



From the Rector's Desk
Greetings everyone to Newsletter 6
Kia ora e hoa mā

We have certainly hit the ground running for this 11 week term.

A visit from the Real Art Road Show started the term. Many of our students viewed Art work from 65 New Zealand artists ranging from Ralph Hotere to Toss Woollaston. Thank you to Ms Snell for co-ordinating this.

Each year, I am amazed at not only the breadth of talent at our school who perform in the Prefects' Variety Concert but also the excellent organisational skills of our Prefects. Please come along to watch our amazing group of young people this Sunday/Monday. Tickets are available from Student Reception.



Congratulations to Janelle Gibson and Scott Martin on their success at the New Zealand Pony Club National Horse Trials recently in Taranaki. They both represented the Otago/Southland team. The team was divided into two sections, with Janelle's team achieving 2nd place. Individually, she was placed 3rd after Dressage and achieved 2nd overall. Scott's team gained 4th place. This is no mean feat for the pair as this event attracts New Zealand's top horses and Pony Club riders.

Congratulations also to Georgina Robertson who has been selected to represent the New Zealand Trampoline team at the Indo Pacific Championships in Japan.

On Thursday, we held our Anzac ceremony. Lindsay Wright from Riversdale spoke about Robert Cameron, his Uncle Rob. Lindsay is part of a committee working on an Honours Board to commemorate soldiers who lived in the Waikaia-Wendonside District. Thank you to both Lindsay and Lianne Mackay who put together a Powerpoint presentation for the ceremony.

Our first group of Year 10 students are away to Borland next Tuesday. If your son or daughter has not returned their permission slip for either camp, can you please arrange to do this as soon as possible.

Eoin Crosbie, Rector

CAREERS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Hello everyone. Term two already, and what a busy 11 weeks this is shaping up to be!

Next Wednesday, 28th April sees the start of several visits – Graham Jones from the Otago Polytechnic is here for his annual liaison visit, any students thinking about attending Otago Polytechnic next year should be at this presentation.

On Friday 30th April, St Peters College is hosting a visit by Victoria University. Any Gore High students intending to go there next year should let the Careers Department know, so that they can arrange for you to attend this presentation.

On Monday 3rd May our Year 13 students head up to Dunedin to get a taste of tertiary life, at the Open day. A reminder – the bus leaves Gore High at 6.30 am – please be here by 6.15 am. Those students not going are expected to be at school as usual.

On Friday 14 May, the NZ Army is at Gore High for a recruitment presentation, this is open to all students.

We have more planned, such as the ever popular Year 10 Taster Day in Invercargill – details about this and even more in our next update!

If you have any queries, please contact the Careers Department on 208 9130 ext. 826.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

The Uniform Shop is now open every Wednesday from 12.00 noon - 1.30 pm.

We have a good supply of reasonably priced second hand blazers for sale.

If you have any queries, please contact Paula Robertson at the school office on 208 9130.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Please ensure all students are wearing the correct winter uniform consistently including black shoes for all, girls winter blouse and correct tights, as otherwise non-regulation clothing and jewellery may be confiscated. The homework diary, which was given to all students at the beginning of the year has a list of the uniform requirements, if you wish to check on this.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSES

The AA NZ is holding courses in Gore on the following dates: 3rd, 6th, 10th and 13th May.

For further information, please call Eldred Wilden on 208 0074 or email eawilden@callsouth.net.nz.

SCHOOL HEALTH CLINICS/ HEALTH NURSE

There will be a weekly health clinic provided by GP's and nurses at lunchtime from 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm on Wednesdays - 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th May as well as 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th June. These clinics are confidential and free. They are provided by the Hokonui PHO.

The Health Nurse, Trudee Sharp will be visiting the school on Tuesdays - 20th and 27th April, 11th May, 1st, 8th, 22nd and 29th June from 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm. Alternatively, you can txt, call or email her on 027 445 2931/ trudee.sharp@sdhb.govt.nz.

Please see Mrs. Barclay at Student Reception to make an appointment.

CONGRATULATIONS

In February, Michaela Roy and Ike Wallace played with the Hokonui Highlanders Pipe Band at the Otago Southland Competitions. The band won various trophies, namely 1st in Street March, 1st in drumming and most points overall for their grade. Ike received a trophy for "Best Overall Bass Drummer" out of the 9 bands at the competitions.



Michaela Roy



Ike Wallace

At the recent National Competitions held in Masterton in March, the band was placed 7th out of 23 bands in their grade.

Rachel Shanks played for the Invercargill Highland Pipe Band Grade 2. They won all events in their grade and were named Champions of Champions receiving numerous trophies and individual medals.



Rachel Shanks

IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDER

Students are reminded not to cross or run between the parked buses/cars at the end of the school day.

Walk away from the parked vehicles as you could be standing in a blind spot, where the driver cannot see you. Cross where it is safe, making sure that you can easily see the on coming traffic from both directions.

If a school bus has stopped to let children on or off, you must slow down and drive at 20 km/h or less until you are well past the bus, no matter what direction you are coming from.

Please do not use the bus lane between 8.15 am-9.00 am and 3.00 pm-3.45 pm. It is illegal to unload or park in the bus lane during these times.

GORE HIGH SCHOOL CRICKET CLUB

There is to be a meeting on Monday 26th April in the Gore High School Staff room from 7.30 pm. Everyone welcome to attend.

CARROT CAKE

Ingredients:

1 cup soft brown sugar
115g butter (reduced fat if you have it)
2 beaten eggs
1 1/2 cups self-raising flour
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup chopped dates
1 large mashed banana
2 tablespoons apple purée
1 cup of grated carrot

Icing:

200g Lite cream cheese
3 or 4 tablespoons icing sugar
½ a squeezed lemon
1 T grated lemon rind

- Preheat the oven to 180°C. Line the base of a square cake tin with baking paper and lightly spray with non-stick baking spray.
- Cream the sugar and butter together until light and creamy. Add the beaten eggs and beat thoroughly. Fold in the flour, cinnamon and carrots. Add the dates, banana and apple sauce and stir until combined. All of these ingredients can be mixed together in a kitchen whiz.
- Place into the tin and bake for 35 minutes until firm to touch. Cool for 5 minutes before removing from the tin.
- Cool completely before making icing.

SICKNESS

Students who are sick while at school **must** report to student reception in the first instance. In the event that parents/caregivers need to collect their child, the school will contact them. Students are not permitted to use cellphones to contact their parents/caregivers.

If your child is sick, please telephone the school office by 9.00 am to advise them of your child's absence. If students are absent during form time and period 1, then the school will telephone parents to enquire as to why their child is not at school.

BOWLS - CONGRATULATIONS

Sheldon Bagrie-Howley and Cameron Tremaine represented Southland at the Region 6 Secondary Schools Bowls Championships in Oamaru on 22nd March. Sheldon finished 3rd on differential after winning three of his four games; only missing qualification for the National Secondary Schools Championships on differential.

Cameron won one of his four games but was very competitive in a strong boys singles field.

STAR CRUTCHING COURSE

During the holidays a Crutching course was held at Glenaray Station. Nine students attended a three day programme which was run by Tectra. Students achieved NCEA credits and gained valuable hands on experience, crutching around 500 lambs between them. Our thanks go to Peter Standish and the owners of Glenaray Station for making the venue and stock available to Gore High School.



Emma Williams and Jasmine Simpson listen to Kelvin from Tectra as Rawiri (Bluu) Edwards demonstrates his skills

