



15 September 2017



NEWSLETTER 13

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 16 September** - SISS Ski/board Championships
- 20 September** - Soirée
- 22 September** - SIT Open Day
- 24 September** - OSS Duathlon
- 25 September** - Year 7 and 8 Kavanagh Exchange (Cromwell)
- 26 September** - CO Volleyball Tournament
- 29 September** - Last Day of Term 3, Years 11-13 reports emailed home
- 16 October** - First Day of Term 4
- 17 - 19 October** - Y8 Girls Self Defense
- 20 October** - Y7/8 Athletics with Mt Aspiring College
- 23 October** - Labour Day

Kia ora koutou whānau

We are very proud of the high achievements of our students in recent weeks. Ka rawe (congratulations) to our teams who competed in the Winter Sport Tournament. Our girls hockey team had a great week making the final of the Jenny McDonald Cup for the second year running. They lost to a strong Waitaki Girls team 0-2 in a close fought game. Our netballers also excelled in the B Grade competition finishing 7th out of 32 teams, a huge improvement on previous years. This follows their impressive 2nd placing in the Alexandra based competition this year. Ngā mihi to Laurel Williams on her selection in the tournament team. Our boys soccer team played in the toughest pool drawing against the 3rd place getters and losing narrowly 3-2 to the eventual winners. All of the staff and parents involved with our students praised their commitment, behaviour, sense of responsibility and respect for the opportunity to represent our school. Tino pai!

Congratulations to Tegan Buchanan on her selection as the youngest player in the Southern team for the National Hockey League competition running from 16 to 24 September. This is a massive achievement for Tegan and recognition of her talent, skill and dedicated commitment to hockey over many years.

Our Social Studies teams excelled in the Central Otago ODT Social Studies Quizzes last week. Tau kē and well done to Flynn Wilson, Charlotte Fluksa and Simone Wilson on their 1st placing out of 60 teams in the Year 7-8 competition and ka pai to Ben McGechan, Emma Morton and Kaylee Butler on their 3rd placing. Our team of Zachariah Fluksa, Jacob Klemick and Zach de Joux finished 2nd equal in the Year 9-10 competition. We also had a large number of teams in both competitions who had a very enjoyable evening. Ka pai ō mahi rangatahi mā – great effort.

Nineteen students had a fabulous time at the Otago Secondary Schools Music Festival held in Dunedin on Monday and on Wednesday. Twenty eight students gave an accomplished performance at the Otago Polyfest celebration. Both groups have made a real commitment to preparing for these events and they were all excellent ambassadors for our school.

Tena koutou and thank you to our school community for the tremendous turn out and positive engagement at our strategic plan consultation meeting on Tuesday night. The constructive, honest feedback is invaluable as we set the compass for the next 5 to 10 years. I liked the following vision statement suggested by several parents - 'Best I can be'. Our Board is meeting again this term to review all the input we have received to date and will provide feedback to those who attended the consultation evening and to our school community, by early next term. We also plan to hold another consultation evening before the end of this year. Thank you again.

We have farewelled Sue Lewis who has been caring and proactive in her role of relieving for counsellor Holly McDiarmid for the first three terms of this year. Ms McDiarmid returns for three days a week next term and counsellor Jonathan Casbolt is likely to continue for two days a week until the end of this year. We are fortunate to have two very skilled and approachable counselling staff to support students and families.

Senior students are on leave this week for their practice external NCEA exams and our senior course option information for 2018 is with students now. Each Year 10, 11 and 12 student is being interviewed by their Dean to discuss and confirm subjects, in line with their future pathways. Kate Borrie, our Careers Advisor, is also available for families to discuss subject choices for next year.

