



Kaikorai Valley College

PĀNUI #14 – 12 September 2025

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora koutou

This week was Senior Assessment Week, during which senior students completed practice exams or assessments for each of their subjects. The results from these assessments will provide a good gauge of their current standing in each subject and identify areas where they need to focus their efforts for the end-of-year exams, which begin in early November. I encourage all students taking external examinations to start their preparations by creating a study timetable and adhering to it. Their teachers are here to provide support with any help, extra work, or tutorials.

Students in Year 8 and below will likely be sitting the proposed NZ Certificate in Education from 2028 onwards. Although it is just a proposal at the moment, there is a high likelihood that students who go through the new system will be taking far more high-stakes examinations. We are exploring ways to prepare our current Year 7 and 8 students for this possible eventuality, and we will keep you posted once we have more clarity from the Ministry of Education regarding the new qualifications.

There have been numerous comments and opinions expressed throughout the country about the proposed changes, which is to be expected for something that affects the education of our young people. Regardless of one's feelings about the proposed changes, it is evident that schools will need to make significant adjustments to their teaching and learning programmes and begin preparing students soon. At Kaikorai Valley College, we are currently discussing the necessary changes to ensure our students are well-prepared for whatever the new qualifications require of them. You can rest assured that we will approach any change with enthusiasm and view it as an opportunity to improve the outcomes for our students.

As we enter the last week of Term 3, it is great to see students making use of the improving weather and spending their breaktimes participating in various sports and games. Next Wednesday evening is our Sports and Cultural Prize-Giving, and I invite you to attend this celebration of student achievement. I wish all of our students and their whānau a pleasant holiday.

Ngā mihi nui

Jatin Bali
Principal



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER

Kia ora koutou

It has been a pleasure getting to know and work alongside our new board over the past few weeks. Our first two meetings have been dedicated to getting acquainted with one another, understanding the board's processes and administration, and allocating the sub-committee chair roles.

I am pleased to have been nominated and appointed as the **Presiding Member**, and I look forward to working closely with our new **Deputy Presiding Member**, Mrs Sarah Moreton. We have a fantastic team, and I am confident that with this strong foundation, we will accomplish great things together.

With a student election ongoing, Tuesday's meeting was the last for our current student representative, Josh Hopping. We sincerely thank Josh for his valuable contributions to our board meetings and for keeping us informed about student life at KVC.

As this is our last newsletter before the end of the term, I hope everyone finds some time to rest and recharge before the busy Term 4 begins.

Mark Rogers, **Presiding Member**



Sports & Cultural **PRIZE-GIVING** Wednesday

17 September 6:30pm

School Hall

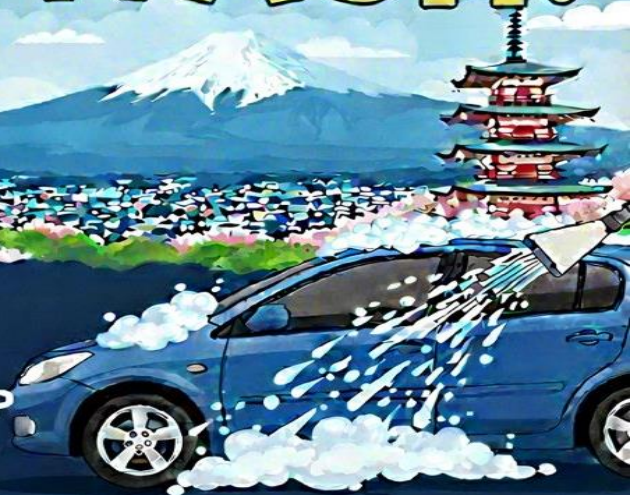


KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE **JAPAN TRIP FUNDRAISER** **CAR WASH!**

\$10 A CAR

ADVANTAGE TYRE SHOP
ANDERSON'S BAY ROAD
NEAR MITRE 10

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER, 9AM - 3PM



ACTIVITIES

A DAY ON THE FARM: KVC STUDENTS SHINE AT THE CLASH OF COLLEGES!

