



# APARIMA MATTERS

## Athletics Day



## Kickstart to Young Enterprise 2018

On Friday 16 February the Year 12 and 13 Business Studies class went to CentreStage in Invercargill to Kickstart our Lion Foundation Young Enterprise programme. We learned about how to run a successful team and investigate product and service ideas for our businesses. YES Coordinators Colin Kennedy from Wellington and Joanne O'Connor from Invercargill, assisted in helping students learn about all the opportunities available to YES students this year. Business mentors from the ANZ, Westpac, Cruikshank Pryde, Craig's Design and Print and Otago University, 'What's on Invers' and South Port attended and were a huge help in giving the students advice on where they could take their companies this year. Overall it looks like it's going to be an awesome year.

*by James Maclean and Cecelia Blake*



## Mufti Day – Purple Day

On Friday 2 March, we will be having a Mufti Day '**PURPLE DAY**' to raise money for the Relay for Life and the Cancer Society. Any student who chooses to wear mufti must pay a gold coin donation but you are more than welcome to donate more. So remember, on Friday 2 March wear purple and bring your gold coin to support this great cause! This is being run by Year 13 students Ashleigh Evans and Joel Seager who are participating in the Relay for Life.



## Classes in full swing .....



## Surfing

The 2018 Surf Champs were held at Colac Bay on Saturday, Aparima College came third overall. Those competing from Aparima were Jenna Woodward, Tahla Ward, Taj Terrill-Smith and Adam Winders.



## Triathlon Championships

On Friday 23 February ten Aparima college students went to Central Southland College to compete in the Southland Schools Triathlon. Thank you to Jeremy Winders and Shelly Wills for organising, transporting and supporting us. The day was overall great and we got to stop at subway on the way back.

*by Kaitlin Heath-Tree*

**U16 Girls** – 11<sup>th</sup> Alexis Halder, Taleaha King, and Regan Shaw

**U14 Boys** – Kalani Grimwood 4<sup>th</sup>

**Year 8 Girls** – Kaitlin Heath-Tree, Madisyn Wills and Alice Smith 9<sup>th</sup>

**Year 8 Boys** – Matt Thomson, Jackson Hitchcock and Case Neylon - 6<sup>th</sup>

**Year 7 Girls** – Neosha Grimwood, Pyper Haare-Black and Taylor Elder 4<sup>th</sup>




## Swimming/Aquatics

Helpers/Supervisors needed from 19 March through to the 12 April the Year 7 - 10 students will be swimming at the Riverton pool during their PE period. If you are able to help out please contact the College office on 03 2348 900 or email [rjones@aparima.school.nz](mailto:rjones@aparima.school.nz)

## 2018 Secondary Scholarships

The Māori Education Trust administers scholarships to Māori students attending secondary school. These scholarships will close 4.30 pm, Friday, 2 Poutū-te-rangi (March) 2018. Please see Mrs Ward if you would like to know more information.

<b>MĀORI EDUCATION TRUST</b> <b>2018 SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS</b> Scholarships and Criteria		Value	
<b>RJ Graham Scholarship</b> Available to Year 12 and Year 13 Māori students with academic merit studying Te Reo Māori and either mathematics, information technology or science.		\$500 40 recipients	
<b>Rose Hellaby Scholarship</b> To assist Year 9 Māori students with the purchase of school uniform or textbooks. Available to students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude.		\$500 80 recipients	
<b>Sister Annie Henry Scholarship</b> Available to a Māori student who is a direct descendant of Reverend John George Laughton or of Tūhoe descent, to assist with education or training costs.		\$700 1 recipient (in total, at Secondary or Tertiary level)	
<b>Ti Maru Māori Trust Secondary Boarding Scholarship</b> Available to Year 9 Māori students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude, who wish to attend a secondary boarding school.		\$1,000 20 recipients	
<b>VW &amp; LM Rosier Scholarship</b> Available to Year 13 Māori students with academic merit, studying mathematics and two science subjects at NCEA Level 3 (or higher).		\$500 6 recipients	
<b>Regina Rudland Memorial Scholarship</b> Available to Year 13 Māori students who are undertaking study in the field of Agriculture or Apiculture in 2018 at Level 3 or higher.		\$500 1 recipient	

