

CRAIGHEAD

DIOCESAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

for students & families



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Thursday 1 July 2021

Principal's Message: *Shara tāku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini - My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective*

Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau o Craighead



Manaaki House Choirs: Last Friday, the full House Choirs competed for honours, having put a lot of effort in to perfecting their set piece - Nga Whakamoemiti - and a song of choice from the 80's. The final performances were tūmeke (awesome) and of very high quality. Well done to those who led, conducted, played and sang. Arts Leaders Payge Ovenstone and Zoe Walker did a great job as Masters of Ceremonies, and we are grateful to the judge, Ms Lee Parcell, Head of Music at Timaru Boys High school. Congratulations to Te Raki for taking out first place, with Te Tonga a close second. Thanks to all students who made this event such a pleasure to watch!



Staffing changes from Term 3: Further to the teaching staff changes we announced last week, we are pleased to inform our students and families/whānau that Mrs Glenys Whittington will be Acting HOD Drama for the remainder of the 2021 school year. Ms Lucy Barrett, a UK trained Drama teacher, has accepted a long-term relieving position teaching the other Drama classes along with Mrs Whittington. Mr Jarrod Rayner, a New Zealand trained teacher of Art who has been teaching in International Schools for the past 10 years, will join our Art Department from the beginning of Term 3. There may be some other minor modifications to students timetables to make these changes work, and with the second semester subjects beginning in Term 3.

What's coming up in Term Three?

Tokyo Olympics, 23 July–8 August: Two Craighead Old Girls are competing in the upcoming Tokyo Olympics, which begin on 23 July. Emma Dyke (far right) will competing in the Women's Rowing Eight and Lauren Bruce (right) in the Hammer Throw. Both have done incredibly well to be named in the New Zealand Olympic squad – Emma had the resilience and determination to train a full year longer than anticipated with the Games pushed out by one year because of the pandemic, while the extra year gave Lauren the chance to qualify. We wish them all the very best!



School Formal – 30 July: One of the most anticipated events on the school social calendar is the School Formal. This will take place at the Landing Services Building on Friday 30 July. We appreciate the effort that is going on behind the scenes by staff, parents and the Formal Committee, to ensure a fabulous, stylish evening - with its "Gatsby" theme! Annabelle Scott, Year 13, is Chair of the Formal Committee.

Whānau Hui – 3 August: Our second Whānau hui is scheduled for Tuesday 3 August. This will begin at 5.30pm in the Unwin library with a welcome by our full Kapa haka group. While our first Whānau Hui focussed on connecting with our Māori families (meeting with, and sharing our vision) this hui is for gathering information on how best to support our Māori learners. We will then break into small groups to seek feedback from students and their families/whānau, which will inform our future planning. We warmly invite all our Māori whānau (students and their parents/caregivers) to join us, and also extend an invitation to those staff and families who are interested in attending and supporting increasing our cultural responsiveness.

Cadenza (South Island) – 22/23 August: The Craighead Choir has just been announced as one of the twelve choirs from the South Island area to be invited to attend The Big Sing Cadenza concert, being held here in Timaru on 22/23 August. The Choir will be required to present four songs – one each from the three categories as outlined in The Big Sing Categories of Musical Styles and one of their own choice from any of the categories. This event will take place at both the Craighead Auditorium and Sacred Heart Basilica. This is very exciting news - congratulations to Ms Liu and Mr Kane!

Mid-Year Break: The three week break allows time to rest up after such a busy term. We wish everyone a good holiday, hopefully able to spend quality time with friends, family and Whānau.

God Bless, E te atua manaaki - Lindy Graham



This week we farewelled Mrs Gillian Towle, HOD Drama, and Ms Lesley Brown who has been relieving in our Art department in Terms 1 and 2.

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Student Leaders 2021

Te Raki Deputy Leader

My journey at Craighead began in Year 9 in 2017. It feels like just yesterday I was looking up to the big Year 13 students and thinking how old and 'together' they seemed. My time at Craighead is going faster than I could ever have imagined.

Meet... ROSA IZARD

Without a doubt it took me a while to adjust to Craighead life. Sport has really helped me build confidence and resilience. I have been fortunate to be involved in many teams including Netball, Basketball, and Rowing. Craighead has also given me so many educational opportunities and I have learned to set goals and work towards them. The satisfaction of reaching a goal makes it all worthwhile for me. I have thoroughly enjoyed embracing learning. In my younger years, I looked up to the House leaders and aspired to lead Te Raki House. This year I was very excited to be given the opportunity to be the Deputy Leader of Te Raki alongside Alex Williamson. A highlight of my time as House leader has been winning the recent House Choir competition. I was so proud of all the students' dedication and positive attitudes while practising and performing. Going into Term 3, I am looking forward to continuing to build on the Te Raki House spirit.

FROM OUR BOARDING HOUSE...



Mrs Tracy Dockrill - Director of Boarding

Invitations to set up your Orah / Boardingware account have been emailed to Boarding parents. Boardingware is re-branding to Orah on 1 July 2021.