Our students recently showcased their agricultural skills at the highly anticipated 'Clash of Colleges' event at Telford College, and they absolutely excelled! Eleven of our most enthusiastic young farmers were carefully chosen to represent KVC in this fun and educational field day. It was a day full of hands-on challenges, teamwork, and plenty of gumboot throwing.

This isn't your typical competition. Teams rotated through various engaging modules, each led by industry experts. Students had the opportunity to practice real-world skills, from important safety tasks to some truly one-of-a-kind events.

The day was packed with activities that showcased the wide world of farming, including:

- ✱ **Saving Lives:** Students learned essential skills in a **Stop the Bleed** session with St. John Balclutha.
- ✱ **Hive-Makers:** The team got hands-on with beekeeping, assembling a hive, and even getting to do a bit of **honey tasting** courtesy of Comvita and Telford.
- ✱ **Farm Skills:** Our students demonstrated their skills in a range of activities, from **fencing wire tie-offs** to **chainsaw sharpening** and **ATV safety checks**.
- ✱ **The Fun Stuff:** The day wasn't all work! They also got to show off their competitive spirit with a thrilling **gumboot throw** and a **hobby horse race**.



Our students were excellent ambassadors for KVC. They were engaged, displayed great teamwork, and showed genuine passion for the primary industries. They not only gained valuable skills but also connected with professionals from companies like Silver Fern Farm and Danone.

It was an incredible day that highlighted the vast and exciting career opportunities in agriculture. We are so proud of their performance and can't wait to see what they achieve next!



2025 GET TO GO

KVC Students were entered into the orienteering, mountain biking, and paddleboarding events. Our team consisted of Lukas Newbury, Kaden Kirkman, Oran Hunter, Jacob Coomes, Kailah McLaren, Aesha and Aeva Cairns-Whitcombe, and Anahera Marsh. The team finished second in the Mixed Competition and 11th overall.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ROCKY ROAD!



A huge congratulations to our talented band, *Rocky Road*! The group put on an outstanding performance at the 2025 Band Quest, showcasing their hard work, teamwork, and passion for music.

We are especially proud to announce that they were awarded **Best Vocalist**. This is an incredible achievement and a reflection of their dedication and creativity. Well done, *Rocky Road* - we can't wait to see what's next!



YEAR 9 HEART SURGEONS!!



Our Year 9 Science students recently had an exciting experience as they acted as surgeons for a day, getting hands-on with real sheep hearts! This was an unforgettable practical lesson in mammalian anatomy.

Armed with scalpels and a healthy dose of curiosity, students carefully dissected the hearts, exploring the intricate chambers, valves, and blood vessels. They learned firsthand how the four chambers work together to pump blood throughout the body and discovered the remarkable power of the ventricles and atria. It was a messy,

eye-opening experience that brought their biology lessons to life.

The students' focus and teamwork were outstanding, and their newfound understanding of the cardiovascular system is something they won't forget anytime soon!



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

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
13-17 October	Level 2/3 Digi CAA week
4-7 November	Junior Exams
4-28 November	NZQA Exams
4 December	Clearance Day (tbc)
9 December	Junior Prizegiving
9 December	School finishes after prizegiving

