Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

April 1st 2021

Term 1 Week 9

Upcoming Events

2-6 April Easter Holiday Break

- 7 April NZQA Meeting @ Excellere College 5:30-6:30 Rm 17
- 7 April Year 8 Multicutural Food Festival
- 8-9 April Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Tramp Practice
- 9 April ANZAC Poppy Day
- 15 April School Photos
- 16 April Last Day of Term 1
- 25 April ANZAC Day
- 3 May First Day of Term 2

ANZAC POPPY DAY

Friday 9th April

MUFTI DAY

Gold Coin Donation for the RSA



Easter Assembly

Today we had our first school assembly of the term to celebrate the Easter message and a busy term of school activities. We had a message from Ps. Aaron Halvorson which focused on the symbolism of the empty cross and our label as brothers and sisters through Christ. There were numerous performances by the Worship Team, Kapa Haka, Years 1&2, Year 4, Year 5 and the Middle College dance group.















From the Principal

The Power ... of the Cross

This week as we celebrate Easter, it is a time to reflect and rejoice. Through His death and resurrection Jesus reignited our personal relationship with God, cleansed our sin to enable the Spirit to reside in the temple of our body, and ushered in the Kingdom time, to be done on earth as it is in heaven. He has enabled us to participate and contribute to Kingdom growth, and His eventual return to the new creation on earth. I encourage you to think on how you contribute to the Kingdom, here on earth, and share your rejoicing with others.

Our Core values flow directly from the message of the Cross with **Compassion** at the heart of Jesus' sacrifice, **Integrity** his model for humanity, and **Honour** his attitude towards God. We recognise these as our foundation for living and learning at Excellere College.

The last of N.T. Wright's "Broken Signposts" that I will explore is Power. The power of love is greater than the love of power, and in our weakness lies our strength. Jesus is the inversion of the worldly concept of power, because the Son of Man came to serve, not be served. Kingdom power is from heaven, designed to take effect on earth, with the Spirit being a transfer of heavenly power to us.

As image-bearers we are obliged to share the wisdom of Godly power, and to shine a light on the corruption of worldly power.

"Humans are made to exercise power, but true human power was always intended to be exercised through selfgiving love." (p185)

Blessings Graeme Whitehead, Principal

"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."

2 Timothy 1: 7 (NIV)



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Jack Milina — Wild Kiwi Competitor!



Last Saturday, Jack Milina competed in the Wild Kiwi half marathon, widely regarded as the hardest 21km race in New Zealand. In a race that takes participants twice their usual half marathon time to complete.

Jack came 25th overall and 1st in his age group. Mr. Keyte competed alongside him and was there to cheer him on at the finish. Well done Jack!

YEAR 8 MINI MULTICULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL

Come and sample a variety of cold dishes from around the world. WHEN: Wednesday 7th April from 1pm

All items will be under \$5.00 Bring along your coins.



ALL PROFITS WILL GO TO KIDSCAN

Free Dental Care for Year 9+

Kensington Dental is the default adolescent dental provider for Excellere College students. From Year 9 up to the day before the 18th birthday they are eligible for free dental services.

This includes: Annual dental examinations with x-ray and hygienist clean. *Fillings, crowns, root canals, night guards, emergency treatment and extractions, including wisdom teeth removal. * some treatment may need pre-approval from Ministry of Health * Does not include orthodontic treatment

Contact Kensington Dental to enroll your adolescent. Alternatively, we will be in direct contact with all student's whanau/parents/ caregivers to arrange enrolment and book in appointments.

Phone: 09 437 5552 Email: admin@kensingtondental.co.nz

House Competition: Paper Planes

Year 9 Merrivale Visits



During lunchtime on Tuesday the house leaders lead by Matthew Shortland and Bianca Allan ran the annual paper plane competition. There were strict criteria for the planes this year, all planes had to be made from A4 paper so good design was important.

There was a great turn out from the junior and middle schools, with a few seniors in the mix. Parihaka again continue to dominate the leadership board. Congratulations!

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Parihaka	Hikurangi	Parakiore	Hurupaki
Points: 46	Points: 37	Points: 36	Points: 22











This term some of the Year 9 students have been able to reconnect with the residents at our local rest home, Merrivale. Everybody enjoys the visits and it is a wonderful way to connect with and encourage others in our community.

This week the students shared an Easter message and treat with some of the residents and had the opportunity to talk about who Jesus is and share the Christian meaning behind Easter. I am always really impressed with our students willingness to reach out to others and share the message of hope they know. A big thank you too to Dehlia and Keziah, who packaged up the gifts so beautifully.

- Meagan Kelly, Middle College Leader

Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship Dinner & Guest Speaker

Your personal invitation to an interdenominational dinner function for ladies and men with guest speaker Craig Pattern

When: Wednesday 14th April, 6:45pm Where: Parish Hall, 2A Kamo Road, Regent, Whangarei Dinner: \$20 per person, cash on the day Bookings: Jesse: 027 860 9520 or jessereid614@gmail.com by Tuesday 13th April You are welcome to come for dinner and listen to Craig share his

story.



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Year 13 Dive Industry Experience



On Wednesday 24th March, Matthew, Demi, Rory and Johnathen were given the blessing of gaining insight into what it would be like to be a dive instructor in the tourism industry. They learned how you must put the clients needs first, that the day begins long before you step on the boat and finishes long after the boat returns to port.

The students were also blessed with an incredible dive at Northern Arch at the Poor Knights, managing to see 'stingray stacking' a phenomenon that is quite rare in the world and only happens for a couple of weeks a year at the Poor Knights. The students were able to use their PADI Open Water dive certificates they gained through school last year. The experience gave the students insight into possible career paths and an appreciation for the beauty of God's underwater creation.

- Ben Keyte, HoD P.E



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.

Phone: (09) 430 3331 Email: <u>hello@clorthodontics.co.nz</u> Website: <u>www.clorthodontics.co.nz</u> Facebook: Caleb Lawrence Orthodontics



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Training Day



On Monday a group of 10 students had a training day to prepare for the upcoming Duke of Edinburgh practice journey. The day involved checking gear, packing packs, walking up Mt Parihaka, setting up tents and even a bit of outdoor cooking.

It was a great day and the students are feeling a bit more prepared for their overnight expedition next week. - Mrs. Anson, Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator







Medieval Madness - Family Fun Day at Kiwi North

Sunday April 4, 10am—3pm Adults \$10 Children Free

Easter egg hunt Costume parade Clan Celtics Fight a knight Mounted medieval displays Caro's Crazy Critters Animal Farm Train and tractor rides Face painting Stalls, food, music EVERY ENTRY INCLUDES ENTRY TO THE KIWI HOUSE AND MUSEUM

Gate 2, Kiwi North 500 SH14 Maunu Whangarei

