



Central Southland College

“Grease” Is The Word!



Our stunning production this year was “Grease”. Congratulations to the all the cast who did an outstanding job with this fun production, playing to very appreciative audiences. Thanks also to the staff/volunteers who helped out making sure that every performance ran smoothly. We look forward now to next year’s offering!



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From the Principal

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

On Tuesday evening I attended the opening performance of our school production 'Grease', which was certainly a nostalgic journey for me, capturing all the music, dance and humour I remember as a youngster. The show also highlighted the depth of talent and ability we have here at CSC, showcasing some amazing individual performances and fantastic scenes with the whole cast. Many thanks for the hard work of our performing arts staff, the backstage and set crew and all those that work together to put on a show of this quality.



Below on this page there is information regarding Digital assessments. This year we will be using the NZQA Digital Trial as our Year 11 school exam in Science. All the 101 Science students will do their Science exam during exam week, in the digital format. NZQA state that Digital Trials and Pilots will help schools and students make the transition to digital assessment by enabling schools to test their readiness, and provide an opportunity for students to experience assessment in a digital format. The information below from the Science department explains the details and requirements.

This week 34 students and 4 teachers headed off to the warmer climate of Vietnam and Cambodia. This is a fantastic opportunity to experience different cultures and countries, to visit places of historic significance and to explore some of the places that, until now, they have only studied in books. We wish them all the best and look forward to their return.

We also farewell Mr Robin Vasdev, who is retiring after 9 years teaching at CSC. We wish him the very best in his retirement. I would also like to thank Brenda Stevens who has been relieving in the front office while Mrs Brown has been overseas.

Reports are now live for both juniors and seniors on the Kamar portal which can be accessed on line as well as through our new school app.

We now once again head to the end of another term. Thank you for your continued support of our school and I trust you all have a rewarding, safe and refreshing break.

Ka kite ano
Grant Dick
Principal



Science Is Going 'DIGITAL'

Over the last two years the Science Department has taken part in the NZQA digital assessment trials. We will be continuing with this in Term 3, but with a few new innovations.

This year we will be using the NZQA Digital Trial as our Year 11 school exam. All the 101 Science students will do their Science exam during exam week, in the digital format. A survey of these classes has indicated that about 85% of students can bring their own digital device to school to do this exam. Part of the challenge of this innovation will be to make sure all students have full access, can get the appropriate internet connection and power supply to their computers and have an understanding of the format a digital exam will take.

We strongly encourage everyone who has their own device to bring it to school next term and make sure it is set up within the CSC system. We will be doing practice sessions in class to introduce the digital format leading up to the exam. As for power supply, we anticipate a few extension cords and multi boxes being used in the classrooms. Our main focus is to create a great learning opportunity, both for our students and for the staff. We can offer alternatives to some students if bringing a device is not possible.

Students will not be penalised for being a part of this trial. All end of topic tests are being done under full exam conditions to ensure we have enough information, in both handwritten and digital formats to supply to NZQA if the need arises.

We are very excited to be undertaking this, especially when we are matching up with (and are actually ahead of) the latest government initiatives around digital learning. The school as a whole is investigating ways to use digital formats more regularly. One example is the Year 9 Science exam in November which will require students to use a device. This is part of the school-wide push for BYOD in the classroom and is fully endorsed by the CSC Senior Management Team.

Please feel free to contact Cameron Davis, Deputy Principal (camerond@csc.school.nz) or Annie Keown, HOD Science (anniek@csc.school.nz) if you have any queries.

by **Annie Keown**
HOD Science Dept

For information about the NZQA Digital Trials check the website:

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/future-state/digital-assessment-trials-pilots/>

STUDENT NEWS

Year 12 'Crab' Camp

This term the Year 12 Biology and General Science classes have been learning about Ecology and gained real world experience by spending a day at the University of Otago Marine Studies Centre in Portabello.

