

Central Southland College Newsletter

13 August 2021

Success at Dance NZ Made Southland Competition



A 25 strong dance team headed into Stadium Southland on Monday, 2 August to compete in the Southland Dance NZ Made competition. It was an awesome day with workshops and competition. The CSC Team was amazing and came home with a huge number of prizes! Congratulations to the whole team for your fantastic effort and team spirit.

Results:

3 Choreography Awards - 10 out of 10 score Year 9-10 Duo/Trio 2nd Runner Up Year 11-13 Duo/Trio 1st Runner Up Year 11-13 Duo/Trio Champions Open Duo/Trio 1st Runner Up Overall Duo/Trio 2nd Runner Up Overall Team 2nd Runner Up Open Team 1st Runner Up Open Team Champions Overall Team Champions



The following students were also invited to audition for a \$1000 scholarship, Amedee Wilson, Shann Tulabing and Keely Anderson-Kereti. Congratulations!

CALENDAR DATES

August

16th Teacher Only Day

17th Parent Teacher Evening

19th SOA Snowboarding

20th 'Attitude' Course

30th Tournament Week Begins

September

3rd Tournament Week Ends

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13-17 School Exams

17th Junior Workday

23rd Art Exhibition

28-30 School Production Evening Shows

October

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IMPORTANT REMINDER

A reminder that there is a Teacher Only Day next Monday, 16th August. School will be closed for instruction on this day.

This is a Ministry of Education Accord day, with the purpose of preparing for the changes to the NCEA system.

Kia Ora Koutou.

Congratulations to the successful recipients of the prestigious Southland Youthmark awards, Patrick Marron, Brilea Wadsworth, Riley Ballantyne, Jack Treloar and Courtney Laughton. These students will attend a ceremony in October to receive this award. This is recognition for many areas of academic, sporting, cultural and leadership excellence.

The Building work continues this term with the Gymnasium extensions starting to take shape and a new roof being installed over our pool. The Entrance and admin area of the school is now usable and nearing completion, it was wonderful to have this space operational for our Open night a few weeks back.



We are very excited that our annual Variety show will be taking the stage on Thursday the 26th August. This is a night not to be missed, showcasing many of our talented students and as always will be sprinkled with a few surprises! Tickets are available at the college office now.

The postponed School Production—"Little Shop of Horrors" is also going to be held in the last week of term. Tickets will be available the week before from the college office.

Below I have added some detail around uniform and expectations, this is to address some questions that have been raised and also to give clarity for all.

Ngā Mihi, Grant Dick Principal

Uniform Expectations

With our enrolment season under way it is timely to revisit and reset our expectations regarding uniform at CSC. The aim is to make our expectations clear for whanau, students, staff and Board of Trustees so that students can continue to wear the uniform with pride. The Board of Trustees and our school community in general believe that CSC should have a uniform. It is all of our responsibility to ensure it is worn properly.

Uniform expectations are outlined on our school website, The Board of Trustees uniform policy simply states to view this.

The following bullet points are to reiterate those uniform and personal grooming aspects that sometimes require a clear and consistent message.

Please contact the school if you have any questions about uniforms, our desire is to make things simple and clear and also to provide assistance if there is a need.

Uniform and Personal Grooming Details

- School website is here
- For warmth, undergarments such as merino base layers may be worn. The school jersey is the only jersey to be worn. Jackets are able to be used for warmth and also when raining, these must be either Blue or Black plain jackets.
- Blazers for seniors are to be worn during the normal school day but can be removed in class or when involved in physical activity.
- The jewellery items permitted are small studs or keepers, up to two in each ear, and a wristwatch. One item of personal or cultural importance may also be worn. If a student currently has a non regulation piercing, we ask that they wear a clear or natural keeper that is discreet and barely visible.
- No obvious make up or nail varnish. Any make up worn should be subtle and natural.
- Hair is to be natural colours, tidy and students to be clean shaven.
- Any requests by students for a non-uniform item to be worn temporarily (i.e. for the day) are made with a note to the Form Teacher in the first instance. Clean replacement items may be offered and required to be worn. As mentioned above, please make contact if you would like any assistance or support.
- Year 13 students are to adhere to the uniform expectations set out by their Dean, these differ slightly to the above.

