



Kaikorai Valley College

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Kia ora Koutou

As we enter the midpoint of the term, it is essential to recognise the dedication and efforts of our students and staff. This week, we had the annual Brathwaite Centre Production. There were large turn-outs for each of the shows, with members of the community, primary school children, and our staff and students. This was an excellent and enjoyable performance, and it was clear that the actors were all having a great time. Well done to all the students and staff involved in making this production such a success.

Over the next few weeks, we have some significant events occurring, which I encourage all students and parents to attend. First, we have the Subject Cursing Evening, an opportunity for students and caregivers to speak with teachers about the courses offered at KVC, and to plan their future courses of study in accordance with their career aspirations. After that, we have our 3-Way-Conference day, where you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress at school with their Whānau teacher and finalise subject selections.

We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Ngā mihi nui

Jatin Bali
Principal

MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDING MEMBER

ANNOUNCING OUR NEW SCHOOL BOARD

I am pleased to announce the formation of our new School Board following the recent parent community and staff representative nomination process. This year, we received eight nominations for eight available positions, meaning no election was required.

The new Board officially took office on Wednesday, 13 August, and will hold its first meeting next week. We are fortunate to have a great mix of returning members who bring valuable experience, alongside new members bringing fresh ideas and perspectives.

Our parent/community representatives are:

- Mark Rogers (re-elected)
- Jessie Turner
- Aleisha Kirkman
- Glyn Rees
- Iosia Siose
- Sarah Moreton (re-elected)
- Scott Gordon (re-elected)

Our staff representative is:

- Nicole Lowrey (re-elected)

Our current student representative is Joshua Hopping.

We sincerely thank Tracy de Woeps and Maree Kleinlangevelsloo, our outgoing members, for their time, dedication, and commitment to our school and community. Your hard work is deeply appreciated and has left a lasting impact on our students and whānau.

We look forward to working together to continue supporting our school's vision and goals for the future.

Mark Rogers

Presiding Member

Kaikorai Valley College Board



3-WAY CONFERENCING MEETINGS AND SUBJECT SELECTION INFORMATION EVENING

3-Way Conferencing meetings are scheduled for **Thursday 28 August**. At these meetings, students and their caregivers will meet with their Whānau Teacher to discuss this year's progress and also the student's 2026 subject selections (Years 8 to 12)

This day runs from 12:30pm to 7pm for Junior College and from 1pm to 7pm for Years 9-13.

Students only attend school for their conference on this day. (No classes)

Please book a time through:

Junior College - Years 7 & 8

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/g8w3p>

Years 9 - 13

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/jhvs9>

To help students in making well-informed subject selections, we strongly encourage students from Years 8 to 12 and their whānau to attend our **Subject Selection Information** evening on **Tuesday, 19 August**, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the school hall.

Learn about the subjects on offer in 2026. Teachers will have small displays with information on each subject, and will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

Students need to have their subject selections completed online and the paper copy handed to their Whānau Teacher by Friday, 29 August.

2026 SUBJECT SELECTION INFORMATION EVENING

**Tuesday 19 August
6:30pm - 7:30 pm
School Hall**

**Learn about the subjects on offer in 2026.
Teachers will be available to answer your
questions about subject content and
requirements.**

**We will also have information available about
how NCEA currently works and the proposed
changes to NCEA.**



ACTIVITIES

OUTDOOR ED ACTIVITIES



"KVC GOT TALENT!" Get ready, KVC!

Our student leaders are excited to present "KVC GOT TALENT"! It's time to gather your group or go solo and show us what you've got. You have two weeks to prepare and wow our judges. Don't miss the show on Thursday, 21 August! Doors open at 6:30pm. Koha entry.

Google form link: <https://forms.gle/G8L2r3VsfcWu6gBM6>.



CONGRATULATIONS, AJAX BANSTOLA!

We are delighted to share some great news about Ajax. He has won second place in the Year 7 section of the Dunedin Youth Poetry Competition, hosted by the Athenaeum & Mechanics' Institute, for his poem **'The Real Game'**. Ajax will read his poem at the event.

The prize-giving ceremony will be held on August 22, which also happens to be National Poetry Day. Well done, Ajax! We are really proud of you.



PROTECTING AND IMPROVING DUNEDIN'S WATERWAYS



What a spectacular day we had learning how to protect and improve Dunedin's waterways! On Tuesday, 5 August, our school buzzed with energy, curiosity, and a fantastic spirit of environmental stewardship during our inaugural Water Catchment Day. It was a day filled with incredible learning, hands-on activities, and a renewed appreciation for our local environment.

A massive thank you must be extended to our brilliant guest speaker, Janice Huang, from the Otago Regional Council (ORC). She guided us through the fascinating concept of catchments, explaining how every drop of water that falls in our city eventually finds its way to the ocean, and how we all have a role to play in keeping that water clean. Her insights were truly eye-opening and provided the perfect foundation for our day of discovery.

Students rotated through various engaging stations, each designed to bring the world of catchments and water quality to life. We explored the science of stormwater runoff by using a model to see firsthand how pollutants like litter and oil travel from our streets into streams.

The highlight of the day for many was undoubtedly the announcement of a groundbreaking initiative. We are incredibly proud to be the first secondary school in Dunedin to adopt a drain officially! This is a significant step forward in our commitment to environmental action, and a direct result of the hard work and passion of our student leaders. We are now the proud guardians of a local drain, which we will monitor and maintain regularly to ensure our stormwater remains as clean as possible.

This incredible achievement was made possible by the dedication of our students. A special shout-out goes to **Janice**, our exceptional Enviro-leader, whose tireless efforts and inspiring leadership have been the driving force behind so many of our school's green initiatives. An honourable mention must go to **Josh Serna** for his outstanding contributions and enthusiasm on the day.

The energy and positivity on display from every student were a true reflection of our shared commitment to a healthier, cleaner Dunedin. We have shown that when we work together, we can make a real and lasting difference.

Here's to a future of clean water, thriving ecosystems, and a school community that leads the way in environmental stewardship!



KVC FORMAL 2025



CAREER MOVES

Year 11 Careers Speedmeet



On Monday, our Year 11 students attended the My Next Move Pathways Speedmeet at the Dunedin Town Hall.

Students engaged with a variety of different Role Models from the Health, Corporate, and Trade pathways. Students spoke with a Nurse, a Radiation Therapist, Anaesthetic Technicians, Medical Imaging Technologists, a Midwife, a Mortgage Broker, a Manufacturing Process Engineer, a Horticulturist, or an Electrician. Each table

had six different Role Models come and discuss what their job entailed. Students asked questions and came away having learnt about a variety of potential career pathways that they may not have thought about before.



Inspiring Young Women Breakfast

On Monday morning, a keen group of Year 13 girls enjoyed breakfast at the Edgar Centre. We were hosted by the National Council of Women, who had organised a group of inspiring women to speak about their chosen careers and share how they arrived at where they are now, the paths they took, and the challenges they overcame to get where they are today. The women who spoke were:

Rachel Brooking, Lawyer & Politician

Dr Scarlett Hagen-Jacobs, Former MTB World Champion & Bike School Owner

Harmony Pearce, Plumber, Drainlayer & Gasfitter

Jemma Geoghagan, Biologist & Virologist

April Eden, Investment Adviser

Harriet Moir, Entertainer & Celebrant

The women who spoke were very engaging and motivating. These women all came from a wide variety of backgrounds and paths that had led them to where they are now; some had no idea what they wanted to do when they left school. A number of the women had changed direction several times throughout their career journeys.

The overarching theme that came through was for students to take all the opportunities that are available to them and follow what they love. Students were encouraged



to think of the journey and not focus on the destination.

Scholarship Reminder

Applications for the University of Otago close on **15 August at midnight!** Hopefully, all those students who are intending to enrol at the University of Otago next year have submitted their scholarship application.



SPORTS NEWS



Congratulations to two of our Year 8 students, Carlos Gos'e and Benji Fitiao-Cross.

These boys are representing Otago in the Under 14 B Boys' Basketball Team. They have just returned from a tournament in Queenstown and will have two more tournaments over the next couple of months. There is one here in Dunedin and another in Invercargill.

Congratulations to both of you on your selection.

40 students travelled to Timaru for the Riccarton High School Sports' Exchange on Tuesday. We played three winter sports and three summer sports. Unfortunately, we did not win back the shields, but there were some good competitive games played. Well done to everyone who represented the school. *(pictures below)* Preparations are well underway for our two teams heading to the Tournament the week after next.

Good luck to the Snr Netball Team and the Snr Boys Basketball Team.

We will have photos and updates in the following fortnightly newsletter.



Girls' Basketball



Netball





WORDS FROM THE LIBRARY

To celebrate Aotearoa School Library Week last week, we gave awards to the students who have borrowed the most books from our library. Congratulations to our reading role models.



Whānau Class	Best Borrower Award Winner
BCHD	Blake Wheeler
INSR	Kelly Jin
7BD	Tanginofo Tinilau
7LN	Juliet Bray
8GS	Liliana Hopping
8RM	Izabella Robinson
8WC	Issac Simpson
Whānau Class	Best Borrower Award Winner
RCR	Ethan Sinclair
RDJ	Kailah McLaren
RHC	Saanvi Pillay
	Nick Lorden Kaitiaki Norman-Pere
RJA	Dracon Fisher
RMC	Cameron Wilson
RTR	Lyrical Campbell-King

Whānau Class	Best Borrower Award Winner
KAS	Bailey Guise
KBM	Rylan Cooper-Andrews Briah Daggar
KCJ	McKenna Wilson
KCK	Ioaba Dean-Harris Jaydon Patterson
KCM	Zachary Lindsay
KPJ	Chaymaa Aldouss Graham Lee Jasmine Tiffany
KST	Louka Holden
Whānau Class	Best Borrower Award Winner
MBA	Emily Bevin
MCG	Liam Shand
MJB	Skyla Stevens-Wilson
MLO	Leilah Legaspi-Vivian
MMY	Jezebel McDonald
MRE	Olliver Hooper
MWB	Slade Armishaw
MWM	Ryker Carroll
Whānau Class	Best Borrower Award Winner
TCA	Anahera Marsh
TFI	Alyssa Evans
TKC	Robert O'Connor
TSP	Dallis Bosworth
TTS	Campbell Tate
TVA	Aaron Broekhuysen
TWG	Blake Dowson-Trevathan

KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE 2025 YEAR DATES

TERM DATES

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 1 (10 weeks)	31 January	11 April
Term 2 (9 weeks)	28 April	27 June
Term 3 (10 weeks)	14 July	19 September
Term 4 (10 weeks)	6 October	9 December

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

DATE	HOLIDAY
Thursday 6 February	Waitangi Day (observed)
Monday 24 March	Otago Anniversary Day
Friday 18 April (<i>falls in the school holidays</i>)	Good Friday
Monday 21 April (<i>falls in the school holidays</i>)	Easter Monday
Tuesday 22 April (<i>falls in the school holidays</i>)	Easter Tuesday
Friday 25 April (<i>falls in the school holidays</i>)	ANZAC Day
Monday 2 June	King's Birthday
Friday 20 June	Matariki
Monday 27 October	Labour Day

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

19 August	Subject Selection Evening at 6.30pm
28 August	3-Way Conferencing Day
29 August	OPSSA Otago Cross Country
1-12 September	Lit/Num exams fortnight Year 11
5 September	OPSSA Otago Cross Country (backup day)
8-12 September	Level 2/3 Digi CAA week
8-12 September	Senior Assessment Week
8-19 September	Lit/Num exams fortnight Year 10
10 September	Board and Staff Election date
17 September	Sports and Cultural Prize Giving
19 September	Last day of Term 3
22 Sept - 5 Oct	School Holidays

TERM 4

6 October	First day of Term 4
6-10 October	NCEA Literacy and Numeracy exam week
6-10 October	Digital Technology CAA week

KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE PTA GROUP

The Kaikorai Valley College Parent Group is a small group that supports the College by:

- ✓ running the Second-Hand Uniform Shop. **The second-hand uniform shop contact is Karen Crawford. Please TEXT 021 212 8473 to make an appointment to view and purchase uniform items.**
- ✓ providing funds to buy resources and equipment
- ✓ organising afternoon teas and suppers for school events
- ✓ Raffles

It isn't a huge commitment, and the group would welcome new members.


If you are interested and would like to help, don't hesitate to get in touch with Mr Stewart Tagg, our Assistant Principal for Year 9 and 10 students, at

sttagg@kvc.school.nz

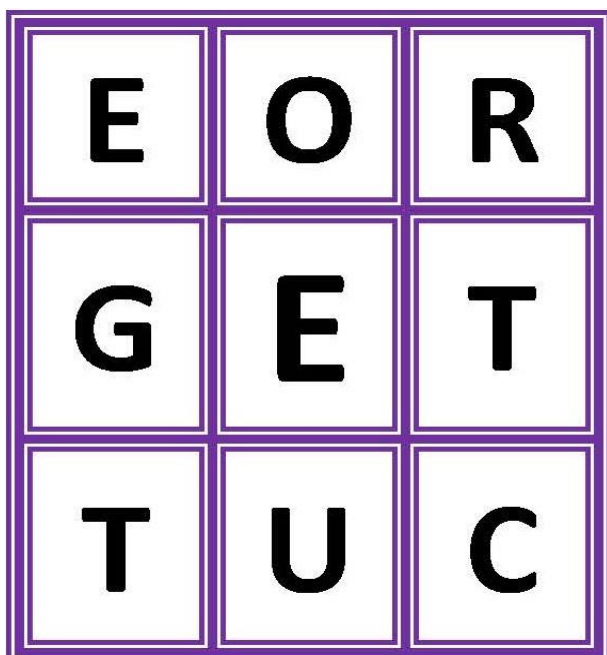
or call the school on 03 453 6035.



CURIOUS NOTIONS

- * Ultracrepidarian – A person who speaks beyond their knowledge.
- * When a dolphin is sick or injured, its cries of distress summon immediate aid from other dolphins, which try to support it to the surface so that it can breathe.
- * Ladybugs bleed from their knees when threatened.
- * To correctly write adjectives in order, you would list them by amount, value, size, temperature, age, shape, colour, origin, and material.
- * The most difficult Chinese character requires 62 total strokes to write. The word itself, “biang,” holds no meaning. 
- * Antimatter is the most expensive substance on Earth. It costs roughly \$62.5 trillion per gram.
- * In the history of evolution, we first learned to talk to each other, and then we learned to talk to ourselves.
- * Penguins have a gland near their beaks that converts salt water into fresh water. Once the gland gets full, a penguin will knock its beak on a rock to empty the salt out.
- * A group of hawks is called a kettle.
- * The universe is around 13 billion years old, yet it is theorized to have enough energy to continue for another 100 trillion years. We are at the very, very beginning of everything.
- * Ephebiphobia is the fear of teenagers!
- * Koala fingerprints are essentially identical to human ones! Even under a microscope, it's nearly impossible to tell whether a fingerprint belongs to a person or a koala.
- * The shortest war in history lasted for only 38 minutes. It was the Anglo-Zanzibar War of 1896.

PUZZLEGRAM



Words must be **four** letters or more and must contain the letter

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Your list must have one 9-letter word. Proper names and non-English words are not allowed.

Answers will be in next week's newsletter.

10 words = good; 23 words = great; 34 words = excellent; 41 words; 52= outstanding!

Puzzlegram answers: belt, bent, bier, bile, bine, bint, birl, bite, blet, blin, blip, blue, blur, bren, brie, brin, brit, brut, bunt, burl, burn, burp, lube, pleb, rube, tube, unbe, biner, birle, biter, blent, blite, bluer, bluet, blunt, blurt, brent, brine, bruin, bruit, brunt, brute, built, buret, burin, burnt, butle, liber, rebut, rubel, ruble, tribe, tuber, berlin, brunet, bunter, burnet, burnie, butler, nubile, riblet, unbelt, blunter, rebuilt, tribune, turbine prebuilt

BLUEPRINT

Special Rigs for Special Kids

Sunday 31st August 2025

Midland Street
(next to the Edgar Centre) Dunedin



No pre-registration required, just arrive from 8.30am.
A great day for everyone.

Enquiries Contact Greg Inch Phone 0274 358 508
For further information please like and follow us on Facebook

SOUTH PACIFIC RAVENS



SOFTBALL

REGISTRATIONS

NOW OPEN

TEEBALL- UNDER 7 AND 9
JUNIOR SOFTBALL UNDER 11, 13 AND 15
SENIOR SOFTBALL DIV 1 DIV 2 AND SLOW PITCH

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THE U SHOP
YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP



OPEN HOURS | Term 3, 2025
14 July - 4 October

Monday - Friday
9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday
9.00am - 4.00pm

Closed on Public Holidays
Open Hours may be subject to change.

Visit for more info: www.shopdun.uniformgroup.co.nz



THE U SHOP operated by UNIFORM GROUP



SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN & WE NEED KIDS

THE annual Santa Parade is on Sunday 30 November & we need 100+ kids of all ages to be on floats in the parade.

To take part you need to be ...

- at least 5 years old
- be available all afternoon
- have a parent who will accompany you & walk alongside the float

Interested? email dnsantakids@gmail.com



Merry Christmas



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STUDENT NAME:							YR LEVEL:	
EMAIL:							MOB PH:	
WORN BY	COMPULSO RY	STYLE / SIZE	STANDARD SIZE RANGE	QTY RECOM'D	SIZE	QTY	RETAIL PRICE INCL GST	TOTAL \$
		Laundry Marker	one size				\$ 5.50	
Yr 7 - 10	Or trousers or kilt	Shorts - Charcoal MPB	60 - 120	2			\$ 59.00	
Yr 7 - 10	With shorts or trousers.	Polo Shirt S/S - Bottle/Red	Y8 - Y14, 2S - 3XL	3			\$ 44.00	
Yr 7 - 10	Either L/S or S/S	Polo Shirt L/S - Bottle/Red	Y8 - Y14, 2S - 3XL	1			\$ 52.70	
Yr 11 - 13	Or L/S with trousers	Shirt S/S - White	Y12 - Y14, 2S - 3XL, 5XL	3			\$ 44.00	
Yr 11 - 13	Or S/S with trousers	Shirt L/S - White	Y12 - Y14, 2S - 3XL, 5XL				\$ 42.00	
Yr 11 - 13	Yr 11 - 13	Blazer - Bottle/Navy Trim FPB	8 - 20				\$ 195.00	
		Blazer - Bottle/Navy Trim MPB	84 - 124				\$ 199.70	
ALL	Yr 9 - 13	Kilt pin	one size	1			\$ 3.00	
ALL	One of these options or shorts for year 7-10 only	Kilt - Tartan	XS - 2XL	1			\$ 210.00	
ALL		Trousers - Charcoal MPB	60 - 124				\$ 69.00	
ALL		Trousers - Charcoal FPB	6 - 26				\$ 69.00	
ALL	Either with kilt, trousers, or shorts	Blouse S/S - White FPB	6 - 26	3			\$ 41.70	
ALL		Blouse L/S - White FPB	6 - 26				\$ 42.00	
ALL	Must be worn with Jersey	Jacket Softshell - Black	Y10 - Y14, S - 3XL, 5XL	1			\$ 90.00	
ALL		Jersey - Wine 80 / 20 Wool Nylon	2S - M	1			\$ 94.00	
			L - 2XL				\$ 101.50	
			3XL & 5XL				\$ 104.00	
ALL		Vest - Wine 80 / 20 Wool Nylon	2S - M	1			\$ 87.60	
			L - 2XL				\$ 91.60	
			3XL & 5XL				\$ 94.30	
ALL	Yr 9 - 13	PE Top - Red/Bottle	Y8 - Y12, S - 4XL	1			\$ 43.50	
ALL	Yr 9 - 13	PE Shorts - Bottle	Y8 - Y12, S - 3XL	1			\$ 41.00	

PLEASE TURN OVER

WORN BY	COMPULSO RY	STYLE / SIZE	STANDARD SIZE RANGE	QTY RECOM'D	SIZE	QTY	RETAIL PRICE INCL GST	TOTAL \$
ALL	Or tights with kilt	Socks Ankle - White (Pkt 5)	4+, 7+, 10+				\$ 22.70	
ALL	Or socks with kilt	Tights - Black	Av, Tall, X Tall				\$ 13.00	
ALL	With shorts	Socks - Knee High, Grey with Red/Green Stripe (Pr)	13+, 3+, 6+, 9+, 12+				\$ 14.50	
ALL	With trouser only	Socks - Black/Red (3 Pkt)	4+, 6+, 11+, 13+				\$ 21.00	
ALL	With trouser only	Socks - Black/Green (3 Pkt)	6+, 9+, 12+				\$ 21.00	
Yr 11 - 13	Yr 11 - 13	Tie - Bottle - Wine/White Stripes	one size				\$ 27.00	
ALL		Scarf - Black with Bottle Stripes	one size				\$ 37.50	
ALL		Belt Leather - Black	52 - 108cm				\$ 37.00	
ALL		Bucket Hat - Black	M/L L/XL				\$ 21.50	
ALL		Beanie - Black	one size				\$ 18.50	
ALL		Shoes FPB - Black Lace up - Jill	US 5 - 12				\$ 141.00	
ALL		Shoes - Black Lace up - Delta	UK 3 - 14				\$ 141.00	
ALL		Shoes - Black Lace up - Delta	UK 15				\$ 157.00	
ALL		Shoe Cream DASCO - Black	one size				\$ 11.00	
ALL		Brush Combi - Black	one size				\$ 11.00	
TOTAL QUANTITY OF ITEMS							TOTAL COST	

Note: FPB = Female pattern block. MPB = Male pattern block.

'Standard' sizes are stated on this form. Other sizes required are unlikely to be stocked.

Sizes required outside the stated 'Standard' sizes may or may not be available. Additional costs may apply.

Prices are effective from 1 July 2025

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payments Online	Payee Name:	UNIFORM GROUP (AUCKLAND) LTD	LAYBY is Available
	Payee Acc #:	12 - 3252 - 0053823 - 65	The term is 60 days. Requires an initial deposit of 30% or \$20, whichever is the greater amount. Payments can be made through internet banking; the minimum subsequent payment is \$20. Order available for pickup when fully paid, subject to stock being available.
	Code:	Student's first name and surname	
	Reference:	School Name	

WINZ Quote code: Please quote this code CUR001816341 UNIFORM GROUP - U SHOP D when obtaining funds

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