

# EAST OTAGO HIGH SCHOOL

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# EOHS

## Newsweek

STRENGTH THROUGH LEARNING-*Kia kaha ma roto matauranga*



Principal:  
Mr Lennox Sharp

## Principal's Comment

4th September 2015

*Kia ora, greetings to all parents, caregivers and friends of the school*

Last week I had the privilege of attending the Otago Daily Times Class Act presentations for 2015. This is where students from each of 29 Otago and Southland Schools receive excellence awards presented by the Prime Minister, the Rt Honourable John Key. The Class Act awards are highly regarded and valued. This year they come with a \$6,000 scholarship to the University of Otago for each recipient. This represents a very good start for those going to undertake a university course. Our two selected students were our Head Students Alex Lister and Olivia Ollerenshaw. Two things particularly impressed me. The first was just how worthy our students were. If one reads all the information provided in the Otago Daily Times supplement it becomes very clearly apparent that our two students were outstanding recipients. They have been wonderful role models for the young people of East Otago and are a credit to themselves, their families and their school.

The second thing that impressed me was the quality of our uniform. When you see 29 schools in one small area you can easily compare the various school uniforms. There is no doubt that our senior uniform is as good if not better than any. What we do need to do is to ensure is that it is worn both correctly and with pride by all within the school. I have to say I have been a little disappointed, particularly this winter, by the fact that an increasing number of students have worn the uniform incorrectly.

Success, in any given year, for students is determined by their level of academic progress. This could mean that they move from Year 7 to Year 8 having gained a strong foundation in the skills and content knowledge they will need. Success is also clearly measurable if students achieve the various levels of NCEA. For our senior students the remaining three weeks of this term and the four short weeks of next term are the crunch and critical times in helping to ensure academic success. The key is not to give up or to think it is too hard. Instead one should try even harder as it is amazing just how much can be achieved in a relatively short period of time. Like sport, however, one does not become exceptional with just one practice but at each practice one gets a little better. The same applies to study. Every hour spent revising will marginally improve both your grade and your depth of understanding but the progress will be slow. Our senior students have but nine weeks left before the first external examination on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Less than seven of these weeks will be at school. Parents and caregivers can, therefore, provide real support for their children by ensuring they adopt a concerted and committed revision programme at home to supplement the work done at school. This is the challenge ahead for us all.



Our Values are based on the acrostic - 'RELATIONSHIPS' where R = Respect towards self & others, E = Empathy for others, L = Loyalty to family, friends and school, A = Acceptance of those around you, T = Tolerance of other opinions, actions & differences, I = Integrity towards all aspects of life, O = Ownership of actions and change, N = Nurturing skills, talents and attributes, S = Sensitivity of any situation, H = Honesty in thought, word & deed, I = Inclusiveness of all, regardless of age, ethnicity or characteristics, P = Patience with and to those around you, S = Support for fellow students, family & teachers

## School Calendar

Please check on our website (EOHS) for detailed calendar of events.

**Sports events** can be found on the Sports Co-ordinator's page

Friday 4th September

Tuesday 8th - Friday 11th September

Thursday 10th September

Monday 14th September

Monday 14th - Tuesday 15th September

Friday 11th September

Thursday 17th September

Wednesday 23rd September

Friday 25th September

Next fortnight's newsletter

Senior Exams

Glenorchy Lodge meeting :7.30pm

Community Pool AGM : 7.30pm

Year 13 - Geography trip

Next fortnight's newsletter

Mufti Day

Extravaganza (Silent auction items can be viewed on our school website prior)

Last day of Term 3

Positive  
Behaviour  
for Learning

Last term's  
winners were:  
**SWPB4L**

**Giana Thomas**

**Nominated  
Student**

## Careers Corner

**YEAR 10 WORKWEEK** - Monday 7th September to Friday 11th September

Most students will have now had their work placement for Work Week confirmed. Each student is writing a letter to his/her employer introducing himself/herself (thank you to Mr Murray and Mr Ford for doing this in English classes). Meanwhile, the Real Game, which all Year 10 students have been involved in for the last two weeks, is coming to a close and will have provided our students with some ideas as to how to achieve goals and deal with various pitfalls within the real world of work (Thank you to Mrs Barbour and Mrs Ford for doing this in Social Studies classes)

