



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

February 26 2021

Term 1 Week 4

Upcoming Events

- 3-5 March Year 9-10 Camp
Lake Edwin, Hikurangi
- 3-5 March Duke of Edinburgh Gold Tramp
Te Paki, Cape Reianga
- 16-19 March Year 7-8 Camp
The Farm
- 23-25 March Year 12 Camp
Tangihua Lodge
- Thursday 1 April Easter Assembly @ 11.20am
All welcome! followed by light refreshments.
- 2-6 April Easter Weekend - School closed.

Athletics Day - Year 7-13

Yesterday's athletics day was one to remember for a number of reasons. Firstly we had great weather. Cloud cover doesn't always look great in the photos, but it certainly was a relief to the students and teachers who were organising and participating non-stop all day. Secondly, the house leaders who as well as competing, helped out the teachers and fellow house members throughout the events. Lastly the amazing sportsmanship and participation demonstrated by our students.

The Open Boys high jump was a hotly contested event with Johnathan Law, Matthew Shortland, Rory Dawson, Connor Mackenzie, JJ Shortland and Ryan Whitehead (Under 16) jumping for over an hour to decide the winner of the competition. In the end, Rory won the Open Boys with a jump of 156cm and Ryan won the Under 16 Boys high jump with a record of 158cm.



The 100m heats which had been previously run at school helped the day flow efficiently and made for exciting viewing, as most track events were finals on the day. The highlight was the House Relay which was convincingly won by Parakiore house.



2021 New School Record Holders

Hannah Shortland: Under 12 girls long Jump. **James Walker:** Under 12 Boys 100m. **Dannica Knobel:** Girls Under 12 400m. **Jordan Allan:** Under 16 Boys 800m. **Chane Schreuder:** Open Girls 1500m. **Ryan Whitehead:** Under 16 Boys high jump. **Bianca Heise:** Open Girls long jump, Open Girls 100m, Open Girls 200m, Open Girls 400m.

A big thanks to the teachers who organized and ran the track and field events and to the parents who volunteered their time on the day. Keep an eye out for the official results in next week's newsletter.



From the Principal

Love ... is the question, and the answer

Our annual Year 7-13 Athletics day, yesterday, was another example of our students sharing a competitive event, with love. Our athletes were able to express their gifting, whilst they all gained House points through their participation.

Next week our Year 9 and 10 classes are off to Adrenaline Adventure Park. This is a wonderful venue and all should have a great time.

Our Gold Duke of Edinburgh students are off Cape Reinga way next week for a tramp and overnight. Prayers for fun and safety, in the sun.

The second of N.T. Wright's "Broken Signposts" that I will explore is Love. Love is the expression of God's true nature, the heart of what God is. We see the incarnation of love in Jesus Christ.

Love died for us, to transform us, to enable us to transform others. It is God's intention to come and live with His people, in love.

"The love that Jesus's followers are then called to offer one another and to the world ... this love is public truth. When the world sees it, it will recognize it as the genuine article." (p55)

Blessings

Graeme Whitehead,
Principal

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Year 4 Patchwork Quilt Artwork

Room Four created a quilt to show others who we are. Our quilts had who is in our family, the meaning of our names, our favorite games pets and sports.

Marissa Mills, Year 4 Teacher



Play Netball at Excellere College



Netball notices went out this week to all students who have expressed interest in playing for the school this year. Please return the permission slip promptly as we need to get numbers to the Whangarei Netball Centre.

Please contact Tamara Chambers (tamara.chambers@excellerecollege.school.nz) if your child didn't receive a notice and your child is interested in playing.

WCET Sponsorship

We have a number of families who are struggling to pay the Attendance Dues for their children.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP?

This would be in the form of a tax-deductible donation which would be placed in a Whangarei Christian Education Trust fund to enable students to continue their education at Excellere College.