We acknowledge that there are some items that students are currently wearing, such as incorrect coloured jackets, and that replacing these come at a cost so we will be providing a time frame for those students, please provide a note for your child if this is the case.

ROCK-ON & COMMUNITY LINKS

Recently, CSC engaged in a Police initiative that focuses on attendance. The initiative, called ROCK-ON has had a positive impact on attendance in other areas of the country. ROCK-ON involves a multi-agency approach for addressing attendance issues. For us, this involves most of the local schools, local Police, Oranga Tamariki, the Ministry of Education, our Health Nurse and local Truancy Services. The aim is to provide consistency across all schools and increase understanding of, and access to, the variety of supports available. The group meets once a month to discuss cases and the appropriate actions. While this initiative is still relatively new for our area, the early signs are that it is making a significant difference. The Ministry of Education currently has a focus on attendance, and states that attendance of 90% and above constitutes normal attendance. Attendance below this has an adverse effect on learning, which gets more and more significant as attendance drops.

We have also been developing our relationship with local Police in general, and are seeing positives for both our school and the Police. Keeping our students safe is a priority for both CSC and the Police, so it makes sense to work closely together to support our young people as they navigate their teenage years.

Senior Constable Chris Maguire (pictured right) is our local Rural Liaison Officer. Chris provides another link between the school and Police and is taking a vested interest, along with the rest of the local Police, in our school and our young people. This allows us to better access supports, facilitate prevention initiatives and work with individual students and their families around Police issues.

Young people driving outside their license conditions is something that we are supporting Police with. This covers things like drivers on their learners license driving on their own, drivers on their restricted license carrying passengers and driving outside the hours allowed under both these licenses. Driving is a big part of life for us all - we want all driving to be handled as safely as possible at all times.



The Learner and Restricted licensing system is designed to keep young drivers safe while they learn and gain experience. No one wants their community to be rocked by tragedy, so it is essential that we all do what we can to avoid one. The Timaru community, including schools and Police, are currently coming to terms with a tragedy that has taken the lives of 5 young people from a one vehicle crash. This serves as a reminder for us all that it is essential to be as safe as possible at all times, and to stick to the rules that are designed to minimise risk. The Police are looking out for drivers in breach of these rules, and have advised that there will be no warnings given to drivers caught breaking the rules. If caught, the outcomes include fines and demerit points.



Social media is another area where we are working more closely. It is important that our students understand that some activity on social media can constitute an offence and that the consequences of illegal activity are substantial. This covers things like objectionable material and targeting individuals. In cases where harmful use involving the internet and/or social media is suspected, we advise that the Police be contacted.

If you have any questions or want to reach out for support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

STUDENT NEWS

Readers Cup Competition

On Monday the 2nd of August, two teams from Central Southland College competed in the annual Southland Reader's Cup competition. Prior to the event, the teams read six chapter books and on the evening were asked random questions about the books they had read. While both Year 9 and 10 teams can compete in the regionals, only Year 9's are eligible to compete in the National finals in Auckland.



Our Year 10 team of Tarquin Gilmour, Daniel Sheriff, Elijah Sim and Kain Thomas had an excellent start and took the lead in the first two rounds. After a solid performance, they finished 7th overall with a fantastic 27.5 points.



However, it was our Year 9 team that conquered the competition. After a somewhat slow start, Lucas Gill, Ryan O'Callaghan, Cody Laffey and Bailee Milne made an impressive climb to the top of the leaderboard, going on to win the event with a score of 40.5 points and beating the reigning champions Wakatipu High School.

The Year 9 team are excited to be attending the National finals in Auckland in late September. Both teams would like to thank Mrs Shaw and Miss Kean for their support and fantastic organisational skills and also their family and friends for their huge encouragement.

By Ryan O'Callaghan

ESOL Trip to Queenstown

On Tuesday 6th of July, the ESOL class took a trip to Queenstown with Mrs Johnstone and Mr Meechang to learn about the history of people like the Chinese who migrated to New Zealand to work. On the way to Queenstown, we stopped at Mr Meechang's family bach to learn about his ancestor who came from China as a gold miner and how their family is keeping their story alive.



Next, we went to the Arrowtown museum to learn more about the gold miners that were from the area, as well as from Queenstown and how they lived in the weather and climate that was opposite from their country.

We now understand a lot more about the Chinese miners' experience and were honored to hear their stories from the museum guide that showed us around. We also got to dress up in old fashioned clothes in the old classroom and practice writing on slate.



By Ella Borja and Kyllah Lansangan

STOP PRESS! Holocaust Centre Visit to CSC

On Thursday 12th of August, Kris Clancy and Chris Harris, the Educational Director and CEO of the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand, visited CSC and delivered seminars to our students. A 201 English class learnt about 'Resistance during the Holocaust' and the Year 9 cohort had an interactive presentation on 'Introduction to the Holocaust', which covered the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and discussed the eight steps of genocide. They also talked with the 301 History class about genocide, which links to the work they are completing this year. We were very fortunate to have two experts in their field share their knowledge with our students.

STUDENT NEWS

Year 11 Economics

The Year 11 Economics class are doing an assessment on producer decisions and the consequences for society. They are using McDonalds as their producer.



The class visited the Dee St, Invercargill McDonalds last week and interviewed Justin Stonelake, the owner of the Southland and Dunedin six franchisee McDonalds restaurants. After this, we had a tour of the kitchen. Needless to say, no good trip to McDonalds is complete without sampling the product!

Students will now produce a comprehensive report on McDonalds producer decisions.

By Sue Ballantyne Teacher In Charge

CSC at Winton Primary Hangi

Several of our CSC sudents helped out at Winton Primary to put down a hangi. The day was a big success, and the students learnt a lot about the hangi process—preparation and eating the results!



Do you Remember the Lorax?

The Dr Suess story was about a creature who spoke for the trees. Here at CSC we have the Lorax activities group who are planting and caring for the trees in our native tree project. This week we planted some carex and flaxes along the edge of the creek. The whole paddock has also been mowed this week so we can now see where all the stumps are and get ready for gravelling the track.



A huge thank you to Lachie McGregor from McGregors Concrete for getting the mowing and clearance underway.

Once the track is done (hopefully in the next month) we will be able to get the planting underway. We will be calling for helpers for a working bee to help get this done. We are still collecting the wool wraps from the My Food Bag and Hello Fresh food kits, so if you have any of these building up at home, please drop them into the office and I will store them for the planting days. Similarly, if you have some dags around the wool shed, we would love to use that as mulch around the little trees as well.

Finally, if anyone has an old lawn mower that still goes but is taking up space in your shed, we could relieve you of that as well. We want to be able to mow/mulch around the established trees on the athletics track side to help keep the grasses at bay. We are finally getting to the stage where things are happening.

Please have a walk around the area if you are in Winton, just to see the changes happening out there.

Annie Keown anniek@csc.school.nz

STUDENT NEWS

Visit to Reigning Downs Hauora Centre

This week there were two trips to Reigning Downs Hauora Centre. On Monday, a group of Year 10 students attended and participated in the full equine experience course, which included theory, riding 'Courage' the mechanical horse, and learning about horse care and riding in the afternoon. They also completed work towards a Unit Standard for NCEA Level One that they will be able to finish at school this term. The students coped very well with the less-than-ideal weather conditions and all gave everything a good go during the day.

The Year 9's day on Wednesday was sunnier and allowed them more time outside working with and riding the horses. They also participated in a small 'Inhand Show' with rosettes as prizes. There was some great teamwork and care for the horses shown by the students.

Thank you to Jade and her crew at Reigning Downs for an excellent two days at their facility. Thanks also to CSC staff, Miss Luxton, Mr Anderson-Kereti, Mrs Hourston and Miss Murch who came along to help.

We would like to also thank the CSC Home & School for generously contributing to make these field trips possible. The students had a really memorable day.



CARTERS NEWS

Year 12 Grades Really Do Matter

Year 13 students are now applying for Scholarships and for Residential Colleges, and have realised now that their grades from Year 12 are the ones that matter, if they are to be selected. Year 12s are reminded that Universities are now making entry criteria more difficult, and that they should be aiming to achieve to their potential THIS YEAR. A Merit or Excellence Endorsement on their Level 2 NCEA will open doors for them.

Residential Colleges

Students who are continuing with Tertiary Education in 2022 are applying for accommodation on line in August. Students will hear in the first week of October whether or not the Halls have accepted them for next year and they will be asked to forward a deposit as acceptance of the offer.

