



Gore High School

"Learning, to make a difference"

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From the Rector

Greetings everyone
Kia ora e hoa mā



Gore District Community Awards

A couple of weeks ago I was among a number of staff who attended the Gore District Community Awards. We were very proudly there to support students from Gore High School who were nominated in various categories.

Warmest congratulations to Jakob Harrex who was runner up in the Young Achiever Award. Also to our 90 Young Writers group and to our junior Science Around Us group who were joint runners up in the Environment Award.

Congratulations to all of the winners from across our district.

No. 8 Wire

A really inspiring aspect to the evening though, was the address given by the guest speaker, Ian Taylor. Ian lives in Dunedin, and is most commonly known for creating and running Animation Research Ltd. – the firm who do all the graphics for the Americas Cup, cricket, golf and so on.

There were several threads to Ian's address, one of which was the notion that Kiwis just 'get stuff done'. This is the No.8 wire ideology, which lives on in our little country, even though the materials and methods we use have changed.

Firstly, Ian decided to base his company in Dunedin. This was a very deliberate decision. He decided to set up in Dunedin, that they would stay in Dunedin, and that they would 'get stuff done' from Dunedin. He wasn't exactly sure how they would manage to do this but he had a belief that other people would be developing technologies along the way, and somehow this would help them as well.

He then gave several examples of clients phoning him up to ask if his company could develop some idea or other. Being non-technical, he would instantly (often while still on the phone) ask the question of one of his programmers: "Hey Chris, could we do ...?" And the reply from Chris was inevitably, "Mmmm. Don't see why not." This was enough for Ian to assure the client "Yep, sure we can do that", and the deal was done. (I'm sure this is a slight simplification, but you get the idea!!)

Interestingly, the Chris he spoke of above is one of his valued programmers, and Chris came from Gore. Ian Taylor's father also came from Gore many years ago.

There was much, much more content to his speech, and I wish you could have all been there to hear it. (I'm sure quite a few parents were lucky enough to be there too.) The point I want to make in this newsletter though, is that we shouldn't undervalue the benefits of living in a small country, and in a small community within that small country. Because of our isolation we have to innovate, and we have to be ready to give things a go. We should look for opportunities to encourage this in our students and in our classrooms too.

Animation Research's website is worth a look if you want to get a glimpse of the kind of projects they get involved in. (<https://arl.co.nz/>)

Warm regards,
Nga mihi,
John McKinlay



COURTESY
ATAWHAITANGA



EFFORT
MANAWANUITANGA



RESPONSIBILITY
TAKOHANGA

NZ OPEN DANCESPORT NATIONALS

The nationals were held in Hamilton over Labour Weekend. Gore High School students Jysse Prattley, Mikayla Ferguson (ex student), Neihana Wilson, Heidi Potter, Kiera Ferguson and Ben Heaps all participated with outstanding results as follows:

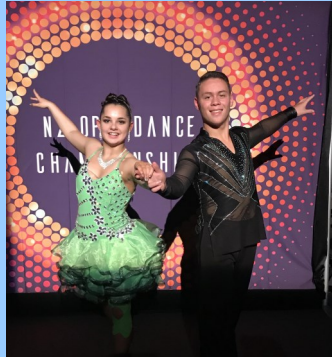
Mikayla and Jysse - 1x 3rd, 1x 4th 2x 5th, 2x 6th

Neihana and Heidi- 1x 4th, 1x 6th, 2x 8th

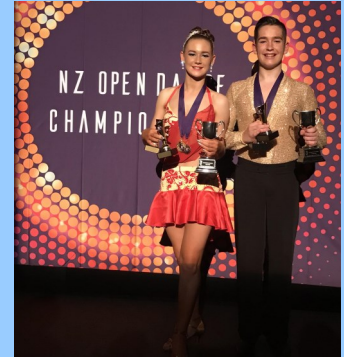
Kiera and Ben- 2x 1st, 1x 3rd, 1x 4th, 1x 5th, 2x 6th, 2x7th



Mikayla Ferguson
and Jysse Prattley



Heidi Potter and
Neihana Wilson



Keira Ferguson and
Ben Heaps

COLLEGE GAMES VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

This annual tournament was held on the 27th of September at the MLT stadium in Gore with teams from St Peter's College, Fiordland College, Northern Southland College, Waiau Area School and Central Southland competing. . We had two teams entered and a fun day was had by all. Our mixed team was second overall and played an exciting final again Central Southland College.



Left: Taneesha Lawton, Nadia Morphus,
Cosima Hill, Ali Musalov, Nikki Musalov,
Esther Joy Miranda, Myna Bacud, Angela
Rosario, Annabelle Lintern



Runners Up: Mitchell Morton, Colby
Gilder, Paige Maniapoto, Gabby
Winkle, Ceysson Gutschlag, Gabby
Harrex, Morag Wilson, Saffie Hare

EMMA FOTHERINGHAM—ICE SKATING

Year 9 student Emma Fotheringham recently attended the New Zealand Figure Skating National Championships (NZIFSA) which were held in Auckland. She gained a personal best score and placed 2nd in the basic novice class which was a great achievement. Congratulations Emma.



Coach Simone Thornett
with Emma in Auckland

REECE HOLZ—BOXING

Congratulations to Year 11 student Reece Holz who recently won the Boxing New Zealand Championships male junior 66kg division in Christchurch.

His next fight will be at the annual Gore Showcase on November the 24th.



DENTAL CARE FOR U18 YEAR OLDS

A reminder for parents and caregivers:
Dental treatment is FREE up until your 18th birthday. Has your child had their teeth checked in the last 12 months? Once your child reaches Year 9 at high school they will need to be seen by a private dentist or dental therapist. Contact your local dentist today to see if they offer the free under 18 dental service.

