



# Aparima Matters

## *E ngā mātāwaka o Aparima, tēnā koutou katoa*

Week 5 is nearly upon us and we are already looking at dates in March / April on our calendar. The New Year is definitely a distant memory here at school! Just a couple of reminders from us regarding uniform and accounts.

Uniform – we are cracking down a bit on the number of non-uniform items appearing at school and students are getting the very clear message that we want them to take pride in their appearance at all times when representing the school. We have a range of replacement items that students can borrow any time there are issues with their uniform including shoes, shirts, shorts, skirts and trousers. Where possible we will be requiring students, who turn up in incorrect uniform to wear these replacement items for the day to ensure we have everyone looking their best. Shoes are the particular issue most of the time and we have almost every size catered for!

Also – please remind your child that there are several options for keeping warm on their way to and from school that don't include hoodies – if hoodies are seen at school they are confiscated for the day and collectable from the office at the end of the day. If a jacket, or appropriate warm clothing is an issue for you, please feel free to contact us at the office and we would more than happy to help out if we can.

Accounts will be sent out soon and there are still significant amounts outstanding from last year. We encourage people to have regular payments set up to address their accounts. Where regular payments are being made into the account we can and will continue to place costs for events onto the student account, but where a regular payment system is not in place, we will continue to ask for payment for applicable events before the event date.

As with the uniform items, we are more than happy to help out where we can, please don't hesitate to contact us to discuss any financial issues.

With the change to the donations scheme for this year, we no longer place any charges against curriculum-related activities and we no longer ask for donations from parents, which we hope will alleviate some of the costs for parents. However, this leaves us in a position where we will need to be more proactive in looking for pre-payment for events as discussed above.

February 2020

If you have any questions / concerns regarding the donations scheme, please feel free to call us and we will be happy to explain how it all works.

Nāku noa nā

**Cameron Davis**  
Principal

## Introducing our Leadership Team



*From Left:*  
Scott Fleck,  
Jack Halder,  
Dom Riddell,  
Adam Winders  
*(Head Boy)*,  
Teagan Ashley,  
Courtney  
Loveridge *(Head Girl)*,  
Briana  
Blasco and  
Alexis Halder

### **Courtney Loveridge – Head Girl**

Hello, my name is Courtney Loveridge and I represent Aparima College as the 2020 Head Girl. As a member of the leadership team I would like to help develop change, because I have high aspirations for the school. I think the best way to describe this change is exciting, and I strongly believe that change has already begun within the school. For example, being a part of the EnviroSchools Programme.

Not only do I want to encourage change, but I want to see involvement, involvement with students, teachers and the wider community. Our year 13 group plans to lead programs and activities that students can participate in throughout the year. My goal throughout the year is to be an approachable role model that strives for greatness within each and every one of the students at Aparima College. My interests outside of school are based around the agriculture sector, and animals. This comes from being brought up on a dairy farm. My plans for next year after leaving school at this stage are to study Agricultural Science at Massey University because of my passions.



## Adam Winders – Head Boy

My name is Adam Winders and I am the Head boy of Aparima College. I am extremely excited for the challenge that Aparima has given me to take on for 2020. The leadership team and I have numerous ideas to offer the school and are looking forward to being a guide for our fellow students at school.

My goals for Aparima are to push for an increase in Maori Culture, by not only having a respectable haka, but trying to gather a Aparima College kapa haka group involving any students from the school that are interested.

I would also like to introduce more music in the school by trying to get a band going to show some of the musical talent we have in the school. These are just a few of the things I would like to achieve for the year at Aparima College.

Outside of school I enjoy surfing, music and playing rugby. I play rugby for Riverton Under 18s team with fellow students from Aparima College.

My plans for next year are to go to Otago University and study for a Bachelor of Commerce. While I'm in Otago, I'm hoping to play as much rugby as possible, play more music gigs and surf more often as there are a few great breaks around there.



