



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

April 8 2022

Term 1 Week 10

Upcoming Events

- 11 April L2 Chemistry Internal P1&2
- 12 April Y6-9 Tri challenge
- 13 April School photo day
- 14 April Last day of Term 1
Mufti day for St Johns
- 15 April Easter Friday
- 17 April Easter Sunday
- 18 April Easter Monday
- 25 April ANZAC Day
- 2 May First day of Term 2

School Photo Day

Wednesday 13 April

Sibling photo request forms are available from the school office.

SHOOT KEYS

We expect the Shoot Keys to be delivered early Term 2. You need these to make your online order.

From the Principal

God's Grace is Endless

We are nearly there, at the end of Term One. Despite the Omicron wave we have been able to keep all our classrooms open and continue our learning journey, although some from home during isolation. Our isolation numbers are dropping, and we pray that as we approach a holiday break our students and whanau can enjoy the freedom of the North and some quality family time together.

Next term we welcome back Chantel Minnaar, who will be teaching in the Year 7-11 area of the school. Chantel will be teaching Social Science, NZ Studies, Numeracy and Literacy, and Te Reo classes.

With the Easter celebration approaching we turn our attention to the co-suffering of Jesus on the cross, our salvation through his resurrection, and the coming of the Kingdom now and to come. Our God knows, and shares, our pain, and death no longer rules our world. We look forward to all creation being restored, and eternity in His presence. God's Grace is a gift, His love for us endless, and all we have to do is accept His invitation. In a world where violence and force are still a common way, we know another way where peace and love can bring a different reality.

Enjoy another weekend, as autumn slowly settles to the ground.

Blessings
Graeme Whitehead
Principal

*"For of His fullness we have all received, grace upon grace."
John 1: 16 (NASB)*



We have two new displays in the office at the moment to commemorate two big events which will happen during our term 1 school holidays.

Easter celebrations start Friday the 15 - Monday the 18 April. We hope that you will find ways to gather with your church family and friends to celebrate this important event in the Christian calendar. *Romans 6:8-11: "The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus."*

ANZAC day is Monday the 25 April which marks the first major military action fought by the Australian and New Zealand forces during World War 1, at Gallipoli. On this day we remember not only those who died at Gallipoli, but all who have served their countries in times of war.

Weetbix Kids Tri Challenge



Next Tuesday is our TRYchallenge event here at school. The challenges include:

- Press ups
- Skipping
- An epic obstacle course
- A long run

This event is for the Year 6', 7's, 8's and 9's. Each student that finishes will get a finisher's medal, t-shirt, swim bag and other merchandise. Please send your child to school with a towel in their bags next week on Tuesday - as they may get a little messy.

Excellere College Netball

Netball registrations are now closed, thank you to those who registered their kids and also a special thank you to the parents who have stepped forward and volunteered to coach and manage the teams - we could not have netball at this school without the help and support of parents.

If you haven't already heard from your team's coach you will soon. Practices will be organised and fees and notices about start dates will go home with students next week - I will also email parents the notice in case it gets lost in students' bags.

- Zola McDonald, Sports Coordinator



Duke Of Edinburgh—Silver Award

Completing the Silver award was a great achievement. It required 1hr a week for 26 weeks of completing a Physical activity, Skills Activity, and volunteering activity; plus the adventurous journeys. For the Physical Activity I did Football and Running. For the Skills I did Piano lessons, and for volunteering I



volunteered as a Junior Counsellor at the Maungakaramea Cadets and GEMS club. The adventurous journey included the long Te Paki Stream walk, around the Cape and then joining the bronze award people on their Cape Brett walk.

Lost Property

There is a lot of lost property that has been collected over the last 10 weeks. All lost property (shoes and jackets) will be displayed on the grass in front of the gym next Monday at lunchtime. Students must please come and collect their property.

Mufti Day Fundraiser

The school council is fundraising for St Johns Heart of Gold Annual appeal and so are going to do a mufti day on the last day of school, 14th of April. The theme is green and gold.

Excellere College Level 1-3 NCEA Assessment Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 11	11 L2 Chemistry Internal P1&2 L2 Biology internal L1 & L2 Reading Log Response #2 due	12 L3 English Connections due L2 Biology internal	13 L2 Biology Internal	14	15 Good Friday
Term 1 School Holidays 15 April - 1 May					
Week 1	2 L2 Biology Internal	3 L2 Biology Internal Year 11/12 Food and Beverages Gateway	4 L2 Biology Internal Year 11/12 Food and Beverages Gateway	5 L2 Biology Internal	6
Week 2	9	10 Year 11/12 Food and Beverages Gateway	11 Year 11/12 Food and Beverages Gateway	12	13 Year 12 & 13 Beauty Course Gateway

House Competition—Beep Test

A huge congratulations to all who participated in the inter house beep test. Special mention goes to the girls who had the most participants and all did a great job earning points for their houses.

