



NEWSLETTER 10

4 August 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS:

8 August - Academic Mentoring / Year 7 & 8 Parent Meeting - school finishes at 12:40 pm

9 August - School Photos

15 August - Year 7 and 8 Snowsports

16 August - Year 9 and 10 Snowsports

4 - 8 September - Sports Tournament Week

13 - 20 September - Senior Assessment Period

20 September - Soirée

22 September - SIT Open Day

25 September - Year 7 and 8 Kavanagh Exchange (Cromwell)

29 September - Last Day of Term 3

16 October - First Day of Term 4

Kia ora koutou whānau

"It is better to aim for a target and just miss than aim for nothing and get it" This was a quote from a student at one of my first assemblies here at Cromwell College. I have shared it several times with our students encouraging them to make the most of the time spent setting and reviewing goals. Goals make a difference when it comes to achieving things in our lives, but only when they are alive and reviewed regularly. Next Tuesday the second round of our Academic Mentoring interviews between students, parents and form teachers provides this opportunity to review, reappraise and reset goals for this year. I encourage students to make the most of this time as they consider next steps with their whanau and form teacher.

Ka rawe to Hannah Bisset on being selected for a Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award. Hannah is a diligent, determined and considerate student who strives to be her best. Hannah is also a skilled and dedicated netball player who has been selected for Central Otago this year. She leads by example and is highly respected by her peers. Tino pai Hannah.



Hannah Bisset

On Thursday Tegan Buchanan and Rian Norton received their ODT Class Act Awards from Prime Minister Bill English at a ceremony in Dunedin. It is always a special celebration of excellence and a tremendous accolade for the deserving students and proud families. Tegan is our Head Girl this year and an outstanding all-rounder. She has achieved Excellence Endorsements in Level 1 and Level 2 NCEA, is completing her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award and is a talented and dynamic hockey player who has captained the U18 Southern hockey team at National Tournament this year. Rian Norton excels at soccer and plays for the Queenstown Rover team in the Otago Premier Division. Last year Rian played in the Otago U17 team 'Super Cup' in Northern Ireland and trained with the premier league side Crystal Palace. Rian is coaching our senior soccer team this year, is one of our strong Prefect team, a Year 8 mentor, a leader in our kapa haka group over several years and is completing his Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. Tau kē! and congratulations Tegan and Rian.



Rian Norton, Prime Minister; Bill English, Tegan Buchanan - Class Act

\$400,000 contributed over 9 years highlights the commitment of our Community Business Sponsors to our school and the monthly Breakfast Club meeting held this week at The Gate was an opportunity to acknowledge this loyalty and share some the impact this generous funding is having in our school. Our students benefit directly through the sports culture fund to support travel beyond Cromwell, the scholarships for academic achievement, extra staffing, new computers and specialised equipment such as the new 3D printer in the Technology Faculty. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou – thank you.



Community Business Sponsors Breakfast

We have teams competing in the Otago Ski and Snowboard Championships next week and the Year 7-10 students have their snowsports days the following week. A reminder that normal classes will finish at 12:40pm on Tuesday next week for our Academic Mentoring.

At the end of last term we farewelled Melanie Mills, physical education, and Jill Lawson, English and we have welcomed back Amy Dickie from her maternity leave and Tony and Patsy Streeter who have had a memorable time exploring Europe and the UK. We have also welcomed Ros Allan to our staff as the new manager of the Central Lakes RTLB Cluster.



I enjoyed a lovely winters day last Saturday watching some of our netball teams and U15 rugby team playing in Alexandra. It was a great day to watch school sport, korero with parents and enjoy the skill, determination, teamwork and sportsmanship of our students in these teams. Their display highlighted again for me the significance of our KAWA. The Respect students showed for themselves, their team mates, the opposition and the officials, the Courage to keep at it when things didn't always go their way and the desire of each student to be their best on the field of play – to be Excellent. It was a pleasure to be on the side line supporting you rangatahi mā – kia ora.



Weekend Sport - Netball & U15 Rugby

Ngā mihi, Mason Stretch
Principal

PREFECTS' PATCH

Hi everyone!

