



11 December 2017



# NEWSLETTER 18

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### 2018 DATES

- 22 January - School office opens.
- 25 January - Senior course confirmations.
- 26 January - Staff only day
- Sunday 28 January - Apartments welcome and BBQ
- 29 January - Staff Only Day
- 30 January - Year 7 and 13 and Year 12 Apartment students (orientation)
- 31 January - 8:50am Powhiri welcome at the auditorium - all students.

Kia ora whānau

It is said that it is not how you start, but how you finish that matters and we have certainly had a fabulous finish to the year. Our students have genuinely impressed us with their academic focus in class and their citizenship and responsibility on various excursions, trips, camps, Hillary Award tramps, the junior sports tournament and Year 7-10 speeches. I heard many glowing compliments about students' responsible behaviour and courage from staff and parents. A sincere thank you to staff, parents and friends who assisted to make all these activities so enjoyable and beneficial for our rangatahi.

Dr Who, Where, When, What and Why was the theme of our Arts Week finale. Every year Arts Week allows our students to shine in their leadership, teamwork, enthusiasm, effort, creativity and school spirit. Inevitably they produce entertaining visual spectacles that show enjoyment, skill and pride. In this year's Arts Week the chief Dalek ensured that everyone obeyed, no one was exterminated, the Tardis landed safely and Doctor When (Nevis) prevailed on the day.



Winning House - Nevis

Once our seniors leave I regularly remind our students that finishing strong is part of how we do things here, raising the bar that little bit higher for ourselves and our peers and living the values of our Kawa: Respect, Courage and Personal Excellence. Our Junior Prize Giving last Friday evening was part of finishing strong and it was a fitting tribute to the many achievements of our students this year. Congratulations to all who achieved their goals this year and crossed the stage on Friday night. The holidays are an ideal time to reflect on how 2017 went, to reset goals for 2018 and return to make next year an even better one. Tino pai rangatahi mā.



Arts Week - Dr Who

Well done to our Year 10 Home Economics Class and teacher Tineke Hayes for baking, decorating and delivering over 30 small Christmas cakes to a number of our senior citizens recently. Students enjoyed the process of coordinating this small act of Christmas spirit and kindness and the cakes were certainly appreciated by the gracious people who received them.



Y10 Christmas Cake Making

Congratulations to our speech winners Lucy Laws and Bella Dickison on the confident presentation of their thought provoking speeches at our Junior Prize Giving last week. I enjoyed hearing a number of the Year 7-8 and Year 9-10 speech finalists kōrero on a range of social justice and general interest topics and commend them for their preparation and courage.



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Tramp

One of our goals next year is to further enhance the communication with our whānau and community. For our parents, there are currently five main avenues we utilise: our KAMAR portal for all student information on absences, achievement and progress, including daily notices; direct emails to family; our website's school calendar; this newsletter; and our facebook pages for the school, Apartments, Internationals and College Sport. We also use the free Skoolbag App to push out messages and our newsletter. We will also hold a further public meeting in Term 1 next year to share other goals in our Annual Plan for 2018.



Junior Speeches - Greer Ferguson

A huge thank you to our whanau and community for all the support and encouragement for our students and staff this year. This strong connectedness with our community is at the heart of the success of our students – ngā mihi nui. Christmas and Season's greetings to you all, Mere Kirihimete.

Mason Stretch  
Principal



**Whaia te taumata - Deserve Success**

## Vocational Business Scholarships 2017

Cromwell Pharmacy Scholarship for a student pursuing a course in Health Sciences - Keegan McCusker

Vinpro Scholarship for a student pursuing a course in Agriculture, Horticulture or Science - Rian Norton

Breen Scholarship for a student pursuing a course in Building or Construction - Kees Scott and Jeremy Ferguson.

## Tertiary Scholarships 2017

Otago Polytechnic Scholarship for a student pursuing a course at Otago Polytechnic - Ruby May Taylor.