Our Year 10 students are now set to spend a whole week in a work placement of their choice. It is important that they approach this event with the right attitude, ready to learn, listen and make the most of the opportunities which will present themselves during the week. They need to make sure they arrive on time (5mn before set time is good), are dressed and groomed for the job (appropriate gear, showered and hair combed) and follow instructions at all times (remembering to ask if not sure)

At the end of the week, the employer will complete an assessment form which will be returned to the school and discussed with each student. Students will be assessed on such things as punctuality, willingness to learn, work effort, appearance, aptitude for the job etc.

We wish all the Year 10 students all the best for their Work Week and look forward to hearing about their experiences on their return.

### TELFORD VISIT TO EOHS

The Telford school liaison officer will be visiting the school on Tuesday 15th September, from 1.50pm to 2.10pm. All students interested in the agricultural sector (including Equine, Dairy and Rural Veterinary Technician) are asked to check the school daily notices and register their interest with their form teacher.

Jacqueline Guile

Careers, Gateway, STAR

## TROPHIES AND CUPS

*Can these please be returned to Mrs Murphy at the school office.*



### Extravaganza 2015

Silent Auction items available to view on the school website prior to the night. Please feel free to take this time to view, and join in the bidding.

## FORTNIGHTLY INDICATOR REPORTS

**These will be generated this week.**

**These will also be emailed to parents with email addresses in our database.**

**If you wish to receive these reports by email please ring Lynn Murphy at the school office with your email address or email: [mpl@eohs.school.nz](mailto:mpl@eohs.school.nz)**

# NCEA assessments coming due

The following NCEA assessment's are coming due:

<b>Geography 2.2 (Level 2)</b>	Urban Dunedin (3 credits) <b>Due date: Monday 7th September</b>
<b>Physics 2.5 (Level 2)</b>	Research Modern Physics (3 credits) <b>Due date: Tuesday 8th September</b>
<b>Science 2.10 (Level 2)</b>	AgHort assessment on Environmental Impacts (4 credits) <b>Due date: Monday 14th September</b>
<b>Business Studies 2.7 (Level 2)</b>	A contemporary economic issue (4 credits) <b>Due date: Wednesday 16th September</b>
<b>English 2.9 (Level 2)</b>	Independent reading response (4 credits) <b>Milestone dates: 27th August, 10th September and 24th September</b> <b>Final date: Week 2, Term 4</b>
<b>English 3.7 (Level 3)</b>	Connection across texts (4 credits) <b>Draft essay due: Friday 28th August</b> <b>Final essay due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>Physical Education 2.2 (Level 2)</b>	Demonstrate understanding of how and why biophysical principles relate to the learning of physical skills (5 credits) <b>Due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>English 1.7 (Level 1)</b>	Visual Image (3 credits) <b>Due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>History 1.4 (Level 1)</b>	Demonstrate understanding of different perspectives of people in historical event of significance to New Zealanders, Title : The Desegregation of Central High School , Little Rock (4 credits) <b>Due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>History 2.4 (Level 2)</b>	My Lai (5 credits) <b>Due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>History 3.4 (Level 3)</b>	Hiroshima (5 credits) <b>Due date: Friday 25th September</b>
<b>English 2.4 (Level 2)</b>	Writing Portfolio (6 credits) <b>Due date: End of Term 3</b>

**Visual Arts Folios are due as follows (strictly no extensions):**  
**Level 1 :** Folios sent to Wellington for marking on Wednesday 21st October  
**Level 2:** Due date Wednesday 28th October  
**Level 3:** Due date Wednesday 4th November

## Managing National Assessment Report

The latest Managing National Assessment Report from NZQA has now been published by NZQA. This report is available on the NZQA website of via a link on the East Otago High School website under the 'about us' menu

### Homework Help

Year 7/8 homework can be found on our school library website at: <http://eohslibrary.weebly.com/homework-help.html> along with links to websites which can help you with the research topic. There is also a display in the Library each week to help with the research topic. Students are welcome to come in to make use of it and any other Library resources (including the Librarian!) to help them with homework at any time.

