



# Timaru Girls' High School

Scientia potestas est; knowledge is power

November 2017



Congratulations to Boudine Brown (pictured above) who is  
Timaru Girls' High School Dux 2017

### *from the Principal*

Congratulations to our 2017 Senior Prize-giving awardees, in particular to our 2017 Dux Boudine Brown and Promixie Accessit Samantha Elliot. This was an amazing night of celebration before the hard work of NCEA external exams started.

I would like to thank our teaching staff for the extra effort that has gone into preparing our senior students for their examinations in what has been a very short term 4. I know many have put in extra tutorials to support our students in their study. Hopefully we will see the evidence of this hard work when results come out in January.

There is plenty more still for our junior students before school closes for the year on 8 December. Please make sure you keep an eye on our Facebook site for up to date messages regarding the various events that are on.

Our building project is still planned to be completed on 14 December. I apologise for the inconvenience this has caused for many in the relocation of classes but I promise it will be worth it when classes are back in for lessons in 2018. We are planning an opening of these buildings at the start of the school year.

I would like to thank all of our school community for the support we have had for an excellent 2017 school year. Our school magazine (which is currently being printed and will be available before the end of the year) has a comprehensive account of our school year. Thank you to Ms Tulley and Ms Scott for their work in preparing this magazine.

I would make mention of three staff members who will be leaving us this year. Mrs Lyn Crossan is retiring after a significant time as both a student and staff member of our school. We wish her well in her retirement.

Ms Roxy Pitchford has been appointed Head of Mathematics at Geraldine High School. Roxy is also an ex-student of the school. We wish her well on the next step of her career.

Ms Juliet Scott has been appointed to Assistant Head of Physical Education at Wakatipu High School. We have enjoyed having Juliet on our staff for the past two years.

To all our school community, have a very relaxing, enjoyable and safe holiday period.

Nga Mihi

Sarah Davis  
Principal

### SENIOR SIGN OUT DAY

**Date:** Monday 4 December

**Time:** Year 11 – 1:30pm

Year 12 – 2:00pm

Year 13 – 2:30pm

**Please be ON TIME**

**Where:** Library

**What to bring:** Any text books, library books, sports uniform, musical instruments or anything else that is the property of the school.

**Money:** This is an opportunity to pay any money owing. You may bring a cheque, cash or pay by eftpos.

**Attendance is compulsory. You can wear mufti.**

### INFORMATION FOR 2018

Year 9s for 2018 will receive information in the mail regarding procedures for the start of the 2018 school year soon. A stationery list will be included with this mail-out. Also included in this mail-out are details around starting dates and key events in the first few weeks of Term 1.

The stationery lists for 2018 are available on the TGHS website [www.timarugirls.school.nz](http://www.timarugirls.school.nz)

In 2018 we have available an online service through [www.myschool.co.nz](http://www.myschool.co.nz) (OfficeMax) where your daughter's stationery requirements can be purchased. Search for Timaru Girls' High School select your daughter's year level and/or subjects and follow the instructions on the website. Buying through OfficeMax MySchool earns 'School Rewards' for our school which can be redeemed for educational supplies or equipment for our classrooms. (See the advertisement opposite.)

### JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING 2017

Friday 8 December

9:30am

Nora Dickie Hall

All Welcome

(Finish time approximately 10:30am.  
Students go home after Prize-giving)



## STARTING DAYS FOR 2018

- **Monday 22 January:**  
School Office opens
- **Friday 26 January:**  
Teacher Only Day
- **Monday 29 January:**  
Course confirmation by appointment (Y11-13)
- **Tuesday 30 January:**  
Course confirmation by appointment (Y11-13)
- **Wednesday 31 January:**  
Year 9 Orientation Day 1
- **Thursday 1 February:**  
Year 9 & 13 Orientation Day 2
- **Friday 2 February:**  
Full school begins

## CAREERS UPDATE NOVEMBER

It has been a pleasure to work with the Year 13s this year as I have found you to be a very positive and independent group. I wish you all every success for any future endeavours and look forward to hearing of your achievements.

I have resigned my position of Learning Area Head of Pathways so will not be corresponding with you again. I have really enjoyed this role and have taken great pleasure in watching the students develop and mature. I would like to thank all those whom I have had contact and worked with over the 22 years I have been at TGHS. It has certainly been a very rewarding job and a privilege to guide and teach such fine young women. I would also sincerely like to thank Kerin Crozier for her efficiency in helping

run the Pathways Department. I am extremely grateful for her willingness to do any job asked of her and that she always made me look efficient.

I wish you all the very best for 2018 and a life time of adventure, health and fun.

Lyn Crossan, LAH Pathways

## SENIOR PRIZE-GIVING 2017

Senior Prize-Giving was held on Wednesday 1 November.

### Prize winners to note:

- Dux of School for 2017: Boudine Brown
- Proxime Accessit: Samantha Elliott
- 2018 Head of School: Laura Seyb
- 2018 Deputy Head of School: Emily Bell
- Otago Old Girls Assn award (Citizenship to the School and Community) Piper Hathaway
- Andrea Wilkinson prize (Unselfish Contribution to the Life of the School) Jessie Goodsir
- Nicole McLauchlan Prize (Contribution to the Life of the School) Brenna Shaw
- Gail Hannam Cup (Y12/13 best 'all-rounder'): Brenna Shaw
- Mehrtens Family Cup (Y12 best 'all-rounder'): Angela Seyb
- Jenny Fleming Memorial Award (Y11 best 'all-rounder'): Hannah Konings
- Inter-House Shield: Konini

**1<sup>ST</sup> - 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

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<sup>^</sup> While stocks last





**TIMARU GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL**

# **SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE**



**SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER  
2017**

**10AM – 12PM**

**Administration Block**

**Phone: 688 1122**

**Email: [adavies@timarugirls.school.nz](mailto:adavies@timarugirls.school.nz)**

**Website: [www.timarugirls.school.nz](http://www.timarugirls.school.nz)**

All uniform sales are on your behalf. 20% of all uniform sales go to TGHS.

Please have any uniform you wish to sell into the school office by Wednesday 29 November 2017.

All uniform must be in a clean and tidy condition.

TGHS have the right to refuse any uniform not in sellable condition.