



Fiordland College Newsletter

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From the Principal's Desk



Only a week to go until the end of term. Staff and students are incredibly busy, as you can see from the articles in this Newsletter.

We have a number of students who have been selected to take part in the Gang Show in Dunedin. They will have their final practices next week for public performances in the first week of the school holidays. I thoroughly recommend that you attend a show if you possibly can. The standard is always extremely high. Good luck to those performing.

You will also see that one of our teachers is the recipient of a Fulbright Scholarship. This is a real coup for Dr Peoples and also for the school. We wish Sue all the very best as she prepares for her time away in 2020 and look forward to seeing what ideas she will bring back to the school when she returns. Congratulations Sue.

All the best to our Itinerant Music Students, who will be staging a private performance this evening. I am sure that this will be a great opportunity for them to showcase some of what they have been learning. We look forward to a public performance later in the year.

E haere rā
Lynlee Smith

University Scholarships for Year 13s

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2020.

The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list.

Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit:

[MoneyHub Scholarship page](#)



Quote of the Week



Sometimes the right path is not the easiest one.
— Grandmother Willow, Pocahontas

Fulbright Scholarship

The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Programme is for highly accomplished teachers to participate in an intensive professional development programme in the United States. Two awards are granted to New Zealand teachers each year for this programme. We are very pleased to announce that Dr Sue Peoples, our Head of Social Sciences, has been awarded one of these.

Fulbright awards provide international educators with a five-month professional development program based at one of three host American universities (Sue's destination is still unknown). The program includes academic coursework, leadership training, and opportunities to observe, co-teach, and share their expertise in American schools. Each participant will also complete an individual or group project relevant to their teaching. Sue will be researching how to develop and implement school-based environmental programmes of learning.

Upon returning home, Sue will be expected to share the knowledge and experience gained on the programme with teachers and students at Fiordland College, and with others in the Te Anau community and in New Zealand.



Dr Sue Peoples
- she's the blonde one!



Dr Sue Peoples
with the other NZ recipient

Gang Show Stars

Seven Fiordland College students and one Te Anau School student are members of the 2019 Gang Show cast. The Gang Show is a spectacular musical comedy show performed by members of Scouts and Guides from throughout Otago and Southland. A cast of 76 was selected from over 120 who auditioned.

The Gang Show goes on stage at the Mayfair Theatre in Dunedin during the first week of the July holidays (9-13 July) at 7.30 pm and also on Saturday 13 July at 2 pm.

Book online at
otagogangshow.com

Come and see
youth musical
theatre at its best
and support your
fellow Fiordland
College students!



Back row from L to R: Alice Newcombe, Raleigh Lundman, Lisa Scott, Chloe Houghton

Front row from L to R: Sophie Houghton, Riyan Stevenson,
Talia Brown, Lily Newcombe

Reminder - Diaries to be signed and handed to form teachers on FRIDAY!

PTO

Co-Curricular

Staff are busy planning the Winter Co-Curricular Week. Activities include; downhill skiing, pack rafting, mountain biking, paddle boarding, jet boating, overnight in a marae, nordic skiing and camps at Borland Lodge and Stewart Island. Year 11 will focus on career options and will visit SIT. Your contribution towards the costs of these activities is appreciated and letters detailing the exact costs will be sent out soon.



To help with the planning, please ensure that any **deposit is paid by Friday 5 July and the remainder by Friday 26 July.**

PTA News



The Fiordland College PTA (Parent Teacher Association) encourages closer links between home and school.

We encourage you to join us for our AGM, Tuesday 13th August 2019, 7pm in the College Board Room. All office bearer roles have potentially been filled, so you won't be forced into a role! All welcome.

At our June meeting the PTA was pleased to put money towards:

- Subsidising student purchase of cycling jerseys and shorts

Shoe Requirements

Health and Safety Regulations 2015, require students working in the Science Laboratories, Technology Workshop and Foods room, to wear closed-in leather shoes. If closed-in leather shoes are not worn, the students are unable to participate in the practical work.

Please check your child has the correct uniform so they do not have to miss out on the fun of practical work.

Hoodie Orders Due

If you are planning to buy a hoodie for co-curricular activities or sports exchanges, the orders are due to the office tomorrow.

**Hoodie Orders Due
28 June 2019**



Tunnel Tracks

What are tracking tunnels?

Tracking tunnels usually have a flat bottom and a circular roof. They are for gathering information and monitoring a specific area to see which pests are present. We made our tracking tunnel out of milk bottles with the ends cut off, a sheet of black polythene and a white piece of card. Our ink pad was made from a sponge with ink soaked into it.

How do they work?

The way a tracking tunnel works is an ink pad is placed inside the tracking tunnel, with a lure (usually peanut butter) placed on the centre of the ink pad. The animal is attracted to the lure and while it's snacking, it gets ink on its feet. When it walks out of the tunnel, it leaves its footprints on a clean white card section of the ink pad.



Bohdi & Jasper



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By Jasper Carter and
Bohdi Trevor-Smith

Work Experience

Work experience brings the working world to life. There is the opportunity to develop key employability skills such as problem-solving, teamwork, communication and time management.

Thomas Prendergast, a Year 11 student, is gaining some work experience by doing a 10-week placement on Puke Anga farm.



Technology



Students are completing their Tow-A-Long toys at Year 7 and Cam toys at Year 8.

There are some very cool toys emerging!

Callum McMurtrie with his amazing caterpillar Cam Toy

Upcoming Events

Fri	28 Jun	End of Block 2
Wed	03 Jul	Year 7/8 trip to Velodrome
Fri	05 Jul	Last Day of Term 2
Mon	22 Jul	Term 3 Starts

