

*Dear Parents and Caregivers*

At the moment the whole school is very busy preparing for our annual Open Day which will be held on Sunday, 16 May. This day is counted as a school day and the expectation is that all students and teachers attend.

I have been told by many parents and students that the reason they chose Roncalli College is because of their pleasant experience on Open Day. That is, the students are well presented, polite, happy, engaged in activities and, above all, very proud of their school. This is a day when we are 'on show' to the community and we expect our students to be in uniform and wear it well. The students are our shop window.

***"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire"***

The day will commence with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Barry in the Sacred Heart Basilica at 9.00am. Following the Mass there will be a morning tea in the College Hall. Students will be available to conduct guided tours from the College Library from 11.00am until 2:30pm.

I want to thank the parents of the Year 9 and 10 students who attended conferencing last week. We are one of a few schools who use the

conferencing model and we are interested in your feedback to see how we can improve it. We think there is great value in the conversations that take place between parents, teachers and students. If you have feedback, please feel free to send it via e-mail to the office.

*Until next time,  
Chris Comeau  
Principal*

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**Special dates to remember:**

- 12 May – Kavanagh Exchange, Timaru
- 16 May – Mass at Basilica 9.00am
- 16 May – Open Day 11.00am
- 18 May – Information Evening, 7.30pm College Hall



## Calendar

### May 2010

12	Kavanagh Exchange (Timaru)
13	BOT Elections votes counted and results declared Aoraki Secondary Schools Cycling
16	Open Day & College Mass 9.00am
18	Full School Cross Country Information Evening
19	Catholic Schools Day Uniform Shop open 3.30-4.30pm
20	Year 12 Retreat Aoraki Secondary Schools Captains Half Day
23	Yr 9 and 10 Aoraki Netball Development Tournament
25	Year 12 Retreat
26	St Kevin's Exchange- Oamaru
27	Electoral Enrolment info students
28	Year 12 Retreat

### June 2010

1	Aoraki Secondary Schools Cross Country, Ashburton
2	Uniform Shop open 3.30-4.30pm
7	Queens Birthday
8-11	Senior Exams
13-14	St Peters Exchange- Gore
16	Big Sing (Dunedin) Yr 9-11 Ambassador Programme Uniform Shop open 3.30-4.30pm
17	Sexwise - Yr 10 THETA Present.
21	Mercy Cup - Christchurch
22-26	Variety Show
24-27	Elite Sports Academy – Lincoln College

### July 2010

1	School Ball
5-7	South Island Junior Netball Tourn
19	Term 3 commences
22	St Thomas Sports Exchange- Timaru (including Press Cup Game First XV)

Below:

"Aoraki Golf – Roncalli students 1<sup>st</sup> Boys"



## Important Medical Information – effective from Wednesday, 5 May 2010

Please note the following important information:

- **Panadol medication will not be dispensed from the office to students during the school day.**
- **Strapping of knees, ankles, etc will not be carried out by office staff. Please see your**

local physio for sports injuries.

- **Any student who feels sick during the school day and comes over to the sickbay will be sent home immediately by the office staff. If no one is at home, permission must be granted by a parent or**

caregiver that the student is allowed to be at home alone. It is also asked that students be collected from the Administration Block by a parent/caregiver at this time, or given permission to drive their vehicle home.

## Senior Student Support

Year 13 students have been allocated a mentor within their house and are meeting weekly. The Mentoring Programme provides the opportunity and support for students to achieve their goals through increasing their self esteem and efficacy. They work with their mentors (and others) to remove any barriers to their learning both in school and out, to assist their transition to the next part of their lives.

Hinton and Chris Comeau.

**Colin**

Karin Cockroft, Chris Anders and Gavin Hamel.

**Aquinas**

Amy Cooney, Regan Powell and Adele Churchman.

and have been encouraged to work through this along with searching their institution's website.

*Adrienne Quartier*

*Guidance Counsellor/  
Careers Adviser*

*688 6003 ext 811*

## TERTIARY VISITS

The main visits have now been made along with follow up visits from liaison staff. The students now have the information to be making decisions about next year.

