



Cromwell College

CENTRAL OTAGO

# NEWSLETTER 16

10 November 2017

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**24 November** - Year 6 visit

**27 November - 1 December** - Y9 Aquatics Camp in Cromwell, Y8 EOTC Camp at Tautuku

**30 November - 1 December** - Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Tramps

**1 December** - Y7 Picnic Day

**5 - 7 December** - Arts Week

**8 December** - Junior Prize Giving

### 2018 START DATES

Sunday 28 January Apartments welcome and BBQ

Monday 29 January Staff Only Day

Tuesday 30 January Year 7 and 13 and Year 12 Apartment students (orientation)

Wednesday 31 January 8:50am Powhiri welcome at the auditorium - all students.

Kia ora koutou whanau

"It takes a whole village to raise a child" is a well known Nigerian proverb that I shared at our senior prize giving last Thursday. The proverb highlights for me one of the strengths of learning at this school and in this community. There is a special connectedness, goodwill and aroha between our school and community. This underpins the successes of our students and this was clearly evident during the evening's celebration. Thank you to Maxine Knowler for reminding our Year 13 Leavers of the great advice contained in the principles of our Kawa and congratulations to all students on the pride in their achievements and pride in our school. He rawe to Angelina Rolston our Dux for 2017. Angelina is an astute, self-assured and empathetic young women who is off to study Law and Politics at Otago University next year.

We are planning for a number of staffing changes next year. Anne Sinclair is retiring as Assistant Principal but we are hoping for a few more years teaching from her yet. Anne's warmth, compassion, smile and wisdom have been a tremendous support for many students and staff over many years. We congratulate Greg Thomson on his promotion to the Assistant Principal position vacated by Anne. We will farewell another long serving and loyal staff member with Janice Scott retiring. Janice has been a great mentor to beginning staff, a caring professional Dean and a respected and popular teacher. Holly McDiarmid is expecting her second baby and will be away on maternity leave next year and Astrid Geneblaza is away on study leave to further advance her understanding in senior mathematics. Her work has been taken over by Kieran Philip who has resigned his Head of Faculty Science position to focus on his teaching. Steve Hodgkinson returns to his HOF Physical Education role from his Masters study leave and Lara Coker will take a year's refreshment leave.

Congratulations to Nevis Colloty-Spiers for displaying courage and compassion shaving his hair and raising several hundred dollars for Blood Cancer Research. Well done to our Year 7 and 8 students who competed in the Central Otago Primary School Athletics Championships on Tuesday. Nine students gained places with Lucy Reid 1st in the U13 shotput and Lachie Gillespie 1st in the U13 75 meters and U13 high jump. Congratulations to Tegan Buchanan on winning the Junior Sportsperson of the Year at the Cromwell Sports Awards on Saturday. Tegan has excelled in her hockey this year, locally, regionally and nationally and the award is fitting recognition. We wish Tegan all the best for her university studies next year and her aspirations to play at the national level. Tino pai!

Year 13 students and staff enjoyed a nostalgic final game of 5 bat rounders last week. This group had a lovely farewell evening together on Monday with their Dean and Year 13 teachers eating an enormous amount of pizza, competing tenaciously in the school quiz and sharing an entertaining slide show from their years' at school. I take real pride in seeing how these once cautious Year 7 students have grown into mature, responsible, fun loving, good humoured and respectful young adults. Whaia te taumata rangatahi mā – keep pursuing those highest peaks.

Two students have benefited greatly through a pilot employment project with Fulton Hogan in Alexandra. Brett Ellis is now off to study chemical engineering at Canterbury next year with plans to work in civil engineering. Congratulations to Travis Bingham who has been offered an apprenticeship with Fulton Hogan as a direct result of this programme. We are very grateful to Paul Bissett, Fulton Hogan's Regional Manager for his initiative and passion for this project.

Last week we acknowledged the caring and committed leadership provided by our prefects this year, particularly our Head Boy Keegan McCusker and Head Girl Tegan Buchanan. It was also a pleasure to announce our 2018 prefects to our school and wish them all the best in their role. Congratulations to Maddy Ainsley, Matthew Anderson, Greta Bauer, Tia Clark, Liam Flynn, Regan Hucklebridge, Bob Wardill and Laurel Williams.

