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Gore High School

"Learning, to make a difference"

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From the Rector

Greetings everyone
Kia ora e hoa mä

Relationships
All around the world there is still quite a lot being written about Covid-19. Recently I read an article in The Economist, and I shared the main thrust of this with our students at assembly.

The article was about the western world's Big Cities: New York, London, Paris and the like.
https://www.economist.com/leaders/2020/06/11/great-cities-after-the-pandemic

These places are usually abuzz with activity; buildings are crammed in, people are crammed in and at any time of the day or night, elements of these places are well and truly alive. People connecting with one another and collaborating in the workspace are what make cities tick.

During lockdown the Big Cities went quiet as the population moved out to the suburbs and districts and work was carried out from home; socialising too. One opinion expressed, was that business could not have continued from home if the workforce had not already formed relationships and cultures through their previous experience.

> "The brain-workers now logging into Zoom meetings from commuter towns and country cottages can do their jobs because they formed relationships and imbibed cultures in corporate offices. Their heads are still in the city, though their feet are not."

My point to our students was that we could say exactly the same about schools, and our students and teachers. Without the relationships and culture that we have formed here at school, we would have been unable to function so well in the online environment during lockdown. And, as we return to school **strong healthy relationships** remain a key ingredient to future success.

I know that a student is forming good relationships when I see them doing things like:

- Taking part in a sports team, or a kapahaka group, or a choir, or a PVC item etc.
  - Here they have come together for a common purpose, and this purpose encourages them to collaborate and unite.

- Learning alongside and with our teachers.
  - Listening, being open to advice, and contributing ideas are part of healthy school culture.

- Working productively with each other on learning activities.
  - Having fun and enjoying each other's company during down time

And when I see them doing these things, I know that they will succeed. The **relationships and connections** that they are forming will help carry them through. We are enjoying being back together and looking forward to a wee break at the end of next week. Best wishes to all.

Warm Regards,
Nga mihi,
John McKinlay

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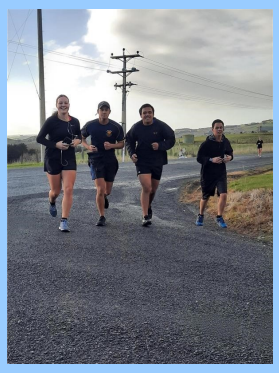
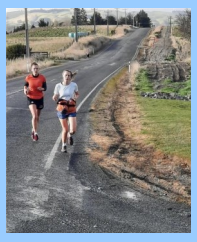
Year 13 Physical Education 10km Run



On Tuesday 9th June the Year 13 Physical Education class completed a 10km run as part of their practical assessment. The Terry Road course was challenging in parts, especially the gradual climb up Broughton Street. The lactic acid build up in the legs was soon forgotten as a support crew greeted the students with music, cow bells and cheering at the top of Broughton Street. Thanks Bridget McLeod, Lauren Given, Maggie Harvey and kiddies, that was awesome - a real wee pick me up for the students after a tough climb, where breathing rates and heart rates were considerably lifted.



The students had to write and complete a training program along with setting a goal of what time they thought they could achieve the 10km in. In order to achieve the standard, there were some very tight time restrictions. Males had to go under 48min to gain an excellence and females 56mins. Three students in the class gained excellence, an awesome effort that demonstrated pure grit and determination in those last few kilometres.

The students faced the challenge with the right attitude, and they all came over the finish line feeling a huge sense of achievement. Some students thought they would never be able to make it, but they did. A very proud moment for them and myself. Thank you to the staff who helped out on the day and a big thank you to the students for giving it their all.

Academy Southland Information Evening

Come along and listen to some of Southland's athletes share their journey on Wednesday 1st July, 7pm at ILT Stadium Southland.

Designed for young athletes aged between 10 and 18 and their parents and caregivers, Academy Southland and ILT Stadium Southland have partnered to bring you this FREE event to help inspire the next generation of Southland Athletes. Hear how they gained the winning edge in their sport and in life. f you are interested and need a ride down please see the Mrs Haslemore Sports Co-ordinator and we may be able to take a van down, must know by Tuesday. Register at www.academysouthland.co.nz

Gore High School Rugby Club

The GHS Rugby Club would like to direct students to B&B Sports for their black shorts and GHS Rugby socks for U14 & U15 boys and U18 & U15 girls. Shorts are available now and socks are on order and will be available by term 3 for start of competition. Please support your local business.

Subs are due at the start of term 3, team managers will explain the cost and collect from players. If you require a pair of boots, mouthguard or assistance with your subs please contact Mrs Haslemore (Sports Co-ordinator) at school.

Rugby Southland has advised that all High School boys rugby will start on 27th June - look out for the draw. Good luck to all teams this year, including our U18 girls combined Eastern team with St Peters' and Menzies. The Club would like to thank our volunteer coaches, managers, committee and also our team and club sponsors that allow Gore High students the chance to play rugby.

Year 12 ORC Low/High Ropes Course

The Year 12 ORC class spent two Wednesdays this month at Adventure Southland in Invercargill completing two unit standards for their course.