SAFFIE HARE—FOOTBALL

Year 9 student Saffie Hare has had a successful season of football. She was a member of the Thistle Football Club in Invercargill playing for their 14th Grade team. Saffie was chosen to represent Southland in the 14th Grade Girls Football team that took part in the South Island Tournament. She was named Most Valuable Player for her team at this tournament.

More recently Saffie was named a Future Champion at the Southland Secondary Schools Sports Awards and has been named in the Football South U14 NAG Girls Football Team. She will be travelling to Wellington for the National tournament for her age group in December.

Congratulations Saffie!



GORE COMMUNITY AWARDS

Gore High School Science students represented the school with two nominations at the Gore Community Awards. Both nominations were in the Mainland Minerals Environmental section. The two nominations received joint runner up. 'Class 90 Young Reporters' worked on writing reports on the issues of litter in our community, and the 'Science Around Us' project carried out by all year 9 and 10 students, saw students learning important issues in our community such as pest control and water quality. Well done to the Juniors for participating in the activities.



ROADING SURVEY

The Gore Council's roading team would appreciate your help with a survey it is carrying out to find out if pedestrians and cyclists who use the Gore traffic bridge have any safety concerns.

The survey is via Survey Monkey and is part of an investigation into options to improve walking and cycling links between East Gore and the rest of the town, and provide better links between existing and proposed cycle trails. Among the options is a proposal for a bridge only for cyclists and pedestrians upstream of the traffic bridge.

The survey only takes a couple of minutes to complete – here is the link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.comrGoreTrafficBridgeSafetySurvey>

AWARD FOR SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY

There is a prize at Prizegiving for Community Service. Things that you have done to help out over the years that you have been at Gore High. There is an application for this at the Student Reception and you can pick it up from there. The closing date is Wednesday 21st November.

LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

Application forms for the Leadership Scholarship for students going to Otago Polytech next year will be available at Student Reception on Tuesday 13th November.

This scholarship allows you to pay some money off your accommodation so is well worth applying for.

HOMESTAYS WANTED 2019

Short Term: Chinese group coming from the 4th-16th Feb. Could be hosted in pairs.

Long Term: Year 12 Japanese Girl from first day of 2019 until the end of Term 3.

Medium Term: Thai boy interested in Drama, Music and Art.

If you are interested in hosting and can help out can you email mhamilton@gore-high.school.nz or ring 027 2138448.

TEACHERS PAID UNION MEETING

We have been advised by the Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) that they will be holding a paid Union Meeting (as per their collective contract), on the afternoon of Tuesday November 20. Organisation details for this day will be as follows:

- All NCEA exams will go ahead as planned – they are supervised by outside employees
- Year 10 will be at school for the whole day – they will be travelling to Invercargill to visit SIT. They will be supervised by non-PPTA staff, who will also accompany them back to Gore in the buses at the end of the day.
- Year 9 will have normal classes till 12.20 p.m. There will be no afternoon classes. A few staff will be on hand to supervise students who need to stay in order to wait for a school bus.

YEAR 10 SOUTHERN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TASTER DAY

As part of the Careers Education Programme all Year 10 students will attend "Taster Courses" at the SIT Campus in Invercargill on Tuesday, 20 November 2018. The aims of this day are to:

- Gain a greater awareness of the range of careers available
- To experience a tertiary environment in operation
- To be involved in a practical course

Courses to choose from are: Animation/Film, Automotive (bring overalls, leather covered in shoes or boots, Fashion, Hospitality, Engineering, Hairdressing, Music (you may bring a musical instrument if you wish), Beauty Therapy, Audio Production, Joinery, Sport and Exercise (wear clothing suitable for sports and bring a drink bottle)

Permission slips for this day have been sent out and need to be returned to Student Reception ASAP. The cost for the day is \$10. ALL YEAR 10 STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THIS DAY.

Buses will depart from the main school entrance at 8.50am and will return in time for the end of the school day.

Katrina MacDonald/Jacinta O'Neill

FAMILY WORKS—ROOM FOR ONE MORE

There are children and young people in your community who need the support of Foster families. Family Works are seeking people (couples or singles) to welcome children and young people into their homes. Care may be needed for regular respite, temporary short-term or long-term. Family Works will support you with training, ongoing guidance and foster reimbursement.

Please contact Nicky Bode: nbode@familyworkssld.nz or phone 03 2118226 to register your interest.



SCHOOL HEALTH NURSE CLINIC

Public Health Nurses Stacey and Maria are available for appointments at the school. If you are wishing to see them, please book an appointment at Student Reception, or telephone Maria on 027 523 7891.

THE JR MCKENZIE YOUTH EDUCATION FUND

The JR McKenzie Youth Education Fund has a proud tradition of supporting families in need of financial assistance, with the purchasing of a school uniform. As such, we are pleased to once again invite grant applications from suitable candidates sponsored by your Club, Organisation or School. The closing date for applications is Friday 7 December 2018. Late applications will be considered on a case by case basis.

Application forms can be picked up at Student Reception.

Our criteria remain unchanged to last year, i.e. applications will be accepted from those students who are entering High School for the first time, specifically

- Year 9 / Form 3 students provided that the school only accepts entrants at the Year 9 / Form 3 level onwards
- Year 7 / Form 1 students provided that the school only accepts entrants at the Year 7 / Form 1 level onwards, and also provides High School education at the Year 9 / Form 3 Level

Applications will only be considered for families requiring financial assistance, and in this regard, it must be signed by an independent sponsor before an application is returned to us.

Applications outside the above criteria will not be considered.

ART BOARDS

If you want your art boards please collect them before you go on study leave. Boards still here in December will be 'recycled'. Thank you.

D. Walker