Central Lakes Trust Tertiary Scholarships - Courtney Anderson, Tessa Jackson, Isla Johnstone, Tegan Mills, Mason Robinson, Amelia Wilkinson.

University of Otago Tertiary Scholarships  
Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship in recognition of proven academic ability and outstanding leadership capabilities - Tessa Jackson.

Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship in recognition of proven academic ability and outstanding leadership capabilities - Mason Robinson.

Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship in recognition of proven academic ability and outstanding leadership capabilities - Courtney Vowles.

Performance Entrance Scholarship in recognition of academic ability and high level performance - Tegan Buchanan

Alumni Entrance Scholarship in recognition of exceptional ability and proven leadership capabilities - Keegan McCusker.

New Frontiers Excellence Entrance Scholarship in recognition of academic ability - Isla Johnstone.

University of Otago Vice-**Chancellor's Scholarship** in recognition of academic ability and potential to succeed at university - Angelina Rolston.

University of Otago Dux Scholarship  
Angelina Rolston

## YEAR 7 MURAL



Congratulations to **Jemmimah McCombe Rae** who recently passed Grade 7 Speech and Drama with Trinity College. Jemmimah passed with Distinction. Jemmimah has been learning speech since she was 7 years old and her teacher is Effie Cockburn of Cromwell. Jemmimah is also in the College junior debating team. Ka pai!

Congratulations to **Emma Morton, Kate Spriggs & Lachlann MacTaggart** for attending the Otago 12 & under swimming championships.

Emma had the following placings.  
1st 100m breaststroke, 1st 200m IM, 1st 100m butterfly, 1st 50m breaststroke, 2nd 50m butterfly

Lachlann had the following placings.  
1st 400m Freestyle, 2nd 100m breaststroke, 3rd 50 m freestyle, 3rd 100m Freestyle, 3rd 200m freestyle, 3rd 50m Breaststroke, 3rd 200m breaststroke

## YEAR 8 MOVIE TRIP



On Thursday, November 23rd, most of our Year 8 students were rewarded with a bus trip to the Clyde Cinema to watch the film 'Wonder'. The Board of Trustees funded this trip as a reward for their good behaviour and engagement in class throughout the last half of the year. We had lunch at the park under the shade of trees before the film and we all enjoyed the beautiful story that 'Wonder' portrayed.

## THANK YOU!



Thanks to PlaceMakers Cromwell on their assistance with unloading our new carpet tiles and another trip to unload the trolley.



## UNIFORM

All senior students wanting to wear the new boys shirts in 2018, please phone Tanya at Metro Graphix on phone 0276213582 or 4454533 between 9am and 2:30pm to arrange a fitting time. There is limited stock on hand but most items need to be pre-ordered, thank you.

If other uniform items need topping up - please also call Tanya to order.

## ARTS WEEK



## JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING PREMIER AWARDS 2017

Cromwell College Award - contribution to the sporting life of the school -

**Kelsey Clark and Ryan Jones**

Cromwell Rotary Club Award - responsibility and leadership in Years 7 and 8 - **Halle Jones**

Ryan's Cup - the student who has made an outstanding contribution to the life of the Junior School - **Jordan Paranihi**