Please contact Richard Smith for more information
Telephone: 021 118 1086
email: thesmiths@compassnet.co.nz

Sports Co Ordinator Wanted

This is a fixed term position for approx. 5-10 hours per week and required the appointee to perform a range on 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

For more information, contact the school office

Phone: 09 4352458 Email: office@excellerecollege.school.nz

Drawing & Mural Club!



This week the drawing club did something a bit different and started preparing plywood boards for murals to go around the school. Students who are Year 7-13, have a passion for painting and design are welcome to come join us with this project. Hope to see you on Wednesday at lunchtime!

Lost Property Reminder

The school has a growing amount of lost property that remains unclaimed from last year as well as this year. At the start of the year please make sure you name all uniform items, as many are very similar and can be easily mixed up with another students' uniform.

This is the collection of shoes that are in lost property.



Year 13 Chemistry Practical



Year 13 Chemistry students learning to use equipment for titrations. This a procedure where students can calculate the concentration of an unknown substance using principles of neutralisation and indicator colour changes.



Business Advertising

This year we would like to offer some spaces for **business advertising** in the school newsletter. \$5 for a one off advertisement, \$50 a term or \$200 a year.

Support the school and promote your business in 2021!

Contact Julie on: julie.hale@excellerecollege.school.nz

Thanks to the following businesses for their support:

New Orthodontist in Town!

Caleb Lawrence Orthodontics is a specialist orthodontic practice based in Whangarei. We pride ourselves on providing quality personalized treatment to patients in our care.

We are offering an **introductory offer** of \$500 off upper and lower braces for new patients until the 31st of May
Terms and Conditions apply
Call us on (09) 430 3331 to book

Email: hello@clorthodontics.co.nz

Website: www.clorthodontics.co.nz

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Estelle Cullen Wins Awards at Whenuapai, Auckland

Estelle Cullen, Year 12 walked away with the top awards at the recent Blue Light Life Skills camp held at the Whenuapai Air Force Base in Auckland from 9 to 12 February. Estelle was up against exceptional youth from across NZ, with Estelle taking out both the Overall Excellence Award and Peer's Choice Award.

Blue Light Life Skills Coordinator Abbe-Mae Henry commented "Estelle was awarded the Overall Excellence Award through demonstrating the whakatauki of maturity, respect, intuition and through building individual and group mana. She was awarded the Peer's Choice Award through her efforts to foster a team environment, and encouragement and respectful communication with fellow team members".

Adventure-based experiential learning is a key part of this highly successful programme, run by New Zealand Blue Light in partnership with NZ Defence Force for the past 12 years. Critical Life skills feature on the programme with 14-17-year olds' learning self-development, self-control, and teamwork enabling them to be successful in their homes, schools, communities, and employment.

Up to 12 courses are held each year in Auckland, Central North Island and Burnham locations. For more information about the Blue Light Life Skills camps visit www.bluelight.co.nz

Blue Light is grateful for the support of the sponsorship of the Lion Foundation, the Howick Local Board, Hibiscus and Bays Local Board, Manurewa Local Board,



Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board, Whau and Puketepapa Local Board.

Blue Light is a not-for-profit charity that works in partnership with the Police to create positive connections between young people and the Police, helping young people find direction, fun, and sense of belonging within their communities, enabling young people to develop life skills, leadership skills and find employment opportunities.

Blue Light's work in the community is unique – it is not a one size fits all approach. We have 68 local branches working with NZ Police to create meaningful experiences for young people in their regions, including cultural, sporting, and educational activities that are alcohol, drug, and violence free.



Play Futsal at Northland Futsal Academy

The ultimate pre-season training

"No time, plus no space, equals better skills. Futsal is our national laboratory of improvisation"

- Dr. Miranda, Professor of Football, Uni. of Sao Paolo

"The best sport in the world"

- Riley, Year 10 Year 10 futsal fanatic

Details and registration go to:
www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz

or contact Christian on 021 246 7328 or
christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz



Afterschool Theatre & Drama Classes Northland Youth Theatre

Join our after-school drama classes to learn about theatre-making and acting, all abilities welcome! These classes focus on having fun, developing drama skills, teamwork and building confidence.