We travelled up to Dunedin and stayed the night and left early in the morning to get out to Portabello, to ensure we got the full day of activities all done. The main focus was identifying the adaptations the sea animals have to live where they do on the rocky shore - being covered with sea water for part of the day and exposed to air for the rest of the tide cycle. The learning included



experiments to measure oxygen consumption, our human - reflex and carrying out a range of dissections. We also collected species data on the beach which was then used in the final assessment.

The two groups of 25 students were well supported by staff: Mrs Keown, Ms Macfie, Ms Harrison and Mr Knapp.



Science Extension: Marine Biology Course



Jackson Kynan-Wilde and Tayla MacMillan (both from Year 10) were selected to attend a Marine Biology course in Portobello, Dunedin recently. The course was split into three parts over a total of eight days. Students worked in groups with University staff and students as mentors. They were investigating how the marine world aids survival.

Tayla loved learning lots of new terms and how to use new science tools like a refractometer. "We learnt how to measure salinity, pH and light levels in and around water" she said.

Jackson enjoyed meeting new people, "the camp Olympics was fun, I broke the record for the 'Bluecod', (rolling over on the spot without using your arms).

Both students felt they had gained lots from their experience and would encourage others to apply in the future.

ILT Secondary Schools Cooking Competition

This competition was held recently at Southland Boys High School. CSC had several talented students enter the muffin, decorated sponge and decorated cupcake classes.



Julie Marnane placed 1st in her section - decorated cupcake (pictured left) while Gemma Marnane also placed 1st in her section - decorated cake or sponge (pictured right)

We are very proud of our cookery students—Julie and Gemma are excellent examples of the serious talent have in cookery at CSC.



In class we have been learning how to make cupcakes, and the different functions of ingredients they use. During one of our lessons we used different raising agents to see what each one would do to the pancake batter, in order to produce the fluffiest pancakes. Learning about the functions of ingredients helps us to know different substitutes if you don't have a certain ingredients at home.

by Crysta Johnstone and Emma Diack

STUDENT NEWS

Rakiura Track Duke of Edinburgh Tramp

We left Invercargill on Wednesday 28th June to make our way over to Stewart island to walk the Rakiura Track - one of New Zealand's Great Walks. Despite the reputation that Stewart Island tramping tracks have for mud, this one is pretty well maintained, with only a few ankle deep sections.

We walked out of Oban and headed towards Lee Bay then through Little River to Maori Beach. The shelter there provided some of us with somewhere to sit and we made use of the water tank to fill our bottles. Walking along Maori Beach is always one of my favourite parts of the tramp. It feels remote and the landscape is beautiful.



Port William Hut wasn't busy so we almost had it to ourselves. The fire took some work to get going as the wood was wet. Lucky we had some firelighters and some kiln-dried kindling with us. Apparently, the visitors the previous night hadn't managed to get the fire going at all. We had our tea, played some games and cooked pancakes later in the evening. The next day was going to be the hardest...

We tried to leave early, but we left later than anticipated. No problem though, as we would easily have enough time to get across the island. It was hard work to walk up the hill to log hauler junction. At 140m it isn't small; Bluff Hill is 265m to give you a comparison. But with a pack it takes some determination. Having dropped down to 40m again we walked for a while in native bush until we needed to tackle the next climb of 200m. At this stage we had cases of knee pain. Some pain relief, a redistribution of pack weight and some "digging deep" got us through this. It's always good to see people in a group help each other in these situations by carrying extra weight. We crossed the island arriving at North Arm Hut between 3pm and 4pm. Just enough time to get settled and to explore the area as the sun set.

The last day can feel like you are racing the clock to get to the plane, but as we put good effort in during the early part of the day we had time to spare. Brenna's uncle, Raymond, flew us back to Invercargill and even did a few banked turns so that we could have a better view!

Well done to Tony Aitken, Mackenzie Hayward-Williams and Brad King. This tramp saw the completion of the Adventurous Journey section of their Bronze awards. "It was hard but we tried and tried." - Tony Aitken and Brad King.



STUDENT NEWS

Primary ITO Trade Academy

All the Year 12s have completed the ATV Unit so will be well equipped with the skills and knowledge required to safely operate an ATV in their work placements.

