



APARIMA MATTERS

E ngā mātāwaka o Aparima, tēnā koutou katoa

Well that 10 weeks went by quickly! Hard to believe we have been through a whole term in the blink of an eye. It has been an amazing experience for me as Principal to watch our wonderful students and staff over these past 10 weeks. I have been in awe of the work our staff are doing to support student success, impressed at the positive nature of the kids at the school and humbled by the support we have received from the community.

A major focus for me this term has been getting to know the staff really well and we have completed the first part of our Appraisal system this term. In doing so, I have gained enormous confidence in the professionalism of our staff and the work that goes behind the scenes to support the students. In my assembly speeches to the students I have focused on two main themes - having a purpose and looking after your teachers. These two things will go a long way to helping them be successful both here at Aparima College and beyond.

As we head into the holidays I have reminded students about the need for focused effort in Term 3, particularly for those in the Senior school but before I sign off for this term I would like to leave you with a thought for the holidays.

Ahakoa he iti - he pounamu.

Even though it is small it is precious. As teachers we see every year the fleeting nature of life, as kids that came in as tiny Year 7's grow up in front of our eyes and leave as young men and women. It never ceases to amaze how much kids change over the course of a few short years - some of them even change over the holiday breaks! So, please take a moment to think about how precious the time we have with our kids is and enjoy having them around a bit more over the holiday break.

To the students, thanks for a great first term as your Principal, I have really enjoyed getting to know you. Enjoy your holidays and I look forward to seeing you all back raring to go on Monday 23 July.

Nāku noa, nā

Cameron Davis
PRINCIPAL



Carnage in the Coconut Grove

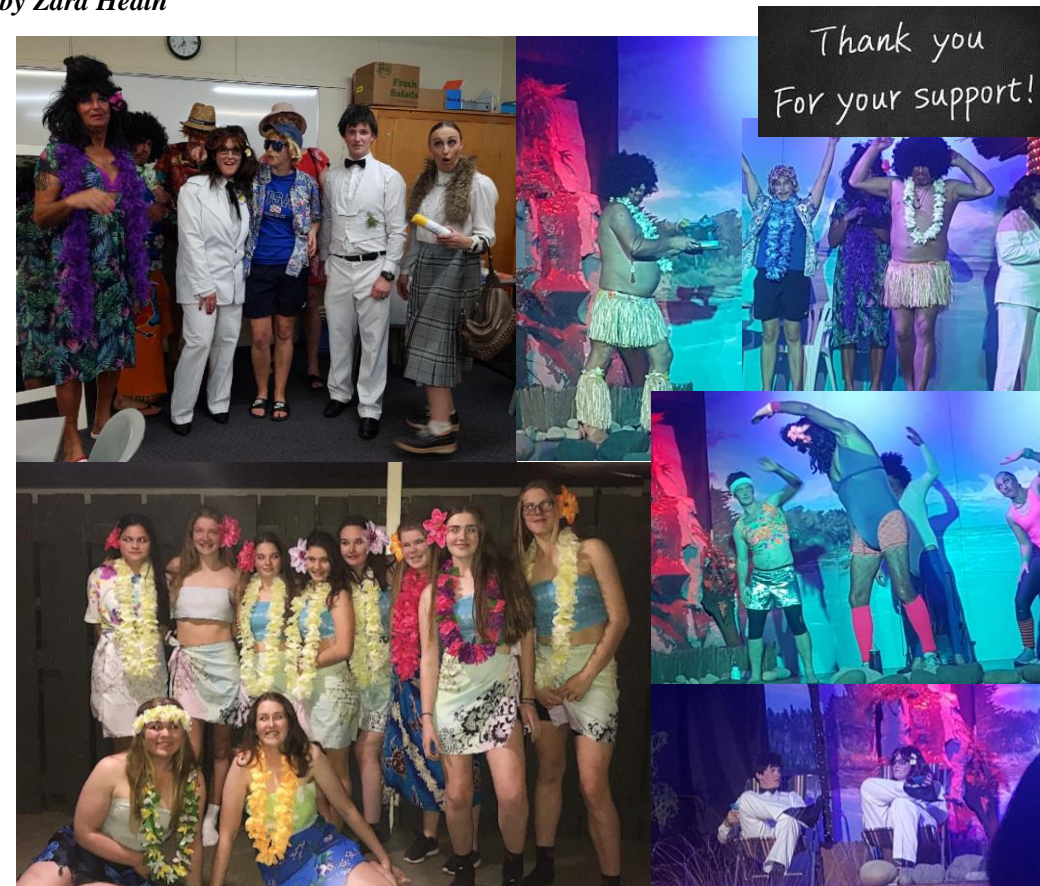
The annual Murder Mystery Fundraiser for the Senior Netball Team was held on 22 June. This year's event was "Carnage in the Coconut Grove!" It was a hugely successful night with raising over \$11,500 to help with funds to go to South Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament in Dunedin. There were a number of people who contributed to making this night so successful. A huge thank you to Ross Taylor for his stage design, James West, Ben Cleaver and Henry Wallace for sound and lighting, all the parents of the Senior Netball girls, Lana Winders playwright and MC, Emma Gould and AJ Wilson, Rebekah Pankhurst, Debbie Monteith and Lee's Catering and the auctioneer from Ray White John Murphy.

