

# **Aparima College Newsletter**

**ISSUE EIGHT: SEPTEMBER 2023** 



Congratulations to
Reiyana Pullen – Ist
place Dan Davin
Writing Awards Senior
Section – Fantastic
Results, Well done

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#### He kupu mai i te teepu tumuaki

(a word from the Principal's desk)

Kia ora e te whānau,

It has been a very busy term at Aparima College. Students have been engaged in a range of academic, sporting and cultural events. From representing the school locally to nationally at the NZAIMS Games in Tauranga, we are very proud of how our students represent our community. With several teams making finals, winter sports came to an exciting and thrilling conclusion for many. Once again Aparima College were well represented at the Dan Devin Literacy Awards, winning the Senior section and achieving second at the Junior level. Our head student Tahla Ward continues to achieve success with her country music group the Dollys and it was a privilege to hear them sing at their recent fundraiser as they head to the Country Music Championships in Tamworth Australia.

Our school ball was once again a fun event, organised by the students, it was a delight to see all our students dressed up and having fun on the night. Traditional dances scattered throughout the evening made the time fly by as students spent the majority of time dancing and of course having their photo taken. A huge thank you to the PTA and parents for supporting the students to host such a big event.

Our Kia Tū (Standing with confidence) programme continues to offer learners new opportunities and time to explore their interests and passions. During the last semester, students have built go carts, repaired small engines, cooked up a range of delights, explored how science has an effect of foods, been discovering sustainable gift making, being of service to the community, learning about local histories, visiting marae, learning about purakau and how art represents stories, they have explored a range of writing and illustrating genre, challenged themselves in the outdoors and developed their fitness and rugby skills. Some of our Year 11 students have been at SIT exploring a range of new skills and future career pathways.

We still have a few weeks to go and look forward to our school spirit week which will involve some fun activities and a beach clean-up. The third semester of Kia  $T\bar{u}$  has started with some new opportunities, including junior art and school of rock, this is possible with help from community expertise. If you think you have something you would like to offer and think our students would enjoy learning from you, please do hesitate to reach out and come in for a chat with Aloma. It takes a village...

Our seniors are preparing for the final push towards their NCEA Qualifications. Examinations start mid next term and we know this time will fly by.

If you missed our Open Day, please contact the school office if you are interested in enrolling at Aparima College.

Ngā mihi nui,

Aloma Williams Principal Aparima College
Prize Giving - Cups and Trophies

Please return all Cups and
Trophies
to the College office
by Friday 22 September 2023





# AUCTION AFTERNOON





# APARIMA COLLEGE STUDENTS

ARE HOSTING A FUNDRAISING AFTERNOON FOR THE RIVERTON COASTGUARD



#### **JOIN OUR EVENT**

- ### 4PM 5.30PM
  FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
  2023
- Aparima College Hall
  33 Leader Street
  Riverton
- Lime Stone carvings,
   Wooden Cabinets,
  - Heru,
- Wooden toys,
- Finger food and drinks for sale, plus
- Art from the Kia Tu groups, Native trees
- · Wooden camp fold away chairs,
- Guitar plus more..



The Students at Aparima
College have made a wide
range of products to
auction off . Proceeds
will go to our Amazing
Riverton Coastguard.



HELP US TO HELP THEM!



#### **Dan Davin Awards**

We are extremely proud of our Aparima College students who did very well once again at the Dan Davin Creative Writing Awards held recently. There were around 60 entries this year from across Southland and Wakatipu.

Reiyana Pullen – Ist place Senior section.

Madison Heta – 2<sup>nd</sup> place Junior section

Harrison Berkers + Max Woodward – Highly Commended, Junior Section

Ella Bethune -Shortlisted

And congratulations to all the entrants: Sacha Armstrong, Remy Scarborough and Ahiwharau Asher.

