

Central Southland College Newsletter

CSC HEAD STUDENTS 2021



Our Head Students for 2021 were elected at the end of last year by the students and staff of CSC. They will have a very busy year ahead of them and we look forward to seeing their leadership skills in action.

Pictured left to right are:

Rebecca Burnett Head Girl Patrick Marron Head Boy

McKenzie Hunter Deputy Head Boy Brilea Wadsworth Deputy Head Girl

CSC Board Members

Parent Representatives

Jo Macgregor [Presiding Member]

Student Representative
Riley Ballantyne

Donald Kidd

Frank Van Miltenburg

Mandi Smalley

Mark Bryan

Staff Representative
Andrea Beggs

Grant Dick Principal Board Secretary
Brendon Wallace Deputy Principal Pat Dodd

26th March 2021

CALENDAR DATES

March

31st Year 13 Rock Climbing

April

1st Year 13 Rock
Climbing
2nd Good Friday
5th Easter Monday
6th Easter Tuesday
9th School Ball
Ballgown Parade
12-14th Year 12 MTB

12-14th Year 12 MIB

Camp

16th Swimming Sports
April Newsletter

End of Term 1

May

3rd Start of Term 2
6th School X Country
12th Southland X
Country

14th Teacher Only

Day

21st Showquest

May Newsletter

June

7th Queen's Birthday 18th June Newsletter

July

7th-8th CSC Production

Performances
9th July Newsletter

End of Term 2

26th Start of Term 329th CSC Open Night

From the Acting Principal

Kia Ora Koutou.

Since our last newsletter, we have well and truly settled in to normal routines with our usual mix of learning in and out of the classroom, plus all the extra opportunities we offer students. This all contributes to our overall aim for students of Central Southland College - to be successful learners, positive citizens of strong character and high achievers in any chosen field. We always encourage students to take opportunities available to them and then give it their full energy and focus.

In recent weeks, we have had a number of things going on from Ugly Shakespeare Company working with our drama students to a Library Day through to hosting the Southland School Triathlon Championships.



Sometimes all these opportunities come at a cost of class time. We are lucky that these days we are all much more connected through digital platforms and methods of contact, so it is easier for students to keep up with their studies when away. We expect an absent student (for any reason) to do their bit to catch up on missed learning. This includes checking online (e.g. Google Classroom) and/or checking with friends who were in class. This time of the year is normally busy with assessments for our seniors, so self management and time management are essential.

It was awesome to see a good turnout for the Year 9 Parent Information Evening recently. Each year we try to estimate the number of people that will come along, and each year we have to scramble to get more chairs due to the excellent turnout. The idea of this evening is for whanāu to make connections with the Year 9 Formteachers, the Year 9 Dean and other key staff. We are always looking for ways to increase engagement between the school and whanāu, so that we all know each other better and can work together as your child navigates their 5 years here at CSC.

Last week we were visited by students and staff from Mt Aspiring College (Wanaka) and Cromwell College for the annual Quad Exchange. As the hosting school we were allowed to enter two teams per year level, so had twice as many participants as we have had in other years. We also provided a large team of referees, umpires, scorekeepers and judges in the form of Year 13 students, who all did a fantastic job. It was great to get the chance to watch some of the games and see our students holding their own and showing grit and determination. We are a bit of a competitive bunch (as am I) and our students were definitely competing with a strong sense of school pride. All this must have paid off, as we won 4 of the 5 Year levels and won the exchange overall. Congratulations to the staff and students involved.

On Monday we had Paul Nicholson running his programme called "Making it Happen" with selected students. Paul is an engaging motivational speaker who focuses on setting a clear purpose, focusing on positives and handling failure as a path to success. The students thoroughly enjoyed the day and gained valuable lessons from it.

We hope that everyone stays safe in the coming weeks, has an opportunity to spend quality time together over Easter and continues to make the most of the learning time available this term.

Ngā Mihi,

Brendon Wallace Acting Principal

Year 13 Accounting—Job Costing

Year 13 Accounting students grabbed the chance to combine biscuits, sweets and icing sugar ('the 'Job') to produce delicious fancy biscuits. Along the way they recorded the cost of (sweet) raw materials, labour (their time) and overhead costs.