We hope you had an awesome break away and had a bit of fun!

In this column we are going to talk about our lunchtime involvement around school. We (Keegan and Tessa) are both fortunate enough to be the crew representing the Prefects on Monday breaks in the junior school.

A way many of the junior school spend their breaks is on the hustle courts. For those of you that don't know about this phenomenon that has been alive since we were in Year 7, its rules are simple. Each player is designated a square on the court. The King serves to anyone with the aim of the game to keep continuously hitting the ball with your hand and make sure it doesn't go "out" or bounce twice. Other names of this popular game are four square or handball, hustle is the term known well and that is passed down from one Cromwell College student to another. To be honest, when it was my first time playing "hustle" I thought that it was called four square...I guess it's simply another pickle or gherkin debate.

Anyway, enough about pickles! If you consider yourself a weapon in the game of hustle or are just keen to test out your skills against the teachers, stay posted for the Staff VS Student's hustle competition in a couple of weeks.

But in the meantime if you see us around in breaks, and want to test out our "sweeping" ability, hit us up - or Mr Stretch for that matter; he's always up for a challenge!



Tessa Jackson

SPORTS NEWS

Girls Year 7, 8 & 9 Rugby - learn how to play the game. Skills learning but no actual games. Thursdays from 3:30pm - 4:30pm starting 3 August. Signup sheet in gym foyer, or turn up at sports club 3:30pm each Thursday.



Cromwell College First XV Rugby team hosting a visiting UK team - game is 2pm Tuesday 8 August on College field.

Megan Anderson - Sports Coordinator

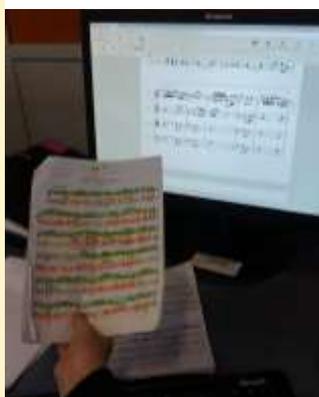


"Attitude" Presentation to all year levels on health well being and identity.

MUSIC NEWS

The Music department has been embracing the use of technology recently with activities and assessments done online using specific online learning tools.

Year 10 students have been working on analysing a work of their choice (These included 'Hotel California' by the Eagles, 'Buffalo Soldier' by Bob Marley and 'Anastasia' by Slash) Students were required to present a power point (either individually or collaboratively) to present to their peers on their chosen work. This had to include an analysis suitable for a layman to understand. They also had to perform or play via youtube the piece (embedding the song in their Powerpoint) to allow other students to identify the description of elements given.



Emma Gardner (Year 12) shows the piano piece and the transcription on Noteflight.

NCEA Level Two

Instrumentation presents the challenge of transcribing a piece for piano into a work for a small ensemble. This can involve writing for transposing instruments such as the Clarinet and Horn; their music is not written in concert pitch.



Logan Bell (Year 11) works on his string quartet work.

Three NCEA Level One students and also four Level Two students are sitting this Achievement Standard.

Students are working on software which includes Noteflight and Finalemusic. This is a useful skill to have as a musician and this software can be used for transcription and transposition if students wish to rewrite a piece of music into a different key.



Anika Smith and Marnie Crighton (Year 10) work collaboratively on the analysis of their piece 'Jar of Hearts' by Christina Perry



Cath Forsyth Senior Music.

NCEA QUALIFICATIONS FEES

Students entering for a NCEA qualification this year need to pay their NZQA fee which is collected by the College.

Standard fee for entry to NCEA standards is \$76-70. Entry for NZ Scholarship is \$30.00 per subject.

Financial assistance is available for those receiving a work and income or study link benefit having a joint family income that would entitle the applicant to receive a Community Services Card having more than one child undertaking NZQA qualifications in the same year, where total fees would be more than \$200.

Financial assistance application forms can be sourced from the College or from the NZQA website www.nzqa.govt.nz

Applications for financial assistance must be received at the College by the 29th August. All NZQA fees (if by cheques payable to Cromwell College) must be received by 5 September 2017.

