



# CRAIGHEAD

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### Tena koutou katoa

Competing in the **NZSS Rowing AON Maadi Cup Regatta** signals the conclusion of a long, but very successful season for Craighead Rowing. Craighead and Waikato Diocesan School have a wonderful tradition of hosting each other at their respective North and South Island rowing venues, which is a great way of strengthening relationships between our sister schools. On Wednesday evening, our rowing families once again provided an outstanding meal and hospitality for the Waikato Diocesan rowing personnel at the Craighead tent, under the expert guidance of parent Janice Munro and her team of very capable helpers. Another feature of this year's rowing season has been the collaboration and support for each other shown by all the competing Timaru Schools. We hope that you have been able to follow our results on the website [www.rowit.co.nz](http://www.rowit.co.nz).



Under 15 Coxed Quad at the start line for their semi-final this morning

### Cultural Activities

As Term One draws to an end, our cultural groups are coming to the fore, having put in huge amounts of work behind the scenes. Congratulations to the Drama students who won the **Aoraki Regional Competition** for the **University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival**, with their five minute performance of Twelfth Night, Act 4—a comedy written in 1601 about a group of University students playing tricks on their flatmates! We are also very much looking forward to our upcoming production, **The Lord of the Flies**, based on an adaptation of the Nobel Prize-winning book by author William Golding. This features students from all year levels who have been practising since last year, and runs from 12-15 May. The Stage Challenge competition is also fast approaching, with our student-led group looking forward to this event in Christchurch in May. Congratulations also to Year 12 student, Julia Hogg, who plays the lead of Ariel in the local production of **The Little Mermaid**.

Congratulations to all our athletes who competed so well last weekend at the **South Island Athletics Championships**, with some outstanding performances (see results on page two). Our Equestrian students also had a very successful day yesterday at the **Canterbury Secondary Schools' Teams' Dressage Competition**. Thanks to all our parents who are so encouraging and supportive of our students extra-curricular activities.

*B.G. Cress*

God Bless, Lindy Graham

The Craighead Croc  
in action at Maadi Cup



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### APRIL

Fri 8 Y11-13 Interim Reports posted  
Sun 10-Wed 13 Y13 History Field Trip  
Thu 14 South Canterbury Primary Schools' Cross Country  
Fri 15 Victoria University Liaison visit  
Y13 Taha Maori, Te Aitarakihi  
End of Term One

#### MAY Mon 2

Term Two begins

For further dates, please refer to the School website calendar



### EQUESTRIAN

Yesterday, Craighead Equestrian students competed at the **Canterbury Secondary Schools' Dressage**, held at McLeans Island, Christchurch. The team finished second overall out of 25 teams; another outstanding result for our riders who have consistently been placed in the top three teams at the last four Canterbury Schools Equestrian events in 2015/2016.

Individual overall results from 25 riders in each class, were as follows:

Sophie Westgarth—4th, Level 2 A Amalia Rowley—3rd, Level 2 B  
Carly Powell—6th, Level 1 A Abrielle Morse—3rd, Level 1 B

Congratulations to Amalia Rowley who won the CNC 105cm class at the **Equestrian Sport NZ Two Day Horse Trials** at Ryal Bush over Easter. She was also placed second in the **Eventing Southland Junior Rider Series**.

### Meet Brooke Askin—Deputy Performing Arts Leader



I began my days at Craighead as a Year 9 student in 2012, and although it was a huge transition from primary school, I found it easy to adapt with caring teachers, parents and friends. I also became part of a whole new family within the school by joining the Craighead Chorale. Even though my passion has always been with the performing arts, I never imagined myself as Deputy Performing Arts leader, and I feel so privileged to have been given this role.

During my time at Craighead, I have always been involved with the performing arts in some way or form. I have enjoyed being a part of the Chorale, Choir, Junior Choir, Orchestra and the String group, as well as participating in Lip Sync, Music Cup and being involved in many South Canterbury Drama League productions. I must thank Mrs McLeod and Mrs Towle for helping build my confidence and always having great ideas and advice.

I am so excited to be working alongside Anna Breen as we both share the same passion for music and performing arts and we are very happy to be running the 2016 Junior Choir with Nicharee Teeraumphon as the accompanist. I encourage all students to follow their passion and try new activities which Craighead has to offer. I am looking forward to the rest of the year as a Year 13 student and the performing arts events to come.



## SISS ATHLETICS

Last weekend, Craighead students competed at the South Island Secondary Schools' Athletics Championships held at Aorangi Park in Timaru, with some very successful results.