With this information they could calculate the total cost of their job, add the mark-up and then invoice the customer, who promptly ate the biscuits! Bon Appetit!

Hopefully, they now have a better understanding of our current topic, job cost accounting. The assessment is next Term but unfortunately will not involve any biscuits or sugar!

Mr Peter Turnbull



STUDENT NEWS

School Reports 2021

In order to provide more frequent and timely information this year about student progress we have decided to complete 'Learning Habits' reports (both Senior and Junior) at the end of each Term. These reports will be similar to reports parents received last Year at the end of Term Two (Juniors) and for seniors at the end of Term Three.

Examples from 2020. Note: These are indicative. They may be amended or added to during the year.

Senior Report

Learning Habits	1 Seldom	2	3	4	5 Always
Actively engaged in learning				•	
Organised and prepared for class				•	
Interacts positively with others					•
Fully engages in assessments					•

Junior Report

Learning Habits	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Often	Always
Actively engaged in learning				•	
Organised and prepared for class					•
Interacts positively with others				•	
Follows instructions				•	

These four reports, along with the weekly Effort grades and Parent Interview evenings early in Term Two and Term Three (dates to be confirmed), should provide a more comprehensive picture of student progress. The timeline is therefore:

- Junior and Senior Learning Habits Report end of Term 1
- Meet-the-teacher night early in **Term 2** (possibly Week 2)
- Junior and Senior Learning Habits Report end of Term 2
- Meet-the-teacher night early in **Term 3** (possibly Week 3)
- Junior and Senior Learning Habits Report end of **Term 3** (the Senior report will have specific reference to school exam performance)
- Senior Learning Habits Report by or on the seniors last day and including all final grades to that point.
- Junior Learning Habits Report end of Term 4

Peter Turnbull Acting Deputy Principal

Year 9 and 10 Extension Opportunity

Entries are now open for the 2021 Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions are a great opportunity for our top students to compete against students from all over New Zealand. The competition is an online test that takes place at the end of Term 2. Students can enter one, two or all three competitions.

Students can pick up an entry form from the school office. The form needs to be returned with payment by **Friday** the 9th of April.

Chris Jones Teacher in Charge

CAREERS NEWS

Year 12 and 13 Career Interviews

We have completed our interviews with all Year 13 students, to encourage them to start investigating work and study options and to start making plans for 2022. They have been told they need to ensure that they have their numeracy and literacy requirements. Individual Careers interviews for Year 12 students have also been completed, where we discuss goals they have set, and discuss their ideas for future pathways. During these interviews we explain the requirements for gaining University Entrance, these are set out below for your information:

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Achievement of NCEA Level 3

(60 credits at level 3 or higher and 20 credits at Level 2)

14 credits in each of **three** subjects from the list of approved subjects

The remaining credits to achieve NCEA Level 3 may come from either achievement or unit standards

UE Numeracy - 10 credits at Level 1 or higher from specified achievement standards or three specific numeracy unit standards

UE literacy – 10 credits (five in reading and five in writing) from

- •specific level 2 and higher achievement standards, or specific Te Reo Māori and Te Reo Rangatira level 2 standards, or
- •two specific level 4 English for academic purposes unit standards, or
- •an academic literacy common assessment tool (CAT) at level 3 (no credit value, run by NZQA).

Curriculum Vitae

Each year we encourage all Year 13 students to complete a CV, so they are ready to apply for the many Scholarships available, and to use for part time or full time work applications. Many tertiary courses also require a CV. These are expected to be completed by the first week of Term 3 but students should make a start this term.

Liaison Visits

The Liaison Officers from Lincoln University and Otago University have met with interested Year 12 & 13 students who are considering them as an option for 2021 and beyond. Victoria University held a webinar to showcase what opportunities are available to students at their university. We will also be hosting a visit from Otago Polytechnic and the University of Canterbury next month. The Liaison Officers go over in detail any course the student would like to hear about and there is plenty of time for questions. They return later in the year to help the students select the exact course suited to them and assist them with the enrolment process. This is a great service and gives our students a chance to start their investigations.

