Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

December 10 2021

Term 4 Week 8

Upcoming Events

13 Dec Junior College Fun Day

14 Dec Last day of 2021

Mufti day

1 Feb First day of school 2022

2022 School Roll

We are currently planning for 2022 classes and have a number of families who are on our waiting list.

If your children will not be returning next year please let us know immediately.

This will enable us to contact the families who are waiting to enroll.

2021 School Reports

School reports went out today with your child/children

Please check their bags.

If your child was absent today they can collect their report next week from their homeroom teacher

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, talking to teachers, talking to each other in the car park).

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

From the Principal

Jesus is the Reason

In a year of challenge, expect the unexpected.

God sent His son to earth, not in rich, Kingly surroundings, but born in a humble manger, in danger from birth, and growing up in a very normal human family. In adulthood He showed us what human really looks like. The unexpected.

When Lazarus died, and Jesus arrived 4 days later to find tears and mourning He joined the grieving, shed tears with Mary and Martha, shared in the moment of sorrow, BUT knew what was coming, hope, an unexpected outcome. "Come out Lazarus", he cried, and death was defeated, as Lazarus rose and lived. The name Lazarus means God has helped. The unexpected.

When Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem the Jews expected a warrior King, but instead they got a servant heart, a peacemaker, that didn't match their expectations, but did match the Law and the Prophets. The unexpected.

God's Kingdom, which is here now and still to come, will not be achieved through the worldly ways of conflict, power, winners and losers, BUT through the Godly ways of sacrifice, forgiveness, Grace, and love. We reflect this in our Core values of compassion, integrity and honour. Compassion for others, integrity of self, honour to God.

So now, as we begin a Red traffic light Christmas season be sure to share the Fruit of the Spirit with all: self-control, faithfulness, gentleness, goodness, kindness, patience, peace, joy, and love. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, enjoy your holiday, keep hope alive and expect the unexpected in 2022.

Blessings

Graeme Whitehead Principal

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." 2 Corinthians 5: 7 (NASB)



Junior College Special Awards

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Compassion Award	Karlien Botha	Alexia Southy	Sophie Blithe	Addiena Gordon	Mikayla Falloon	Makorae Brookshaw
Honour Award	Larissa Van der Hulst	Te Arana Liddell	Taiki Murray Ishii	Chloe Jordaan	Daluchi Ezeokafor	Mae Murray- Ishii
Integrity Award	Brooklyn Lee	Zoe de Vetter	Mieke Oelofse	Elin McGlashan	Carly Minnaar	Charlotte Hawkins
The Arts Award	Joshua Falloon	Adelle Robertze	Danique Minnaar	Sophia Restrepo	Eli Hartwell	Sahara Oudshoorn -Davis
Sportsmanship Award	Jay du Plesis	Huxley Dow	Mialee Boshoff	De Wet Volschenk	Jaejin Yu	Israel Yung
Speech Award				Ella Teariki	Jacob Duinkerke	Ellie Chambers



Silver Apple Scripture Memory Award 2021

Awarded to: Ellie Chambers
For learning and memorising the book of 3 John





















Middle College Awards

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Compassion Award	Natalie Allan	Rosie de Vetter	Sienna Quenalt
Honour Award Hannah Shortland		Christiaan van Dijk	Maggy Tearaki
Integrity Award	Jaynee Chambers	Nina Murray Ishii	Miguel Shortland Mendez
The Arts Award	Abinaya Pokki Raja	Trisha Sta Cruz	Sienna Quenault
Sportsmanship Award	Clayton Grobler	Declin Edgecombe	Joshua Carter
Speech Award Danica Knobel		Rosie de Vetta	Miguel Shortland Mendez
Hanmore Memorial Netball Trophy	Jaynee Chambers	Jeni Walsh Scholarship	Kabali Oudshoorn-Davis