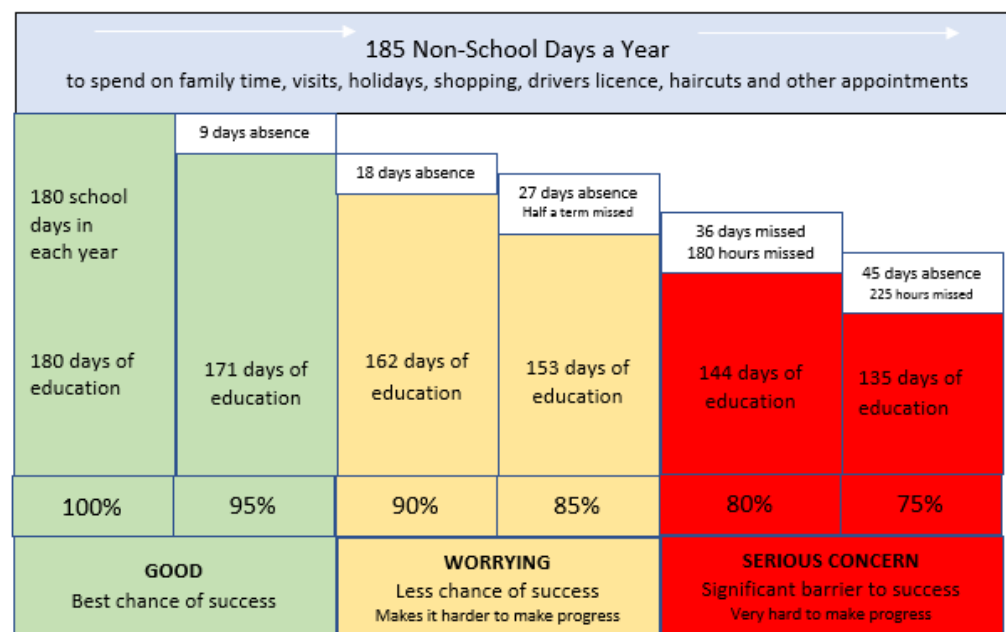
## High Attendance at School Correlates Strongly with Academic Achievement

Bunking school, wagging, playing hooky, skipping school, cutting class, arriving at school late, sleeping in – these are all words for truancy – for not being at school when students should be. Recent studies are proving that the more days children attend school, the more successful they will be. We are very pleased that most students at Aparima College have attendance levels of over 95% and our students are giving themselves the best opportunities to achieve great results.

Attending school on a regular basis is hugely important. Every day counts towards learning. It is particularly important in the senior school when being absent for an unjustified reason may result in missing an assessment that cannot be resit. There is also an impact on teachers who have to help students catch up on the work they missed.

The Ministry of Education divides absences into two categories: justified and unjustified. Justified absences includes illness/injury, a medical appointment, a bereavement, visiting an ill relative or exceptional family circumstances. Unjustified absences includes babysitting a younger sibling, a family holiday, needing to work at home, taking a day off for your birthday, going fishing or hunting. These absences are reported as unjustified, even if a parent/caregiver has explained why the student is absent. These reasons are not acceptable and affect achievement rates.

Consider the following diagram:



**APARIMA COLLEGE**

Respect, Responsibility, Success

## Relieving Teachers Wanted

We are seeking teachers to be added to our Relievers List. If you are interested please send your CV, outlining your specific curriculum area, by Thursday 1 March to:  
Richard Jones, email [rjones@aparima.school.nz](mailto:rjones@aparima.school.nz) or 33 Leader Street, Riverton 9822

## Whooping Cough (pertussis)



Whooping cough (Pertussis) is a bacterial illness that is always circulating in the community. However in November 2017, the Ministry of Health declared a national outbreak due to an increase in notification of cases. Whooping cough is highly infectious and is spread by coughing and sneezing. While anyone can be affected, in Southern DHB it is more common in people under 19 years.

**Vaccination** is the best way to prevent spread of disease and protect individuals. Booster vaccination for teaching staff is available at their own GP and should be considered every 10 years, particularly when working with vulnerable infants and children who are immunocompromised.

It is free for:

- Pregnant women in the third trimester. This helps protect mother and baby in the first weeks of life but needs to be repeated in each pregnancy.
- Babies at 6 weeks, 3 months and 5 months - on time vaccination is best
- Booster for children at 4 years and 11 years of age

### Who is at risk?

Infants under the age of 12 months who are not old enough to have been fully vaccinated are most at risk of serious illness and complications requiring hospitalisation. Maori or Pacific infants are two to three times more likely to be hospitalised than those of European ethnicity. This risk is reduced if pregnant women are vaccinated in late pregnancy (third trimester). Children who have been fully immunised, are likely to have protective immunity to the illness for a few years and may not develop symptoms, or their symptoms may be milder. Unfortunately, older children and adults can still get and spread the infection because immunity fades over time, and catching the infection also does not provide lifelong immunity. This includes teaching staff who may then spread disease.

### Symptoms and signs of whooping cough

Initially, a runny nose and an irritating cough, with a slight fever that may be followed by spasms of coughing some days later. The cough can last for weeks and may have a “whooping” sound during coughing fits, gasping for breath or vomiting after coughing. People are infectious from the start of the runny nose until 21 days later. Antibiotics can help reduce the infectious period if started within 18 days of onset but beyond that are unlikely to be beneficial. Children often appear well between coughing fits and may not have all of the above signs/symptoms.

People should stay at home when they are sick. For those diagnosed with whooping cough this means not going out in public places, to pre-school, to school or to work for at least the first three weeks of cough, if antibiotics are not prescribed. This period is shorter if antibiotics are used. Your Public Health Nurse is able to provide further information and advice if needed.

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseasesandillnesses/whooping-cough>  
<http://www.immune.org.nz/>

The Health Nurse Amanda Dodd – Public Health Nurse SDHB is available every lunchtime at the College. Her contact details are 03 2110012 cell 027 645 2828



## Support Aparima College - Riverton and you'll be rewarded!

We are raising funds for our fundraising and you can help. Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our fundraiser. PLUS, order now to receive **over \$200** of bonus Early Bird Offers (hurry, these sell out quickly). Please contact Leigh Ronald 03 224 6130 **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## Rotary International – Youth Exchange Programme WANTED – SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS TO GO ON EXCHANGE IN 2019



Rotary Youth Exchange is an official programme of Rotary and we are now seeking applications from motivated secondary school students interested in spending a year overseas as part of this long established successful educational and cultural exchange. More information is available at the College office.

### Vision Screen Year 7's

- Vision screening for all Year 7's (Please Note: Your child will not be screened if he/she is under the care of a specialist and /or optometrist)
- Parents/caregivers will be notified if further assessment is required by an Optometrist
- If you do not wish your child to be screened, please notify the School

## Reported cases of Head-lice throughout Southland

Can all parents please make a point of checking your children's hair for head-lice. There have been several reported cases of head-lice throughout Southland. Head-lice, in particular, spread very quickly once they are able to go untreated. If you discover either head-lice or eggs in your children's hair please treat it with approved head-lice shampoo immediately. You will also need to wash all bedding and clothing as the eggs can lay dormant for up to two weeks. If we are vigilant over the next two weeks we can avoid having these pests cause havoc in our neighbourhood.

## Referee Course for Year 11-13 Students

Passionate about rugby and want to learn about refereeing?

Come and join us for 2 days during the school holidays at Rugby Park and begin your referee journey.

**When:** Wednesday 18 April and Wednesday 25 April, 9:30am – 12:30am.

**Where:** Rugby Park Southland

There are limited spaces available – please apply to Curtis Tarrant at Rugby Southland by Wednesday 4 April. Please apply via email stating name, age and school plus a short summary of why you want to be a rugby referee. Email to [Curtis@rugbysouthland.co.nz](mailto:Curtis@rugbysouthland.co.nz)

We wish our Outdoor Recreation Class all the best as they take on the Hump Ridge Track on Monday 12 March

## Up and Coming Events

2 March 2018	Mufti Day – Purple Day – Relay for Life
7 March 2018	Lit Quiz
12-14 March 2018	OREC Hump Ridge Tramp
15 March 2018	Otago Polytechnic Visit 1:45pm
15 March 2018	Newsletter
21 March 2018	Defensive Driving Course 3:05 – 5:00pm
28 March 2018	Defensive Driving Course 3:05 – 5:00pm
29 March 2018	Newsletter
4 April 2018	Defensive Driving Course 3:05 – 5:00pm
5 April 2018	Parent Interviews 3:15pm
9 April 2018	ANZAC Assembly
11 April 2018	Defensive Driving Course 3:05 – 5:00pm
13 April 2018	Last day of School
30 April 2018	First day of Term Two

### SPORTS

3-4 March 2018	SISS Rowing Championships
16 March 2018	Southland Athletics
19-24 March 2018	Maadi Cup Rowing
20 March 2018	Western Athletics



# Community Notice

## Patchwork with Angela Richardson at Aparima College

Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day. 9:30am to 4:30pm. Saturday 17 March 2018. For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.

### RIVERTON NETBALL CLUB TRIALS:

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 10am

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 4.30pm

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 4.30pm

Trials are for all ages from Year 4 up including seniors and will be held at the Aparima College Netball Courts on Napier Street Riverton.

There will be a Future Ferns programme in Term 2 for years 1, 2 and 3!!! It is preferred that everybody attends all 3 trials – although we understand some may have previous commitments. If you can't make any of the trials or you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact President Lynley Woodward 0272805279 or Club Captain Shelley Wills 0274641141. The time may change for Thursday and Tuesday trials depending on numbers attending, ages and commitments of the majority of trialists.

We can't wait to see you all there!!

## The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Riverton Heritage Harvest Festival 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Workshops, speakers, competitions, children's games, harvest crafts, good food, displays, music, a harvest feast & much more!

10am to 4.30pm

Saturday & Sunday

Aparima College Hall, Leader St  
Riverton

Entry: \$2 Adults, \$1 Children

For more info go to [www.sces.org.nz](http://www.sces.org.nz)

### **Te Hikoi Museum - Christopher Aubrey Exhibition:**

**February - 15 May 2018**

Opening hours 10am – 5pm (closing 4pm in May)

Our collection of Aubrey's watercolour paintings date back to the 1879. This exhibition showcases ten scenes from Western Southland. Entry is included with usual museum entry (\$8), or for the exhibition only \$3.

[www.tehikoi.co.nz](http://www.tehikoi.co.nz)

Te Hikoi Museum and Visitor Information Centre, 172 Palmerston Street, Riverton, 9822  
Phone 03 234 8260, Find us on Facebook "Te Hikoi Southern Journey"

**Riverton Athletics Club Wednesday Nights 6 – 7pm at the Rugby Club Rooms. All welcome. Any enquirers to Kelly 0273514726**

### **HUMP RIDGE TRACK FREEDOM PACKAGE FOR TWO - 22/23/24 March 2018:**

**Includes: Multi-share accommodation at Okaka Lodge and Port Craig Lodge, Sleeping Bags and liners, Hot Showers, Hot Porridge for Breakfast, Shuttle to and from Tuatapere, 1 Pack flown to Okaka Lodge.** Due to injury I can no longer do the walk so am offering to the first person that puts in a good offer. Anne White 0211171147.

### **Winton Football Club:**

There will be a have-a-go and club information day along with second hand boot sale on **Saturday 3 March 2018 at 2pm** at Moore's Reserve Winton. All interested junior players (4 - 16 years, girls and boys) are welcome to attend or contact Wendy Boniface [wendyboniface@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:wendyboniface@slingshot.co.nz) or 02 7 427 0447. Senior player contacts are: Bronwyn Campbell for men 027 243 6979 or [grant.bron@velocitynet.co.nz](mailto:grant.bron@velocitynet.co.nz) and Martina Lips for women 021 037 5695 or [bartandmartina@gmail.com](mailto:bartandmartina@gmail.com)



### **WANT TO LEARN SELF DEFENCE?**

Aparima Taekwondo Club are holding free self defence classes starting Thursday 1 March, 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm at the Aparima College Gym, Napier Street, Riverton

Classes will run for 5 weeks

Suitable for all ages

To register contact Richard 027 386 8602



## **Riverton Lions Aparima River Duck Race**



### **Easter Sunday 1 April 2018**

12.00 Midday

First Prize: Milford Sound Nature Cruise for 2 Adults  
Second Prize: Accommodation for 2 and Boating for 4 with Robbie Wallace  
Third Prize: Meal Voucher at Beach House Cafe  
Spot Prizes from Fonterra and Kaos Hairstylists

**500 Ducks \$5 each**

Contact: Wayne Fleck 2348671 Blair Hopcroft 2348357 Euan Templeton 2246315  
Beth Hine 2348080

Ducks available at The Red Door prior to race day and Riverton Supervalu  
Saturday 17 and 31 March 2018

A Lions Club Project Supporting the Youth and Elderly in our Community  
Judges decision is final. No correspondence will be entered into.

Kindly sponsored by: Real Journeys, Robbie Wallace, Beach House Café, Kaos Hair Stylists, Fonterra and Englefield for the donation of the ducks.

### **Renew, Connect & Reflect:**

For Families raising children with disabilities or health impairments

**WHEN: Saturday 7 April**

**TIME: 9am – 4pm**

**WHERE: Southland Community House, 46 Kelvin Street, Invercargill**

RSVP to MaryAnn by Monday 2 April [southland@parent2parent.org.nz](mailto:southland@parent2parent.org.nz) or phone 0508 236 236 / 03 214 3179.

### **Altogether Autism Network Meeting:**

**WHEN: Friday 9 March 2018**

**TIME: 10am – 1pm**

**WHERE: Southland Community House, 46 Kelvin Street, Invercargill.**

Learn how Altogether Autism can support you. There is no charge to attend but please let us know you are coming for catering purposes. Everyone is welcome. For more information please phone 03 2143179 or 027 808 3951 or 0800 243 463 to register.

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