Health and Safety Course at CSC

Gateway students, Ag ITO students and selected Year 12 & 13 students attended a 'Safety in the Workplace' course at CSC recently. The day involved job safety analysis and identifying hazards in the workplace, and covered a combination of practical and theory learning.

Gateway

All of our Gateway students have started their work placements and we are enjoying hearing all about their experiences. This year we have six students on work placements in the Petrol, Heavy Diesel mechanic and Engineering Industries. They are completing Unit Standards studying through MITO (Motor Industry Training Organisation). The Southland MITO Representative, Kerri Youngman recently visited CSC to show them how to navigate their E-Learning package.

We also have two students on building placements this year. They are completing Unit Standards studying through BCITO. Their training advisors Ralph Youngman and Tony Lemin visited them at school to explain how the scheme will work and gave them a pack which included a builders pencil and tape measure.

South Roads Visit

Nick Riley from South Roads delivered a presentation to the Year11, 12 & 13 students about infrastructure, career pathways and training opportunities within the South Roads organisation. This was a great insight into the varied jobs and pathways available.

Dates for the Calendar:

13 April 1.20pm in the Library - Otago Polytechnic Liaison Officer 24 May Otago Open Day

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CSC PRIMARY ITO TRADES ACADEMY

We have had an extremely busy month with the Year 11 Primary ITO Trades Academy group, going on field trips to the Invercargill Weather Station, Easy Big Trees, South Pacific Meats, Ballance Fertiliser and a Forestry Information Day, all while working on Unit Standards back at school.

Most of the Year 12 group are out on their respective farm placements gaining invaluable work experience from very supportive farmers.

Lynley Woodd TIC Agriculture



Invercargill Weather Station



Easy Big Trees Visit





Watching the weather balloon that is released each day at 10.15am



South Pacific Meats Limited



Ballance Fertiliser Trip

STUDENT NEWS

HERE-O Leaders 2021



Pictured left to right: Estelle Taylor, Rebekah Torrie, Bryce Dykes, Naomi Hamilton

Congratulations to our new HERE-O Leaders for 2021. These amazing students will promote our school values throughout the year by running activities and encouraging all students to be part of our HERE-O recognition system. We wish them the best of luck for an awesome year in this important leadership role.

Southland Literacy Association Librarian Day



On Thursday the 18th of March, six CSC librarians - Molly Kinraid, Flynn Knight, Ranudi De Silva, Ruth Cody, Hannah Wilson and Alexis Kinraid - joined other school librarians from around Southland to visit James Hargest, the Invercargill City Library and the CSC library. The theme of the CSC Library was gothic/horror and the displays arranged by Mrs Shaw were fantastic. Mrs Wilkinson organised the quiz and activities with some senior librarians - Kaylee Anderson, Suri Kidd, Charlotte White, and Megan McEwan.

At the James Hargest Library, students had to complete a cube challenge similar to Escape Room tasks and they were lucky enough to check out the archives at the Central Library.

This was a fun day of meeting new friends and getting different ideas to take back to their own roles as student librarians. A big thank you to Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Shaw for all of their work to make the morning session at CSC such a success.

Kirsten Kean HOD English

"It was an amazing, fun experience and we would like to say a huge thank you to all the amazing staff and helpers that made the day happen, it wouldn't have happened without you".

CSC Yr 9 & Yr 10 Student Librarians

STUDENT NEWS

Year 9 Social Studies

9Cp and 9Cw started the year in Social Studies by doing some research into a country of their choice. After researching the information, they then worked with a design website called Canva to produce these professional looking infographics. Every student developed some valuable research and design skills which will be useful across a range of subjects. Ka pai 9Cw and 9Cp!

Jane Cowie



Year 10 Science News

Keeping learning interesting:

Genetics study in Year 10 is all about understanding variation (differences) in populations and classifying based on traits(characteristics).

10LX did a great job creating dichotomous keys to classify a selection of lollies. A bonus to eat at the end too!



Jenna Halder Teacher 10Lx

Spotlight on Patrick Marron Head Boy

Favourite Subject:
Physics. I find Physics rewarding when you work out the answer to a question that has multiple levels of thinking. A lot of the questions have a problem solving mentality which I find addictive.