We explore elements of storytelling, movement and characterisation through games, scenarios and short script work. Our goal is for young people to fall in love with theatre craft.

Spaces available in all classes:

Junior (ages 9 - 11)

Intermediate (ages 11 - 14)

Senior (ages 14+)

Email: office@nyt.org.nz or message us on Facebook or Instagram @Northland_youth_theatre



Date	Hub Location – Option 1	Hub Location – Option 2	Hub location – Option 3	Time
10/02/21	Otamatea High School , 120 Bickerstaffe Road, Maungaturoto	Barnardos , 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
17/02/21	Bream Bay Community Trust , 9 Takutai Place, Ruakaka	Clark Road Chapel , 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Back 2 Basics , Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
18/02/21	Parua Bay Community Centre , 1475 Whangārei Heads Road, Parua Bay	Ruawai Primary School , 4376 State Highway 12, Ruawai	Te Rito , William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei	9:00am – 12:00pm
24/02/21	Mangawhai Beach School , 34 Insley Street, Mangawhai	Whangaruru School , 2916 Russell Road, Punaruku 0184	Te Horo School , 3239 Pipiwai Road, Whangārei	9:00am – 12:00pm
25/02/21	Matakohe Primary School , Matakohe	Barnardos , 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
25/02/21	Tinopai School , 1913 Tinopai Road, Tinopai			12:30pm – 2:00pm
03/03/21	Waipu Primary School , 6 Argyle Street, Waipu	Clark Road Chapel , 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Tauraroa Area School , Omana Road, Maungakaramea	9:00am – 12:00pm
04/03/21	Raurimu Avenue School , 48 Raurimu Avenue, Onerahi, Whangārei	Dargaville Primary School , State Highway 12, Dargaville		9:00am – 12:00pm
10/03/21	Archie Bull Hall Kaiwaka , 11 Kaiwaka – Mangawhai Rd	Hukerenui School , 9 Crows Nest Road, Hukerenui	Back 2 Basics , Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
11/03/21	Barnardos , 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei	Aranga School , Aranga, Dargaville		9:00am – 12:00pm
11/03/21	Kaihu Valley School , 66 Maropiu Road, Mamaranui			12:30pm – 2:00pm
17/03/21	One Tree Point School , 97 One Tree Point Road, One Tree Point	Clark Road Chapel , 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
18/03/21	Te Rito , William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei	Pouto Primary School , 11 Opuna Rd, Te Kopuru		9:00am – 12:00pm
18/03/21	Te Kopuru School , 9 Norton Street, Te Kopuru			12:30pm – 2:00pm
24/03/21	Paparoa Primary School , 14 Franklin Rd, Paparoa	Whananaki School Library , Whananaki North Road	Mangakahia Community Room , Mangakahia Road	9:00am – 12:00pm
25/03/21	Plunket Family Centre , 33 King Stret, Kensington, Whangārei	Arapohue School , Arapohue		9:00am – 12:00pm
25/03/21	Tangowahine School , Tangowahine			12:30pm – 2:00pm
31/03/21	Ruakaka School , 12 Sandford Rd, Ruakaka	Clark Road Chapel , 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Back 2 Basics , Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
01/04/21	HoraHora School , 22 Te Mai Road, Woodhill	Dargaville Intermediate School , 38 Charlotte St, Dargaville	Onerahi Community Hall , Onerahi, Whangārei	9:00am – 12:00pm
07/04/21	Maungaturoto Primary School , 8 Gorge Rd, Maungaturoto	Te Rito , William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei		9:00am – 12:00pm
08/04/21	Barnardos , 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei			9:00am – 12:00pm
14/04/21	Ngunguru Sports Cub , Kopipi Crescent, Ngunguru			9:00am – 12:00pm
15/04/21	Manaia View School , 64 Murdoch Crescent, Raumanga, Whangārei			9:00am – 12:00pm

Drop into the hub or contact us on **0800 5248 4256** or email TT.Support@education.govt.nz