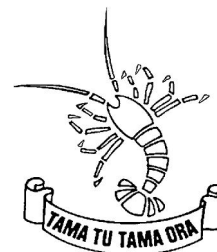


# Kaikoura High School

# TE PANUI RIKIRIKI

30 June 2011 – No. 15

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Tena koutou katoa nga Matua,

## Brain Bee

Eleven of our Year 11 students travelled to Dunedin to compete in the South Island finals of the Brain Bee competition. This is an international competition that had over 500 competitors at a South Island level which was reduced to 60 in the finals. We are proud to report that Isobel Scott qualified for the finals as an individual competitor and that the team finished in the 4<sup>th</sup> position overall. Well done!

## REMINDER: Academic Review Day - Thursday July 14th

Parents/Caregivers are reminded of the invitation to attend a meeting with their child and their Form Teacher to discuss their progress and future prospects. Appointments can be made by return of the Appointment Form which was emailed to you last Thursday and should have been returned to the School yesterday.

## Farewell to Les Hoerara – Assistant Principal and HOD Maori

It is with regret that we farewell Matua Les from our School on Friday 8 July. Matua Les has been on our staff for nearly 6 years.

During his time at Kaikoura High School he was instrumental in developing the capacity of subject teachers to cater for and to meet the needs of our Maori students. His influence has also extended to a number of other areas, such as changing the physical environment of the School to reflect our bicultural nature.

We wish him well in his new job as Deputy Principal at Dannevirke High School.

## Student Voice

Last Friday we asked the members of our student councils to join the teachers during a professional learning and development day. These students were asked for inputs regarding the following:

- 1 What would a teacher look like if they were displaying our core values?
- 2 What is good about and working well in our School?
- 3 What is not so good about our School?
- 4 In a no-limit world, what would you like to see at Kaikoura High School?

The inputs received are valued and very helpful. It will allow us to ensure alignment of our core values throughout the School, to better meet the needs of our students and also enable tamariki to take greater pride in their School.

We will share the outcomes of this Student Voice exercise with you in the near future.

## Careers Expo Feedback

A highly successful Careers Expo last Monday was facilitated by 20 external providers. The number of providers was unfortunately down on last year due to the Christchurch earthquake.

Having the expo at school made for a smoother day and all students were able to attend and interact with providers. We have received positive feedback from the providers and already our students have been requesting more information to support their career goals.

Our Year 7–10 students completed a questionnaire that required them to engage with the providers to allow them to enter a competition. This was useful because it required them to interact with the providers and their products.

The senior students will get another opportunity next term to have an on site meeting some of the providers in Christchurch to finalise decisions on future studies.

## **Update on Community Hospitality Suite**

Because we were unsuccessful last year with our funding application to Canterbury Community Trust, it has been decided to continue with this project in three distinct phases.

### **Phase 1 – Conference Facility & Barista**

Funding from the 5 Year Property Plan will be used to build this facility before the end of this year. This will give us a dual purpose room, providing not only a conference room, but also a sit down facility for the assessment of some hospitality standards including front of house and barista.

### **Phase 2 – Commercial Kitchen**

The development of the commercial kitchen is dependent on our funding application to Canterbury Community Trust that will be submitted in September. If we are successful with this application, it will allow us to commence Phase 2 of the project. The commercial kitchen will be built which will allow us to deliver Level 2 hospitality and cookery courses. Included in this upgrade will be a demonstration area, changing cubicles and up to date commercial equipment.

### **Phase 3 – Food Technology Classroom**

This last phase of the project will be the modernisation of the Food Technology classroom, with the inclusion of a disabled work area.

Completion of the project will provide three learning areas that can be accessed by the School or the community, to offer training courses or to hire out for private functions.

## **Other Property Projects**

The Ministry has announced new rules for the accessing of property funds for the new property cycle, which commences in July 2012. Under the new MLE dispensation (Modern Learning Environment) only projects which will involve the upgrading or the building of teaching areas which meet these criteria, will be approved. This means that all projects of a non-teaching nature will need to be completed within the current property cycle.

Accordingly we will be upgrading the walkways, levelling and reseeding the sports fields, as well as revamping the Administration Block. The Administration Block was last upgraded in 1993, following the flood.

## **Do you still have a need for a hard copy of the Te Panui Rikiriki?**

As you know we are now emailing the Te Panui Rikiriki. However, if you would prefer to receive the newsletter in hard copy format please let Sandra know and we will arrange for your child to get a printed copy.

## **Taste Kaikoura**

This is a major fundraising event for the Community Hospitality Suite for the High School, kindly sponsored by The Fairways at Ocean Ridge. Twelve of Kaikoura's top chefs and a few amateurs will be cooking to impress the judges and to tempt your taste buds. **Wednesday, 3 August, 5.00 pm at Ocean Ridge.** For more information and tickets contact the School, or check the Fairways Facebook page.

## **Kaikoura Suburban School – Go Kart Race day is back.**

Due to popular demand the Go Kart race is back, to be held on 7 August 2011 at Ocean Ridge. For more information and entry rules check the Suburban School Webpage.

## **Rangers are starting in Kaikoura**

Thanks to the popularity of guides, Rangers will be starting up in Term 3 for girls aged 13 (Year 9) to 18. It will run 4.30 to 6.00pm once a week, to be confirmed at a later date. If you need more information or would like to register an interest please contact Jo Fissenden on 319 5138 or 319 7107.

## **Lost Property – Time is running out!!**

Please come and check, or encourage your child to check the mountain of lost property for any items of clothing they may have mislaid. The 'Lost Property' will be taken to the Recycling Centre at the end of this term.

## **REMINDER - Thursday Afternoons**

**Maths Tutorials** 3.00pm to 4.00pm run by Bill Lonsdale, Head of Mathematics.

**Homework Club** from 3.15pm until 5.00pm to study or to work on their homework or art work.

## **Provider Presentations 2011**

We will host a range of speakers over the remainder of this term and early next term. It is expected that Year 12 and 13 students will attend these.

8 July - Canterbury University Open Day, Christchurch (9.00am to 4.00pm)

27 July - Lincoln University Open Day, Christchurch (9.00am to 3.00pm)

1 August - Nick Williams – Telford, Agriculture Class and Tourism class

15 August - Law Careers Function – Christchurch (*venue to be confirmed*)

26 August - Victoria University Open Day, Wellington

Yours sincerely



**Werner van Aswegen**

Principal