Study Link

Studylink no longer run a Parent Information session. Students and caregivers are encouraged to apply on-line as early as possible.

Visitors to CSC

Otago Polytechnic, Otago University, and Lincoln University Liaison Officers have met individually with Year 13's to help them with their course planning for 2022. If students require more guidance they can make an appointment with Careers staff. We also have the Liaison Officer from the University of Canterbury here on 27 September and Victoria University on 30 September.

SIT Applications

If applying for SIT courses for 2022, students need to complete their CV and an application form online. Careers staff are happy to help with both. Applications should be away by the end of this term at the latest. SIT will come to school to help students and answer any questions they may have later this term. On Friday 27 August SIT have their Open Day 10am - 1.30pm, any students wanting to attend need to register first - see Careers staff to do this.

Helping with NCEA subject choice

There is a new section on the CareersNZ website for this time of the year when your students are choosing subjects for next year. We call it a "Hub"! https://www.careers.govt.nz/ncea-subject-choice/

Helping with NCEA Subject Choices is for parents, whānau, caregivers, and anyone who is involved in helping young people make good subject choices for their future tertiary study and career Visit the page to find out:

- what subjects are useful for particular jobs
- where to look for jobs that are in demand
- match subjects with study and career with our tool, Subject Matcher
- what NCEA credits are needed for further tertiary training
- the importance of taking STEM subjects
- how NCEA compares to the previous School Certificate and Bursary systems
- tips for having a career conversation with your young person
- eight steps to choosing school subjects.

Towards the end of Term 3 we will run Subject Selection Workshops with our Year 9 and 10's. These workshops should help students make good choices.

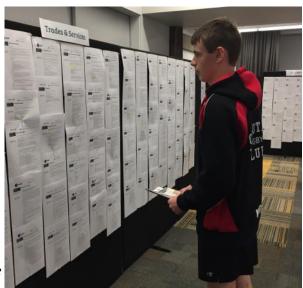
Frontline/YMCA/Great South Job Search

On Friday 2nd July Careers Staff took a group of Year 11 & 12 students into Invercargill to check out what study options are available to them at Frontline and YMCA. We then went to the Invercargill library to look at the Great South Job Search where there were hundreds of job vacancies advertised in Southland. Students and staff then attended a 'Successful Job Interview' seminar.

Career Fest

All Year 11 and 12 students attended Career Fest held in the ILT Stadium on Thursday 29 July. Students were able to visit stands from lots of different providers to see how many pathways are open to them, and what they need to achieve while at school to make their chosen pathway a reality.

More photos next page



PRIMARY ITO TRADES ACADEMY

Primary ITO Trade Academy Applications for 2022

The Primary ITO Trade Academy is a unique partnership between the Primary Industry Training Organisation, Central Southland College and Primary industry employers.

The programme works alongside NCEA so students can combine their NCEA studies with a National Certificate in Agriculture or Horticulture, blending classroom study with on the job learning. This is a **two** year programme, starting in Year 11.

Primary ITO is an exciting programme available to Year 11 and 12 students.

Who are we looking for?

- Motivated students.
- Students who can take responsibility for their own learning.
- Students who will represent the school well.
- Students with a sound attendance record at school.
- Students with a real interest in the agriculture sector, and who intend to work on a farm when they leave school.

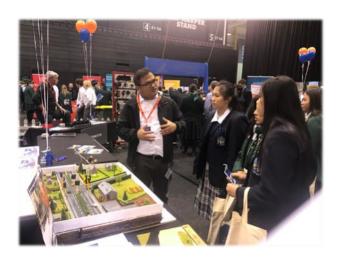
Applications will be available from Monday 9th August for all Year 10 students wishing to obtain a place in the Primary ITO Trade Academy for 2022. Application packs will be made available at a Year 10 assembly or can be picked up from Mrs Woodd in the Careers Office from Monday 9th August.

Applications close on Friday 3rd September 2021. There are **only 10 places** available.

Lynley Woodd TIC Agriculture

Careers Corner cont/....





On Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 August a group of 14 students will be attending a Barista Course run by Frontline here at CSC. This is a fantastic skill to acquire, while earning NCEA Credits at the same time.

