



## Tena koutou katoa

**NCEA Review – Have your say!** Our New Zealand Qualification NCEA is now 15 years old. You may be aware that the Ministry of Education (MOE) is looking at ways to strengthen NCEA that will benefit all of our young people. Over the next few months, the MOE aims to talk with lots of New Zealanders, from a range of backgrounds (including students' voice), to discuss their experiences with NCEA – the challenges, the successes and what can be done better in the future. The consultation phase is wide-ranging, genuine and complex, running from May 28 until 16 September.

Feedback is being sought on the **6 Big Opportunities** (provocations), which were developed by a Ministerial Advisory and Reference Group. The following 6 ideas are intended to provoke, inspire and encourage korero on NCEA – these are:

- Creating space at Level One for powerful learning
- Strengthening literacy and numeracy
- Ensuring NCEA Level Two and Three support good connections beyond schooling
- Making it easier for teachers, schools and kura to refocus on learning,
- Ensuring the record of achievement tells us about learners' capabilities
- Dismantling barriers to NCEA.

When the public consultation phase closes on 16 September, personnel from the New Zealand Centre for Educational Research (NZCER) will collate and synthesize all the information from surveys and submissions, then make recommendations to the Minister of Education in early 2019. There are **five guiding principles** against which to assess any proposals for change – wellbeing, inclusion and equity, coherence, pathways and credibility.

Students are also being encouraged to have their say in the form of a competition called **Make your Mark** - with good prizes! The Make Your Mark competition, is open to young New Zealanders from 5-20 years' old, who are invited to share their vision of what education might look like in the future. Up for grabs are grants, scholarships, laptops, and gift card prizes - as well as spot prizes, and the opportunity to attend a Design Lab event with other passionate New Zealanders. Inspiring entries, in English and Te Reo Māori, will be shared throughout New Zealand and help guide the next steps for NCEA.

As members of our school community, you can have your say! Please join in the conversation and submit your ideas, experiences and suggestions for change. Background to the NCEA review can be found at: [conversation.education.govt.nz/NCEA](http://conversation.education.govt.nz/NCEA). A public workshop in Timaru will give our community the chance to directly feed into the Government's review of NCEA, being held on 25 July from 7-9.30pm at Timaru Boys' High School Hogben Hall.

God Bless—Lindy Graham, Principal



Last week, the **Craighead Sports Advisory Council** invited guest speaker **Theo Feldbrugge** to address coaches, managers, parents and players on the subject of **Mental Fitness in Sport**.

Also pictured are Sports Captain, **Kate Trimble**, and **Caro Rhodes** from the Sports Advisory Council.



## RECORDS OF ACHIEVEMENT AND LEARNING CONFERENCES

Year 9–13 students Learning Conference sessions—  
Friday 22 June—3.00-5.00pm, and Tuesday 26 June—6.00-9.00pm

Bookings can be made at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) Event Code: 36u5n

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### JUNE

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| Fri 22        | Aoraki Football<br>House Choir competition<br>Y9-13 Learning Conferences, 2.45pm-5pm |
| Mon 25        | Craighead Parents' & Friends' meeting, Auditorium, 7.15pm                            |
| Mon 25-Fri 29 | Top Art exhibition at Craighead  |
| Tue 26        | Y9-13 Learning Conferences, 6pm-9pm  |
| Wed 27        | Y7&8 Spelling Bee  |
| Thu 28        | Y9&10 Spelling Bee   |
| Thu 28-Sun 8  | Y12 French trip to Tahiti  |
| Fri 29        | <b>END OF TERM TWO</b><br>Boarding House closes 6pm                                  |

### JULY

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| Sun 22 | Boarding House opens 3pm, all boarders to return by 8pm |
| Mon 23 | <b>START OF TERM THREE</b>                              |

Sincere thanks to the family of Old Girl artist, **Holly Zandbergen**, who has kindly lent this painting for the gymnasium foyer.

Last Friday, Australian based group **Poetry in Action** visited Craighead

presenting '**United Nations of Poetry**' to Year 9 and 10—a funny and poignant show looking at the uniting nature of the art form of poetry. Senior students saw '**Words of War**', which followed the life of Wilfred Owen and the influences that led him to become one of the most striking and brilliant voices of his era. The girls thoroughly enjoyed both performances.



## Meet Georgie Dickson— Te Raki Deputy House Leader 2018



Coming from a remote station up the east side of Lake Hawea and having done correspondence schooling from a young age, I had no idea what everyday school life would be like. The opportunities which Craighead has given me, I will never take for granted. One passion which Craighead has allowed me to develop is Rugby. Being involved in the 1st XV since Year 11, has been a fun and rewarding experience, and I feel privileged to lead the forwards for 2018. Throughout my time at Craighead, I have also been involved in the Kapa Haka group, Teen Ag, Basketball, Student Volunteer Army, Adventure Racing and the Equestrian team, which has had many successes of which we are very proud.

I have definitely developed a very competitive attitude towards House competitions throughout my time at Craighead. When I found out I was going to be a House Leader for 2018, alongside Georgia Smith, I was determined that Te Raki (Blue House) would give everything it's best shot. As a House Leader, I think it is really important to encourage everyone to get involved and that it is ok if you don't win, as long as you are giving it all you have got. It is important for the girls to support each other, not just in House activities but in everyday life. At both Swimming and Athletic Sports, the whole House was supportive and enthusiastic—I think this gives each girl the confidence to give new races and activities a go. I have really enjoyed working with Georgia—the girls are lucky to have such a kind and enthusiastic character leading them this year, along with the other Year 13 students who have definitely stepped up when needed. My time at Craighead is almost up, but I am confident that I will never forget the memories, skills and friendships made throughout my five years here. The opportunities and support on offer are very special features of which the school should be proud.