Cromwell Rotary Club Award - responsibility and leadership in Years 9 and 10 -

**Tamara Hansen**

Cromwell College Cup - Top Achieving Year 9 student - **Julia Anderson**

Junior Dux - for the Top Academic Year 10 student  
**Emma Paul**

Koru Award - Girl - Runner Up to Top Y10 student -  
**Holly Parkes**

Koru Award - Boy - Runner up to Top Y10 student -  
**Ryan Jones**

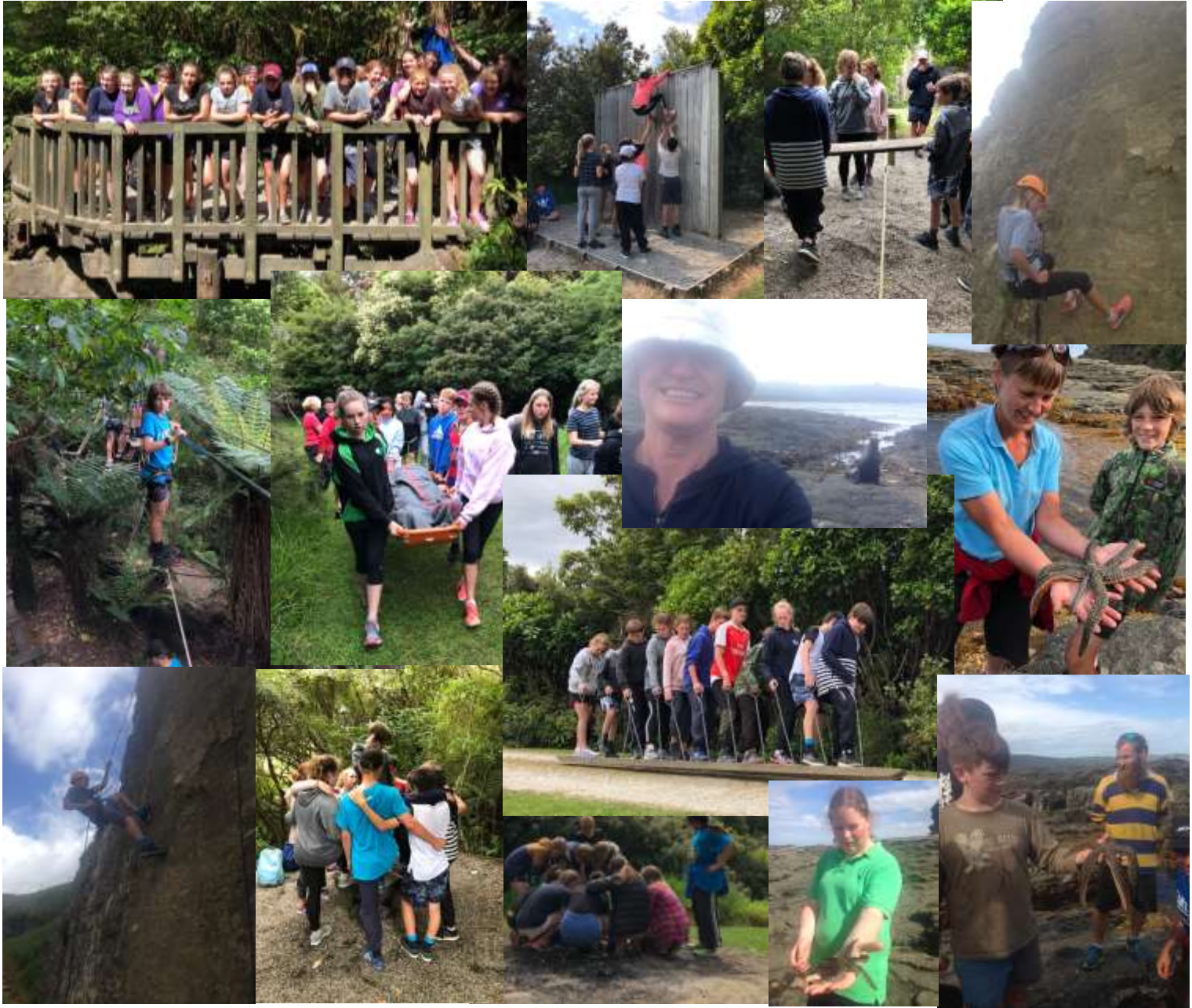
Pounamu Award - Top All Round Year 10 student  
**Jordan Paranihi**



## Y10 DUKE OF EDINBURGH TRAMP



## YEAR 8 CAMP



## YEAR 9 CAMP