The Year 11 students planned a menu for a healthy breakfast needed to sustain them for a day's work on the farm. They came up with the ingredients list, shopped at New World and then did a great job of cooking and cleaning up after their delicious breakfast was enjoyed by all, including distinguished guests Harmi and Brooke.

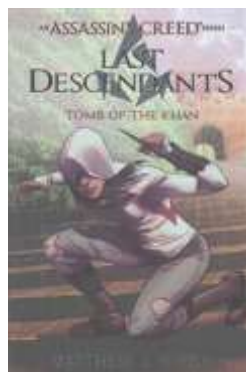


Above: The students enjoying their breakfast of bacon, eggs, hash browns, spaghetti, baked beans, toast and smoothies

WHAT'S ON AT THE LIBRARY?



Nothing beats sitting in front of a warm fire with a good book. We have just processed over 70 new books of which those featured below are just a small selection.



Time Travel/Adventure



Friendship/Bullying



Outdoors Adventure



Love Story





CAREERS CORNER

by Maree Buchanan & Raewyn Lowe



Year 13 students have been given lots of information over the past few weeks, to help them make decisions about 2018. We have had various presentations from Tertiary providers, as well as our trips away to look at study options. The next step for the students – visit the websites of all of the Tertiary Providers that interest them and read the detailed information about the various courses. A number of students are also currently applying for mid-year intake for SIT courses, we are here to help with their CV preparation and are happy to assist with the application process.

Scholarships

There are over 3000 scholarships available to students heading to Tertiary next year. If Year 13 students want to see a full list of available scholarships, they can access the “givMe” website via any public library. The “givMe” website can also be accessed from the Southland District Council website under “Library data”. It could be worth spending a few hours researching exactly what is available in the way of scholarships.

Year 11 Exam Success - Patrick Sherrat Study Skills Seminar

STAR funding in schools has allowed us to bring Patrick in to present an afternoon workshop to 50 of our Year 11 students. Patrick will be here on Tuesday 8 August from 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm. Students invited to attend are those who are sitting a high number of External exams at the end of the year and missed out on our earlier Art of Learning workshop.

Career Fest – 27 July 2017

All Year 11 and Year 12 students (and any Year 13 students who are still undecided about their future pathway) will be taken to Invercargill to attend the Southland Career Fest, so that they can investigate future career options. This is an excellent opportunity for our students, as exhibitors from all over NZ are on hand to speak with the students individually. For detailed information about seminars on offer, visit www.careerfest.co.nz.

Venture Southland Youth Futures Site Visits

Two groups of senior students have had the opportunity to visit a number of workplaces to see what job opportunities there are in businesses linked to Primary Industries. The message from all employers recruiting for the Trades was the same:

1. Get your Level 2
2. Get your Driver's License as soon as you can
3. Show up to work on time
4. Have a positive attitude

Pathway Planning for School Leavers

www.schoolleaver.nz is a useful website for seniors to visit. It gives high school students an incredible amount of information and as many useful links as possible to help them make better informed choices as they transition from school to work or courses.

Looking ahead

13 July	University of Canterbury Open Day
14 July	Lincoln University Open Day
24 July	Otago Polytech at CSC for course planning
27 July	Career Fest Invercargill, Year 11 and Year 12 “Parents as Career Educators” for senior students
3 August	Defence Force Careers at Assembly
7 August	Otago University Course Planning
8 August	University of Canterbury Course Planning Patrick Sherrat Study skills Seminar, selected Year 11
9 August	Otago University Maori Liaison at CSC



Josh McMillan, Jacob Hammond, Josh Brown, and Dylan Duffin pictured right on a Futures Site visit



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by Maree Buchanan & Raewyn Lowe



Careers, Internships & Employment

Book your place for "Parents as Career Educators"

- Invercargill -

Thursday 27 July, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Dear Parent

Guiding teenagers through the various career and study options available to them in the modern world can be a challenge. UC Career Consultant Sarah Tabak will talk with you about how you can support your child's career decisions.