Mason Stretch  
Principal



Angelina Rolston - Dux



Nevis Colloty-Spiers



Tegan Buchanan



Y13 vs Staff Sports Competition

## SENIOR PRIZE GIVING PREMIER AWARDS

The College Award -  
Contribution to the sporting life of our school.

**Rian Norton**

Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Gold Awards -  
**Courtney Anderson, Megan Bell, Tegan Buchanan, Tessa Jackson, Keegan McCusker, Terri Taylor and Taylah Wallis**

The Rachel Clark Memorial Award -  
Senior student who has made a significant difference in the lives of others and epitomises our school values of respect, courage and personal excellence.

**Tessa Jackson**

The Leyser Family Lead and Inspire Award  
**Rian Norton and Kees Scott**

The Cromwell Rotary Club Award -  
Responsibility and Leadership in the College  
**Mason Robinson**

The Hutton Family Award -  
Most valuable contribution to the life of the College.

**Tessa Jackson**

The Top Year 11 Academic Award -  
**Emma Deaker**

The Top Year 12 Academic Award -  
**Bob Wardill**

The Top Year 13 Academic Awards -  
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**Hazel Gibson**

Dux Award -  
**Angelina Rolston**



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## CO PRIMARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS



**Lachie Gillespie** - 1st U13 Boys 75m, 1st U13 Boys High jump

**Natalia Geneblaza** - 3rd U13 Girls Hop, step & jump, 3rd U13 Girls 75m

**Lucy Reid** - 1st U13 Girls Discus

**Simone Wilson** - 2nd U12 Shot put

**Danni Buchanan** - 2nd= U13 girls Discus

**Jack Young** - 3rd U13 Boys High Jump 200m U13 Boys relay - 3rd - **Lachie Gillespie, Owain Harris, Jack Young, Julian Gerritsen**



## SENIOR PRIZE GIVING



## MUSIC NEWS

The Cromwell College Music Department has had a particularly successful year.

In addition to the third placing of the senior band 'The Usual Strangers' at the Smokefree Rockquest in Queenstown and the second placing of the Jazzband '45 South' at Invercargill, three students have shown outstanding talent and commitment to their Music studies.

Year 13 student Ash Stanley-Suter gained first in class and the En Hakkore prize for contribution to College Groups. Next year Ash is heading to Auckland University to study Contemporary Music.

Year 12 student Cameron Miller came from South Africa during Term Two and has made an amazing contribution to the music department and in particular the Jazzband. Cameron has achieved all Excellence passes in Performance credits on the trumpet and on his second instrument bass guitar. Cameron is an all rounder and also accompanied the band 'The Windows' on drums during the recent Soiree. Cameron won the trophy for outstanding achievement in all aspects of music and performance and first in Year 12.

Year 11 Pianist Logan Bell has achieved Excellence passes in Solo performance at Level One and Two this year. He was awarded the Ryan Trophy for the student showing promise in musical performance and first in class Year 11. All three students have participated in the College Jazzband 45 South this year.



from left Ash Stanley Suter (18) Logan Bell (16) and Cameron Miller (17)

Cath Forsyth Teacher of Senior Music

## FOLLOW UP STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

TUESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER, 7PM  
CROMWELL COLLEGE LIBRARY

## NOTICE FROM THE LIBRARY



With the end of year approaching I would appreciate if any library books found at home could be returned please. Several pupils have two or more books outstanding, thank you.

Barbara Hepburn - Librarian

## CANTEEN CLOSED 1 DECEMBER

Please note that the canteen will be closed on Friday 1 December due to Y8 & Y9 Camp, Y7 picnic day and Y10 Duke of Edinburgh expeditions. It will also be open a half day on Thursday 20 November. Please ensure that students attending Cromwell College on Friday 1 December have a packed lunch, thank you.

## DRAMA

Year 8 and 9 classes have been fortunate to add Drama to their rotation classes this year.

Teachers Catherine Forsyth and Kylie Hodkinson have been working with students to teach them the elements and techniques of drama and to apply these to practical work. Students



have been working on both scripted work and process drama during their 9 week modules. Photo shows Year 8 students 'Freeze framing' a scene from a circus.