A big congratulations to Bianca Heise and Joshua Carter for winning each of their categories. Another smoothly run event by our student leaders. Bianca (**Parakiore**) made it to Level 9 and Joshua (**Parihaka**) made it to Level 12. Well done to Mr Keyte for participating in both events to help keep pace.

House Placings	
1st	Parihaka
2nd	Parakiore
3rd	Hurupaki
4th	Hikurangi



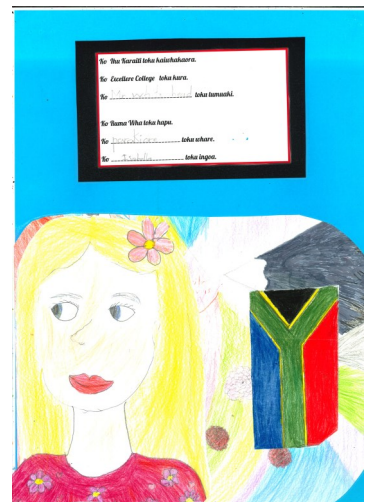
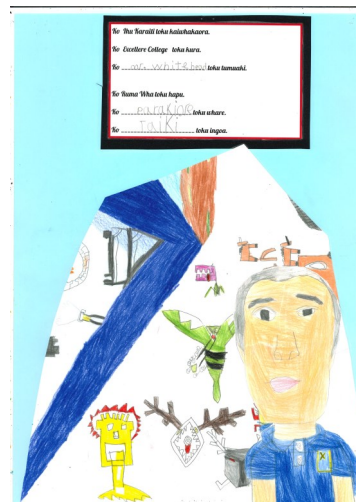
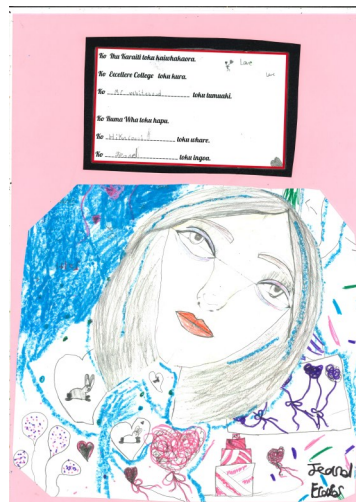
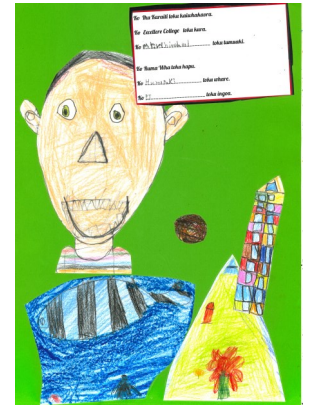
Junior College—Year 4 Pepeha



James 1: 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

We praise God for His gift of wisdom that has enabled us to design our class 'Pepeha' and Self portrait.

- Leila Baba, Year 4 Teacher



Year 8 'Days of Creation' Paper Artworks

The Year 8 Students created paper artworks that represented each stage of Gods creation: 1. light, 2. sky, 3. dry land/plants/seas 4. sun/ moon/stars, 5. birds/fish, 6. land animals/humans. The students had to stick to a 4 colour scheme and think carefully about how to create depth and perspective in their work. These works are currently on display in the school office. —Julie Hale, HoD Visual Art



By Luane Nel

By Jenna-Lee Swanepol

By Aiden Maris

By Grace Gardyne

EPIC SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Tue 19th - Fri 22nd April

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8:30am - 4:00pm

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KIDS MUSIC DAY
20th + 21st, 27th + 28th April

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Holiday Music Days
Who: Children over 7 year old
When: Wednesdays + Thursdays April School holiday 1-5pm
Where: The Ledge 79 Walton Street Whangarei
Cost: \$120 per day (4 hours)
Event on: <https://fb.me/z22En3Bav1>

Bandscool weekly sessions
Who: Children and adults (4 to 10 participants)
When: Wednesdays in Tutukaka + Thursdays or Fridays at the Ledge.
Cost for the term (10 weeks): \$190

To register or for more info, please message us on facebook.com/Legend.Music!

House Gardens Donations

Hello parents and caregivers,

We are currently trying to spruce up our school by fixing up the house gardens. We would greatly appreciate it if you could lend us some resources to contribute to the maintenance of these gardens. Anything and everything is appreciated, for example; gardening tools, rocks (for decorating) flowers and other plants.

We appreciate your contribution.



Business advertising available \$5 per week, \$50 per term or \$200 per year. The money raised will go towards digitally printing the school year book.

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