Dates for the Calendar

16 & 17 August Barista Course - Foods Room, CSC SIT Open Day 10am - 1.30pm 27 August 9 September University of Canterbury Open Day

School Practice Exam week 13-17 September

University of Canterbury Liaison Officer 27 September 30 September Victoria University Liaison Officer

Sue Ballantyne/Lynley Woodd **Careers Advisors**

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to ...

Courtney Laughton, Year 13 who won 5 medals (3 Gold) at the South Island Secondary Schools Trapshooting.

Hannah West, Year 11 who won 2 medals at the SI Secondary Schools Trapshooting.

Ella Bennie, Year 12 was selected for the Southland Women's Rugby Team.

Georgia Cameron, Year 12 and Lucy White, Year 11 were chosen to umpire the Year 10 Netball finals games at the South Island Junior Secondary Schools Tournament. They were selected from over 100 umpires.

Bailey Keepin, Year 13 won a Bronze Medal at the NZ Gymnastic Champs, competing in the Artistic Floor routine.



Georgia Cameron and Lucy White

Andrea Beggs CSC Sports Coordinator

Senior A Netball

Our Senior A Netball team played their final Central Southland Premier grade competition game last weekend against Drummond, with a loss by one point.





This proved to be a very exciting game against Drummond who have a number of ex-students in their team as well as an ex-CSC netball coach, Andrea Dobson. We congratulate Drummond on a very well played game and wish them luck for next season.

Central Netball awarded Riley Ballantyne Most Valuable Mid-Courter and Georgia Cameron was awarded Most Valuable Shooter for the Premier grade competition.

The CSC team were awarded the Drummond Cup as runners-up in the premier grade. Thank you to the coaches, Courtney Brown and Di Newton., and also to the manager Sue Ballantyne.

THANK YOU!

Central Southland College Senior A Netball team would like to thank everyone that came along to support the Jingo Night fundraiser for our SISS Tournament. Special thank you to our sponsors:

- Winton New World
- McConachie Shearing
- Finesse Hair and Beauty
- Macks Panel and Paint
- ANZ
- Carol Brown's Bakery

SPORTS NEWS

Year 9 SISS Netball Tournament

On Sunday the 11th of July the Year 9 Netball team, were given the opportunity to represent CSC in the South Island Secondary Schools Netball tournament in Christchurch. After three consistent days of netball we were very happy with our results as we finished 19th out of 32 teams in the Year 9 section.

The highlight of the trip was attending the Tactix vs Stars game on Monday night. It was really fun and a cool way for us to bond more as a team. We are really proud of the team and how far we have come since our very first practice we had together. The girls worked so hard and gave every game 100%.

Another highlight of this tournament was playing games alongside our close friends and to learn their way of play. We enjoyed playing lots of different teams from all around the South Island and to see the difference in the way we all played. We all gave 100% whether we were on or off court.

Congratulations girls on the amazing accomplishment we achieved together as a team. It was a really cool experience for us all, being able to play a game we all love whilst representing our school.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to our coach Miss Murch and our manager Mrs Keown for putting up with us and helping us improve more as young netball players.



By Dakota Wilton and Mikayla Colvin

Year 10 SISS Tournament

This year we were lucky enough to be selected to represent our school, in the Year 10 Netball tournament team held in Christchurch over four days. We didn't get the chance to play last year due to injuries. We were very privileged that we were selected to be captain and vice-captain of the team this year.

We played 3 games of 40 minutes in length each day. All the girls had an amazing experience and learnt a lot of new skills, as well as having lots of fun. We would like to thank all of the parents that supported us and took care of our team. We were lucky enough to have Mrs Van Niekerk and Miss Burgess as our coach, manager and van drivers. They did a great job giving us so much support and guidance on and off the court. Thanks again for all the support and love!







By Holly Rutherford and Holly Keen



SPORTS NEWS

Muddy Day Out for our 1st XV Girls

The girls had a great win against SGHS 2nd XV recently, 49-0 in extremely cold and wet conditions! The smiles on the girls faces at the end of the game says it all!



CENTRAL SOUTHLAND COLLEGE Presents 'LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS'

28, 29 & 30 September
7PM
Tickets from the CSC
School Office

Adults \$15 Children and Senior Citizens \$10 Not recommended for young children