From Term 3, Orah is the online platform we will use to manage leave requests, our sign in/out system, attendance, pastoral tracking, event planning and an emergency response automation. We look forward to using this platform for the convenience of both parents and staff.

The Boarding House will close on Friday 2 July at 5pm, and reopen on Sunday 25 July at 2pm. All boarders must be back in the House by 4pm, and in for Dinner unless permission has been requested. A light afternoon tea is available for parents at 4.30pm in the Auditorium - all are welcome to attend.

If you have any queries, please phone 03 684 2251 or contact me at dockrilltr@craighead.school.nz. From the Boarding House staff, we wish you a restful holiday break and look forward to seeing you all in Term 3.

Term 3 Boarding dates...

Sunday 1 - Friday 6 August	Boarding Awareness week
Friday 6 August	Boarders' Parents' dinner
Tuesday 10 August	Teacher Only Day (to be confirmed)
Monday 6 September	Fathers / Daughters / Blokes Breakfast



Boarders' Parents' Dinner

Friday 6 August, 6.30pm - School Dining Room
\$50 / Single ticket includes canapes, dinner, dessert & limited alcohol.

RSVP to dockrilltr@craighead.school.nz by 23 July.

GENERAL NOTICES....

Upcoming Dates for your Diary...

July	Fri 2	Years 7-13 Learning Conferences End of Term Two Boarding House closes 5.00pm Boarding House opens 2.00pm Start of Term Three
	Sun 25 Mon 26 Thurs 29 Fri 30	Year 11 Geography Field trip, Christchurch Senior Formal
August	Tues 3 Thurs 5	Whānau Hui - Unwin Library at 5.30pm Year 9 Ski Day

Uniform

The UNIFORM SHOP will not opening tomorrow (Friday 2 July) due to Learning Conferences being held at school.

We will be open every Friday in Term 3 from 3.30-4.30pm.

For online orders through the School website Uniform page, payment is required prior to collection and can be made through internet banking into the School account: **01 - 0886 - 0011218 - 00**

Please note: Particulars - Uniform Reference - Students name

For urgent queries or to arrange an appointment, please contact Mrs Tracy McLeod, Shop Manager - uniform@craighead.school.nz.

CRAIGHEAD OLD GIRLS' ASSOC. SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Open from 12.30-1.30 tomorrow, Friday 2 July, or earlier by prior arrangement with Juliet Shallard, j.shallard@outlook.co.nz or 027 300 7275 .

If you have any items of current uniform to sell or donate please contact Juliet and she will email you a form and labels to complete. All uniform must be labelled with item, size, name and phone number. Forms are available from the School Office if you are unable to print at home.

Examination Assistants... *Can You Help?*

We are looking for people to work with our senior students who require assistance in the external examinations. If you are interested in working with young people, as either a reader, a writer or a reader/writer, in order to ensure that they reach their potential in exams, then please contact Ms Lara Hearn to find out more about this opportunity - hearnla@craighead.school.nz



Coming up in Term 3:

Friday 23 July	Lincoln University Open Day 10am-4pm
Wednesday 11 August:	University of Canterbury Liaison Officer 10am - Careers Room Victoria University Liaison Officer 12.30pm - Careers Room
Thursday 12 August:	University of Canterbury visit - Christchurch
Thursday 19 August:	University of Otago Liaison Officer 9.00am - Careers Room

Any queries, please contact Mrs Claire Spiers, Careers Advisor, spierscl@craighead.school.nz.

FROM OUR CHAPLAIN...



Reverend Lucy Platt

A huge thank you to our wonderful school community for your prayers and meals while I have been unwell! I have been so abundantly blessed by all! As we head into the holidays may we recall that EVEN Jesus needed naps! In Mark 4 we read that in the midst of a storm Jesus slept. Let us be reminded of our need for rest and take this break as a wonderful opportunity to refresh, reset, and rest. Bless you all!

Grace and Peace, Rev. Lucy

SCHOOL NEWS

Students Against Dangerous Driving (SADD)

Zoe Jackson, Year 12 was recently selected for the SADD National Leadership Programme, which provides an opportunity for students to build their leadership experience and networking skills, work with like-minded youth from around New Zealand, help develop the vision and plan the future of SADD, represent SADD at a national level, and advocate for young people committed to preventing loss on our roads.



Zoe explains "After attending the SADD conference in Dunedin, I saw what the National Leaders do, and immediately wanted to apply. I think that it is going to be a great way to meet with new people that have the same mindset and gain leadership skills, by helping a great cause!" It is outstanding to see our SADD members taking on these opportunities and using their voices to promote safe driving for all.

Smokefree Rockquest

Congratulations to Alysha Bradley who took out the People's Choice award in the solo section of Smokefree Rockquest last weekend. The Craighead Rock band "Tomorrow Afternoon" also performed very well. It was an outstanding event - there are so many talented young musicians out there!!



EPro8 Challenge



Three Craighead Year 8 teams recently competed in the EPro8 competition at Bluestone School with the "Goldfish" team of Hayley Chang, Soraya Hunt, Beth Savage and Miglia Schicker going through to the next round to be held in Ashburton in August.