Ngā mihi nui,
Mason Stretch



Y7/8 Social Studies Quiz Winners:
Charlotte, Flynn, Simone



Community Consultation Evening



Otago Polyfest - Kapa Haka Group

TOURNAMENT WEEK

Our sports teams have all achieved strong rankings across the three SISS tournaments they competed in last week. The boys first XI Football finished 10th in the Linwood trophy tournament, the girls first XI Hockey fought it out for a 2nd place in the Jenny McDonald Cup, and the Senior A netball girls placed 7th in their competition, moving well up from their previous ranking of 21st place. The support shown to our competitors from parents, staff, coaches/managers, and the wider school community has been outstanding and certainly spurred them on to play their best. A big thanks to you all. Well done students - we're proud of you all!

Megan Anderson
Sports Coordinator

CROMWELL COLLEGE 1ST XI FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

The Cromwell College 1st XI Football Team would like to thank the following generous sponsors for their support in getting the team to Secondary School Football Tournament in Dunedin.



Heavy Duty Trellis, Redpaths, Checketts McKay Law, Hawkes Bay Chiropractor, Webb & Sons Orchard, Straightline Roofing, Mathew Smith Contracting, Real Living, Central Stopping, Central Otago Wine Company, Scott Ede Design, The Gate, Wooing Tree, Cromwell Junior Soccer Club

We would also like to thank the **Cromwell College Business Sponsors** for their significant contribution.
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Neil Stuart (Coach) and Greg Thomson (Manager) were honoured to take this fine group of young men to Tournament. After a very tough round of pool play (only going down to the eventual champions) we were forced into the bottom half of the draw. As a team we played hard & fair with full commitment to each team member.

ODT SOCIAL STUDIES QUIZ



Year 7/8 - 3rd place team

Ben McGechan
Emma Morton
Kaylee Butler



Year 9 - 2nd place team

Zachariah Fluksa
Jacob Klemick
Zach de Joux

ROCK CLIMBING AFTER SCHOOL GROUP EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY



PREFECTS' PATCH

Kia Ora! Quite a bit has been happening at Cromwell College over the past few weeks. Haka and Photography competitions, tournament week, local debating tournaments and the build up to mock exams for seniors add to an already packed curriculum full of opportunity for excellence.

So as we ramp up to the 'business part' of the year it is more important, now more than ever to embody a key part of the kawa at the College' and the focus of the prefect group this term, courage. Courage can be something significant such as standing up for a classmate or giving something a go, to something as simple as answering a question. So when you're out and about in the next few weeks remember, it's easy to stand with the crowd, it takes courage to stand alone.

Ngā Mihi
Mason Robinson



HOUSE HAKA COMPETITION RESULTS

1. **Nevis**
2. **Kawarau**
3. **Pisa**
4. **Clutha**

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARDS FOR PRIZE GIVING

A reminder to please email the office individual student achievements (both senior and junior) so they can be recognized at prize giving.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Congratulations to Matthew Anderson, Tia Clark, Bella Dickison, Bob Wardill who have been nominated. All spoke very well to potential voters (Years 9 to 13). The student voting will take place on 21 & 22 September 2017 during form time.

OTAGO MUSIC FESTIVAL



Music teachers Trish Copland and Cath Forsyth headed down to Dunedin on Monday 11 September to attend the Otago Music Festival.

Students from schools in Otago participated, with Cromwell College students travelling the furthest. Practices started around six weeks ago with Trish Copland and Jasmine Cuthbert teaching the students the songs for the Combined Schools Choir. String and brass players from the school also took part in the orchestral and jazz band pieces. In all 19 students participated from Cromwell College.

Schools rehearsed during the day with a concert in the evening. An inspiring evening of music was enjoyed by the audience and participants.

Special thanks to parents drivers Linda Bell and Karlene Gardner.

2018 START DATES

Monday 29 January Staff Only Day

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

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

YEAR 9 MATHEMATICS



9F completing 'metric conversions and scale factor' for measurement in mathematics. Mini Olympics - left-hand sponge squeeze and acorn grab.