It takes a lot of courage to put your creative work out there on public display. It was amazing to have so many Aparima supporters at the Kelvin Hotel on Friday evening – it created a real buzz – Thank you



We have Keita Thomas representing
Southland/Otago U14 Girls at the NZ National
Scholastic Surfing Competition in Gisborne 2529 September. This is an amazing opportunity
for Keita and we wish her well in her
Competition.

#### **Otago University Outreach Chemistry Programme**

On the afternoon of Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August a group of students were lucky enough to work with Dr Dave Warren and three of his chemistry students, to look at how electricity can be generated from Hydrogen that is split from water. The students made up the kits which included a fuel cell that had a Hydrogen side and an Oxygen side, water passed through the fuel cell splitting the atoms. The kit stored the Hydrogen in water until it was used to charge a battery back, used by a propellor or a small car. Adding multiple fuel cells to the car meant it ran faster and for a long period of time. Hydrogen power is currently being researched as being a clean alternative to fossil fuels. We thank Dr Warren and his team for taking the opportunity to meet with us and they also have given the school a hydrogen kit of our own, which we appreciate!





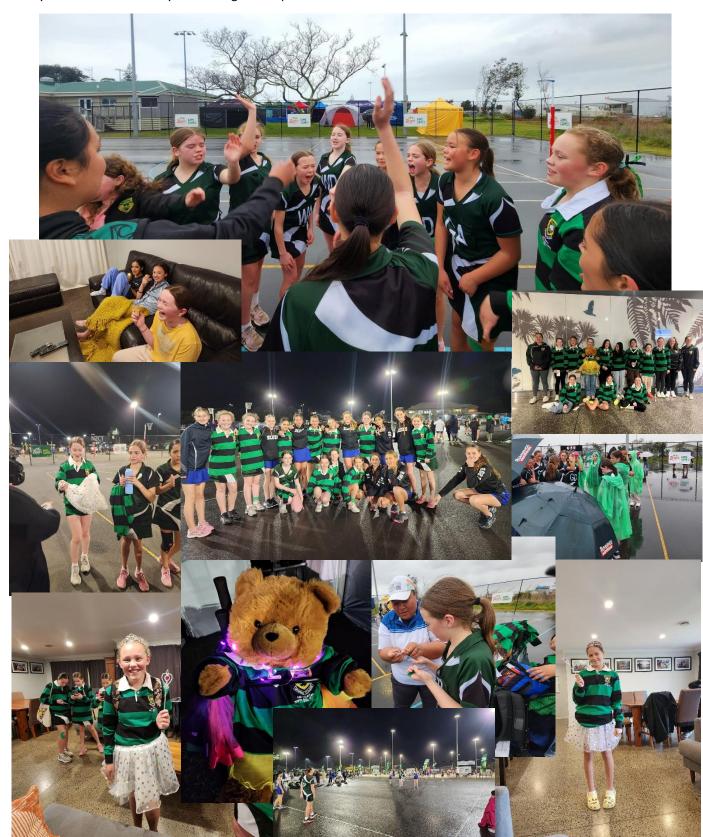
Congratulations to Jackson Hitchcock who has made the Southland U16 Rugby Team.

Caiden Lonneker has also been called into the Spikers!

All the best for your games lads!

## Girls on Tour – AIMS GAMES

Photos from the Year 7/8 Netball Girls away in Tauranga for the AIMS Games, watch this space for results. By the looks of all the photos and videos on our Facebook page they are having a wonderful time. Thank you to Tanya Colyer and the Community for making this all possible.



### **HOLE IN ONE WITH KIA TŪ SPORT**

This term we are focusing on Disc Golf for the first 4 weeks. This is our CTP (Closest To the Pin) Champion Hennezy Hollands who managed to win by throwing it straight in from the Tee Pad. Focusing on a new sport for a longer period of time has allowed us to develop our game and show improvement. During the next four weeks we are setting up a full 9 Hole course with the support of Disc Golf South who are providing professional baskets. Aside from all the fun and games, we are focusing on the impact of rules in sport and everyday life and how skills and attitudes can help us thrive on and off the field.



