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EOHS

Newsweek

STRENGTH THROUGH LEARNING-*Kia kaha ma roto matauranga*

Proud to be part of the Eastern Community

Principal's Comment

5th May 2017

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

Welcome back to what will be another busy term for all associated with East Otago High School. Within the next four weeks, for example, events such as the school Cross Country, Tertiary Open Day, National Standards Interviews, the Tokomairiro Sports Exchange and the School Formal will be held just to name a few.

Over the holiday period there were a number of examples that illustrate and confirm the very significant contribution our students make to the East Otago community. I do want to particularly mention and congratulate the four Head

Principal:
Mr Lennox Sharp

Students who represented the school at the ANZAC services. Both Nicole McLeod and Bob Martin gave keynote speeches, Nicole at the Palmerston service and Bob at the Waikouaiti service. We have since received comments congratulating them on their efforts. All four Head Students were involved which helped ensure both services ran smoothly. In addition, we had a number of flag bearers, Anna Carswell, a Year 7 student, read a poem and there were a large number of our students there representing organisations such as Scouts and St John.

During the holidays there was another significant group of both current and former students involved in the East Otago Musical Theatre's annual production of the musical "Anything Goes". It was a stunning performance and showed just how talented many of our students are. The students from school who were involved were Lauren Keen, Kate McLelland, Caleb Oneroa, Katie Ratahi, Bailey Toomey, Katelyn Toomey and Josh Walker. Further, the three main male leading roles were recent ex-students George Keen, Alex Keen and Michael Lister. In addition, ten senior students assisted the production by being waiters and waitresses serving meals. To have such a high number of our students involved does really show just how important our school is within the East Otago community. I congratulate all on what proved to be an outstanding evening.

In two weeks we will welcome a new staff member Mr David Goodwin to the school. He will join us as Head of the Science Department. Mr Goodwin is an experienced Head of Department having taught at several North Island schools. He will be shifting from Hauraki Plains College to join us. Mr Goodwin will replace Ms McFarlane who has been with us since the start of this year. We sincerely thank Ms McFarlane for the contribution she has made to our school.

The start of a new term provides all with the opportunity to reflect on progress made last term and importantly to look forward to the future. The focus for this term needs to include completing all work on time, giving of your best in class and working steadily in each and every subject. For the school Term 1 was a very positive one and it is this attitude we need to continue to foster and develop during Term Two.

I wish everyone all the very best for the term.



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

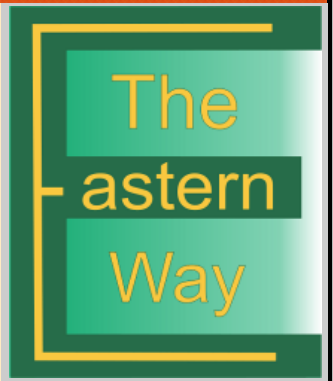
School Calendar

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

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

Monday 8th May	Tertiary Open Day
Tuesday 8th May	Year 8 HPV vaccinations
Thursday 11th May	Y7/8 National Standards Interviews Year 7 Vision Screening BOT Meeting
Monday 15th May	Defensive Driving Course- 3pm - 5pm
Tuesday 16th May	Toko Exchange
Thursday 18th May	Year 13 Geography Field Trip
Monday 29th May	Defensive Driving Course- 3pm - 5pm
Wednesday 31st May	Defensive Driving Practical- Y12
Thursday 1st June	Defensive Driving Practical- Y13

Positive
Behaviour
for Learning



Careers Corner

The Tertiary Open Day will be held on Monday 8th May. All Year 12 and 13 have had emails sent home. If you do not have an email address at home, a letter has been sent home. Departure time will be 8.40am. Cost for transport is \$5.00. Permission forms should have been returned by Tuesday 2nd May at the very latest.



VICTORIA UNIVERSITY INFORMATION SESSION.

This event will take place in Dunedin on Wednesday 31st May at the Scenic Hotel Southern Cross (118 High Street). Event schedule:

6.00pm to 6.20pm: light refreshments

6.20pm to 6.55pm: studying and accommodation at Victoria session

7.00pm onwards: faculties sessions.

For more information please contact Victoria University (0800 VICTORIA) or email info@victoria.ac.nz

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Students who have enrolled for this course will need to organise themselves to be available on the following days and times:

Monday 15th May - 3.00pm to 5.00pm (theory) - Meet in AV ROOM

Monday 29th May - 3.00pm to 5.00pm (theory) - Meet in AV ROOM

Wednesday 31st May - Year 12 driving sessions - times to be sorted on Monday 29th May - Need to organise your own car (for about 1 hour)

Thursday 1st June - Year 13 driving session - times to be sorted on Monday 29th May - Need to organise your own car (for about 1 hour)

PLEASE BRING YOUR LICENCE

YOUR SECOND DRIVING SESSION WILL BE AT A DATE TO BE DECIDED. Breeshyn W, Nicole B, Nicole M, Hayley B, Hayley J, Michael H, Bob M, Jack F, Brad F, Caleb O, Jack W, Chayden W, Katie R, Lexie E. are the students doing this course. Please let me know if your name has been missed. COST OF COURSE IS \$130.00

Deadline for permission slips and payment is Monday 8th May 2017.