CARE AND FRIENDSHIP

Last Wednesday, Teacher of Senior Music and Performing Arts coordinator Catherine Forsyth took a group of 7 Music students to perform for the elderly at 'Care and Friendship'. Cromwell College students perform regularly there and we consider it a great opportunity for students to perform in front of an appreciative audience. Students are practising for the upcoming Soiree and senior performance assessments. All opportunities are welcome to help them improve their performance technique.



Care and Friendship presenters from left the photo shows NCEA students Cameron Miller, Aleisha Adams, Jack Brogan and Logan Bell. Followed by Jemmimah

McCombe-Rae, (Speech Year 9) Marnie Crichton and Anika Smith (Year 10).

8C - SWIM SAFE PROGRAM



COMMUNITY EVENTS

LIFE AFTER SCHOOL DAYS - PARENTING BY IAN MUNRO

Term three is under way and, for some teens, the writing is on the wall. They're starting to think about life after school - either once the winter sports season is finished or at the end of the year. For many, it will end up being a move into further study at tertiary level and for others it will be their first full-time, permanent job. Some will be moving from casual after-school or weekend work and have some familiarity with the workplace; for others it will be a whole new world of structure, expectation and relationships.

To prepare your teen for the workplace, whether it's their first permanent position or just their first summer holiday job, there are some things worth talking over with them.

First impressions count more than anything else towards which path the relationship with the employer or supervisor is going to go down. The cocky attitude taken to impress mates at school won't go down well. Showing a good measure of respect for these people and the business's customers is essential.

Being a reliable employee is also of prime importance. The boss needs to know you will be on duty and ready to go at the scheduled time and also that you won't be disappearing early. With seven-day-a-week operations, early starts and late finishes, your teen needs to understand from the outset what that will mean in terms of commitment and possibly sacrifice. If they think teachers are tough on lateness - wait until the boss has a go. Being a willing employee ready to try new things, help out elsewhere, swap a shift or show initiative as appropriate can lead to promotion or an increase in the wage packet and enhance job security. It will certainly help get through those first 90 days. Chatting with friends at the counter or via phone or texting will not. In fact, keep that cellphone turned off during working hours.

The language of the schoolyard or friends at the mall is not likely to be appropriate in the workplace. Listen to how co-workers communicate with each other and with the boss. See what seems to work best. Suggest they take it reasonably quietly for the first week but having said that, it is also important that they not shy about asking when something is not understood - don't blunder on. Ask, listen and learn. And learning means being prepared to take criticism, which can come in many forms. It can be positive and constructive in the way it's presented or it can come hard and harsh, particularly in a fast moving environment where safety is paramount. Sometimes it might seem to be unfair. However, unless it becomes harassment or bullying, take it on the chin and move on.

Cromwell College Parents

"Cromwell College Home and School" needs fresh and new ideas. We are looking to rebrand ourselves to be more effective for our parent and school community

Are you interested in:

- knowing what is going on for your children at college?
- making a difference for your children at college?
- contributing to making college a great place for our kids?
- being 'in the loop' about college activities?

Come along, meet new parents and discuss what you would like to see happen for your children in Cromwell.

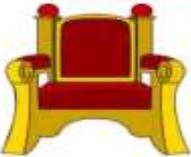
Join us for a complimentary drink (wine, beer or juice) and platters
Wednesday the 27th of September, 7pm The Five Stage.

RSVP

Therese McCambe-Rae (0278478860), or Jacalyn Tapp (021709597)
Or just come along

It's not Mastermind

But ...



You can Support Cromwell St John

Fundraising Quiz

Blind Auction

Raffle

Saturday 14 October @ 7pm

Cromwell Sports Club



Entry \$10 pp teams of 4
Pre-ordered Antipasto platters available \$10

Book your team now by text 0221111063 or e-mail: cromwell@newsomel.co.nz

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Cromwell College presents



The Soirée

The evening of Wednesday September 20th
7:00 pm

College Auditorium



Adults \$5- Students Gold Coin donation.

Food available to be purchased (a Home and School fundraiser)

A celebration of the Arts at Cromwell College

*Tickets sold at the door on the night -
no pre ticket sales.*