



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

November 19 2021

Term 4 Week 5

Upcoming Events

- 22 Nov NCEA exams begin
- 23 Nov **Lunchtime Sport:** Year 7 & 8
Badminton, school gym
- 24 Nov **Lunchtime Sport:** whole school
'Chain Tag' school field
- 25 Nov **Lunchtime Sport:** Thursday:
Year 9-10 Futsal, school gym
- 25 Nov **Junior Athletics:** Year 1,2,3
Run-jump-throw fun-day
- 29 Nov School Board Meeting
- 30 Nov Teacher Only Day**
- 6 Dec Transition afternoon
- 10 Dec **Awards Day - Students Only**
Junior College
Middle College
Senior College 1:30-2:30pm
- 13 Dec Rooms 1 & 2 fun day
- 14 Dec Last day of 2021
- 01 Feb First day of school 2022

From The Principal

Jesus is the Truth

We are all seeking truth in our lives, but where do we find it? Only one place holds that key, Jesus. His Kingdom is built on 'the Word became flesh'. Although we may seek truth in the world, we must remember that His Kingdom "is not of this world", and that truth will not be found in this world or brought through worldly means. As children of God we must continue to reflect the Kingdom through the Fruit of the Spirit, Forgiveness, Grace and Love.

Next week NCEA exams begin. Staff have worked with students over the last few weeks to help them prepare for this event. We are confident that they are ready as they can be for this final test of their learning. Our prayer is that they are able to share their knowledge and understanding, and that they feel the peace of Jesus throughout the process.

With the current Health & Safety restrictions in place we will be holding three student-only celebration events on December 10th. These will replace our usual Award events. Students' efforts for the year will be acknowledged, and we are organising for photos to be taken of students during the events. These will then be made available to parents. These are unprecedented times and we ask for your continuing patience and understanding as we seek to finish the year with a calm and peaceful environment. I pray you enjoy a warm, restful weekend as summer approaches.

Blessings,
Graeme Whitehead
Principal

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the father but through me."

John 14: 6 (NASB)

Parents: Mask Use Reminder

Parents remember to wear masks when you are out of your vehicle and onsite (in the office, walking children to classrooms,).

Also a reminder to scan/sign in where required. Thanks so much.

Teacher only Day on Tuesday 30 Nov

These are to cover upcoming NCEA, and curriculum developments.



Vacancies : School Librarian

Permanent position, 15 hours per week commencing on 26 January 2022.

We are looking for an experienced and self-motivated Librarian to join our team. As a librarian, you will perform a range of duties such as cataloging library resources, maintaining library records and managing book purchases.

For this position, you will have to demonstrate outstanding interpersonal skills, as a great part of your job will involve interacting with teachers, students and the school community including parents. The ideal candidate should also possess in-depth knowledge of library database systems including Accessit as well as excellent communication and organizational skills. Full training will be provided for Accessit.

You are expected to maintain and enhance our Christian Special Character, through having an active personal Christian faith.

Applications close at 12pm on 30th November 2021

Application form and Special Character statement are available on the school web site. www.excellerecollege.school.nz

Please send your CV, Application form and Special Character statement direct enquiries to:

Graeme Whitehead
Principal
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Vacancies : School Sports Coordinator

This is a permanent position for approx. 15 hours per week and requires 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

For more information, contact the school office

School Bus Drivers Wanted

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Week 6 Lunchtime Sports !!!!!

Tuesday

Year 7-8 Badminton,
school gym

Wednesday

Whole school 'Chain-Tag'
school field

Thursday

Year 9-10 Futsal
school gym



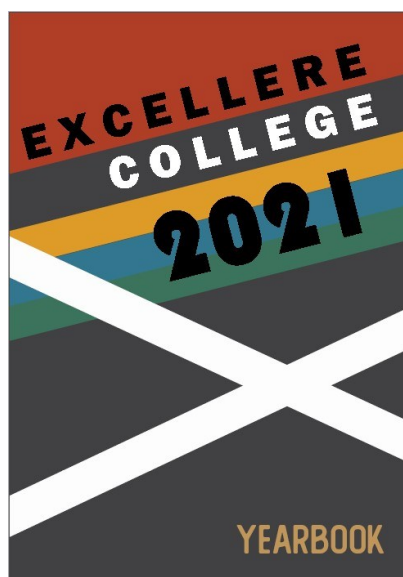
Tote Bags for Sale



During Enrichment time on Fridays, the 'Sew Bros' have been making Tote bags which are now for sale for \$10 each.

There are a variety of colours and sizes. Please contact the office to purchase.

2021 School Yearbook!



The Excellere College Yearbooks have been printed and will begin to be distributed from early next week.

Each family will receive one copy, except for families who ordered and paid for extra copies.

If there are surplus copies, they will be available at the office for purchase for \$7.50 each