The cast done a superb job also: Patrick Westenra, Tanya Colyer, Richard Jones, Ross Taylor, Lauren Muntz, Barry Leith, Terry Gorton, Janet Willis and everyone that came along!

A huge thank you to the following local companies and individuals for their support: Orepuki Horse Treks, Lynette Heath, Lee's Catering, Real Journeys, Centre Ridge Dairies, Steven Shearing Contracting, Riverton Freight, Riverton Butchery, Lee's Catering, Fresh is Best, Riverton Supervalu, Goodman Fielder, Sproutspace, Ray White Real Estate and Diacks Nursery.

Keep an eye out next June for our next fundraiser, it's going to be a blast!

by Zara Heath



Crazy Wig Day

On Friday 29 June some senior students ran a mufti / wig day as a fundraiser for the Child Cancer Foundation. It was a very successful day with \$178 raised for the foundation and showing support from our school! The staff room definitely had the best turnout when it came to crazy hairstyles so the top prize went to the school staff as a whole! Thanks to everyone for supporting the Child Cancer Foundation on behalf of our school, it was highly appreciated.

by Sarah Westenra



Impossumble Products

We are absolutely overwhelmed and delighted with the amount of business and support the Riverton community has given us. So we would like to say a massive thank you to the Riverton community and to PGG Wrightsons for endorsing us. Be sure to come see us at the Riverton Twilight market!

“I would personally like to thank everyone for their support of our company. As CEO it makes me extremely happy to see the company gain this much support and attention. I and my fellow company managers would like to thank you all and hope that you continue to support us in our endeavour.”

To order a beanie or buff please contact us on Facebook at Impossumble Products, or email us at ImpossumbleProducts@gmail.com or come in and see us at Aparima College. We would be more than happy to have a yarn about our business and show you our products.

by Joel Seager (CEO)



Unravelling the Adolescent Brain Seminar

Host: Southland Education, **Date:** Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 7:30pm. **Venue:** WEA Building, 100 Esk St, Invercargill. **RSVP:** Registration is essential to Southland Education ph. 03 2188180 or Email: wea.south@xtra.co.nz , **Cost:** Free. Early Childhood matters. That's why we speak up about the importance of brain development in the early years. Brainwave's vision is that all children in Aotearoa New Zealand are value and nurtured so they can reach their full potential.

Year 12/13 Agriculture Class

Watching Brodie Brown from Riverton Butchery giving them a demonstration on how to slaughter, gut and skin some lambs. After the holidays they will then have BBQ to sample some of the lambs they watched butcher.



University of Otago – Science Expo

St David Theatre Complex, Corner of St David and Cumberland Streets. Saturday 7 July 10am -4pm / Sunday 8 July 10am – 2pm. All Welcome / Free Entry.