St John Youth Awards

Congratulations to Emily and Ruby Lake who were presented with their Grand Prior badges, the second highest badge to be awarded in the St John Youth programme, at a special ceremony at Rhodes Timaru Division. They also attended a ceremony in Christchurch on Saturday at the transitional Cathedral to be presented with their Grand Prior Certificate, along with other Grand Prior recipients.



Manaaki House Choirs



Senior Formal!

It's that time of the year again where Craighead is hosting their annual Senior Formal on Friday 30 July. The theme is 'Gatsby Night' and it is to be a sophisticated and elegant evening filled with gold, silver, black and white. Personalised invitations will be available for collection by senior students on the day of the Formal. We hope everyone has a fantastic time and enjoys living in the roaring 1920's for the night!



FROM OUR SPORTS DEPARTMENT...

Mrs Kayla Cunningham
Director of Sport



SC Primary Cross Country

Last Wednesday, fourteen Craighead students tested themselves against the elements and the best junior athletes in South Canterbury at the Primary Schools' Cross Country Championships held at Waihi School. With the muddy terrain sodden from recent rains, combined with multiple river crossings, the team discovered what true cross country running is all about.

Three Year 7 teams and a solid Year 8 team competed with the students clustering well to achieve some credible results: Year 7A - 3rd (Greta Dale, Georgia O'Sullivan, Zoe Slater), Year 8 A - 2nd (Sienna Wright, Keira Shannon, Libby Brown (below L-R)). Other team members were Jessica Box, Alice Claridge, Evie Grant, Charlotte Low, Monique Fitzgerald, Jasmine Payne, Charlotte Connolly, Estella Gray.



South Canterbury Women's Rugby

Libby Geary, Alex Williamson and Samantha O'Neill played in the inaugural Heartland Women's 10s Tournament in Methven last Sunday, competing in a South Canterbury team which joined forces with West Coast to play against Mid Canterbury, North Otago and Buller. Libby, Alex and Samantha played exceptionally well and helped lead other women who had never played Rugby before! Our thanks to Mick Geary who helped coach the team, and to Manager, Caro Rhodes.



For further Sports information, sports draws, results please go to

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/craighead>

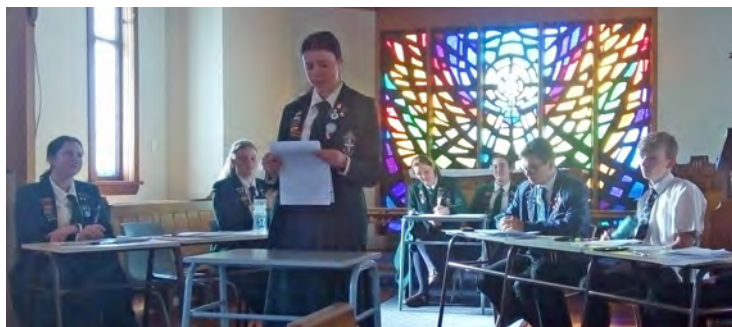
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STAC Exchange

On Monday, Craighead had a wonderful day hosting the annual St Andrew's College Winter Exchange. All the teams put in huge effort, with our 9A, Senior B and A Netball teams recording wins. Basketball, Football and Debating all put up a good fight and the scores certainly did not reflect their performances. Unfortunately Hockey could not be played due to atrocious weather conditions, and the game was cancelled. It was great to see a number of parents supporting our teams.



The topic for the debate was "This House would ban all religions from actively seeking to convert non-believers" with Craighead arguing the Affirmative. In an enjoyable debate STAC came out the winner.



Badminton

Last Tuesday, the Teams section of the SC Schools' Badminton season came to a close with teams playing off against each other to determine their final placings. Junior Girls A Grade was won by our Junior CDS White team including Skye Bowen, Camryn Porter, Pear Chantrasup and Haruka Kato. These four girls beat Mountainview's Junior Girls' team in the final to earn the top spot. The Junior CDS Blue team included Mia Donaldson, Samantha Giddings, Zoe Gordon and Rebecca Shrimpton who earned themselves first place in the Junior Girls' B grade by defeating Timaru Girls' High School Pink in their final. I am proud of the progress all of the teams have made throughout the season and it is fantastic to see Craighead take out both grades at the Junior level. While we were not lucky enough to win any of the Senior Girls' grades, it was pleasing to watch them also improve throughout the season and I know they will come back next year even stronger.

This week, players entered themselves into the annual end of season Doubles Tournament. In the Junior grade, we experienced more success with Skye Bowen and Camryn Porter (right) placing second in the Championship grade, Olive Roxburgh and Emma Williams winning the Plate final, and Mia Burtenshaw and Elodie Gordon winning the Classic Plate final.



The season has two more nights of competition at the beginning of Term 3, a Junior Singles Tournament and a Senior Singles Tournament. Fingers crossed for continued success into these two evenings.

Dylan Gibbs - TIC Badminton