



# Gore High School

"Learning, to make a difference"

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## From the Rector

Greetings everyone

Kia ora e hoa mā



## PREPARING FOR MY FUTURE

A few weeks ago now, our Careers Advisor (Mrs McDonald) and our Year 13 Dean (Mrs Cooper) launched a 'Preparing for My Future' initiative with our Year 13 students. They have based this work around the Employability Skills (2017), and have prepared a resource portfolio aimed at assisting our Y13 students to gather supporting evidence in each of the seven categories below:

- Positive Attitude
- Team Work
- Communication
- Willingness to Learn
- Self-Management
- Thinking Skills
- Resilience

When students graduate at the end of this year, after five years at Gore High School, we want them to be well aware of the skills, characteristics and attributes that they take with them as they transition to further training or employment.

From an external point of view, this means that the people and organisations who take on GHS graduates will have confidence in what they are getting. From an internal locus though, it will mean each individual student will have an appreciation of their own maturity and development, and a confidence in themselves based on accurate self-reflection.



We anticipate developing this work further, so that there is a 'thread' which begins in Year 9, and is added to each year through to Year 13.

I hesitate to label this work as Employability Skills, because I think it is so much more than that. It is really about starting with Courtesy, Effort and Responsibility and driving through the NZ Curriculum Key Competencies, and on to the 21st Century Skills that we believe will provide a blueprint for successful participation in our future together as a global community.

Many thanks to Mrs McDonald and Mrs Cooper who have driven this initiative.

Please do not hesitate to ask for a copy of their documentation, should you wish to look at this in more detail.

Warm regards,  
Nga mihi, John McKinlay



**COURTESY**  
ATAWHAITANGA



**EFFORT**  
MANAWANUITANGA

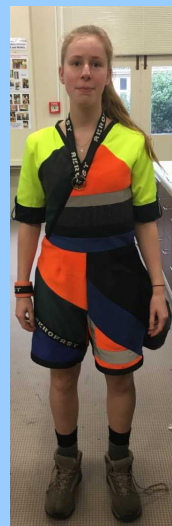


**RESPONSIBILITY**  
TAKOHANGA

## **LEAH MURRAY—YEAR 12**

Congratulations to Leah Murray for her success in Hokonui Fashion and Design Awards. Leah submitted an entry into the awards for the first time this year and was runner up with her entry in the Secondary Schools Sustainability section. Inspiration for her designed garment began at home on the farm while looking for materials with a difference that could be used. The farm truck and her father's overalls provided Leah with the materials which she used to good effect. A seat belt, high vis vest, strop, seat cover and old and new overalls were just some of those materials that were used in a unique design that impressed the judges. The way these materials were put together and the design of the garment created a unique outcome, that one of the judges commented was well thought through and had an obvious theme. This while taking many photos as the model walked down the catwalk. This accomplishment follows Leah's success last year when she gained a 3<sup>rd</sup> placing in the National HETTANZ craft awards with a recycled Denim bag after gaining the craft Excellence award at the HETTANZ Make and Model. These being an indication of what can be created with sustainable, recyclable materials. Both these awards had large entries from schools throughout the country. I look forward to next year, if Leah finds the time, to supporting her with her creative abilities to produce an outcome that will rival those of the past.

Robyn Hicks



## **YEAR 9/10 NETBALL TOURNAMENT 2018**

This year Gore High School took a combined year 9 and 10 netball team to the Junior South Island Secondary School's tournament in Christchurch in the July school holidays.

The tournament started on the Monday, with our first game up against Burnside. This was a close game going into the last quarter where we were down 13-15. But we stepped up and worked together to leave Burnside scoreless in the last quarter, winning 19-15 at full time.

Our next game was up against Golden Bay, we worked incredibly well to come on top 34-15 at full time. The last game that day was against Ellesmere the last team in our pool. This game was tough as everyone was feeling the effect of a long hard day. Ellesmere gave a strong battle with their tall defence, ending in our first loss of the tournament 24-29. The day ended with us securing 2nd place in our pool to move forward playing in the top 16.

We started day 2 with an outstanding win against John Paul 41-7 and Riccarton B 42-18. The last game for that section was against Middleton Grange. This was a tough game with the score being so close in every quarter. Going into the last quarter, we were down 21-23. We took advantage of every loose ball to end the game 30-28 to us. Wednesday was finals day. We played Darfield first up. It was an even battle, but we ended up losing 26-32. We were now playing for 3rd and 4th. This game was against St Kevins, at half time it was 16 all and we were down 22-24 in the 3rd quarter. We tried everything to turn the ball over, but it wasn't to be, it was an intense game, but in the end, we lost 28-32. We gave it everything we could at tournament and everyone was so proud of each other and how well we worked as a team to get such a good result.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Paula O'Connor, Lynn Morton, Gillian Bedwell and Mr Hutchins for all the time that went into making this tournament incredible. We also thank all the parents for all their support and fundraising.

Georgia Bedwell, Captain



## **TRAPSHOOTING**

At the recent Balfour Otago/Southland Inter-collegiate event, 9 Gore High Trapshooters competed. Latham Gray did well getting into a shoot-off in the Senior Points Score, ultimately placing second in the Senior section. Special mention should be paid to Patrick Johnston, Hugh Sprenger and Aidan Carter who were all within 1 target of placings.