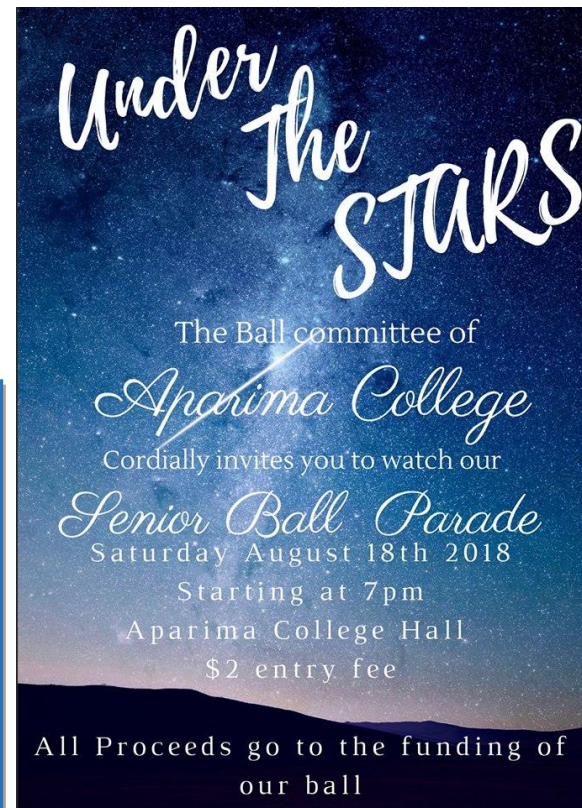
Thank You

The Year 11 and 12 students would like to say a big thank you to Mr Tony Hine for coming in and explaining the different types of Engineering careers that might be available to them, and also describing how they might participate in a potential renewable energy project. We are very grateful to be able to liaise with members of the community and learn from their experience and expertise.

Aparima College Ball

Buttonholes and wristlets made to order and available for the upcoming school ball. Contact Olivia (at school) or Wendy Black for more information.

Phone/text 021 484 514.



Under The STARS

The Ball committee of
Aparima College
Cordially invites you to watch our
Senior Ball Parade
Saturday August 18th 2018
Starting at 7pm
Aparima College Hall
\$2 entry fee

All Proceeds go to the funding of
our ball

New enrolment-based measure of NCEA attainment

NZQA and the Ministry of Education have announced some changes to the way NCEA and University Entrance attainment is reported.

The changes provide a more precise picture of how attainment is reported. It will count all domestic students in years 11 to 13 aged less than 19 on 1 January, rather than taking a snapshot of students as at 1 July. It will also count up to three ethnicities students identify with, rather than limiting this to just one.

As a result, NZQA is expecting most schools will see a change in their attainment rates. It is a statistical adjustment that doesn't reflect school performance, teaching practice or an individual student's results.

"The key thing to remember is that whilst percentages for NCEA and University Entrance percentages may change, the amount of improvement in student attainment is similar and positive."

NZQA is consulting with schools in June and July on the way attainment is reported at a school level and will report back in September. The new measure will be used for reporting 2018 NCEA and University Entrance attainment statistics in January 2019.

A summary Fact Sheet can be found at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/consultations-and-reviews/secondary-school-statistics/>

Published Author

Joel Seager has had his short story "Something Different" published in a Young NZ Writers' book named 'Timegate for Tomorrow'. Joel was one of the winners of a competition to write a short story on a futuristic theme with a NZ flavour, the prize being publication, and was among three of our students who entered.

The Southland-based Dan Davin Short Story competition is open for short stories of 1000-1500 words from Year 7-13 students until 27 July. So far we have six entrants, but anyone else who is keen to have a go should share their story with Mrs Grove.



Thank You Rowena

The students, staff and BOT of Aparima College would like to thank Rowena Tomlin for her 40 or more years of service driving students to and from school each day. Rowena has driven several generations of families over the years. We wish Rowena all the best on her retirement.



NCEA Financial Assistance

Applications for Financial Assistance to assist with the payment of fees for NCEA are now available. **Applications for financial assistance close on Thursday 23 August 2018.**

To be eligible to apply you must be the fee payer and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be receiving a Work and Income or Study Lick benefit
- Have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card
- Have more than one child undertaking these qualifications in the same year, irrespective of income, and the total fees to pay are higher than \$200.00.

Further information can be obtained from the College office. **NCEA Fees are due to be paid by Thursday 30 August 2018.** **NOTE:** If the NCEA Fee is not paid by this date NZQA charge a late fee of \$50.00. Students will not receive access to their results until all fees are paid.

