# Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

# **Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living**

# Newsletter - Te Pānui

# 22 October 2021

Term 4 Week 1

### **Upcoming Events**

- 25 Oct LABOUR DAY - School closed
- 29 Oct Junior Cross Country
- 1 Nov School Board Meeting
- 1-2 Nov **DOE Bronze Tramp**
- 3 Nov Leavers' Dinner
- 15-19 Nov Senior's Study week
- 22 Nov -NCEA exams begin
- School Board Meeting 29 Nov
- 30 Nov **Teacher Only Day**
- 6 Dec Transition afternoon
- 10 Dec Awards Day
- 13 Dec Rooms 1 & 2 Fun Day
- 14 Dec Last day of 2021

#### Labour Day Weekend

School will be closed on Monday for the long Labour Day Weekend. See you on Tuesday.



Enjoy the weekend.

## From the Principal

It is great to be back at school, and see so many happy faces. In spite of the rain that greeted us we had a very calm, peaceful return to school. Our goal this term is to be that calm, peaceful place where our students can continue their learning journey. Our NCEA students have only a limited time now to complete internals, and prepare for their exams. Our focus is on their needs.

Blessings

Graeme Whitehead

"But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love."

1 Corinthians 13: 13 (NASB)

## Junior College Cross-Country

The Junior College Cross Country event is still going ahead. It will be held Week 2 Friday 29th, starting at 9:15am.

Under Level 2 we are not able to invite parents/caregivers to attend this event.

Students are reminded to bring their PE gear (running shoes are optional) everyday next week for training.



Also remember the school taps are closed off under L2 so students need to bring drink bottles.

## **Excellere College Teacher Aide Position**

This is an exciting opportunity to work in the Junior College to provide behavior and learning support for a student. This will include 1-1 support and supporting the student within a group of their peers. The applicant needs to be fit, energetic, have initiative and be good at playing and collaborating (with the student) to design and carry out activities.

You'll play an active role in supporting the student through activity at lunchtime and learning programmes during class time. Specific training for this role will be provided.

Fixed Term for Term 4 2021 Start date 1st November - 14th December 10 hours per week 2 hours per day 1-3pm Contact: Tamara Chambers Email: senco@excellerecollege.school.nz

#### School House Gardens

All of our house groups are making new gardens representing the different house colours of our school and so any donations of plants or money contributing towards making these gardens look great would be very much appreciated and could be handed into the front office.

#### This will also be a house competition with house points on the line!

The house leaders have all been tasked with coming up with a budget and selecting plants that will best represent their house and hopefully survive the changeable Northland weather.



#### Language development

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahi have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahi flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 5248 4256 or email: <u>TT.Support@education.govt.nz</u>





Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei

Thurs 9 Dec

Drop into a hub or to see a Speech Language Specialist make an appointment by phoning **0800 5248 4256** or emailing **TT.Support@education.govt.nz**.

### 2021 Junior Speech Champs

The Junior College teachers would like to **congratulate** all students for their efforts in this year's speech competition, held last term. Here are the placegetters for this year's competition.

Year 4	1st Ella Teariki
<b></b>	2nd Mila Sharples 3rd Josiah de Vetter
Year 5	1st Jacob Duinkerke
	2nd Daluchi Ezeokafor 3rd Sarah Philander
Year 6	1st Ellie Chambers
<b>*</b>	2nd Kierstyn Browne 3rd Kelly De Beer

#### Tote Bags for sale

During Enrichment the 'Sew Bros' have been making Tote bags which are now for sale at \$10 each. There are a variety of colours and sizes.



Please contact the office

## **Online Book Club**

Scholastic has an online catalogue available now. Follow the link to access: <u>https://scholastic.e-newsletter.com.au/link/id/</u> <u>zzzz616dc442d4dd4642Pzzzz5c8998f288ca4183/page.html</u> If you are unable to access the catalogue, you can email the librarian Maria Shortland on:

maria.shortland@excellerecollege.school.nz and you will be sent the link.



#### **Excellere College Bubble School**

This week there have been 4 students attending the Excellere College 'Bubble School.' With Mrs. Mills and Mrs Matheson on site there has been plenty going on to keep the students engaged, learning and having fun.

Activities this week has involved walking on stilts, creativity such as making Christmas cards for the Prime Minister's Christmas Card competition, playing badminton, shooting hoops, and playing tennis. We've had picnics and reading, as well as regular school learning.

The students had two days of Bubble School before returning to school on Thursday.









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