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

stagg@kvc.school.nz

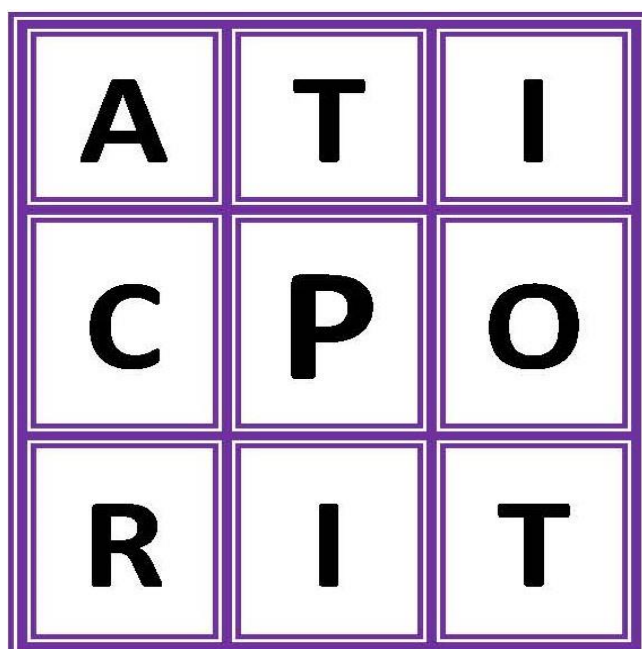
or call the school on 03 453 6035.



CURIOUS NOTIONS

- * The smallest possible measurement of length is known as the Planck Length $1.616255(18) \times 10^{-35}$ m). Anything smaller than this would break everything we understand about physics.
- * Weltschmerz – a deep sadness about the world.
- * In English, leaving a party without telling anyone is called a “French Exit.” In French, it’s called a “partir à l’anglaise,” to leave like the English.
- * The longest unbroken alliance in world history is between England and Portugal. It has lasted since 1386 and still stands today.
- * The fear of cooking is known as Mageirocophobia.
- * Water bears, or Tardigrades, are typically 0.5mm in length and can survive virtually anything. Even the vacuum of space.
- * The human attention span is now shorter than a goldfish’s. (8.25 seconds compared to 9 seconds for a goldfish.)
- * The world's longest walking distance is 22,500kms. You can walk from Magadan in Russia to Cape Town in South Africa across roads and bridges.
- * Monaco’s orchestra is bigger than its army.
- * The Japanese word 'Kuchi zamishi' is the act of eating when you're not hungry because your mouth is lonely.
- * A group of ferrets is called a fesnyng
- * A philodox is a person who loves their own opinion.
- * The hottest chilli pepper in the world, the "weapons-grade" Dragon's Breath chilli pepper, is so hot it could kill you.
- * Hummingbirds (depending on the species) flap their wings 75 - 200 times a second.

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.

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

Puzzlegram answers: chon, echo, echt, etch, hent, hern, hero, hoer, hone, horn, hour, hunt, hurt, ouch, ruth, tech, then, thou, thro, thru, chert, chore, churn, chute, couth, heron, honer, north, notch, ocher, ochre, other, retch, rotch, routh, ruche, tench, teuch, thorn, throe, torch, touch, cohune, hector, hornet, hunter, nother, rochet, rotche, rouche, techno, throne, tocher, touche, trench, troche, chorten, chunter, cothurn, couter, notcher, retouch, toucher, unthrone, **TRUNCHEON**

NEW BEE CARD FARE FROM 29 SEPTEMBER

The free fare for children aged 5-12 years will end from 29 September, and they will now pay \$1.50. The fare for youth aged 13-18 years in Dunedin will increase from \$1.20 to \$1.50, and the adult fare will increase from \$2 to \$2.50.

All these fares need a **registered Bee Card** to take advantage of discounts.

Cash fares remain unchanged at \$3.

5-12 years

- Free fare for children aged 5–12 will end
- New fare with a Bee Card will be \$1.50
- New cash fare will be \$3.

13-18 years

- New fare with a Bee Card will be \$1.50
- Cash fare will remain \$3

Adults (19+)

- New fare will be \$2.50 with a Bee Card
- Cash fare will remain \$3.

ORC is updating fares to meet new central government funding rules.

We invite you to pop into an ORC office or a Bee Card retailer to pick up a Bee Card before **29 September**, or ask your bus driver for one – and remember to register it at www.beecard.co.nz.

More information on fare changes at www.orc.govt.nz/fares.