## Scott Fleck – Prefect

My name is Scott Fleck, I have been a student at Aparima College since Year 7. This year I have been selected to be a prefect, my job is to support the Staff and Head students in whatever way I possibly can, whether this is by helping them organise in school events or supporting the younger students or anything at all which they need help with.

This year I would like to introduce a larger focus on house spirit because I think it would be so much fun to have a bit more passion in our house competitions.

Outside of school I love playing rugby and snowboarding, I work these hobbies around my part time job at Ayto's Dairy. After this year I am planning to go off to university and study computer science, I am planning to do this in Dunedin.

I am excited to see how well we can run the school, I think we have a great leadership team and will be able to handle anything thrown our way, we are all excited for this year!



## Alexis Halder – Prefect

As I prepare for my final year I can wholeheartedly admit that this school has shaped me into the person I am today, therefore I feel as though it's my time to give back to the incredible school that has provided me with a lifetime of opportunities. This year I aim to use my Prefect position alongside the rest of the amazing Leadership Team to help take unprecedented steps towards making our school an even better place. I strongly believe in action, not just talk and I am looking forward to sharing my knowledge and passion surrounding all aspects of school life to my younger peers.

In 2021 I hope to attend university in the UK to study History, in order to go on and become a Historian and ultimately a curator of a museum!



## Briana Blasco – Prefect

I'm Briana Blasco and I'm one of Aparima College's 2020 prefects. This year I hope to set a good example to other students and people outside of school. As a prefect I look forward to working with the leadership team and I hope we can give other students a chance to shine and prove to them that we genuinely welcome and use their feedback.

I would like to be future focused and get behind and support school activities. I think student motivation is a key thing to work on and I'll try my best to encourage students to join the Enviro Council, Social Justice League, house competitions and other activities. My interests are playing the piano and literature.

I've always been interested in clinical psychology and because of this I plan to study medicine and surgery next year at Otago University to become a psychiatrist. I'm looking forward to this year and I hope we can make everyone feel the same way too.



## Dom Riddell – Prefect

Kia Ora, my name is Dom and I represent Aparima College as Deputy Head Boy for 2020. This year I am fortunate enough to be working alongside a very skilled and capable team which I believe will aid us in creating a positive and enthusiastic environment. I applied for this position to make a difference in the school whether I'm helping any students, particularly new entrances or participating in school events setting a good example, it is all a part of my duty.

This year is the pinnacle of my 13 years of schooling and with the facilities Aparima provides I feel as though it is going to be a phenomenal year.

This positive and fun environment will aid my transition into tertiary study which will hopefully be aided by my scholarship courses this year. Haere rā



## Jack Halder – Prefect

My name is Jack Halder and I have been accepted for the role of prefect in the 2020 student leadership team. As prefect my role is to provide support and encouragement to my fellow leaders and superiors, participating and engaging in organisation and preparation for school events such as weekly assemblies, the ball and fundraisers to make these events happen.

I would like to encourage and inspire students to aim and achieve high academically but nevertheless to get out and do whatever it is you love. Appreciate and enjoy life, the way I have these last several years. I enjoy getting outdoors, hunting, fishing as an umbrella term as well as tinkering, problem solving all of which I enjoy doing a lot through engineering.

My ultimate goal at this stage is to study engineering at UC although I am currently considering a gap year to undertake some other work experience. I am excited to see what this year brings for me and the rest of the students.



## Teagan Ashley – Prefect

My name is Teagan Ashley and I am the Aparima College Deputy Head Girl for 2020. This year I am going to bring four main qualities which are leadership, communication and interpersonal skills, self-management, and finally planning and organization skills. This will help to achieve a safe, open, approachable and fun environment for both students and teachers. With the aim to create better overall school spirit. So, if you need some help or just want someone to talk to please feel free to make yourself present!

My interests outside of school include sports, travel, animals and spending time with the people that mean the most to me. Next year I can see myself studying at Otago University and continuing to work towards my sporting goals.

I have really enjoyed my past years here at Aparima College since I was a Year 7 and I wish to make an even better experience for those coming through.



