



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

June 23 2022

Term 2

Week 8

Upcoming Events

24 June Friday	MATARIKI (Māori New Year) SCHOOL CLOSED
28 June Tuesday	Year 7-13 Interschool Cross-Country, Barge Park
30 June Thursday	Careers Expo, Auckland —Year 10
1 July Friday	School Assembly @ 11.20am All Welcome
July 8 Friday	End of Term 2 Mufti Day School reports home
July 25 Monday	Term 3 begins

From the Principal

Honour

I had an encounter with frost on our school front gates Wednesday morning. Winter has certainly spread its fingers across the north, and we are thankful for our classroom heat pumps.

Our Senior Ball, last weekend, was another wonderful example of our young people being able to celebrate life without the need for worldly stimulus. Good company, music and kai saw them dance the night away. We thank Mrs Minnaar, and her team, for organising this event.

Mazbou Q spent two days with our students earlier this week. With his professional guidance they transformed ideas into rhyme and rhythm, words and beats, lyrics and song. They successfully performed their songs at the end of the sessions.

Matariki focuses on the Pleiades star cluster, and we know the guy that made them. Indigenous studies and Māori cultural astronomy academic Professor Rangī Mātāmua (Ngāi Tūhoe) says that Matariki has three major elements which feed into the celebration. "One is to remember those that we've lost since the last rising of Matariki, so that's remembrance; two is celebrating who we are and our identity with food and coming together as family and sharing; and the last thing it's about planning for the future and looking forward to a new and bright future." Memory, celebration, and hope.

1 Corinthians 13:13 says, "Three things will last forever - faith, hope and love - and the greatest of these is love". (Na, tenei te mau nei te Whakapono, te Tumanako, te Aroha, enei e toru; ko te mea nui rawa ia o enei ko te Aroha.) At Excellere College we show this love by living out our Core Values (Ngā Uara): compassion, integrity and honour.

Honour (honore) means we are grateful, humble, servant leaders. Honour underpins our attitude of faith. Jesus said, "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honour him." This is the light we look to reflect at Excellere College and encourage our students to shine.

Enjoy the Matariki celebration this weekend, as an opportunity to learn more about our bicultural heritage, and renew plans for the rest of 2022.

Blessings
Graeme Whitehead
Principal

"My victory and honour come from God alone" Psalm 62: 7 (NLT)

end of term

MUFTI DAY

Friday 8th July

The Student Council are raising funds for their ongoing school projects.

Year 3 Matariki Art and Crafts



Excellere College School Ball 2022



Last weekend we had our combined senior ball with Renew School at McKay Stadium. Our theme was 'A Night in Paris' and we had a wonderful time! Not only did the venue and everyone there look great, but it was also a blast with a delicious range of food and a lot of photos from the photo booth, as well as from the professional photographer on the amazing backdrop made by our committee.

The night continued on with loads of singing and dancing while DJ Si was spinning the beats. Our sore legs the next day were definitely worth it.

We are extremely grateful for all the hard work and effort that was put into making this night such a success by our ball committee. We would also like to give a special thanks to Mrs Minnaar.

- Abby Fensham, Head Girl



Year 1—Learning about Lizards

Room 2 have been learning about lizards. Interesting words are 'camouflage' and 'nocturnal.' We created artwork by making a sponge painting background, crayon leaf, and collage lizards.

- Marisa Mills, Year 1/New Entrant Teacher



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Thursday 30 June
Te Rito
 Cnr William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei

Clark Road Chapel
 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo

Hora Hora School
 22 Te Mai Road, Woodhill

Ratatouille's Week 9 Menu

This week at Ratatouille's our flavour of soup was Pea soup and Tomato Soup. The soup sold out within 15 minutes and we had another good turn out.



Next week's flavour is Kumara with bread for \$2. We will be opening soup from Year 6 up and Staff as well. Order next week Monday and be ready to pay on either Tuesday or Wednesday.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FUTSAL FOCUSED - BUT SO MUCH MORE!

For kids aged 6 - 16yrs

Monday 11th - Friday 15th July
 8:30 - 4:00pm

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School Holiday Program

PROGRAM INCLUDES

- BASIC FITNESS
- BASICS OF TABLE TENNIS
- FOOTWORK
- HAND AND EYE CO-ORDINATION
- FUN ACTIVITIES

- 11th to 14th July
- 18th to 21st July
- Timings- 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon
- Age- 6 to 16 years

Cost- \$10 per session

Please Register online- www.sporty.co.nz/northlandtt
 Last Date Of Registration- 09th July, 2022

Year 10 Science—House of Science Activities

House of science kits provide a great opportunity for learning science concepts through hands-on activities. This week we had "electric future" and primary students along with Year 8 and year 10 enjoyed learning about electric energy. My year 10s were so brave to explore many different activities including Torch challenge, battery power and solar powered cars.



Year 5 Mosaic Art



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