Greatest success at school so far: Getting top of

Year 12 last year. Because it showed that I put in the work. People don't always see the behind the scenes work that makes success.

What do you enjoy about school: I enjoy the freedom to have my own style of education at CSC. Being able to have the freedom to solve problems is what challenges me and I thrive to be challenged.

What do you want to do with your life: I want to study medicine at Otago University. Going on to be a radiation oncologist which looks at treating cancer and coming up with new ways to fight cancer.

Advice for others: It is important for people to know that mistakes are a part of life, and to not dwell on your mistakes, but keep moving forward. Look at the big picture because that is what matters. You learn more from mistakes than you do from success. It is what you are doing when no one is watching that matters. If you want to be at the top, you have to do something different than what everyone else is doing.

<u>Favourite quote</u>: You make your mistakes and mistakes never make you (Mac Miller).

YEAR 13 ART

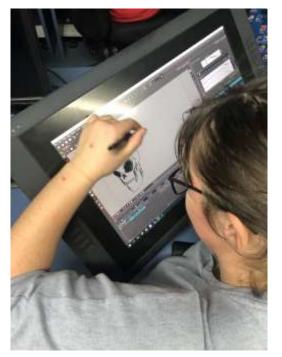




Year 13 Art students went to Invercargill today to have a look at the NZQA Top Art Exhibition, He Waka Tuia Museum & Art Gallery, and SIT.

The day included:

- Hands on experience using digital animation software to make a moving image.
- A more in-depth understanding of the historical Invercargill museum and gallery scene.
- Inspiration for their folio boards through analysis of the top Excellence level folio boards from around New Zealand.





Ashlee Carr HOD Art

CSC Ballgown Parade

This is always a very popular event on the school calendar and tickets sell very fast! The parade will be held in the College hall on Friday 9th April.

Tickets will be on sale at College Office from Monday 29th of March Cost of \$8 per ticket Doors open at 6.00pm, Parade starts at 6.30pm

NB: No Door Sales

YEAR 9 POEMS

"Southland"

Ryan O'Callaghan

In Riverton, the old wooden bridge wades woefully in the peaceful waters of the estuary longing to stretch it's weary legs

In the Catlins, the energetic Komako flutters effortlessly following unassuming tourists as they navigate though the thick bush and scrub trying to hide and remain unnoticed peering from above like a drone

In Winton, the flowerbeds lay idle in the middle of the road trying to entice passers-by to stay hoping to wake up and find the town alive and awake with splendour

In Invercargill, the rain doesn't ever stop pouring the weather there has OCD always wanting to keep the buildings clean

In Otatara,
Oreti beach reaches out like a beacon
pulling people
past the hall
past the school
and onto it's
sandy dunes
of melted gold
the odd tussock
waves frantically
in the ever-changing
breeze of indecision

"Southland"

Jacob Kitto

In Invercargill,
The small town grows
Like a tadpole.
Rain drowns the people
Wanting to get out and about.

In Winton,
The old buildings get refurbished
The great bakery will make me fat
When I look around I see a running
cat.

In Gore, the roads move aroundy To make you confused the towns 50,50.

In Bluff,
There is a wharf
That blankets part of the ocean.

Edendale,
Just sits around
People drive through not to stay
Fonterra milk picked a nice place to stay.



TRIATHLON



Last month, a total of 50 CSC students competed in the Southland Secondary Schools Triathlon. All students represented CSC well. 48 of the students competed in teams.

Tessa Cubbit competed as an individual and finished 2nd in the U14 Girls grade.

Team results were:

U19:

3rd Mixed team: Amie Pratt, Te Awe Duly, Ella Wilson3rd Boys team: Ethan Dudin, Max Treloar and Harry Clark

U16:

2nd Mixed team: Rylan Cooper, Lilly Futter and Brooke Forde

U14:

2nd Boys team: Ollie Davis, Jackson Newell and Declan Dudin
 3rd Boys team: Danny McDonald, Raff Cowie and Ben Anderson
 2nd Mixed team: Zara Campbell, Oliver White and Lucas Peters
 3rd Mixed team: Jacob Begg, Hannah Price and Connor Gilliland









TRIATHLON



Congratulations!

