



Gore High School

"Learning, to make a difference"

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From the Rector

Greetings everyone
Kia ora e hoa mā

Be on time – Tae ai I te wā tika

Our PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus for the start of this term is BE ON TIME.

We presented information about this to our students at assembly on Monday, and in particular showed how this related to the recently developed Employability Skills.



Employability skills are the skills, qualities and attitudes that employers say are essential for their workplace. The new Employability Skills framework was launched by Government early last year. Under the section on Self-management you will find this statement:

"...You turn up to school or work on time, in the right clothes and ready to start, and people can rely on you."

Being punctual shows respect for others and so is a way of showing COURTESY. On the other hand, being late places your needs in front of another person's needs, and is effectively robbing someone else of their time. In the classroom setting, this affects many people.

Our attendance data shows that the average number of lates per student throughout all of term 1, was three. This is an average, so we acknowledge that many students were never late. On the other hand, forty students were late ten or more times. These are the students we would like to improve the most.

Parents can help by reinforcing the same messages that we are giving here at school.

Warm regards,
Nga mihi,
John McKinlay



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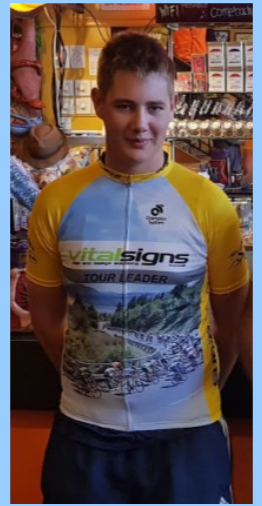
RESPONSIBILITY
TAKOHANGA

JOSH MILLER — CYCLIST

Year 11 student Josh Miller has been cycling since he was about 12 years old. He has had a busy first term cycling on the track, on the road as well mountain biking in his spare time.

Josh has raced and been placed in the following events:

- January 2018 - Ascot Park Hotel Criterium - 5th place in U17boys/ ILT New Year Carnival
- March 2018 - Vantage Age Group Track National Championships. Represented Southland in the U17 boys/Secondary School Road Cycling Championships (2nd place in the time trial and 8th in the road race/Southland Road Championships (3rd place in the time trial U17 boys)
- April 2018 - Vital Signs Tour de Lakes (2 Stage wins, as well as a 2nd and 3rd placing), won the overall sprint ace jersey (pictured on right), Raced in C grade open racing, all ages, and competed in the Memorial Weekend Road Classics.



RUGBY

The Rugby season has started with games being played mid-week due to duckshooting this Saturday.

The 1st XV played under lights at the Showgrounds on Wednesday night and had a good win against St Peter's College 50-3.

The 2nd XV played Central Southland College on Thursday night and won 10-5.

Early next week our boys U15 and U14 team play their first games.

The GHS girls who play in the combined Eastern 1st XV team with girls from St Peter's and Menzies have their first game against SGHS Black in Invercargill on 14th May and the combined Eastern U15 team is also taking part in a 10's competition which starts on the Thursday, 10th May. They play at 3.50pm and 4.15pm at St. Peter's College. Come along and support them.

If there are any students who want to be part of a GHS team please come and see the Sport's Co-ordinator.

FOOTBALL

After struggling to find managers and a coach we now have a Gore High School football team who will be competing in the Div 2 College League this term. A big thanks to Wayne and Sandie Stark who are managing the team and Rochelle Weller who is coaching.

The boys have their first game at home next Wednesday against St. Peter's on the Gore High field.

ALEX BENNETT—BASKETBALL

Alex was selected to trial for the U19 NZ Women's Basketball team this year. At the start of the holidays, she attended a trial in Auckland at the Pulman Arena. The trial consisted of 8 training sessions over 4 days, all lasting for 2 hours. 14 girls attended the trials and only 3 were from the South Island. Throughout the trial the girls were taught new and improved skills and techniques to advance their game. The next trial is later this year.



Alex is pictured here with her uncle Andy who represented New Zealand from 1979-1988.

KEEPING SCHOOL STUDENTS MOTIVATED

Careers NZ has published a 'Q&A' page to help with keeping school students motivated. They focus on:

- Empathise and see their point of view.
- Focus on their strengths.
- Highlight what's in it for them.
- Set goals and celebrate achievements.
- Work together.

For more information, please visit the Careers NZ website: <https://www.careers.govt.nz/articles/keeping-school-students-motivated/>

Outstanding Work Day Money

Thank you to everyone who has handed in their school Workday money. If you have not already done so, can you please arrange payment to Student Reception this coming week, commencing 7th May.

As advised previously, if any workday money remains outstanding after 14th May, \$35 for senior students and \$25 for junior students will be added to a student's school account.

BORLAND LIONS YOUTH LEADERSHIP COURSE

Gore High had 2 students attend this camp—Alex Bennett and Jasmine Gilder. Here is Alex's account of the camp:

During this six day camp, I learned new and helpful skills and made many new friends. There were 12 students in my group, all from different places. The first day we went rafting and abseiled off a bridge. That following afternoon we split up into groups and went orienteering, only using maps to find specific areas where objects were hidden. The next day we traversed across a river. This really tested our leadership skills and helped me grow to become a better leader. We also went rock climbing and canyoning. This was a completely new experience for me as I had never done anything similar to canyoning and I enjoyed it very much, even though I had to swim in a freezing stream to get out. We also had some archery lessons and had to shoot off for the cutlery we were going to use for dinner that night. If you missed the target you got nothing, if one arrow hit you got a spoon, if two arrows hit you also got a fork, and if you got all three arrows you also got a knife. Many people were eating dinner with just their hands that night! On the fourth day, my group set out on a four hour tramp into the forest, where we spent the next 3 days learning leadership skills, as well as survival skills such as making a fire, using compasses and maps, and navigating in the bush. When we finally got back from our tramp, we had a graduation ceremony and lunch. Then it was goodbye to our new friends and head home. I would like to thank the Lions Club for this amazing opportunity as it was a new and exciting experience that I will not forget. I've made new friends and learnt new skills that I will take with me for the rest of my life. I am so grateful I went on this camp and will definitely be encouraging others to go on it and learn many new, and useful skills.



Alex Bennett, Year 13

JUNIOR VARIETY CONCERT



Last term we had the Junior Variety Concert here at Gore High School. We performed two shows which local Primary and Intermediate Schools attended. This concert showcased the variety of talent from our junior students. Congratulations to Dear Future Husband group—Ella Cupit, Neihana Wilson, Tegan Kennedy, Heidi Potter and Myhna Bacud who won the JVC with their performance.

GHS NETBALL CLUB

The Gore High Netball Club will be holding its next meeting on Monday, 7th May in the Meetings Room, at the school. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Gore High School Foundation

Fine Wine, Dine & Art

Thomas Green Restaurant, Gore
6:00pm Friday 8th June 2018

Four Course Meal with matching MAUDE (Central Otago) wine

Display and Auction of selected art works

\$100 per person Special dietary needs by prior arrangement

Come & enjoy a lovely evening at the beautiful Thomas Green & help the Foundation build their Trust Fund to support Scholarships & projects within the school. Students provide pre dinner music. They also help prepare & serve the meal.

STARZ

A Performing Arts Showcase

With performances from Gore High School, Blue Mountain College, St Peter's College, and Menzies College

Friday 11th May, 7pm
SBS St James Theatre

Tickets available from Wednesday 2nd May at Gore High School and Blue Mountain College's Office

All tickets \$10

CAREERS

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY INFORMATION EVENING

Considering university study? The University of Canterbury invites future students along with their parents to attend our information evening. Come along and find out everything you need to know about life and study at UC - scholarships, accommodations, degree and course information, and much more.

Wednesday 9 May

Presentations start at 6pm, ILT Stadium, Surrey Park Sports Centre, Isabella Street, Invercargill.

Register now at www.canterbury.ac.nz/infoevenings The UC Information Evening starts at 6pm on 9 May at ILT Stadium Southland, 18 Surrey Park Road, Invercargill.

CHIROPRACTIC CAREER TALK—DUNEDIN

Tuesday 29th May, 2018 at 7pm at the Otago Museum, Conservatory Lounge, 419 Great King Street, Dunedin. RSVP to admissions.assist@nzchiro.co.nz or phone 09 526 6789.

THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN THE NZ DEFENCE FORCE?

Gore High School will be taking a van to the Defence Force Information Evening in Invercargill on Tuesday 15 May from 5.00 -6.30pm. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and hear from our Defence Careers staff and other NZ Defence Force personnel.

For further information come and see Ms O'Neill in Careers or email on joneill@gore-high.school.nz

KEEPING UP WITH THE PVC FOR 2018

Gore High's annual Prefect Variety Concert premiered on the 11th April, and the talent shown over the two nights was outstanding. With dancing, singing and a twist of comedy it was a great show for audiences to enjoy at the St. James Theatre.

The hosts and performers of 'Keeping up with Gore High' put in long hours learning lines and polishing their performances to bring the whole show together. Starring Mrs Miller - The Teacher played by Kristlin Sweetnam (17); Britany - Queen Bee by Hannah Bowden (17); Nate - Too Cool For School by Max Watson (17), Sharron- Ag Kid by Alica Baird (17) and Brad - The Rugby Kid by Mark Gardyne (17), a great dynamic was achieved. The script was very sharp, with topical jokes about current events at Gore High School.

This year, the judges had plenty of strong acts to choose from. Coming in at third place was Bella Tuffley (15), who gave a moving performance of her original song "Patience".



Photograph by Maegan McFadzien

Second place went to Renata Herrera Rojas (15), Khristelle Año (14), Esther Miranda (14), and Angela Rosario (14) for their dramatic dance routine which fused contemporary with hip-hop. They also received the People's Choice award.

First place went to the band 46 South, comprising of Erin Grogan (14) on vocals, Ella Cupit (14) on vocals and rhythm guitar, Hamish Waddell (16) on lead guitar, Elijah Thomas (15) on bass guitar, Ben Heaps (16) on drums, with Regan Toogood (17) and Riley Howley (17) on bagpipes. 46 South blew the audience away, belting out an amazing version of AC/DC's 'It's a long way to the top,' before coming back onstage for one final encore.

By Samantha Fennessey and Danielle Tripp