## Valentine's Day Mufti Day – College Ball Fundraiser

Fridays Valentines Fundraiser was a great success! Our year thirteen group managed to fundraise just under five hundred dollars! A big thank you to everyone who supported the ball fundraiser by wearing mufti and donating a gold coin, as well as purchasing the goodies we had for sale.



## Crutching – College Ball Fundraiser

On Saturday 15 February a team of students helped in a Crutching Fundraiser for the Aparima College School Ball. After a long, hot yet successful day we managed to raise over eight hundred dollars, and every cent was earned. As we all know, a successful fundraiser is not possible without the dedicated people behind it. A special thanks to Jackson Bevin, a year twelve who crutched 615 Lambs for us! To Adam Winders who organised the day, and crutched. To the shed hands, Reana Arthur, Scott Fleck, Jamie Rule, Levi Mennell, Briana Blasco and Courtney Loveridge. Lastly, thank you to Susan Loveridge who catered for the fundraiser.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Parent/Whanau Survey

Thank you to all who completed the survey.

Congratulations to Nicola Goulding who has won a \$50 Supervalu Voucher.

**ATHLETICS DAY**

**Wednesday 26 February 2020**

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO DRESS UP AND WEAR THEIR HOUSE COLOURS.

LONGWOOD - PURPLE/GREEN  
 NGAPOHATU - RED  
 ORAKA - YELLOW  
 WALLACE - BLUE

## Winton Primary & District High School 150th Jubilee

For any ex students and staff of Winton Primary & District High School, who may now live in the area, our 150th Jubilee celebrations are to be held Labour weekend 2020. Events, at present, will include Friday evening registration with social mix and mingle including drinks and nibbles, Saturday - decade photos, tour of the school, dinner and dance, Sunday morning - informal assembly/service. Pre-registrations can now be made via the link on the school website or [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LUW7LfxeD8KIKr9v-kRv\\_z\\_C2XKQR7k2yE89KHg4U3g/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LUW7LfxeD8KIKr9v-kRv_z_C2XKQR7k2yE89KHg4U3g/edit)

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**Nigel Latta (ONZM)**



### Parenting through primary and secondary years

Clinical Psychologist, author, television presenter, Parenting App creator and all around funny bugger who provides entertaining and informative insights and advice on the mind field that is parenting.

WHEN: Thursday, 27th February 2020

STARTS: 7pm

WHERE: Civic Theatre, Tay Street, Invercargill

TICKET PRICE: \$25

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:

JCC Booking Office, 101 Esk Street, Invercargill

Phone: 032 111 692 (additional booking fees may apply)

Web: [www.ticketdirect.co.nz](http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz)



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# UP AND COMING EVENTS

4 March 2020  
 4 March 2020  
 6 April 2020  
 9 April 2020  
 10 April 2020

Lincoln University Liaison  
 Otago Polytech Liaison  
 ANZAC Assembly  
 Last day of TERM ONE  
 Good Friday – No School

## Sports

21 February 2020  
 23 February 2020  
 25 February 2020  
**26 February 2020**  
 28 February 2020  
 7-8 March 2020  
 10 March 2020  
 14 March 2020  
 15 March 2020  
 9 April 2020

Southland Triathlon Champs  
 Southland/Otago Water Skiing Champs  
 Southland Tennis Teams Champs  
**College Athletics Day**  
 Postponement Day for Athletics  
 Paddles Up Challenge  
 Southland Touch Tournament  
 Southland Athletics  
 Southland Volleyball Champs  
 Swimming Sports

**KIWI SKATE MONDAY & FRIDAY**  
 4:00PM-5:00PM  
 \$12 PER SESSION

**ADULT LEARN TO SKATE MONDAY**  
 7:00PM-8:00PM  
 \$12 PER SESSION

**Ice SPORTS SOUTHLAND**

**Riverton Boys Brigade**  
 For boys 8 -18 years  
 Starting Friday 21<sup>st</sup>  
 February 2020  
 Team Section at the  
 Riverton Union Church  
 Hall 7-8.30pm  
 Company Section at  
 Aparima College 7-9pm

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