



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

June 11th 2021

Term 2 Week 6

Upcoming Events

- 15 June Yrs 9-13 Sports Tournament
- 22 & 29 June Interhouse Futsal
- 28 June L2/3 Biology Field Trip
- 2 July Assembly @ 11.20am
- 9 July End of Term 2
Mid Year reports sent home
- 26 July Beginning Term 3
- 29 July Learning Conferences
- 9 August Maths Week

Music Workshops with Mentor Mazbou Q

On Thursday 27 and Friday 28 May we had a music mentoring camp with Mazbou Q. These workshops are funded by NZ Music Commission and Excellere College has been blessed to secure funding for the last 4 years. This was an awesome opportunity for students to engage with a music industry expert where finding their 'voice' through songwriting and performance were key aspects.



and work with new people." - Lucy
 "I enjoyed the whole experience and learning how to extend my musical talents to portray a message." - Melisa
 "I really enjoyed working with Mazbou Q - after writing my own music alone for a while, he showed me how much more fun and productive working in a team of musicians can be." - Kian



"It was awesome having Mazbou Q helping us in writing our songs. I definitely learnt more about song writing as a soloist and as part of a group - students whom I have never worked with before." - Ryan

Excellere College Canteen

WEEK 7 MENU

- Toasted Sandwiches* \$2.00
(Ham & Cheese)
- Choc Chip Cookie* \$0.50
- Chicken Gordon Blue \$2.50
- Hot chips *(with Sauce)* \$1.00

**Dairy free and Gluten free options available*

Junior students: Hand your order forms to your teacher on Thursday morning

"I really enjoyed the course with Mazbou Q because he inspired me to write songs and know how I feel about things. It was fun but hard coming up with creative ways to describe my feelings." - Aimee

"It was cool to write a song to someone else



From the Principal

Change is a constant, and so is Jesus

It has been a week when it has really felt that winter has arrived.

Our Northland rain has fallen, the wind has blown, and the temperature has begun to fall. Please ensure students are dressed appropriately, in school uniform, to keep themselves warm and dry. The puddles have made a reappearance around school, and we will do our best to keep feet dry and classrooms warm.

We hold our Senior ball tomorrow night, and with the help of Renew students we are expecting another great night. We have high standards for behaviour at this event and look forward to providing a safe place for our students to dance and fellowship the night away.

On Sunday a group of our senior students will be heading off to Auckland to attend a performance of Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro". We hope they enjoy their opera experience.

Some of our students will be representing Excellere College at the first Christian Schools' Sports Tournament next Tuesday. This event, run by Sport Northland, is a fantastic opportunity to compete with other Northland Christian schools, and share God's plan of fellowship.

Next week I am off to Wellington to attend the Association of Integrated Schools' Conference. This is an opportunity to update myself on issues of national importance affecting Integrated schools, and network with other Christian schools. With change a constant in our education system it is useful to be able to hear from those that are making the decisions down in Wellington.

Blessings,
Graeme Whitehead
Principal

"Jesus is the same yesterday and today and forever."
Hebrews 13: 8 (NIV)

Dental Information

Northland District Health Board Oral Health Service is a FREE community-based dental service for children under 18 years across the Northland Region. We provide comprehensive oral health care through School, Adolescent, Community and Hospital Dental Services.

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Teenagers: receive their dental care from either a dentist in their community or the Northland District Health Board Oral Health Service. You have the right to choose your provider and both options will continue to provide FREE dental care until their 18th birthday. A Ministry of Health Enrolment form will need to be filled out for this service.

Visit our website for more information:

<https://www.northlanddhb.org.nz/myteeth> Or google MYTEETH

Excellere College Netball

Introducing the Year 1-2 Kiwi's Netball team! This team are improving week on week under their amazing coach Rochelle Garton. Their last game was their best game yet!



Positions Vacant

Teacher Aide

Starting on June 28th for 14 weeks. This is a fixed term position to cover Maternity leave, working in Room 6, Year 5. The hours of work will be 15 per week including paid breaks.

The pay will be paid according to the Support Staff in Schools salary scale. We may enter into subsequent employment by agreement.

Sports Coordinator

This is a fixed term position for approx. 5-10 hours per week and required the appointee to perform a range of tasks: liaising with sports organisers, coordinating school wide events, organising students for events, information notices out to parents, collection of consent forms and payments, organise transport to events, occasionally to attend events and supervise students, maintaining records of student participation

The Application forms and Special Character statement is available from the school office. Phone: 09 4352458 Email: office@excellerecollege.school.nz

Core Values

The house points are getting closer and closer with each competition. On Friday we had the third Core Values awards.

Hurupaki came first with 51 nominations with **Parakiore**, **Parihaka** and **Hikurangi** tied for second on 31 nominations.

Compassion	Integrity	Honor
Matthew Shortland	Zyber Sta Cruz	Keanu Aprea
Bella Aprea	Kierstyn Browne	Larissa van der Hulst
Ryan Whitehead	Heinz Colitoy	Mason Law
LJ Volschenk	Dehlia Chambers	Chane Schreuder

Enrichment Group: Hauora

Our enrichment group is focused on wellbeing. This can look different from one session to the next. So far we have done fitness tests such as the beep test, Bronco test and today we ran up one of our local mountains, Hurupaki.



Students have also been learning about nutrition and making healthy eating decisions and learning different forms of fitness.

This term we aim to climb all of our local Maunga, learning more about nutrition, and



hopefully having a workout session with Activ8 gym so students can see another way of looking after their fitness.