IS ANYONE IN YEAR 11,12 or 13 INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN THE FORCES? OR JUST READY FOR A CHALLENGE? THE LIFESKILLS PROGRAMME IS RUN OVER 5 DAYS IN BURNHAM (JUST OUTSIDE CHRISTCHURCH) FROM 26 JUNE TO 30 JUNE. YOU MUST BE AGED 14-17 AND BE HEALTHY AND FIT AS SOME ACTIVITIES ARE VERY DEMANDING. THE COURSE IS A GOOD WAY TO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS, COMMUNICATION SKILLS, TEAM WORK AND THINKING SKILLS.

IN ADDITION, THE COURSE INCLUDES 12 NCEA CREDITS (LEVEL 1 - 4 AND LEVEL 2-8). IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE SEE MS GUILLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS THE COURSE FILLS RAPIDLY. (YOU COULD ALSO TEXT YOUR INTEREST TO 021 0593 127 - MAKE SURE YOU GIVE YOUR NAME AND CLASS.)

Jacqueline Guile, Teacher in Charge of Careers, Gateway, STAR

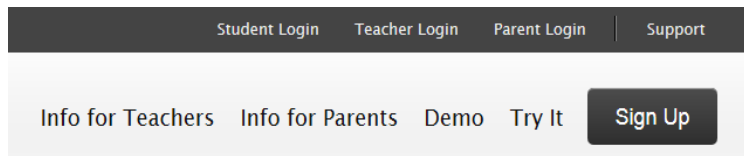
A promotional graphic for the 'Hell Reading Challenge'. It features a 'pizza wheel' divided into seven segments labeled 'Book 1' through 'Book 7'. A girl is shown parachuting from a red and black parachute. Text includes: 'NEW ZEALAND BOOK AWARDS FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS', 'Hey kids! The Hell Reading Challenge is back for 2017! Read 7 books and get a FREE 333 kids pizza!', 'Proudly sponsored by HELL', and 'Find out how, here: www.nzbookawards.nz/hell-reading-challenge/'.

How much pizza can you eat?
Yes its back!
Hell Reading Challenge 2017
pizza wheels are available in the library. Come in and grab your wheel and start reading and eating pizza! Get your wheel stamped every time you can convince us you have read a book - for leisure and class room reading.

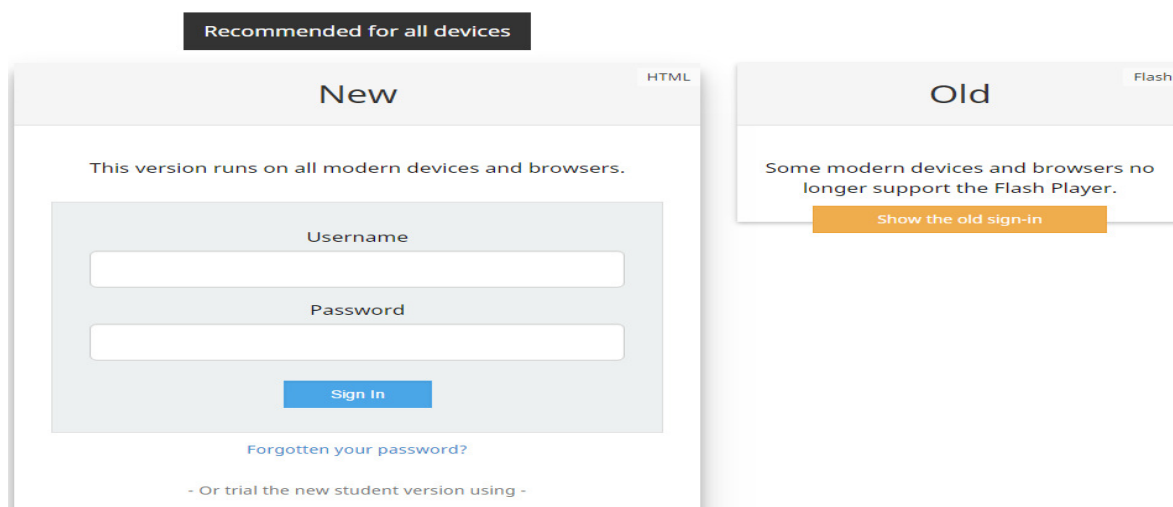
Mathematics Homework

During Term One all Year 7 to 10 students were enrolled in a trial of a programme called "Maths Buddy". The purpose of this trial was to give Mathematics teachers and students the opportunity to experience what this interactive Mathematics programme has to offer and to consider using it as an alternative to the workbooks as a source of homework tasks. The programme includes weekly task along with videos and worksheets covering the full year 7 to 10 Mathematics Curriculum. Maths Buddy enables students to control the pace of their own learning and further assists teachers to ensure that no-one misses out. This is because the key feature of this programme is that there is a Video Tutorial for Every Mathematics Concept. We have decided to continue to use this programme for the remainder of the year in all Year 7 to 10 Mathematics classes. There was no cost for the first term and rather than parents and caregivers purchasing workbooks for approximately \$25 each, the cost for the remainder of the year is only \$20 per student.