Congratulations to Piper
Neylon on her recent
selection in the Southland
U16 Girls Rugby Team!

#### **Speech Competitions**

Congratulations to Holly Fraser, Tessa Fraser and Esther White who competed recently at Dipton Primary School in the next round of speech competitions. These three girls presented amazing speeches! The competition was tough, with so many original and interesting topics. The Dipton competition was the finals for our Western Southland Schools.

#### William Pike

A group of year 7-9 students had the privilege of hearing a very inspirational and provocative talk by William Pike. Currently, we have a keen group of Aparima College students taking part in the William Pike challenge on Fridays, so to 'kick off' our first year in this programme, Miss Wilson organised for us to go and hear him speak.

William Pike lost the bottom part of his right leg after Mt. Raupehu erupted and sent debris onto his shelter. Myself (Mrs. Bond) and many others were rather teary and humbled with the bravery and courage that William Pike talked about in terms of his recovery from his injury and 'near-death' experience.

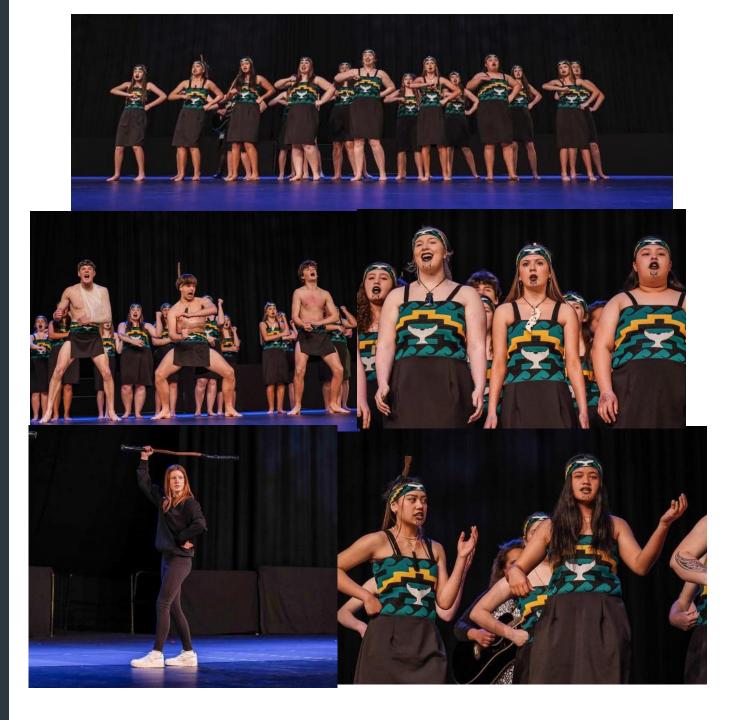
Our group of listeners from Aparima were very respectful and hung onto his every word during this talk. It is safe to say that we have a generation of young people that are ready to take on this challenge, and I am here for it! Watch this space!

by Mrs Bond

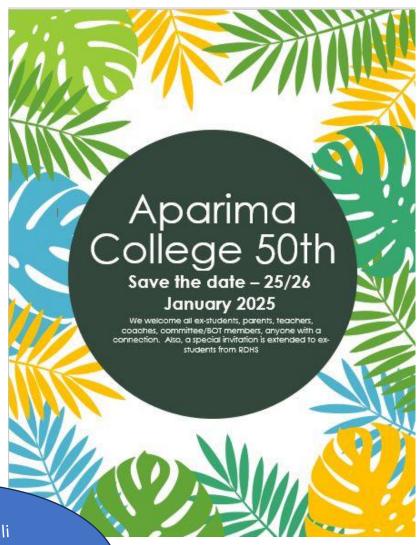


## **Polyfest**

Aparima College were happy to take the stage at this year's Polyfest. The College made a strong return to the stage after several years, the students looked fantastic in their new uniforms and came together as a strong kapa haka unit. Singing three waiata and performing Mana Aparima (the school haka). Students have made a commitment to the group and have been working with whaea Irirangai and whaea Toni to develop their understanding of performance and tikanga. The group are continuing to fundraise for piupiu to complete their uniforms and are looking ahead to future performances and have set the goal of competing at Te Hautonga in 2025.







