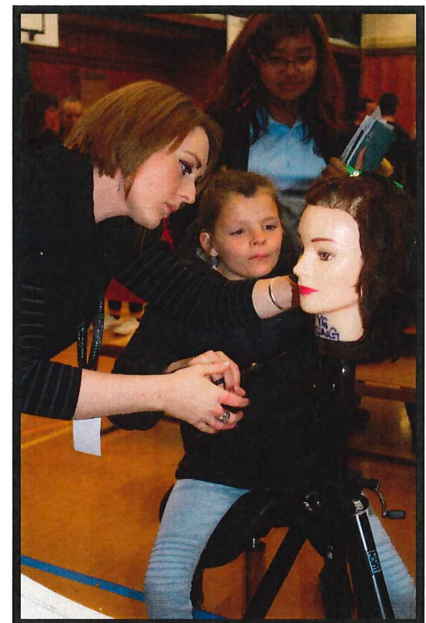


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NEWSLETTER
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Photos from the EOHS
Careers Expo



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From the Principal

Ms Patsy Inder

Kia Ora

Week 3 already. Next week is the last full week of classes for our Year 11-13 students. Year 11 and 13 finish on the 9th and Year 12 finish on Friday 11th November. Teachers will continue to be available during the exam period to support students with preparation for exams and for students to complete work for internal assessments.

There will be a whole school assembly on Wednesday 9th November at 2.15pm to acknowledge achievement and wish our senior students well.

Work Day:

There was excellent support of our Work Day and we appreciate the opportunities given to our students to get work experience as well as participate in our fund-raiser. A special thank you to all the people who had our students work for them on the day. Please ensure the donation is returned to school as soon as possible. Please remember to indicate if you would like a receipt as donations to school are tax deductible.

Social Sciences Trip:

Thank you to everyone who supported the raffle night and the stall at the Labour Day market. A keen group of students and their supportive families are fundraising for next year's trip to Wellington and Rotorua.

Student Achievement:

A number of our students are to be congratulated on their achievements in a variety of fields. Amanda Voice has been nominated for the development squad for the New Zealand Quarter Horse youth team. Four times a year she attends national training with the squad in Taupo and she is working towards the 2017 Trans-Tasman competition in Australia and the 2018 World Cup in Texas. Anton Hood has been selected in the NZ Mens' Curling team and leaves next week for the competition in Korea. Reuben Pyle represented Otago Country Under 18s in the South Island Rugby tournament. They played Canterbury Metro, Canterbury Country and Southland for a 2 win, 1 loss and fifth placing overall. Mia Steele and Niall Asher gained credit awards in an international English Test and Anna Stuart excelled with a distinction award in the same test.

Athletics:

The coaching sessions after school on Wednesdays have been badly affected by the rain but will be held next week at the stadium.

A number of volunteers are needed for the athletics on Friday 4th November. Assembly time is 9 o'clock for a prompt start to events by 9.30. Please contact Anne Kirk at the office if you are able to be a chaperone for one of the age groups or you are able to help with an event. The athletics take a lot of work and your support is really valued – in fact the day cannot run smoothly without that support. We are fortunate that groups like the Lions also help out. Senior classes are fundraising and helping out by operating a sausage sizzle and selling cold drinks.

NCEA:

Preparation for exams continues with our students working hard. Exam time can be stressful and it is very helpful to your child if you can help make the exam process as easy as possible. Acknowledge that the exams are important, telling them that exams don't matter is not accurate because we all know that they do. Plan meal-times and events around your child's study commitments so they do not cram revision late at night. Ensure they are eating well and avoiding sugary products that give a brief instant energy hit then cause lethargy. Having a quiet, well-lit study area is important. Encourage them to exercise regularly and take breaks. Ensuring they get plenty of sleep is important but perhaps the most help is to talk with your child and give them the opportunity to communicate and be reassured.

NCEA Subject Choices:

Our Year 10-12 students are looking at their subject choices for 2017. There will be an information evening on Wednesday 2nd November at 7pm in the Senior Learning Centre. This is a really important meeting and all Year 10 students and their parents need to attend to ensure their subject decisions are well informed and will support them achieving their goals.



CAREERS EXPO

East Otago High School hosted us at a careers evening on Thursday 20th so 35 students from Y9 to Y13 attended. Exhibitors ranged from a local husband wife team manufacturing cleaners sold at Countdown supermarkets throughout NZ to major employers such as Oceania Gold & tertiary training providers.

It was a very valuable look at potential futures and the School received phone calls the next day from exhibitors about the interest and quality of questions put by our students. Accompanying Staff: Mrs Murphy, Mrs Kirk, Mr Richard Smith (BoT), Mrs Whyte & Mr Robertson were very proud of the students who attended. Those in uniform were immaculate and those who chose to dress as for a job interview were most presentable; in both dress and in manner.

From the courtesy and interest shown to the display presenters to those very last Thank you's to our bus driver, Les, as students left the bus they represented us with PRIDE!

ST JOHN YOUTH

Ranfurly St John Youth are proud to announce that Courtney Smith is being presented with her Grand Prior Award at an official ceremony in Christchurch on 19th November.

Several of the "gold" members of St John Youth have been actively clocking up their service hours helping with the after-school athletics coaching sessions. Thanks to Nathan, Peter, Jotahn, Lucy, Madi and Anna.

HADLEE TRUST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Hadlee Trust also known as Maniototo Area School Sporting and Cultural Trust, originated from monies that were raised and Sir Richard Hadlee was a guest speaker at the event. Hence the name that has been popularised.

The idea was to have funds available upon application to help encourage and support pupils domiciled in the Maniototo Area. It's aim is to give a one off monetary grant as determined by the Board recognising significant Sporting or Cultural achievement.

The current Board of Trustees comprises of: Stewart Hawkins (Chairperson), Sharon Thompson (Secretary), Dave Hutton-Atkins, Patsy Inder, John Pyle, Alistair Watt, Jo Weir

It is approaching that time of year to get your applications in for consideration.

2016 Application forms are available from the school office and completed applications need to be returned to the office by Friday 11th November 2016.

BLAZERS

All students in Years 11, 12 & 13 should be getting their blazer drycleaned and returned to the school office by the 15th November.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| 27 October | PTA AGM 3.15pm in the Learning Centre |
| 2 November | After School Athletics Coaching |
| 4 November | Maniototo Primary School Sports Assn Athletics Day |
| 9 November | Assembly 2.15pm in the Gym |
| 10 November | NCEA Exams start |
| 15 November | Otago Championship Athletics (postponement date 17th) |
| 16 November | Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm |
| 29 November | Disco—fundraiser for 2017 Geography trip |
| 1-2 December | Kahurangi Class Camp |
| 5-8 December | Outdoor Education Year 9 & 10 (Falls Dam) |
| 7 December | Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm |
| 13 December | Prizegiving |
| 14 December | Last Day of School (full day) |



Central Otago Swim School is coming to Ranfurly Pool in 2017

Holiday Programme

16-20 January 2017, 9.30am-12 noon

School-age levels. Minimum numbers required.

Term 1 Lessons

31 January - 11 April 2017, 3.00pm-6.15pm

Classes for school age levels, plus adult classes.

Bookings Essential. Enrolment forms will be supplied, and must be completed and returned to confirm your booking.

All children must have a parent/caregiver onsite for the duration of the lessons.

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Pre- Christmas
Disco

Tuesday 29th

November

5.30-7.30pm.

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