## MENTORS

**McAuley**

Cat Hansen, Rob King, Adrienne Quartier.

**Chanel**

Robyn Brien, Craig

## SCHOLARSHIPS

All students who supplied email addresses were emailed a scholarship list in February

## Career Dates – Term 2

**MONDAY, 17 MAY**

TGHS

1.00pm-2.00pm

### **Victoria** **University liaison** **visit**

All interested students are invited to attend a combined presentation at Timaru Girls' High School.

Information about Victoria as a destination; accommodation; student services; admission requirements; information on degrees and enrolment process.

*Put your name in Careers Room if you would like to attend.*

**MONDAY, 17 MAY**

Benvenue Hotel

1.00pm-3.00pm

### **Law Career** **Function**

Senior students who have an interest in law are invited to attend.

The structure of the Otago law degree and the career opportunities the degree offers will be explained. Practical examples of how the law is taught will be a major feature of the afternoon. Parents are welcome to attend.

*Put your name down in Careers Room if you would like to attend.*

**FRIDAY, 21 MAY**

Room 27

Prep – Period 2

### **Otago Polytech** **liaison visit**

Susie Scott will give a presentation on careers and courses.

If you do not know what you are doing next year or are considering Polytech you should definitely attend this session.

Junior students welcome to visit at interval.

**TUESDAY, 1 JUNE**

Room 27

Lunchtime

### **Southland** **Institute of** **Technology (SIT)**

Presentation from SIT (Invercargill) on programmes offered, including 'free fees' options. Worth a visit if you are considering Polytech courses.

## **Term 3**

**FRIDAY, 27 AUGUST**

### **Study at Vic Day**

Annual open day – definitely the best way for students to find out all about Victoria and their programmes.

Students can also visit the halls of residence. For more information see:

<http://www.vuw.ac.nz/srca/events/study-at-vic.aspx>



Above:

*"Adding to the colour of the no. 1 field – the Roncalli Crest. Proudly displayed. Thanks to Copy Fast, Ian Woffindin and Bruce Carlaw"*

*Congratulations to Leanna Ryan for being selected in the Girls Tournament Team from the Aoraki Secondary Schools Girls Football Tournament held on Sunday, 9 May.*

## **Hurstpierpoint Netball Scholarship 2011**

Roncalli College is calling for applications for a netball player to go to Hurstpierpoint College in England.

This Scholarship is available for a high quality and elite netball player. The duration is January -March 2011.

Any students interested in being selected please see Mr David Mills. Applications close 1 June 2010. Enquiries to Mr David Mills, phone 688 6003, ext 812.

View the Hurstpierpoint College website:  
<http://www.hppc.co.uk>

## St Kevin's College (Oamaru) – Wednesday, 26 May

St Kevin's are hosts for the annual winter sports exchange and confirmed the following sports teams to participate.

**Netball** – A, B, C, 10A, 10B, 9A, 9B.

**Basketball** – Senior Boys, Junior Boys, Senior Girls, Junior Girls.

**Hockey** – 1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys, 1<sup>st</sup> XI girls.

**Soccer** – 1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys, 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls.

**Rugby** – 1<sup>st</sup> XV, Under 16, year 9 and 10.

All students participating will receive a permission letter later this week.

Students are to assemble near the administration area, Wellington Street entrance at 8.15am. We will be returning at approximately 5.00pm. Students are to travel in full correct school winter uniform.

Students are to bring a large

lunch and drink. Any students who required to be picked up south of Timaru (ie. Cup and Saucer), you must let Miss Zandbergen know by Monday, 24 May. Transport costs per student is \$25.00 payable to the school office by Friday, 21 May.

Any parents or supporters of the College are encouraged to attend at St Kevin's College, Oamaru – your support is always appreciated.



### MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER – FIRST 15 RUGBY TEAM

Monday, 14 June at approximately 7.30pm

\$15.00 per ticket

(this includes nibbles and punch)

*Movie rated M*

*To purchase tickets please contact:*

*Lee, phone 684 8919*

*Janyne, phone 686 0003*

## Roncalli College Squash Team

Roncalli College had 12 students represented at the Aoraki Secondary Schools Squash Champs held last Wednesday at Timaru Squash Club. The junior boys team of Liam Beck, Adam Beck and Henry Race were promoted to the A grade as entries were low. They played exceptionally well against some tough senior students. Well done boys on stepping up in this

grade. Roncalli had 3 teams play in the B grade boys division, Roncalli White: Hayden Blackler, Tim Wu and Jessi Drake finished 2nd in pool B which qualified them to play off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, they went down to Geraldine in this match. Michael Lees, Jess Thurlow, Patrick O'Neill, Lee Cooper, Tyler Day and Tim Heke all played good squash throughout the day with some

well deserved results. Roncalli had the most teams from throughout the region at this tournament – congratulations to you all. A BIG thank you to senior student Lindsay Christey for assisting the teams during the day and giving good advice when needed.

*Richelle Cannell*





Above:

*"Many thanks to the Mulvena Family who made and donated our new rugby scoreboard."*

## Aoraki Road Cycling Champs

Thursday, 13 May will see 10 cyclists from Roncalli College compete at the Aoraki Secondary Schools Road Cycling champs to be held at Levels Raceway.

Good luck to the following students:-  
Terrence Sharples,

Oli Austin, Fabian Wybrow-O'Brien, Phillip Shanks, Cameron Fitzgerald, James Faulkner, Kim Dewe, Emily Newmarch, Shannon Newlands and Emily van der Heyden.  
Thank you to Steve Coe for his time and

commitment in helping to get this team from Roncalli ready for the event. Steve has run training sessions in his own time and provided bikes for the new riders.

## Year 9 and 10 Netball Development Tournament – Sunday, 23 May

Roncalli College is again running the Aoraki Year 9 and 10 netball development tournament at the SC netball courts. This tournament is an opportunity for young netball players to develop, experience tournament play and prepare for the Junior South Island Netball tournament. This event is also a fundraiser for the Roncalli A team as they prepare for the South Island Secondary Schools Senior Tournament in August. Schools pay an entry fee for this tournament, however for Roncalli teams participating – 10A, 10B, 9A and 9B, instead of a fee, we ask players to bring the following:

**10A and 10B players** – each bring a six pack of cans, either coke, lemonade or fanta.

**9A and 9B players** – each bring six full sized chocolate bars eg. Crunchies, Moro.

**Senior B players** – each bring a \$5.00 scratchy.

**Senior A players** – each bring a Barkers item and a smelly item eg. Soap, body wash, etc.

**Please hand these items to Miss Zandbergen in the Sports office by Tuesday, 18 May.**

**MESSAGE** – Roncalli netball players – could you please register your names with Miss Zandbergen if you wish to

umpire or act as a runner, time keeper or scorer for the day.

Roncalli teams playing will receive an information sheet at a later date.

This has been a great day in the past with teams really enjoying the experience. So come along and support Roncalli Netball.



## Netball Coaching Session – Amy McKay (Canterbury Netball Development Officer)

Reminder to netball coaches – this netball coaching session will be held on Monday, 24 May at 6.00pm at the Netball Pavilion.

Areas covered will include planning your season, each session and then conducting that session. Also coaching the basics.

Please confirm your names with Miss Zandbergen by Thursday, 20 May, phone 688 6003 ext 808 or email:

[j.zandbergen@roncalli.school.nz](mailto:j.zandbergen@roncalli.school.nz).

## Rugby Subs

**U18** - \$100.00 (plus travel expenses per away game as arranged by team manager), **U16** - \$100.00, **U14.5** - \$80.00, **Girls** - \$50.00. All players to provide own shorts, mouthguard, socks, insulation tape and strapping tape. Subs to be paid to the school office by 30 May in a named envelope labeled Rugby Subs.

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