On the first Wednesday they did low ropes which focuses on solving problems/co-operating with all team members to get an end result. The high ropes challenged individuals of what they are capable of and also being able to trust the people around you to support you through the exercises.

Gore High School Ski Trip

The school is proposing a Ski trip from Saturday 29th August until Sunday 30th August, at Coronet Peak, staying at the Southland Ski Club Lodge.

If you are interested in taking part, please come and register your interest with Miss Geary. Places are limited so don't hesitate! No prior experience required, this Ski trip is open to all ages and all abilities. It is a great way to make new friends and challenge yourself to new experiences.

Licence Controller Qualification (LCQ)

Monday 6th July and Thursday 9th July 2020 (next school holidays).

Great for those working or planning on working in the Hospitality Industry. Anyone interested in doing this course there is a sign-up sheet in the Careers Department. Please pop your name down and pick up a permission form.

Lincoln University Virtual Open Day - Friday 17th July

Great news: Registrations for the Lincoln University Virtual Open Day are now open. All you have to do is click on the link and fill in the registration form, you will then receive a confirmation email so you know it's worked. We offer more than Future Leader and Sport scholarships and a range of recently introduced fee waivers.
https://www.lincoln.ac.nz/News-and-Events/Virtual-Open-Day-2020

At Lincoln University we run our own campus accommodation with dedicated community support coordinators and space for around 600 students.

How to Choose NCEA Subjects

For more information on choosing NCEA subjects check out the Career NZ Website
https://www.careers.govt.nz/courses/secondary-school-study-and-training-options/how-to-choose-ncea-subjects/

Otago University Law

Are you considering study Law or a BA at Otago Uni, come along to Law @ Otago Presentation, to hear Professor Jessica Palmer (Dean of Law) and a guest speaker from Humanities! Date: **Thursday, 2nd July Time: 11:30am-1:30pm** Location: Invercargill Venue: Southland Boys High School 181 Herbert Street, Gladstone, Invercargill.

Southern Directionz - Canterbury Visit for Year 13 students

The proposed dates of the trip will be: Sunday 16th August – Tuesday 18th August 2020. At year 13 assembly Mrs Cooper and Ms O'Neill will hand out the registration forms and ask answer any questions. Gore High School will subside some of the cost:

Institutions:
Canterbury University
Lincoln University
New Zealand School of Tourism
New Zealand Tertiary College
ARA Institute of Canterbury
Yoobee Colleges
Other targeted Tertiary Providers

All institutions will be contacted, and the following will be arranged for each individual student.

A tour of the institution.
A meeting with the Liaison officer.
An interview with someone from the facility of interest.
A Tour of the Halls of Residence and other student accommodation venues

Each student will be dropped off at their respective Tertiary Institutions and will spend most of the Monday there. Students will be picked up at an arranged time during the day.

Accommodation, Transport and Sunday and Tuesday night meals will be covered in the cost of $360.00 per student.

Health Incubator Holiday Sessions

If you are wanting to attend any of the four optional school holiday sessions please register with Jan Tait at jan.tait@southerndhb.govt.nz or pop in and see the Careers Department.

Monday 06 July 12-3.30pm CSB Mental Health Professionals
Thursday 09 July 12-3.30pm CSB Allied Health (OT, Physio, etc)
Monday 13 July 12-3.30pm CSB Medicine options
Thursday 16 July 12-3.30pm CSB Nursing scopes of practice

You will need to be able to find your own way down to Invercargill for these sessions. This is open to any Year 12 or 13 currently enrolled in Health Incubator.

MONEY HUB - University Scholarships for Year 13 Students

MoneyHub, is a website, that has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2021. . For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit the MoneyHub Scholarship page: https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html

It also has a Y13 checklist that is very useful for students about to leave school, check it out on the following link https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/year-13-checklist.html.

Key dates - Term 2/3

3rd July	Last Day Term 2
20th July	First Day Term 3
05th August	Open Night
06th August	Career Evening
10th August	Otago Tertiary Open Day
11th August	Sports Photos
12th August	Academic Counselling - School Closed
13th August	Academic Counselling (4.00-7.00pm)
19th-21st August	Y12 Snow Camp - Coronet Peak
31st August - 4th September	Revised Winter Tournament Week
9th-10th September	Y8 Interviews
14th-17th September	Derived Grade Examinations
19th September	School Ball
25th September	Last Day Term 3

House Competition - Tractor Pull

Last week we saw a new house challenge - the tractor pull, the students had a great deal of fun participating in this challenge but there can only be one winner and Hunter collected top house points on the day - well done. A big thank you to ex pupil Hamish Goatley who drove the tractor for us.

Winter Sports Codes

After much anticipation winter sports is slowly starting up. Netball had their grading games last Saturday and are into full swing this weekend. Basketball has started this week with Gore High teams playing Wednesday/Thursday/Friday afternoons/evenings (at Archer Stadium). Boys Rugby kicks off this weekend with all teams playing at home from 12.00 pm onwards, checkout our Facebook page to see where and what time each code is playing. It is always great to see support on the side-line's.

Pictured below is some photos of the first week of netball: