

Kaikorai Valley College

PĀNUI #17 - 21 November 2025

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora koutou

As we enter the final few weeks of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in helping some of our senior students who did not go on study leave after prize giving but stayed at school to complete work, so that they may obtain NCEA qualifications. First of all, I congratulate the senior students who remained at school and worked diligently to finish off assessments – this is not easy when your peers from other schools are on study leave; your perseverance and commitment are to be commended. Also, a special thanks to our staff, who would typically use this time to prepare for the 2026 academic year, for continuing to work with our seniors; this was a tremendous

effort. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the families/whānau who have supported us with this initiative this year.

Our Year 7 and 8 students have the 'Adventure Week' with activities such as kayaking, a day out at the school farm, and swimming at the beach. Some of our Year 9 and 10 students have made the most of the opportunities available to them for 'Have a Go Week,' which is run by the Otago Secondary Schools' Association and enables students to try various sports and activities they would not usually participate in. A most enjoyable range of activities for our students.

Even though the academic year nears its end, there is still much work to be done, and we look forward to ending the year on a high note for all of our students and ensuring they get the most out of the last three weeks of school.

Ngā mihi nui

Jatin Bali

Principal

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDING MEMBER - Mark Rogers

Policy Review Reminder - Feedback Due 23 November

The Board is currently reviewing several key school policies, and we invite all members of our community—parents/caregivers, whānau, and staff - to take part in the triennial review process. Your feedback is important and helps ensure our policies reflect our shared expectations and values.

The following policies are now open for review within the SchoolDocs system:

- Bullying and Harassment
- Behaviour Management
- Searches, Surrender, and Retention of Property
- Minimising Physical Restraint
- Stand-down, Suspension, and Exclusion
- Staff Wellbeing and Safety

How to Review and Provide Feedback

The process is quick and straightforward. A detailed PDF is also attached for further guidance.

- 1. Access SchoolDocs:
- 2. Go to: www.schooldocs.co.nz
- 3. Select: Kaikorai Valley College
- 4. Username: kvc
- 5. Password: pride
- 6. Once logged in, navigate to the policies listed above and follow the prompts to submit your feedback.

Thank you for taking the time. Your voice matters.



THANK YOU!



THANK YOU TO GENEROUS SUPPORTERS!

Thank you to Kingston Sedgfield Trust (administered by Perpetual Guardian) for

funding \$7,866, to enable some of our Senior students to attend courses to gain NCEA credits. 28 students benefited from the funding, gaining valuable skills and NCEA credits.

Lighting upgrade: A massive thank you to **Pub Charities**, particularly our local venues, **Cableways**







student drama performances. A very generous \$12,500 grant enabled us to install a new LED lighting system and upgrade our backstage communications.





A big thank you also to **Cue-Go** for supplying and installing the lighting system.

Tavern and The Bog Irish Bar. We have upgraded our lighting system for

This term, students in the "Lights, Camera, Action" Drama class have been learning to use the new equipment for their final performances - an exciting time for those interested in performance and backstage.

We really appreciate this generosity, which hugely supports our students'

learning.







CAREER MOVES

Interested in a career with the Defence Force or looking for a unique extracurricular option?

The New Zealand Cadet Forces (NZCF) is an excellent choice for students who want more than a sports club and are curious about life in the Army, Navy, or Air Force.

While NZCF isn't a direct entry pathway into the Defence Force, it offers valuable experience that can strengthen your CV and future applications. Cadets develop practical skills and leadership abilities, and gain hands-on exposure to the traditions and opportunities of all three services.

In Dunedin, we're lucky to have Army, Navy, and Air Force units available.

Students can join from Year 9 or from age 13. It's a fantastic way to build confidence, teamwork, and discipline in a fun, supportive environment.

If any students are interested in learning more about the New Zealand Cadet Forces, they can email Mrs Beagley <u>at mabeagley@kvc.school.nz</u>.

Success for our ex-KVC Students.

Our school community continues to shine here are two former students whose career journeys showcase what hard work and determination can achieve. Congratulations to Jack Hitchcox and Rhiannon Soper.

Awards Evening – Celebrating Student Success

We're proud to celebrate the outstanding achievement of former student Jack Hitchcox, whose dedication and skill in joinery have been recognised at the Master Joiners Awards Evening. Jack, now working with Bespoke Cabinets in Dunedin, was awarded the prestigious Ernie Jelinek Cup for Most Promising Apprentice - a testament to his hard work, talent, and commitment to his craft.



Jack's work is already standing out on a national level, and we're thrilled to see one of our past students excelling in his apprenticeship and representing our school community with pride.

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From Gateway to Growing a Career

As a Year 12 student, **Rhiannon Soper** took up Gateway training through KVC, starting at Mitre 10 MEGA Dunedin with ServiceIQ. What began as a placement quickly turned into a full-time role in 2021 - thanks to her strong work ethic and enthusiasm.

Since then, Rhiannon has worked across several departments and is now Dispatch 2IC. She's also completing the New Zealand Certificate in Retail – Level 3, with plans to progress to Level 4 next year. The programme has boosted her confidence, communication, and leadership skills, proving how real workplace experience can grow real careers.

Read the full article here:

https://www.serviceiq.org.nz/news/real-success-stories/rhiannonsoper-mitre10.

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SPORTS NEWS

Year 8 student Ben Paul was selected to compete in the Southern Schools' Primary/Intermediate Tennis Championships held last week. Ben competed in the Under Year 8 Grade, representing Kaikorai Valley College. He played several matches, and although he didn't win, Ben challenged his

opponents thoroughly and always had a smile on his face. Well done, Ben!

Keziah Elone-Cooper recently attended the South Zone Athletics and took 1st place in the Under 13 Girls Shot Put. She then participated in the Otago Primary Schools' Championships last week but was a bit unlucky on the day and didn't throw her best distance. Keziah is aiming for the Otago Secondary Schools' Championships early next year, where we know she will do well. Well done, Keziah!













KVC recently had two teams competing in the Year 7 and 8 Schools' Table Tennis Competition, which has been held in our gym since last term. The KVC Red team, consisting of Kaitlyn Beyer and Kelly Jin, secured 2nd place in Division B. The KVC Green team of Aran Prasad and Logan Greenwood finished 6th in the very competitive Division A. Well done to all of our KVC players.

A massive thank-you to Mr Martin Duffy for his ongoing commitment and the many years he has devoted to coaching and supporting our teams.

The Otago Secondary Schools' Junior Have A Go Week has been held this week.

Several of our Year 9 and 10 students have been out and about playing sports and trying new activities. Monday featured Dodgeball for our mixed teams. Tuesday included 8-Ball Pool at Bowey's Lounge and 3x3 Basketball at the Edgar Centre. Wednesday was Boys' Dodgeball, Thursday was Orienteering and Disc Golf at Chingford Park, and Friday wrapped up the week with Athletics and Smash's Cricket at Logan Park.









\$350 per week per student

We are looking for families to host students for short stays (ranging from 2 to 10 weeks)

Email homestay@kvc.school.nz Phone 453 6035

Make friends across the world

2026

FIRST DAY OF TERM 1

Wednesday 28 January, Years 7-9 at 8.40am and Years 10-13 at 10.00am

TERM	START DATE	END DATE
Term 1 (10 weeks)	28 January	2 April
Term 2 (11 weeks)	20 April	3 July
Term 3 (10 weeks)	20 July	25 September
Term 4 (9 weeks)	12 October	8 December

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR					
DATE	HOLIDAY				
Tuesday 6 February	Waitangi Day				
Monday 23 March	Otago Anniversary Day				
Friday 3 April	Good Friday				
Monday 6 April (falls in the school holidays)	Easter Monday				
Tuesday 7 April (falls in the school holidays)	Easter Tuesday				
Monday 27 April (observed)	ANZAC Day				
Monday 1 June	King's Birthday				
Friday 10 June (falls in the school holidays)	Matariki				

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4

4-28 November4 December9 DecemberNZQA ExamsClearance DayJunior Prizegiving

9 December School finishes after prizegiving

2026 IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1

28 January All School begins (staggered start)

5 February House Morning

6 February Waitangi Day (no school)

10 February Academic Excellence Assembly

16 February 3-Way Conferencing Day

18-20 February Year 8 Camp

23 March Otago Anniversary Day (no school)

3 April Good Friday (no school)

3 April (also) Last day of Term 1

6-19 April School Holidays

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

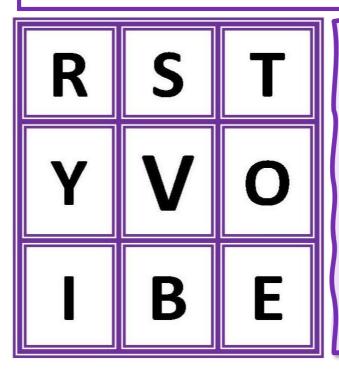
or call the school on 03 453 6035.



CURIOUS NOTIONS

- * There is an insurance policy issued against alien abduction. Around 50,000 policies have been sold, mainly to American and English residents.
- * Scobberlotcher is a lazy person who avoids work.
- * The scientific name for the Giant Anteater is Myrmecophaga Tridactyla. This means "ant eating with three fingers."
- * In World War II, Germany tried to collapse the British economy by dropping millions of counterfeit bills over London.
- * In Indonesian, the word "Jayus" means "A joke told so poorly, and so unfunny that one cannot help but laugh."
- * A group of starlings is called a murmuration.
- * Sunflowers can help clean radioactive soil. Japan is using this to rehabilitate Fukushima.
- * If your throat tickles, scratching your ear can make it go away.
- * In the mid-2000s, Kagoshima, Japan, an alarming rise in power blackouts was traced back to crows who were building their nests on top of electric poles. The power company formed a "Crow Patrol" to seek and destroy the crows' nests. In response, the crows built thousands of dummy nests as decoys.
- * More than 60% of the world's population is under 30 years old. People 60 years and older make up 12.3% of the global population.
- * Nomophobia is the fear of being without your mobile phone.
- * Not everyone has an internal monologue, and some organise their thoughts in pictures or colours.
- * Butterflies taste with their feet.

PUZZLEGRAM



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



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.

9 words = good; 18 words = great; 23 words = excellent; 31words; 40 = outstanding!

Puzzlegram answers: menu, mien, mine, mint, muni, neem, neep, neum, nite, peen, pein, pent, pine, pint, punt, quin, teen, tein, tine, tune, unit, inept, input, neume, queen, quint, unite, unmet, untie, emetin, equine, minuet, minute, mutine, pitmen, quinte, unmeet, pinetum, quieten, umpteen. **EQUIPMENT**



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OPEN HOURS | Term 1, 2026

5 Jan - 18 Apr

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday 9.00am - 4.00pm

Friday 6 Feb - Waitangi Day - CLOSED Monday 23 March - Otago Anniversary - CLOSED Friday 3 April - Good Friday - CLOSED Saturday 4 April - CLOSED

Monday 6 April - Easter Monday - CLOSED

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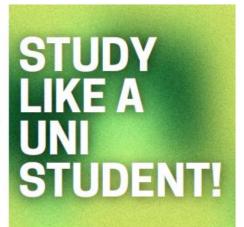






CENTRAL LIBRARY For open hours vist otago.ac.nz/library/hours Come experience a slice of student life at the

Central Library while prepping for your exams!
We have plenty of warm, dynamic study spaces to choose from!







LOCATED @ 65 ALBANY STREET, DUNEDIN





Have a go at Athletics with

LAUNCH

An exciting and inclusive event for rangatahi aged 12-18 to give athletics a go in a fun, team-based setting!

No experience needed — all abilities are welcome. You don't need to involved in Athletics to join the fun at Launch!



Sunday, 23 November 2025

9:30 AM

TO

12:30 PM

Post-Event

Shared BBQ for everyone involved 8

Q&A with Senior Otago athletes

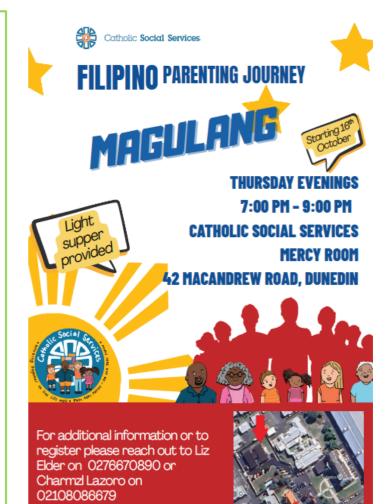
Caledonian Ground

Register its FREE Registrations close 21st Nov 11:59pm



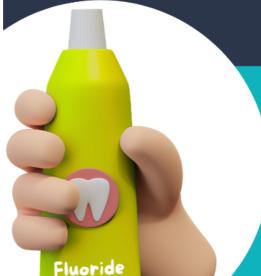
Scan the QR code to register and find out more about Launch.

Any questions please contact Holly Robinson: development@athleticsotago.co.nz





Choosing a Good Toothpaste



Look for a toothpaste with at least 1000 ppm fluoride

- Check the box/tube states it has fluoride (stannous fluoride, sodium monofluorophosphate, or sodium fluoride are ingredients)
- Not everyone loves that minty taste.

 Try one of the fluoridated non-mint flavours available (grape, vanilla, watermelon, berry...)
- A soft paste, a solid paste or a tablet?
 The choice is yours!



Have a Teen starting Year 9 next year?

From Year 9 onwards, your Teen will see a participating Dental Provider for their dental care in most areas.

This remains FREE until they turn 18 even if they have left school





At your teens last checkup in Year 8, please ask us for a list of participating Dental Providers in your area.

For further information please contact us

0800 672 543

community.oralhealth@southerndhb.govt.nz

Menu Week 8 Week Beginning 24th November



Meal Type	Monday 24 November	Tuesday 25 November	Wednesday 26 November	Thursday 27 November	Friday 28 November				
STANDARD	North Island Italian Minced Beef with Rustic Potatoes South Island Beef Meatballs, Vegeful Sauce on Pasta	North Island Thai Veg Curry & Rice, Indian Vegetable Curry, Tomato Balti with Rice, Katsu Vegan Curry & Rice, Mexican Beans and Rice, Mumbai Chickpea and Rice Pilaf South Island Savoury Minced Beef & Potatoes	Jungle Chicken Curry with Rice	Savoury Minced Beef & Potatoes	Butter Chicken & Veg on Rice				
VEGETARIAN	Indian Vegetable Curry Thai Veg Curry & Rice	Katsu Vegan Curry with Rice	Indian Vegetable Curry	Lentil Curry & Rice	Katsu Vegan Curry with Rice				
VEGAN	Indian Vegetable Curry Thai Veg Curry & Rice	Katsu Vegan Curry with Rice	Indian Vegetable Curry	Lentil Curry & Rice	Katsu Vegan Curry with Rice				
NO GLUTEN	Indian Vegetable Curry Thai Veg Curry & Rice Italian Minced Beef with Rustic Potatoes	Savoury Minced Beef & Potatoes	Jungle Chicken Curry with Rice	Savoury Minced Beef & Potatoes	Butter Chicken & Veg on Rice				
STANDARD SNACKS (yr 9+)	Apple Pea Snaps	Carrot Cake Slice Slurper Yoghurt	Apple Chickpea Cracker	Dinner Roll Pea Snaps	Chickpea Cracker Anzac Cookie				
DIETARY SNACKS (yr 9+)	Apple, Chickpea Cracker Soy Allergy: Apple, No Nut Bhuja	Apple, Chickpea Cracker Soy Allergy: Apple, No Nut Bhuja	Apple Pea Snaps	Apple Pea Snaps	Apple Popcorn				
	THIS MENU DOES NOT CONTAIN TREE NUTS, PEANUTS, PORK, SEAFOOD OR KIWIFRUIT								





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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. Either L/S or	Polo Shirt S/S - Bottle/Red	Y8 - Y14, 2S - 3XL	3			\$ 44.00	
Yr 7 -10	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				\$ 44.00	
Yr 11 -13	Or S/S with trousers	Shirt L/S - White	Y12 - Y14, 2S - 3XL, 5XL	3			\$ 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	Kilt - Tartan	XS - 2XL	1			\$ 210.00	
ALL	or shorts for year 7-10 only	Trousers - Charcoal MPB	60 - 124				\$ 69.00	
ALL		Trousers - Charcoal FPB	6 - 26				\$ 69.00	
ALL	Either with kilt, trousers, or	Blouse S/S - White FPB	6 - 26	3			\$ 41.70	
ALL	shorts	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	
		Jersey - Wine	2S - M				\$ 94.00	
ALL		80 / 20 Wool Nylon	L - 2XL	1			\$ 101.50	
			3XL & 5XL				\$ 104.00	
ALL		Vest - Wine	2S - M L - 2XL				\$ 87.60 \$ 91.60	
ALL		80 / 20 Wool Nylon	3XL & 5XL	1			\$ 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	
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WORN BY	COMPULSORY	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	
			TC	TAL QUANTITY	OF ITEMS		TOTAL COST	
		Note: FPB = Female pat	ern block. MF	B = Male patt	ern block			
		form. Other sizes required are Standard' sizes may or may no	ATTENNED TO SECURIT PROTECTION OF SECURITION					

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