QUAD EXCHANGE

It was great to hold our annual Quad Exchange this year after having to cancel it in 2020 due to lockdown. This exchange is one of the highlights of the sporting calendar when Mount Aspiring College from Wanaka, Cromwell College and CSC come together to compete in five different activities over two days. As hosting school this year, we had two teams of five boys and five girls from each year level compete against the visiting schools in Volleyball, Turbo Touch, Fast 5 Netball, Waterpolo and Capture the Flag. Most of these sports are relatively new to all students so there is always a lot of fun, laughter, friendly banter but still a strong degree of healthy competitiveness, as each school aims to come out as the top school. Lifelong friendships are also forged over the two days as our CSC students billet the visiting school students overnight. Next year CSC will be hosted by Mount Aspiring College.



QUAD EXCHANGE



CSC ATHLETICS DAY

The CSC Athletics Day was held on Thursday 4 March. It was a perfect Southland Day for athletics and a big thank you to Steve Christensen for getting the track in tip top condition. As always there were some impressive performances from some very talented CSC athletes.

Special mention to Ollie Davis who broke the Under 14 Boys Long Jump record with a leap of 5.49m, a very impressive jump for a Year 9 student.



AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS					
Age Group	Boy	Girl			
Under 14	Ollie Davis	Amelie White			
Under 15	Jack Montgomerie	Holly Rutherford			
Under 16	Brooke Forde	Sarah Beck/Grace Watson			
Over 16	Jack Stalker	Riley Ballantyne			

House Relay Champions

1st Te Awa

2nd Te Ngahere

3rd Te Oneone

4th= Te Maunga and Te Ra

House Champions

1st Te Ngahere

2nd Te Awa

3rd Te Oneone

4th Te Maunga

5th Te Ra

Southland Secondary Schools Athletics



The CSC Athletics team shone at the Southland Champs last weekend. Every one of our 47 strong team performed spectacularly. The weather played its part and everyone enjoyed the warm, wind free day. There were many stand-out performances, too many to list, with the top athletes heading to Christchurch in April to compete at the South Island Champs. A huge thank you to the athletes, their supporters and families, and to the CSC staff who helped run the Long Jump pit for the day.

Annie Keown
TIC**



STOP PRESS!

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS



Eli Standish, Year 13 and Ben Anderson, Year 9 competed at the Southland Secondary Schools Tennis Championships recently. The boys played and won against James Hargest College, pairing to finish 3rd overall in the Boys A division.

Our thanks to Fleur Anderson for being the manager on the day.

Andrea Beggs Sports Co-ordinator

We Need You! Teacher Aide

We are looking for people to join our Learning Support Team at Central Southland College. Hours (during school day) are flexible, between 10 and 25 hours per week. Experience in schools an advantage but not necessary.

Successful applicants will have good communication skills, the ability to work well in a team and enjoy working with young people.

If interested, please drop your CV (including three referees), along with a covering letter, at the school office or email it to:

office@csc.school.nz.

Expressions of interest close next Thursday 1st April 2021.

Student Accounts

Invoices were sent out to families recently from the office. It would be appreciated if you could pay amounts owing by the end of Term One, unless you have an automatic payment in place.

Sports subs should be paid before the competition starts.

Thank you for your assistance.

Job Vacancy

The CSC Home & School have a vacancy for a canteen assistant at the college.

This position is for school terms only. Hours are every second week from Monday to Friday, 7am to 3pm with a small amount of prep work on a Sunday. Food handling experience is preferred.

To apply, please send a current CV to <u>welcome2stay@xtra.co.nz</u>. Closing date for applications is Thursday 1st April.

For any further enquires please phone Deborah 027 630 4343 or Noela 027 688 6064

More Trees!

In the next two months we will be taking delivery of some more trees to add to our native planting project next to the Winton Walking Track.

We have been gifted these trees in return for our paper recycling efforts over the last 12 months here at CSC.



A huge thank you to Paper For Trees (https://www.paper4trees.co.nz/) and their local sponsor The Southern Trust.

Annie Keown Teacher in Charge