From this enrichment program students will hopefully be fitter, more informed, and know more ways to look after their Hauora.

- Mr. Ben Keyte,
Hauora Facilitator

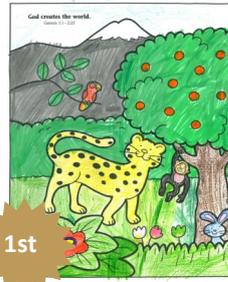
Junior School Arts Rotations

Throughout the term Years 3-6 have been rotating through classes to experiment in The Arts. In Room 3, Mrs Grammer has been running some drama workshops. Mrs Annandale has been doing some craft work. In Room 4, Mrs Mills has been doing some Hundertwasser paintings and in Room 6 Mrs Matheson has been experimenting with different musical instruments. Here are some photos of the junior college music rotation.



House Junior Colouring in Competition

Year 1 & 2 Winners



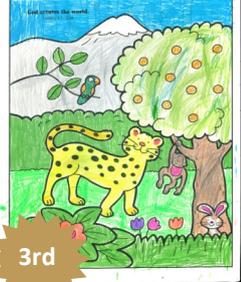
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Adelle Robbertze



2nd

Beth Fairweather



3rd

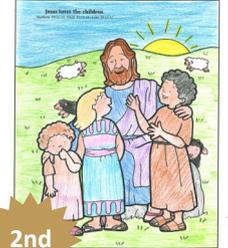
JG Boshoff

Year 3 & 4 Winners



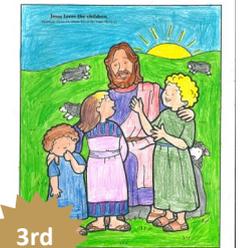
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Ella Teariki



2nd

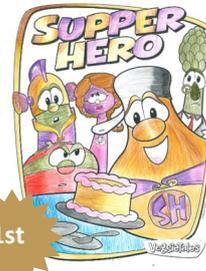
Mia Marais



3rd

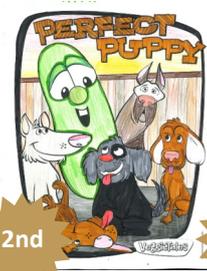
Akshaya Pokkiri Raja

Year 5 & 6 Winners



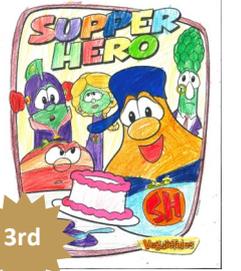
1st

Leti Vlamings



2nd

Ellie Chambers



3rd

Jacob Duinkerke

	Participation Points	Place Getters Points	Overall Placings
Hurupaki	21	3	24 = 1st
Hikurangi	13	8	21 = 2nd
Parihaka	13	5	18 = 3rd
Parakiore	14	2	16 = 4th

Wall Sit School Record Broken!



On Wednesday Natalie Allan broke the school wall sit record! This was the third activity she performed as part of a termly fitness test. She previously did pushups and a plank.

Natalie's official time was 40 minutes 2seconds. She originally aimed at breaking the school record of 32 minutes but pushed through to get to the 40 minute mark. In Term 4 she will get the opportunity to beat her own record so watch this space.

Meet the 'Skate Zone' Team

Skate Zone is an initiative started by 4 Year 9 students: Josh Carter, Leander Nel, Jacob Mitchell and Luke Erceg.



They came up with the idea during enrichment hour, Jacob was spending the hour riding his mountain bike and Josh was

spending the hour riding his skate board they soon realized that they could do something as a group and provide opportunities for the students to enjoy what they are passionate about.

So far the group has a wheels day every Friday lunchtime with a different year level bringing their wheels each week.

They have bought two ramps and renovated one of the old side barriers which was used in the past for roller derby. They are fundraising so they can buy materials to build more ramps and equipment to ride over. If anyone is keen to help with materials or building please contact Jacob: jacob.mitchell@excellerecollege.school.nz

- Week 7 Room 4 (Y4)
- Week 8 Room 3 (Y6)
- Week 9 Room 2 (Y1)
- Week 10 Room 6 (Y5)



SkateZONE

EVERY FRIDAY LUNCH TIME

Wear closed shoes when riding

Be considerate of others and look after equipment

Wear safety gear...definitely a helmet



Bring your wheels to school (and your safety gear)

Middle College: Enviro Schools Initiatives



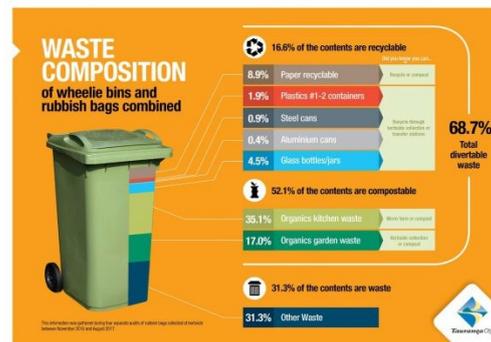
As part of being good stewards of creation we look for ways to create healthy sustainable options for our school. One of these ways is to create a use composting

and worm farms.

On Monday, the Middle College had a visit from the Eco Solutions lady who reminded us about good practices for these activities. We got to learn about worms, have a good close up look at them and determine what type of waste would go into worm farms and compost bins.

It is easy to set up a compost and/or worm farm and our Enviro schools leader Karen Crosbie is spearheading developments in this area. We have been collecting food scraps for quite some time at school and

now we are working on more effectively disposing of them. Food scrap containers are provided at school and we would like to see them being used all the time.



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