Don't forget the Homework Club is on every Wednesday after school in the Jan Malloch Library for students of any age who would like some help with homework, or just to use the computers or other library resources.

*Megan Webb—Junior Dean*



## Exam Timetable 2015

Students are expected to stay for the allotted time. For 3hr exams in the afternoon, bus students will need to arrange alternative transport, as these exams will not finish until 4.00pm. Study leave will only be granted for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The Tuesday afternoon exam only involves a very small number of students, hence school will be as normal.

Year Level	Tue 8 Sept pm	Wed 9 Sept am	Wed 9 Sept pm	Thu 10 Sept am	Thu 10 Sept pm	Fri 11 Sept am	Fri 11 Sept pm
Year 11		English 3 hrs Alt English 2 hrs	Mathematics 3 hrs	Science 3 hrs	Business St 3 hrs Home ec 2hrs	Geography 3 hrs	History 3 hrs
Year 12	Chemistry 2 hrs Venue TBC	Geography 3 hrs	Bio 3 hrs Home Ec 2 hrs	English 3 hrs Alt. English 2 hrs	Mathematics 2 hrs	History 3 hrs Callum Phy 2hrs (clash)	Physics 2 hrs Business St 2 hrs
Year 13		English 3 hrs	Chemistry 3 hrs	History 3 hrs Phy 3 hrs	Bio 2 hrs Calc 2 hrs	Geography 3 hrs	

### Tutorial's offered as follows:

**Science and Biology :** Monday lunchtimes in the library, also Wednesday and Thursday after school.

**English:** Tuesday lunchtime and after school Wednesday.

**Art:** The art room will be open Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtimes.

**Maths:** Lunchtime Monday and after school Tuesdays (with Mr Jenkins)  
Wednesday and Thursday 3.30 in school library (with Mrs Melrose)

## NZQA

**NZQA fees still outstanding, will appear on school accounts to parents.**

NZQA fees and application forms for Financial Assistance are available. If you have a Community Services Card you will be entitled to a large reduction in fees. Please return Financial Assistance forms to Lynn Murphy at the school office as soon as possible before applications close with NZQA.

Alternatively please ring Lynn on 4651 513.

Payment of fees should be made to the school office. Late payments will need to be made direct to NZQA and will incur a \$50 late fee.

**Full fee \$76.70**

**Fee with Financial Assistance form completed \$20**

**DEADLINE for fees: Friday 4th September**

## SPORTS CORNER

### COMING EVENTS:

31 August - 3 September -	SISS - Netball Tournament. Timaru.
31 August - 4 September -	SISS - Hockey Tournament. Greymouth.
4 September -	Otago Primary and Intermediate Cross Country Championships. KVC, Dunedin.
4 - 6 September -	South Island Secondary School Curling Championships. Dunedin.
11 September -	Junior Kiwi Sport Curling "Have a Go". Ranfurly.
13 September -	Cadbury Quarter Marathon and Children's Marathon Challenge. Dunedin
17 September -	Otago Secondary School Duathlon. Taieri. (please note change of date)
19 September -	East Otago Community Sports Awards. East Otago Events Centre, Waikouaiti.
25 - 29 September -	New Zealand Secondary School Curling Championships. Auckland
26 September -	Palmerston Equestrian Fun Day. Palmerston.
2 - 4 October -	Springston Trophy. Mandeville, North Canterbury.
1 November -	Gore PC Interschool Equestrian Jump Day. Gore

Sports Coordinator details: Rowan Holt  
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Please return all winter sport uniforms. You can pop them in a plastic bag with a label of full name and sport, leave in the white tub outside staffroom. Many thanks

We will include a report and photos from SISS Tournament week in sports news next week available on school website.