## **SCHOOL BAND**

Two bands 'Murder on Venus' and '46 South' played on Caveman FM radio station recently in preparation for the Sound Quest school band competition at the Southland Musicians Club last Friday. The bands played well and gained valuable experience performing in front of an audience.





## **1st XV FINAL AGAINST SOUTHLAND BOYS HIGH SCHOOL 2ND XV**

The 1st XV had a hard fought win over Southland Boys' High School 2nd XV last Saturday to take out the U18 Southland Wide Secondary Schools Competition. The team went into the final unbeaten during the season and had to work hard for the win.

At half time Gore High had a narrow 18-14 lead but it was only late in the second half that the team pulled away to win 35-21.

On Saturday the team won against St Peter's College to win the Co-Ed Cup for the region. They go on to play St Kevin's this weekend in Oamaru in their bid to make the National Co-Ed Cup final.



Above: The victorious team, happy to take the win!  
Right is Jakob Harrex, the captain of the team with the trophy.



## **BASKETBALL FINALS AND PRIZEWINNERS**

This year has been a huge success for boys' basketball at GHS. It is the second year that the school has been able to enter a mens' team into the A grade and this year we managed to win the overall trophy. On finals night we really clicked as a team and everyone fulfilled their roles well and locked down on defence. It was a huge asset having local basketball guru Peter Howes enter the team halfway through the year to bring in some great offensive strategy which brought the best out in everyone.

This year during tournament week we are taking a side up to compete in a South Island tournament in Ashburton. This will be a great experience for our players.

The C-grade team has competed hard and made some good progress. It will be great to hopefully see some of these players step up to A grade next year if they put in some hard work in the offseason.

The D grade has been well drilled this year by Luke Hillis and Max Watson who have dedicated their time to run excellent practices. This has seen the D grade boys progress well and they won their final against St Peter's last Wednesday.

Our girls teams have also had a good basketball season with our C grade girls winning the C grade trophy and our A grade girls coming second in their final to Ex-High after a hard fought match.

Gore High was very successful at the recent prizegiving receiving the following prizes:

Mens A Main Grade	Gore High School
Mens D Main Grade	Gore High School
Mens D Handicap Grade	Gore High School
Womens Secondary Main Grade	Gore High C
June Ratana Conduct Cup	Ella Harrex
Most Promising Under 18 Boy	Luke Hillis
Most Promising D Grade Girl	Georgia Bedwell



## **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE GORE HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Nominations are invited for the election of Student Representative to the Board of Trustees. Nomination forms are available from the school Student Reception Desk. The voting roll is available for inspection from Mrs Barclay at the Reception Desk. Nominations close at 12 noon on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Speeches of candidates to School Assembly on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Voting closes at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

M Barclay, Returning Officer

## CAREERS

### GORE HIGH SCHOOL AND ST PETER'S COLLEGE COMBINED CAREERS EXPO

At the Careers Expo held last Thursday at the Town and Country Club, there was a wide range of tertiary providers, employers and private training institutions. It was pleasing to see so many of our Gore High students attending this evening and engaging with providers about their future career pathways. It was also great to see our students with their parents/caregivers as it is so important to continue these career conversations at home.

If there are any queries or questions from the Careers Expo please contact the Careers Department on 03 2089130 ext 826 or [joneill@gore-high.school.nz](mailto:joneill@gore-high.school.nz) or [kmcdonald@gore-high.school.nz](mailto:kmcdonald@gore-high.school.nz).

Careers New Zealand ([www.careers.govt.nz/making-the-most-of-careers-expo](http://www.careers.govt.nz/making-the-most-of-careers-expo)) offer advice around conversations after an expo.



### GATEWAY APPLICATIONS

#### Hokonui Tertiary High School, Murihiku Trades Academy

The Murihiku Trades Academy and Hokonui Tertiary High School Level 2 NCEA courses will help you get ready for higher level study, an apprenticeship or a job.

- You will achieve credits towards NCEA
- You will do real, practical work-based learning in a tertiary environment with students from other schools
- You will study one day a week on Friday at SIT and go to school as normal for the rest of the week
- You will get an idea of the career you want to follow.

#### How to apply?

Grab a **green** Gateway/Hokonui Tertiary High School application form from student reception, complete it and hand it back to students reception. The Gore High School Careers Department will then contact for an interview in Term 4. This interview between the students, caregivers/parents and the Careers Department will provide a pathway forward for 2019.



### NOTICE TO PARENTS OF ALL YEAR 11, 12 AND 13 STUDENTS

NCEA fees for 2018 have now been charged to accounts for all Year 11, 12 and 13 students. A Summary of Standards, together with a Statement of Account has been posted to all parents. All students should check the Summary of Standards to make sure the information is correct.

As noted on the Summary, fees must be paid no later than Friday, 31st August 2018. The amount is \$76.70 per student. Any students sitting Scholarship exams will also need to pay an additional \$30 per Scholarship subject.

If you hold a current Community Services Card, you are eligible for Financial Assistance which will reduce the cost of the NCEA fees to \$20 per student or \$30 per family. Please see Mrs Barclay in the school office to fill in the required form. You will need to present your Community Services Card as verification.

If these fees are not paid by the due date, payment will then need to be made directly to NZ Qualifications Authority. In this case, a late payment fee of \$50 will also be added. Non-payment of the fee will result in credits/exam results not being available on the student's Record of Achievement until such payment is made.