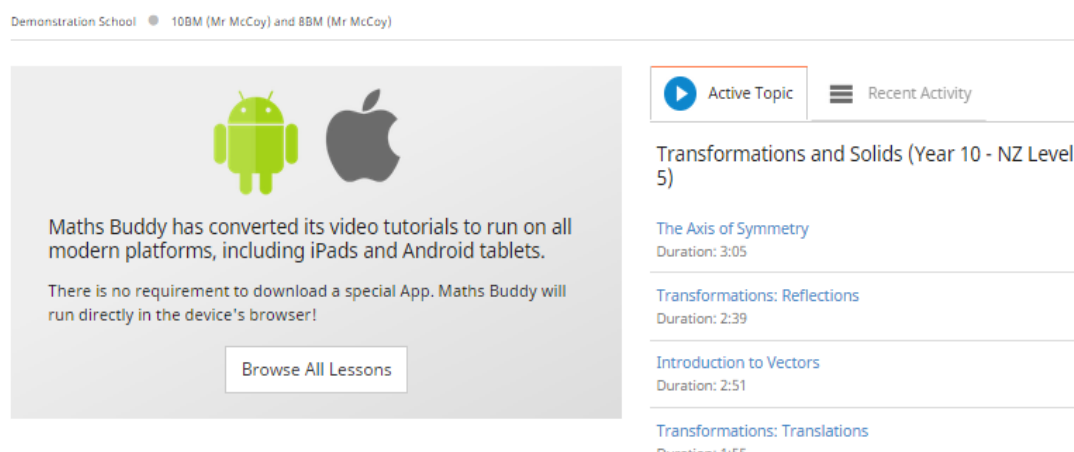
To see what your child will experience go to www.mathsbuddy.co.nz



Then ask for your child's login details and insert them here



Now you will have access to **every** lesson in the NZ curriculum from year 1 to 13 by selecting "Browse All Lessons"



Tony Jenkins
HOD Mathematics

National Standards Interviews

The National Standards Interviews for Year 7 and 8 students will be held in the classrooms on **Thursday 11th May** from 1.00pm until 6.00pm.

Please ensure you have made your booking online via the school website

Winter Uniform

Terms Two and Three

The only changes for the winter uniform are:

**Year 7 –10 Girls– Winter Kilt (available at school office \$185.00)
White Blouse
Black over the knee socks or Black tights**

Year 11—13 Girls Black over the knee socks or Black tights

The boys uniform remains the same for all year groups.

SPORTS CORNER cont.

COMING EVENTS:

Friday 5th May EOHS School X Country
Tuesday 9th May Logan Park Road Race
Tuesday 16th May Toko Sports Exchange Dunedin
21st May Otago Secondary Swim Champs
1st June Otago Cross Country

Acting Sports Coordinator details: Victoria Fleming
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Email sport@eohs.school.nz

SPORT 2017

Welcome back to what is looking like another busy term. All the winter sports begin this Saturday with Netball, all other codes start in the next two weeks. Teams are being finalised and coaches and practices have been set up.

We have a number of student coaches coaching alongside Head coaches this year which is a great opportunity for our senior students to gain valuable experience from them. This is also of great benefit for our school and junior sports teams; please support them wherever you can.

Equestrian – The EOHS Equestrian team competed in the A&P Interschool's Equestrian competition on Saturday the 29th April, They competed in Dressage, Jumping, Turnout, Fancy Dress. They had a fantastic day of events and placed 3rd overall. 2nd Turnout, 2nd Team Jumping, 1st Fancy Dress, 4th Team Dressage. Well done **Anna Lindsay, Sarah Hay, Sophie Muir, Lexie Elliot, Rachel Carmichael, and Nicole Bungard.**



Toko Sports Exchange – Tuesday 16th May, if you are able to help on that day with management of a team please contact Tori, This is a great day to attend lots of fun would be great to see some parents there.

We have a number of students this year combining with other schools in sports teams. This is a great opportunity for our students to compete in their chosen sports and ensure smaller schools can compete.

Jamie Church playing 7's Rugby for Kavanagh College

Riley Meason, Bailey Gilliam, Oscar Weston playing rugby for John McGlashan College

Bob Martin, Michael Hunter, Breeshyn Witehira playing Rugby for Taieri College

Anna Carswell, Heather Smeaton, Harlan Schofield playing Hockey for Strath Taieri.

Volley Ball – **Sophie Muir** trialed for the U17 Otago Volley Ball Development Squad over the holidays congratulation **Sophie** for making the squad.

Bob Martin travelled to Australia with the Otago U18 Squad for a Rugby 7's Tournament late in Term One which was a fantastic opportunity for **Bob** and he now is continuing to do player development training with the Otago Team.