**Caitlin Alexander**—  
2nd Open 2000m Walk

**Anna Hayward**—  
1st U16 200m, 1st U16 400m

**Elizabeth Hampton**—  
2nd U19 300m Hurdles, 2= U19 High Jump, 4th U19 400m

**Ashleigh Meyer**—2nd U16 1500m, 4th U16 800m

**Leah McDonald**—2nd U16 Long Jump, 4th U16 High jump

**Alice Ritchie**—1st Open 2000m Walk

**Lily Rae**—4th U14 Discus

**Leah McDonald, Alice Ritchie, Ashleigh Meyer, Anna Hayward**—  
3rd U16 4x100m relay



## SISS DUATHLON

Congratulations to **Elizabeth Grace** (Y13) who was placed third in the Senior Girls' section at the South Island Secondary Schools Duathlon held on Sunday 6 March in Oamaru.

## BOARDING HOUSE NEWS

### Weekend Outings:

**Sat 9 April**—Wallaby Park in Waimate

**Sun 10 April**—Botanical gardens picnic

*Please remember, if you have any concerns at all you can contact me after school either personally or by phone on 03 684 2251.*

**Yvonne Thompson**—Director of Boarding

## RSE—WORLD RELIGIONS

Our Year 10 students are continuing their study of Religions of the World during Term Two. We would greatly appreciate being able to invite speakers who follow the Jewish, Hindu or Muslim faiths to School to share their beliefs with us. If you know of anyone whom we might approach, please email me at [whittingtongl@craighead.school.nz](mailto:whittingtongl@craighead.school.nz).

**Mrs Whittington**—RSE Teacher

## INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) ENGLISH READING AND WRITING COMPETITIONS

*The English Competitions will be held here at School on 14 June (Writing) and 2 August (Reading Comprehension). They can be a useful way for students to see how they perform in relation to their peers in Australasia. Both competitions are optional. If your daughter is interested in participating, she should collect a permission form from her English teacher. Completed forms need to be returned by 14 April please.*

**Mrs Whittington**—ICAS English Competitions

## UNIFORM SHOP OPENING DATES

**Our next open day is Friday 15 April, 3.30pm-4.30pm**

**Open days coming up are 6 May, 20 May, 3 June**

**EFTPOS** is available at the Uniform shop

**Second Hand Shop**—next opening date is **Friday 6 May**

**Cash or cheques only** at the Second Hand Shop



**WINTER UNIFORM** is optional at the beginning of Term Two and compulsory from after Queen's Birthday weekend (7 June).

## DRAMA

Last Thursday, four of our very talented Craighead Drama students competed in the **Aoraki Regional Competition of the University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival**, with their stunning five-minute piece from *Twelfth Night*, directed by Cassidy Young. Cassidy and her co-stars Kate Low, Pippa Davis and Natalie Curtis performed exceptionally well on the night at Timaru Girls' High School, and placed first in the Aoraki Region. They will now go to Wellington over Queen's Birthday Weekend to compete nationally, representing our region, accompanied by Mrs Gillian Towle and Miss Victoria Chappell. We are so proud of this achievement, and we wish the girls the best of luck when they compete in June.



## TENNIS

Congratulations to **Kate Crawford** (Y8) (right) and **Lucy Crawford** (Y7) who won a number of awards at the recent **South Canterbury Tennis Junior prize-giving**.

Kate was named the South Canterbury Most Promising Junior Player and was also awarded the Preen Family Scholarship for 2016. Kate won the Girls U12 Championship, the SC Senior Championship Mixed Doubles and was runner-up in the Woman's Singles and Doubles Championship. She won the Junior Premiership Interclub Doubles competition and was also recognised for her selection in the Southern Team at the National Teams event earlier in the year.

Lucy Crawford won the South Canterbury Girls U10 Championship and was acknowledge at the SC Tennis Junior prize-giving for being one of only three players to win all her singles and doubles SC representative games this season.



## NETBALL NEWS

### 2016 Season Start Dates

**Year 7 & 8:** Saturday mornings, start 9 April

### Premier/Premier Plate/Secondary Schools Premier Grade:

Senior A, Senior B, Senior C, 10A

Wednesday nights, start 20 April

**Year 9A, 9B, 9B1, 10B, 10B1, SS1:**

Saturday afternoons, start 23 April



### Netball Fundraiser!! Thursday 19 May, 6.30-9pm—A Style for Every Story

The Craighead Netball Committee is organising a fabulous **Winter Fashion Evening** with a difference. We will keep you posted with what we have in store for this great night—just make sure you keep it free. Tickets are \$25—available soon.

**Netball Draws**—If you are wanting to see the Netball draw for Wednesday nights or Saturdays, here is the link to the Netball South Canterbury website. The draw is posted on Tuesday evenings or Wednesdays.

<http://netballsouthcanterbury.co.nz/draw/draw-1>

**Netball Subscriptions**—Don't forget these are to be paid before Wednesday 20 April or they will be charged to your account.

## TERM DATES 2016

**Term 1** 1 February—15 April

**Term 2** 2 May—1 July

**Term 3** 25 July—23 September

**Term 4** 10 October—9 December

Please forward brief details of student news and achievements to  
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