## MANA POUNAMU AWARDS

Jordan Paranihi and  
Keegan McCusker



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

For the first time ever at Camp Columba

## PARENT CHILD CAMP 2017

### FOR DADS & DAUGHTERS AND MUMS & SONS!

**When?**  
10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> November  
(Friday 7pm – Sunday 2.30pm)

**Cost?**

- \$120 only for any mother/son, daddy/daughter duo for the whole weekend!
- + \$50 for any additional child or parent figure

**What?**  
An epic fun-filled weekend focussing on building your relationship! There will be useful **toolbox sessions** run by Katrina Ritani (the Parenting Place), **stories&tips** from parents who have made it through, heaps of fun activities and projects, and great food!

**Who?**

- Daughter and Sons of any age above 8 years.
- Mums, Dads, Mother or Father Figures of any age.

**REGISTER THROUGH OUR WEBSITE TODAY!**  
[www.campcolumba.org.nz](http://www.campcolumba.org.nz)

## A SERIOUS FISHING COMPETITION WITH A FAMILY FLAVOUR




In association with  
Central Otago  
Hunting & Fishing  
Club of Cromwell



### LOWBURN HALL LOWBURN INLET LAKE DUNSTAN

**GREAT PRIZES  
- INCLUDING  
SPOT PRIZES!**

## 24TH ANNUAL LAKE DUNSTAN FISHING CLASSIC

### SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2017

**ENTRY FORMS  
AVAILABLE FROM:**

Central Otago Hunting & Fishing  
7 Iles Street, Cromwell  
- Ph. 445 4630

Central Otago Sports Depot  
25 Tarbert Street, Alexandra  
- Ph. 03 448 8206

or from 6am - 8am on the day  
at the Lowburn Hall



## 2018 ADVENTURE SKILLS ACADEMY

### GROUP OUTDOOR EXPEDITIONS THAT ALSO OFFER YOU A BOOST OF 15 L3 NCEA CREDITS

**COURSE OVERVIEW:**  
Make the most of your summer!  
BRAND NEW at Whenua Iti Outdoors - The Adventure Skills Academy (Ages 15-18). This is a multi-activity, residential, adventure training programme for January 2018. It includes 9 days and 8 nights of sea-kayaking, rock climbing, caving, bush survival, adventure racing skills, navigation and cooking in the outdoors.  
Plus, the added bonus of the opportunity to achieve up to 15 NCEA Level 3 credits embedded in the programme. To give you the perfect kick-start to 2018.

**Available to:** Ages 15-18  
**NCEA Level:** 15 Credits at Level 3  
**Delivery Mode:** 3 x 3 day expeditions combined for the ultimate 9-day camp  
**Location:** Abel Tasman and Kahurangi National Parks  
**Cost:** \$1800 - includes all transport (ex Nelson)\*, food, equipment, tuition, adventures, training and fun!  
**Dates:** Starts Wed 17 January 2018

\*Transport pick-up/drop-off can be coordinated for those from out of region

**REGISTER NOW!**  
Register online at [www.wio.org.nz](http://www.wio.org.nz)  
Further enquiries: [mark@wio.org.nz](mailto:mark@wio.org.nz) or 035267842  
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## CROMWELL FARMERS' & CRAFT MARKET

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### Kids' Market

Sunday, 19 November 2017

9am – 1pm

The Cromwell Farmers' and Craft Market welcomes young people to join our friendly group of Stallholders and learn what is involved in producing, presenting and selling produce at the Market.

**Key Pointers:**

- The product should originate from your own efforts, not those of an adult.
- The product can be homemade food, homegrown produce or handmade crafts.
- You will be expected to meet the same requirements, and follow exactly the same Market Day practices, as any adult Stallholder.
- Stall fee is \$5

**This Means:**

Completing our registration form and returning it, once received the Market Committee will consider your application.

Once accepted you need to turn up between 8am and 8.30am to set up your stall. You will need a small table and a comfy chair if you wish. Having a sun umbrella or similar would be a good idea if produce needs shading from rain or sun – and a means of anchoring that in case of wind.

Make a good dear sign in very large print to attract all of your customers. Have some change and a zip bag for money. Don't forget to bring a smile and a friendly face!

We look forward to seeing you at the Market.

Sherry Thornburg

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