



OTAGO BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION



Otago Boys' High School has a long history but an exciting future

- Established in 1863
- 3rd oldest school in NZ
- Fine 19th century buildings alongside modern facilities
- 800 boys Year 9 – 13
- Excellent reputation for success in:
 - * Academic studies
 - * Sport
 - * Cultural activities
- Close liaison with Otago Girls' High School
- Close liaison with Otago University and Otago Polytechnic
- School boarding and homestay accommodation available

MOTTO

"Best for Boys"

Values:

Fairness: Acting justly and compassionately to achieve equity.

Integrity: Being honest, trustworthy, responsible and accountable for our actions and decisions.

Respect: For ourselves, for others, the environment and the traditions of the school.

Excellence: Striving to reach our personal best.

I have been at Otago Boys' High School for four years. OBHS offers me so many opportunities, academic, sporting and musical.

The high reputation, excellent sporting competition and the 'brotherhood' lifestyle here make Otago Boys' a unique school. I also led the haka at the leavers' dinner and for me this was very special.

Coming to OBHS will give you a great experience and you will learn many lessons to use for the rest of your life. I will never forget the valuable four years I had in this school.

Siripong Kanokruangrong - From Thailand



ACADEMIC STUDIES

Otago Boys' High School students excel academically. The school uses the nationally and internationally recognised NCEA (National Certificate Educational Achievement) system. Some comparison results are below:

NCEA Merit and Excellence Endorsements 2015

	LEVEL 1			LEVEL 2			LEVEL 3		
	OBHS	National Male	National	OBHS	National Male	National	OBHS	National Male	National
MERIT	44.9	35.9	35.3	24.0	26.5	27.0	31.9	27.8	29.1
EXCELLENCE	18.8	14.1	18.8	26.7	13.2	14.7	21.2	12.0	13.8
COMBINED	63.7	50.0	54.1	50.7	39.7	41.7	53.1	39.8	42.9

- 21 NCEA Scholarships— Otago Boys' best ever result
- 72.7% University Entrance (of those eligible to sit)

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAMME

The Gifted and Talented Programme at our school is designed to provide enrichment and extension opportunities to boys who show strengths in particular areas of the curriculum.

Teachers run programmes to cater for different abilities within the class. Over and above this, students have the opportunity to join accelerated Mathematics classes in the junior and senior school and to attend organised tutorials for scholarship subjects.

Otago Boys' prides itself on its success in academic competitions and there are many opportunities for boys to compete against their peers in a wide range of subject areas. Students are encouraged to take part in academic workshops (both nationally and locally) as well as public lectures hosted by the University of Otago.

SPORT

Many different choices (for example)

- Football/soccer
- Squash
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Hockey
- Rowing
- Volleyball
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Surfing
- Softball
- Tennis

CULTURE

- Choir
- Orchestra
- Rock Bands
- Individual Instrumental tuition
- Chamber Music Groups
- Jazz Band
- Debating

DUNEDIN

Dunedin is a city of 120,000 in which the main focus is education. 20% of its population are students and they provide the city with a dynamic and lively atmosphere.

Otago Boys' High School is located close to the Central Business District of Dunedin and all major facilities, including libraries, Otago University, restaurants and cafes, are within easy walking distance to school.

Dunedin is home to New Zealand's oldest and world renowned Otago University.



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