Please contact Mr Streeter at the College if you have any questions. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Terri Taylor - Central Otago Motorsport Club; won Top Junior Driver of the Year and was the 18 year old Southland - Otago champion, 3rd year in a row.

Jack King competed in the SISS road cycling champs in the holidays and placed 4th in both the scratch race and the individual time-trial. A great achievement.

Cromwell St John Cadets

Congratulations to **Tamara Hansen** in winning the Central Otago/Southern Lakes Division competition as an intermediate individual, thereby qualifying to go to the Regionals Competition. Also well done to the Intermediate team of **Julia Anderson, Holly Parkes, Kaia Hutchison** and **Anika Smith** and to the Senior Team of **Tessa Jackson, Jasmine Dunnet, Lucy van Dyke** and **Jaclyn Hay**. Both of these teams coming second in their respective divisions.

Congratulations to both Courtney Anderson and Tessa Jackson in gaining their Grand Prior Awards.

Congratulation again to **Courtney Anderson** in becoming the Cromwell St John Youth Assistant Divisional Manager.



Rotary International
Youth Exchange Programme
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Rotary Youth Exchange is an official programme of Rotary and we are now seeking applications from motivated secondary school students interested in spending a year overseas as part of this long established successful educational and cultural exchange.

This year, we have added Taiwan as an exchange partner, giving one student the opportunity to become fluent in Mandarin.

- Students must be aged between 16 and 18 ½ at departure in January 2018.
- Exchange partners for 2018 are: Sweden, Denmark, France, Switzerland, Austria, Chile and Taiwan
- No family Rotary affiliation required.
- Applications close 20 August 2017

Rotary Youth Exchange offers student training and preparation, a strong student support structure and oversight by a reputable global service organisation. Students attend a local school but stay with several host families for variety and a true cultural experience.

Students benefit from personal growth and development, independence and self confidence while making worldwide friendships and learning a new language. If you want to gain a fresh understanding of yourself and others, have fun and a whole lot of new experiences consider being a Rotary Youth Exchange student for 2018.

If you are ready for a life changing experience and for the rewarding challenge and the unique and life long rewards that come from living in another country as a RYE student, then contact us for more information.

Contact: Gary Williams

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Prizes include vouchers, wine and \$500 in cash for the winning adult and \$250 in the junior category.

Get your entry form by emailing mirror@stl.co.nz or visit your local page on Neighbourly.co.nz.

Entries close 30th August 2017



COMMUNITY EVENTS

CROMWELL'S 111th

Charity Ball

Old Time Family Dance

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Saturday 12th August 2017

Memorial Hall, Cromwell - 8.00pm

Large Band, great music, supper & company.
Come to dance or come to listen.
Senior Citizens & Students \$20; Adults \$25; Family Deals.
Ladies a plate (finger food)

Tickets available from the
Harringtons 445 3364, Buxtons 445 1036
& The Cromwell Pharmacy - 22 The Mall

This year we are raising funds to support the work of P & C Johnstone (& family) - a young couple from the Tapanui area working among the poor and needy in Burkina Faso, West Africa.

Contact Harringtons for more info...

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GO BUS

With the recent weather we thought we would do a quick email out to notify that if there are delays in any school bus runs due to the weather we would be putting it across the local radio stations as previously done but also we will be putting it onto our Facebook page – Go Bus Central. If you are able to let your parents know that this will be another way of keeping them all informed of any delays.



Planting day: Saturday 5 August
Richards Beach, Cromwell

Time: 11 am

Bring a spade if you have one.

All welcome.

Bad weather postponed one week.

Ph Barbara 03 445 8234 for info

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New Zealand Industry Exercise Awards Community Excellence 2014 & 2015

College kids boot camp ages 11-15yrs is on Mondays at 4:30pm for 30 min and BoxFit 11-18yrs is on Wednesdays at 5:00pm for 30 minutes. Students can come to one or both classes for \$60 a term.



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- Coloured chalk
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