You and your partner are invited to attend the Invercargill seminar:

Thursday 27 July 2017
5:30 – 7:30pm
ILT Stadium Southland
Surrey Park Sports Centre
18 Surrey Park Road
Invercargill

The seminar will cover:

- Career pathways
- Supporting your child with career decision making
- Choosing tertiary options to suit your child
- Communicating effectively with your child

Please register by Wednesday 26 July to reserve your seat, by following this link:

<http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/events/active/uc-events/parents-as-career-educators---invercargill.html>

Sarah Tabak is a Career Consultant with the UC Career Centre, helping students to identify, plan for, and pursue careers, internships and employment opportunities. Her insights into the importance of self-knowledge and engagement reflect the key foundations needed to support young adults in making good decisions and developing successful careers.

We hope you can join us at one of the seminars.

UC Liaison Team
University of Canterbury

Careers, Internships & Employment
University of Canterbury

UC CAREERS

2017 DUNSTAN EXCHANGE

Our annual exchange against Dunstan High School was held on the 20th and 21st June here at CSC.

As always, the exchange began with the Girls and Boys A Basketball games held on Tuesday night. CSC demonstrated their continuing improvement in this code by convincingly winning both games, putting us in a good position going into competition on Wednesday.

This kicked off with the Girls and Boys Football matches - the girls team, heavily represented by junior players, lost to a very well drilled Dunstan team and the boys suffered a narrow loss after dominating early play.

The Mixed Hockey team travelled to the Invercargill turf for their encounter which was won by Dunstan.

The Netballers had very close games at the indoor netball centre with CSC and Dunstan each having a win.

Out on the rugby field, the girls team fought a very tough match, played some great rugby and were rewarded with a well deserved win, The boys weren't so lucky and lost soundly to a strong Dunstan team.

In the library, the Debating team (pictured below right) argued their case that "police officers should be armed" and narrowly lost their debate by one point. Overall, a win to Dunstan High School in 2017.

RESULTS:	DHS	CSC
Girls Basketball	40	68
Boys Basketball	62	96
Girls Football	9	0
Boys Football	4	3
B Netball	23	25
A Netball	30	25
Mixed Hockey	4	1
Girls Rugby	27	29
1st XV Rugby	31	14
Debating	40	39

Winner: DHS



2017 DUNSTAN EXCHANGE



CSC SPORTS REPORT

Umpires Extraordinaire!



Pictured are the Year 9 & 10 students who were our umpires at the Central Primary schools winter tournament held

SENIOR B NETBALL 2017

The Senior B Netball Team finished their season with a classy win over SGHS (22-18) to finish 3rd overall in the Southland Secondary School Senior B Competition. Mad-disen led the team with passion and encouragement and was well supported by Taylor, our fast, furious and most versatile player. Lily-Mae was the silent assassin picking up tips and loose ball, while Jane the “sharp shooter” scored the points at the other end.

Wins over Gore, St Peters, Aparima, Verdon and Dunstan boosted morale. Midcourt master Larissa kept a cool head and Ashlee played fast and fearless. Aleigha showed speed and stamina on court and Kayla was always gritty and determined. Paige played every game and took the lead in the defence circle. Our thanks to Annalisa and Sophie who stepped up to help out when we were short of players and showed skill and flair. A great season girls - top work.



ALPINE SHOOTING CHALLENGE



Jamie Hudson (Yr 10) competed in the Alpine Shooting Challenge last weekend. The competition sees International competitors and some of the nation’s best long range shooters, including members from various National Defence services shooting teams, shooting at various sized targets from distances of 300-1300 metres.

Jamie is still awaiting official results but felt that the day went well. The highlight was hitting one of the smaller targets that most of the professional shooters missed.

Jamie was also involved in the Vortex Mountain Challenge earlier in the year as a non-competing participant (due to her age and the competition rules). Even though she was by far the youngest competitor, she would have placed mid-field, coming 30th, and beating a number of very experienced shooters. Congratulations on your outstanding success Jamie!

FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK

VIETNAM/CAMBODIA TRIP



This group of intrepid travellers were farewelled from Invercargill Airport on Tuesday, 4th July to begin their long journey to Vietnam and Cambodia. This trip was mooted in 2016 and is the culmination of lots of hard work and fundraising by students, parents and staff.

The group are overseas for two weeks and there was much excitement, and some nervousness, as they prepared to catch their flight to Auckland. They left Auckland at midnight and had an 11 hour flight ahead of them to Kuala Lumpur and from there a three hour flight to Hanoi.

This trip is a fantastic learning opportunity for our students and we will look forward to following their travels on the CSC community page!

NZQA Fees Information

When the school sends your entries to NZQA you automatically become a candidate for NCEA and must follow all of the NCEA Rules and Procedures (refer www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea-rules).

Fees for Domestic Students

NCEA entry \$76.70 per student

Scholarship \$30.00 per subject

Fees should be paid to the school by **24th August 2017**. This money is then forwarded to NZQA by the school. Paying fees enable results to be recorded on the student's Record of Achievement and pay for any qualifications. If you do not pay the NZQA fee on time, you will have to pay NZQA directly. **NB: You may incur a \$50 late fee.**

Domestic students can apply for financial assistance to help pay the fees. To get this help parents and/or caregivers must meet one of the following conditions:

- ⇒ Be receiving a Work & Income or StudyLink benefit or have a Community Services card.
- ⇒ Have a joint family income that qualifies for a Community Services card.
- ⇒ Have 2 or more children entered as candidates with fees of more than \$200.

Financial Assistance forms are available from the College Office or www.nzqa.govt.nz/financialassistance

Things You Need To Know

Southern REAP Courses

Learn About “Skype”

Learn how to use Skype and its basic functions including an account, and many more basic skills.

When: Tuesday, 11 July 10 a.m. to 12 midday

Cost: Free

Venue: Winton Public Library

Create Your Own “Photobook”

Learn tips on how to capture memories via online photo books and other basic tips and techniques.

When: Tuesday 18 July 10 a.m. to 12 midday

Cost: Free

Venue: Winton Public Library

To enrol in these classes phone REAP on 03 236 6008.

SICK BAY

A reminder that ALL students need to come to the office if they are unwell. They are not to leave the school without talking to a staff member.

The office staff will contact home if necessary. Students are not to leave school without being signed out of the sick bay register.

CSC DIARY DATES

July

24th Beginning Term 3

27th Open Night at CSC

Yr 11 & 12 Career Fest

August

4th August Newsletter issued

8th BOT Monthly Meeting

Young Hunts Course

This course is for anyone young or old. Includes firearm safety, navigation, first aid, bushcraft, equipment and trip planning, meat processing and more.

Includes 8 to 9 Tuesday evenings at the Clubrooms and 2 weekend hunts / bushcraft skills, as well as sighting rifles and river crossing.

Starts mid July, maximum of 12 registrations.

Contact Nathan Dawson 0272358063

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0277478109 or stevelrob@gmail.com



THE GORE BRICK EVENT

LEGO fun for the whole family

Saturday 29th July & Sunday 30th July

from 10.00 a.m.

James Cumming Wing, Ardwick Street, GORE

Lego Users Group (LUG) South are coordinating this event with interactive fun for children—including displays and a play area.

This event is a fundraiser for LUG South Charitable Trust—a registered charity to help sick children throughout Southland. Over \$10,000 has been donated so far this year.

Gavin Evans
Secretary
Ph 027 499 5103
www.lug-south.org.nz



CSC App

As previously notified, we now have a fantastic new CSC App available for downloading on to mobile phones.

This will enable better communication to and from school for things such as absences, notices, important information about coming events and cancellation of sports events etc.

To download go to:

<http://centralsouthlandcollege.apps.school.nz/share/>

If you have any issues getting signed up—please don't hesitate to contact the school on 03 236 7646.