Year 4—Learning about Electricity

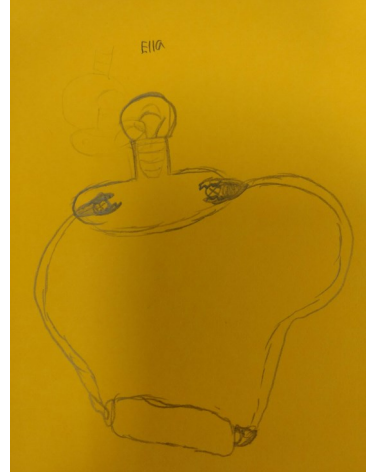
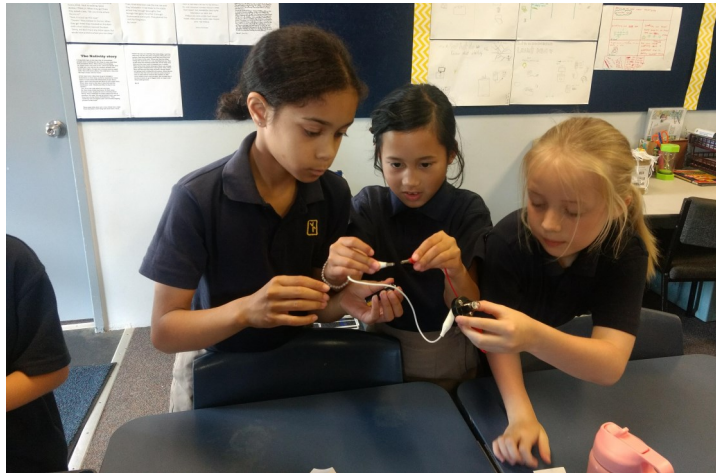
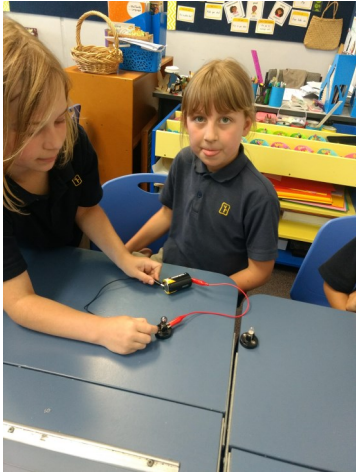
Room 4 are learning about electricity. In groups of two or three, the students were given a light bulb, two wires, and a battery. Without being given any clues, the students were issued with a challenge - 'Make the light bulb glow.'

"It's all about problem solving," said Kyran.

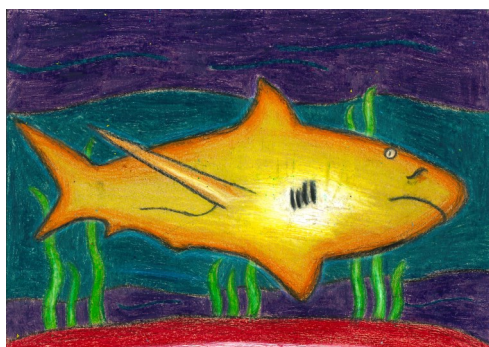
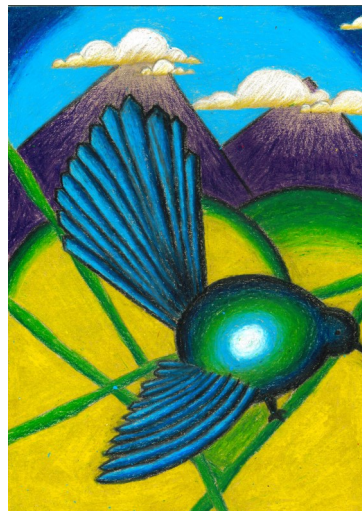
"The battery is where you get power," said Ade.

"Maybe you need to make it like flow," said Mia V.

Given some time, the students figured out what to do and drew a picture to demonstrate what they did to make the bulb glow.



Year 7 Animal Artworks



Year 1-3 Run Jump Throw Day

When?

Thursday 25th November (from after Morning Tea)

Who?

Year 0-3 Students (Rooms 1, 2, 3)

What do students need to do?

- * Come to school in their PE gear
- * Bring their school hat and a big bottle of water
- * Cover themselves with sunblock before coming to school

We'll finish with a long distance run to make up for the loss of Cross Country.

Events your child will be able to participate in are:

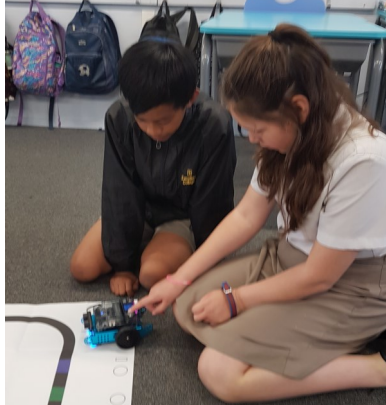
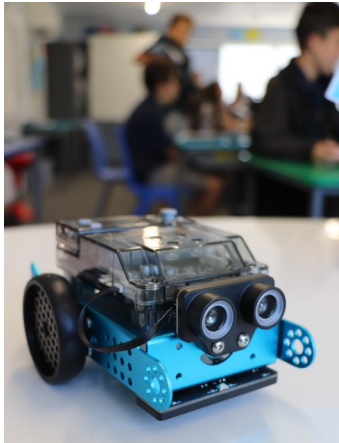
Running – speed, endurance, starts, over obstacles and relays	Jumping – distance, combination jumps, jumping for height and jumping with a pole	Throwing pulling, pushing, slinging and heaving.
Obstacle Relay	Sandpit jump	Tennis Ball throw
Speedy Bee Sprints (60m)	Hurdles relay	Frisbee Throw
Midnight Game	High Mat Jump	Sack pull relay

Year 3-6 Athletics Day



Year 8 Robots

At last our Robots have arrived in Year 8. Mrs. Crosbie and Christiaan built the first Robot then Jaden helped with the second and third. Last week we all had a play. Loads of features and lots of fun. Next step using all of our coding skills to make things happen.



Wednesday Lunchtime Activities: Rob the Nest

What better way to spend a lunch time than to divide into teams and collect nest eggs and steal from each other! On Wednesday we enjoyed a fun lunchtime activity of Rob-the-Nest, battling it out for who is the best egg collector, I would have to say that Mrs Kelly put up a big effort, however the Year 6 girls seemed to dominate.



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