Senior College Special Awards

Overall Academic Excellence	Marlo Quenault	Leadership	Ryan Whitehead
Head Boy 2022	Ryan Whitehead	Head Girl 2022	Abby Fensham
Sportsman	Jack Milina	Sportswoman	Bianca Heise
Victor Ludorum	Ryan Whitehead	Victrix Ludorum	Bianca Heise
Integrity	Zac Browne	Senior Service	Waimirirangi Marsden Te-Tuhi
Respectfulness	Marlo Quenault	Hospitality Award	Tristan Osborne
Compassion	Bianca Allan	Arts Award	Mia Wiseman
Diligence	Rhian Sunley	Music Award	Ryan Whitehead
Spiritual Endeavour	Marlo Quenault	Chambers Cup of Worship	Ryan Whitehead
Gough Family Overcomers Award	Bryn Hollis		



Silver Apple Scripture Memory Award 2021

Awarded to: **Zac Browne**For learning and memorising the book of Obadiah



Year 10 Special Awards

Compassion Award	Ella Edwards	Speech Award	Aimee Whitehead
Honour Award	Aimee Whitehead	Sports Award	Hannah Watene
Integrity Award	Joel Schoemaker		















Junior College Fun Day!

When is it? Monday 13th December from 9:15am - Lunchtime.

Who is part of this? All students in the Junior College from Year 0-6

What will we be doing? There will be fun outdoor activities for each class to enjoy (bubbles, water fun, slippery slide, bouncy castle and games)

Why are we doing this? Because the teachers know how hard you have worked this year and want to treat you to some fun!



Where is it going to happen? On the fields at school.

How do we get ready for it? Come to school in your PE gear. Put sunblock on at home, bring your hat, bottle of water and a yummy lunch.

Is there anything else we need to know? Just come to school in the

morning ready for fun with your class.

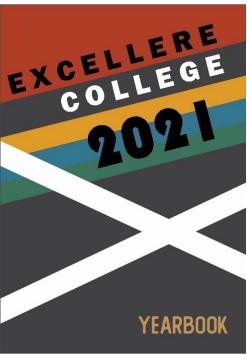
See you there!! With love, from the Junior College Teachers!

New Excellere College Website Launch

Last week the new Excellere College website went live. The website has been refreshed and is easy to navigate on any device, including cellphones and tablets. This has been a long process but we are excited with the results.



2021 School Yearbook!



The Excellere College Yearbooks have been reprinted and were on the courier heading north from Wellington yesterday afternoon!

We hope to hand these correctly printed copies out early next week.

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

We also have 230 misprinted copies. The content is correct, just the page numbering and arrangement is a little out of sync. We will be giving one to every student who isn't an 'oldest and only' but still have around 80 remaining.

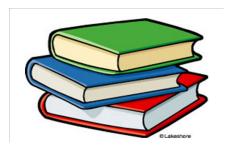
These extra misprint copies will make lovely presents for extended family. Please email julie.hale@excellerecollege.school.nz to

request extra copies and I will see what we can do:) Those who have already requested extra yearbooks, your eldest child will receive them on Monday.

Library Book Return

Library Books - Please return all school library books and textbooks to the library as soon as possible.

All books should be returned before the school ends for the year.



NZSSA Vaccination Notice

The New Zealand Secondary School Sports Association has notified us that next year secondary school students (Y9-13) will be required to show proof of vaccination before being allowed to participate in any of their events.

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.



Celebrating Christmas at Excellere College























Middle College Sports Extravaganza - Top House!

On Thursday during period 3 & 4, we had our annual team building event 'Top House.' Based on the old New Zealand TV show Top Town, teams are challenged in a range of activities with the goal to work together to accumulate the most points. Events include: Sponge Pass, Blanket Throw, The Floor is Lava and The Three Legged Obstacle Course. Each house has two teams competing consisting of Year 7, 8, 9 and 10's. It was a super hot day so a chilli-bin full of ice blocks and an early lunch was the perfect way to end the event.

1st place	Parihaka
2nd Place	Hikurangi
3rd Place	Hurupaki
4th Place	Parakiore























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