Congratulations to Mali Grimwood for being selected for the Southland United Under 17 Football Team – Go Mali

Netball team recently competed at the SISS Netball Tournament held here in Invercargill, they came 10<sup>th</sup> of 32 in the B Grade competition. goes out to their Coach Rosie Brown and Manager Lana



# HOKONUI MĀORI ENDOWMENT FUND

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1 July 2023

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 Māori Owners of Rakiura/Stewart Island. Applicants *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

A copy of the Application Form for the *current 2023 academic year* is attached. All applications received must use this form and need to have all relevant sections completed, including verified bank account details, whakapapa and an original piece of writing for the essay. Also refer to the Application Information and Checklist details to ensure all sections and information is submitted.

A hardcopy of the completed application form needs to be received for processing by **Saturday**, **30 September 2023**. Applications received after this date will not be accepted. Failure to comply with complete form filling and relevant documentation could result in your application not being actioned and/or delay in processing.

For further information, a Facebook page has been set up via the following link: https://www.facebook.com/foveauxstrait/

APPLICATION FORMS

CAN BE COLLECTED

FROM THE COLLEGE

OFFICE

# Aparima College Job Vacancy

We have a Teacher Aide position available; we are looking for someone to join our student support team at Aparima College starting ASAP through to 8 December 2023. This position is during term time only (school holidays off).

If interested, please apply with a covering letter and CV to the Principal by 3:00pm on Thursday 14 September 2023. Either email to <a href="mailto:office@aparima.school.nz">office@aparima.school.nz</a> or drop this into the office at 33 Leader Street, Riverton. For more information phone 032348900.

#### Friday Kia Tu

The Sustainable Crafts group completed some upcycling today after a visit to the Riverton Op



skirts or Blazers in for 6 months and what they have in stock is limited in sizes. Please phone 03 2348900 if you can help. We are happy to pass on your details if wish to sell items or if you wish to donate items please drop them off to the

(We will take any uniform items as there are always families we can help.)

### **UP AND COMING EVENTS**

2 – 9 September 2023 NZ Aims Games in Tauranga Year 7/8 Team

8 September 2023 Art Auction
12 September 2023 HPV Round Two
20 September 2023 SMAC Math

22 September 2023 Last Day of Term 3

9 October 2023 First Day of Term 4

10 October 2023 Options Evening for Year 10 – 12 Students/Parents and Caregiver

13 October 2023 Health and Safety Course Part 1– all Year 11

16 - 18 October 2023Derived Exams for Year 11 - 1319 October 2023Part 1 of OREC Ropes Course20 October 2023DCAT Eaxam - Level 1, 2 & 3

20 October 2023 Health and Safety Course Part 2– all Year 11

23 October 2023 Labour Day

24 – 25 October 2023 First Aid Course for Year 12
 27 October 2023 Part 2 of OREC Ropes Course

6 November –

1 December 2023 NCEA Exams for Year 11 – 13 12 November 2023 Year 9 Camp – Camp Columba

13 - 16 November 2023 Year 8 Camp

20 - 22 November 2023 Year 10 Camp – Borland Lodge

6 December 2023 Year 13 Leavers Dinner
7 December 2023 Aparima College Prizegiving

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**





# **FOR SALE**

3 BLAZERS FOR SALE. \$100 EACH. SIZE 96, 112 AND ONE VERY LARGE ONE.



Ph or Txt 0279588936

# Craft Holiday Programme in Otautau!



Gift your child an opportunity to craft unique and beautiful treasures using quality natural materials.

September 27, 28, 29

\$50 a day or \$135 for all 3

10am - 2pm - Old Scout den, Knutsford Rd, Otautau

Hot chocolate, soup & bread provided.