Bus fares are changing

29 September

Dunedin bus fares from 29 September

Age group	Registered Bee Card	Cash
Child under 5 years	Free (no Bee Card required)	Free
Child 5–12 years	\$1.50	\$3
Youth 13–18 years	\$1.50	\$3
Adult 19+ years	\$2.50	\$3
Community Connect	\$1.25	\$3
SuperGold 65+ years	Peak: \$2.50	\$3
	Off-Peak: Free	

Why use a Bee Card?

- Cheaper fares
- Top up online

To purchase or register a Bee Card, go to beecard.co.nz

Orbus

orc.govt.nz/fares 0800 672 8736

Why are fees changing?

ORC is updating fares to meet **new central government funding rules**.

What's changing

Child (5–12 years)

- Free fare for children aged 5–12 will end
- New fare will be \$1.50 with a Bee Card*, or \$3 with cash

Youth (13–18 years)

- New fare will be \$1.50 with a Bee Card*

Adult (19+ years)

- New fare will be \$2.50 with a Bee Card*

SuperGold card holder (65+ years)

- New peak-time fare will be \$2.50 with a Bee Card*

Community Connect

- New fare will be \$1.25 with a Bee Card*

*If your Bee Card is not registered, you will be charged the Adult Bee Card fare amount

What's staying the same

- Children under 5 years will remain free — no Bee Card needed
- The cash fare will remain \$3
- SuperGold off-peak hours and free fares will remain the same

Orbus

orc.govt.nz/fares 0800 672 8736

ŌTEPOTI (DUNEDIN) YOUTH COUNCIL MARKET

Your youth group/kaupapa is invited to set up a free stall at the upcoming Ōtepoti Youth Market to share your kaupapa with the youth community and create an opportunity for future collaboration among the city's youth-based initiatives.

Date: Sunday, 21 September

Market Open: 11.00am–4.00pm

Set Up: 9.30am–10.30am and Health & Safety Briefing: 10.30am–11.00am

Pack Down: 4.00pm–6.00pm


The market is also open to Rakatahi who are makers, bakers, crafters, artists, and more to sell their goods. We have also invited youth-based services to share their resources and services with the youth community.

If you are interested in hosting a stall, please complete the [Expressions of Interest Form](#).

7:00pm Friday 26th September 2025

OMCC clubrooms
3 Clark Street
Central Dunedin

MINIATURE ROAD RACING Q&A



An informative evening about miniature road racing in Dunedin and other avenues of road racing in NZ.

We will have a range of miniature road racing motorcycles as well as some much bigger road race motorcycles on display.

All ages welcome.

OTAGO MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Photo credit: Lloyd Palmer Photography

DUNEDIN YOUTH COUNCIL

RECRUITING NOW FOR 2026



ARE YOU:

- AGED BETWEEN 12-18?
- LIVING IN ŌTEPOTI?
- KEEN TO AMPLIFY YOUTH VOICE?



SOUNDS LIKE YOU? APPLY NOW VIA THE LINK IN OUR BIO!

GOT A QUESTION?
FEEL FREE TO DM US! OR EMAIL:
JAY.PHILLIPS@DCC.GOV.T.NZ

SCAN ME TO APPLY!



APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5PM 19TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Bikes @ Syd After-School Program

A space for young people to hang to after school, learn how to fix bikes, and play bike polo



Every Tuesday during to school term from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Located at Southern Youth Development, 45 Maori Road, Belleknowes, Dunedin

syd southern youth development

YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENTS

BUILD YA BIKE



LEARN TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN YOUR OWN BIKE!

START DATE: FRIDAY, October 10th
END DATE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21st
TIME: 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
LOCATION: SOUTHERN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, 45 Maori Road, Belleknowes, Dunedin

syd southern youth development



KAIKORAI VALLEY
COLLEGE

UNIFORM PRICE LIST

84 Filleul Street, Dunedin. P: 03 260 7311
W: www.shopdun.uniformgroup.co.nz



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. Either L/S or S/S	Polo Shirt S/S - Bottle/Red	Y8 - Y14, 2S - 3XL	3			\$ 44.00	
Yr 7 - 10		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	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	

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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