7:30 registrations
from 7:00 onwards or
before the night
Quiz night at the local
Fairfax hall. If your
family likes competition
or lots of fun then
come down and
support. Cost is \$20 a
team of four. Raffles are
going to be \$2 and
plates for supper are
also welcome. Hot
drinks will be supplied
for supper however
other drinks are BYO. It
will be run by me
Olivia Black as I am
fundraising for a
Jamboree in 2018. If you
would like to join in the
fun you can ring Olivia
Black on (03) 2246106
or turn up at the door.

BRILLIANT BRASS



CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF BRASS
MUSIC IN THE SOUTH
INVERCARGILL GARRISON BAND INC
150TH REUNION CONCERT

CENTRESTAGE THEATRE
FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER - 7 PM

TICKET PRICES

Adults	\$25
Senior Citizens	\$20
Children under 12	\$4

Tickets available from:
Southland Chamber of Commerce, SIT Arcade
Ph (03) 215 7155

TicketDirect - Ph 0800 224 224
(Service fees included)

Door Sales Available on the Night



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 enquires to
Rebekah - 0273514132.
Kelly - 0273514726.

\$50
ticket
Book a table of
10 or
individual

COMMUNITY SWIM CHALLENGE
(Business, Family, Social Teams)

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 13 years 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 Ibrady@rivertonschools.net 0279193410

A BBQ will be operating on the day

Will your team take the trophy on the day?

SAVE THE DATE
10th & 11th NOV
Friday 7:30-9pm
"Raising Great Youth"

Saturday 10-12:15pm
"Families, Fatherhood, Relationships"

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117 Spey Street

..... RAISING

Great Families

..... WITH

Ian Grant

New Zealand's
LEADING
Parenting Guru

Year 13's Last Day

Each student was presented with a framed photograph with a summary of their time at school, and kete which contained messages from the staff - great memories.

Y13's took over the staffroom

**"You're off to Great Places!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting,
So... get on your way!" Dr. Seuss**

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