3 days of creative play with all things natural: Clay work, wool felting, whittling, lanterns, nature candles, mobiles, Beeswax balms.

Tutors: Rosemary (BN) and Geraldine (BTchng) are homeschooling mums who love to craft. We are very excited to put together a fun and hands on holiday programme!

> To find out more or book in: email Geraldine geraldinewpene@gmail.com Facebook - Otautau holiday programme



#### Winton Football Club

#### **5 aside Summer Football Leagues**

#### Fun and exercise for all ages and genders

Adult grade - year 9 upwards, potentially social, and competitive – 2 x 30min games 6.30pm and 7.00pm kick offs.

Primary grades - year 6-8 and year 1-5 - 2 x 20min games 5.30pm and 6.00pm kick offs.

Thursdays first playing day 12 October 2023; last day 7 December 2023 at Moore's Reserve, Winton.

Costs: adults \$100 per team, primary \$10 per player.

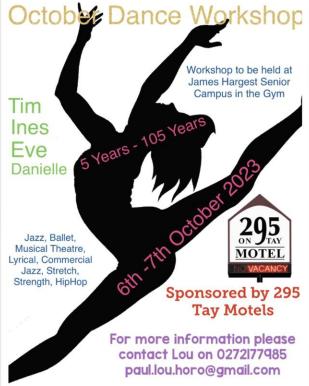
Contact: <u>5aside.wintonfootball@gmail.com</u> for rules and an entry form with entries closing on 22 September.

#### School teams, workplace teams, teams of mates

- all welcome no experience necessary









## Funding options of available now







Funding options available for community projects:

Southland District Council has a variety of funding options available to assist community projects and initiatives.

More information can be found in the Council or the Community & facilities section on our website www.southlanddc.govt.nz

The Community Partnership Fund is administered by our nine community boards. Applications closing on 31 August are for the Northern, Oraka Aparlma, Tuatapere Te Waewae and Wallace Takitimu community board areas. Applications closing on 30 September 2023 are for the Oretl, Ardlussa and Fiordland community board areas. Applications for the Walhopal Toetoe community board close 15 September with Stewart Island/Rakiura community board applications closing on 31 October.

Applications for the following funding options all close on 30 September,

- » For projects of a larger scale which benefit for the whole region, or at least two community board areas, the District Initiatives Fund supports the development and implementation of initiatives.
- » Local arts initiatives can benefit from Creative Communities funding, while the Ohai Railway Fund provides grants and loans for the benefit of the residents of the former board area.
- Junior school and club sports teams (children age 5-18) could be eligible for the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund to help subsidise transport costs to games when competing regularly in a local competition.

Nominations are now open for the annual Southland District Council community service awards.

Designed to recognise outstanding contributions, it's a fantastic opportunity to honour and celebrate those people in our communities who truly go the extra mile to make a difference.

Community members may nominate an individual or group who have provided a significant contribution to their community board area through leadership, volunteering, or community service.

Nominees contributions could be in the education, youth, health, sport, heritage, art, culture, environment.

Nominations close on 30 September 2023. Southland's nine community boards will then consider any nominations received and allocate up to two community service awards from their respective areas.

Nomination forms are available from SDC www.southlanddc.govt.nz/communityand-facilities/community-service-awards/

Application forms and criteria are available at www.southlanddc.govt.nz/cpf



Bushcraft - Knife Work - Survival skills - Working with Fire - Foraging - Crafting - Cooking



· In School, After School and Holiday Programmes

· Personalized experiences for schools, groups and ECE's - ALL ages

· Birthday Experiences

#### PROGRAMMES:

WILD WONDERERS 7-12 year olds CURIOUS BY NATURE 1-4 year olds

GROUNDED IN NATURE 5-13 year olds





Highly commended: up to 10 awards

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

5 pm, 6th October 2023



Artwork to be sent to Harcourts Gold Spitfire Office Unit 12, 544 Memorial Avenue, Christchurch Airport Christchurch 8053 CONTACT: 03 662 9222