Hokonui Maori Endowment Fund

Applications are invited from tertiary and secondary school students Year 9 onwards for the Hokonui Endowment Fund. The Hokonui Endowment Fund is an education fund for applicants who can trace their whakapapa to the original Maori Owners Rakiura/Stewart Island. Applications must be a Southland resident. For more information contact either: Christian Fife – (027) 225 0086, Laina Niha – (03) 212 8962, Ricky Topi – (03) 212 8556, Louise Fowler (03) 212 8577 and Karen Johnson – (03) 212 7384. A copy of the application form can be obtained from the College office. The completed application form needs to be received for processing by Sunday 30 September 2018. For further information, a Facebook page has been set up via the following link: <https://facebook.com/foveauxstrait/>

Up and Coming Events

6 July 2018	Last day of School – Reports emailed home
7 July 2018	Earthcraft Day – College Hall - 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
23 July 2018	NCEA Changes – Verdon College 7:00 pm
23 July 2018	First day of Term 3
26 July 2018	CareersFest
27 July 2018	SDC Youth Council Meeting
1 August 2018	Lincoln University Visit 9:50am
2 August 2018	Aparima College Open Day

SPORTS

8 July 2018	Clay Target Shooting - Nightcaps
29-31 July 2018	OREC Snow Camp

Community Notices

Patchwork with Angela Richardson at Aparima College:

Beginners to Advance. Everyone Welcome. \$40 per day. 9:30am to 4:30pm. 25 August 2018. For more information please ring Kathleen Hancox 224 6209 or register at Aparima College 234 8900.

Family Earthcraft Day
Saturday 7th July 2018
Theme: Matariki

Spinning, knitting, dyeing, sewing, weaving, felting, and more old-style crafts!

**Demonstrations
Have a go**

Aparima College Hall,
33 Leader St Riverton
10am – 4pm Gold Coin Entry

For more information go to www.sces.org.nz or email us at office@scs.org.nz

Fun, Friends, Adventure!!!!

Riverton Scout Group are on the lookout for some new Keas, cubs and Scouts. Scouting offers fun, challenge and everyday adventure. It helps to teach Respect, responsibility and Resourcefulness. If you enjoy camping, swimming, surfing, hiking, crafts and learning new skills then Scouting is for you! Meetings are held at Flecks Hall on Palmerston St at 3.15pm every Tuesday so come along and check it out. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact Emma Lord on 03 2349954 or 0211503192

July School Holiday programme at Southland District Libraries

Manu Tukutuku – Let's Go Fly a Kite". At Te Anau, Lumsden, Winton, Otautau, and Riverton Libraries. Children will craft a traditional Manu Tukutuku for our library. There will be opportunity for older ones to video the construction details to learn how Vlog using YouTube. For children aged 6 and over. Younger children to be accompanied by adults. Ph 0800 732 542 to register and reserve a place.

"Light up Riverton DIY Lantern Competition"

Entrees need to be handed in to The Postmaster Bakery by 4pm on Saturday the 21st of July 2018.

Age Categories: 0-4, 5-8, 8-13, 13-18, 18-101

A great opportunity for the Riverton Community to be part of the market!!!

Reuse, revamp, and recycle!! You can use anything you want to create the Lantern. We supply the light for inside the lantern, as they must be flame free. When you call in to drop off your lantern we will put a light in, free of charge!!! **Please note: One light per entry/lantern.** Be creative, inventive and make sure you are having fun. Great prizes to be won. The lanterns are going to be judged by locals. Please ensure your contact details are on the bottom of your lantern. We are open from 7am – 4pm Monday – Friday, and open from 7:30am – 4pm during the weekend.

We look forward to seeing your creations!!!

Marleen & Iri (The Postmaster Bakery)
166 Palmerston Street
Riverton (03 2348153)



Aparima College

"Together we will make a difference"



We have much pleasure in inviting you to attend our

Open Day

on

Thursday 2 August 2018

Welcome in the library at 9:30 am



- * Tour the School
- * See the classes in action
- * Talk with the subject teachers

Mr Davis, the Principal, warmly invites you to contact the College office, 03 2348 900, to make an appointment to meet with him to discuss your child's future schooling at Aparima College.



A little update.....

The chipper has been working away to chip the dead branches and clear the ground ready for shaping, preparing and planting with native trees. We will be working together with the Southland District Council and members of the community over the next few months. We are also waiting to see if we have been fortunate enough to be granted a Treemendous makeover, which we should hear about over the next few days.



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