## VOICE (vision, opinion, identity, creative, expression) Art Competition & Exhibition

**Congratulations to our students on their outstanding results at this week's VOICE Youth**

**Art competition held at the Timaru District Council Chambers in Timaru, especially in the Painting category, with over one hundred entries. Craighead was well represented in all areas with Pippa Davis and Kate Low competing the exhibition, Nova Leggett performing with her dance group and Kirsten McCulloch singing. It was a great evening enjoyed by all who attended.**



### PAINTING:

**Bam Na Ranong**—1st Place/Supreme Award,  
**Than Bulakul**—2nd,  
**Plum Li**—3rd, **Bam Na Ranong**—Merit Award,  
**Payge Ovenstone**—Merit Award

### DIGITAL MEDIA:

**Liw Reskawade**—1st Place/Supreme Award



The Aoraki Primary Schools' Cross Country was held at Waihi School last Thursday with some great results in wet and muddy conditions.

**Year 7 team:** 2nd—Year 7 Girls  
Kate Ritchie—1st

Isabelle Harrison—9th

Marissa Shannon—18th, Zoe Gordon—19th, Molly Backhouse—23rd

**Year 8 Team:** Eve Turnbull—22nd, Annie Tregenza—27th,  
Cate Lightbourne—33rd, Grace Flett—36th, Mackenzie Collins—37th

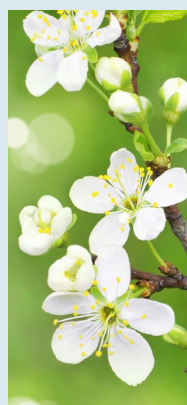


The Careers office is situated at the end of the Dining room verandah. Appointments with the Careers Advisor, Mrs Vicky Campbell, are available on request—please email [campbellvi@craighead.school.nz](mailto:campbellvi@craighead.school.nz).

Students are welcome to help themselves to Careers material on display in the new Careers/Meeting room in the Unwin block. For updates on career events and information, follow **CDS Careers** on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/CDS-Careers](https://www.facebook.com/CDS-Careers)

Students in Years 10, 12 and 13 are making good use of **Career Central**, (an excellent on-line career management programme), during their Career modules. **Ask your daughter to share this with you!!**



## Spring Fling...

**Craighead Parents and Friends**

are planning an event to promote the new gymnasium.

Our "Spring Fling" will be held on

**Saturday 8 September 2018**

and will be open to the Timaru community.

We are asking for **donated items for the auction** to be held during the event—

eg: **Holiday home weekends, meat, wine, firewood, artwork, family passes or gift vouchers, sporting merchandise or goods.**

**If you are able to contribute, please contact:**

**Tracy McLeod, Secretary, Parents and Friends—**  
[dtamcleod@outlook.com](mailto:dtamcleod@outlook.com)

## Cycling...

The recent **Aoraki Schools' Cycling Championships** saw Craighead come away with some excellent results. Our six cyclists including **Harriet Grace, Zoë Leen, Zoe Spillane, Alex Butler-Baird, Zoe Earnshaw** and **Mila Rollo** all had impressive rides and placed across the races in the top three. The Over 16 Girls team of Alex, Mila and Zoe Earnshaw took out the Team Time Trial again this year putting six seconds on the Timaru Girls' Team. The consistency of riding and multiple second and third placings saw Craighead take out the title of Top Aoraki Girls' Team over Ashburton College. These are great results leading up to the South Island Secondary Schools' Championships being held in Timaru on 7 and 8 July.



## EPro8 Challenge

Engineer Problem Solve Innovate



Last Friday, eight Year 9 students travelled up to Christchurch to compete in the **EPro8 Challenge**, a 2 1/2 hour engineering and problem solving race. Our girls were fabulous representatives of Craighead, significantly boosting the ratio of girls present. They challenged themselves and showed impressive teamwork, with both teams placed seventh equal.

**Shooting...** Last Sunday, the Craighead Shooting team attended an Intercollegiate shoot in Dunedin. **Kate Trimble** gained first place in both the Single Rise and the Points Score. The teams' event was won by Kate Trimble, **Maddison Lane** and first time competitive shooter, **Jade Williams**.

## NEWS FROM THE BOARDING HOUSE

### Weekend Outings:

**Friday 22 June:** Games night

**Saturday 23 June:** Beach walk and town

**Sunday 24 June:** C/Bay pool



### School Holidays:

The Boarding House will close at 6pm on Friday 29 June and re-open on Sunday 22 July at 3pm, with dinner at 5.30pm. **All boarders must return by 8.00pm on Sunday evening.**

**Mrs Yvonne Thompson—Director of Boarding**  
[thompsonyv@craighead.school.nz](mailto:thompsonyv@craighead.school.nz) or 03 684 2253

## CAN YOU HELP?

The Craighead Old Girls Second Hand Uniform Shop opens at least **once a month from 3.30-4.30pm**, usually at the start of the month, depending on holidays and the transition from summer to winter uniform and vice versa.

I am looking for a couple of parents to take turns at assisting me in running the shop and relieve me when I am unable to be there. The duties are not onerous—in fact, it is satisfying to help parents and girls fulfil their uniform requirements at a reasonable cost. The funds raised from the sale of second hand uniform go towards the six Old Girls' scholarships. **If you feel you could help, please ring me on 686 1752. Thank you—Vicky Steven.**