



# Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

**Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living**

Newsletter - Te Pānui

August 19 2022

Term 3

Week 4

## Upcoming Events

23 Aug Tuesday	Netball Junior Tournament Dargaville
Aug 24 Wednesday	Basketball Festival Year 7 & 8
26 Aug Friday	Daffodil Day Mufti Day

## 29 Aug Teacher Only Day

1 Sept Thursday	MATHEX
12-14 Sept Mon-Wed	Senior Exam Week Week 8
13 Sept Tuesday	MCAT External Exam Level 1 Maths
15 Sept Thursday	ERO Visit
14-16 Sept Thurs&Fri	HA Kakano Year 10
19-20 Sept Mon-Tues	NZCPT Review
22-23 Sept Thurs&Fri	Outdoor First Aid Year 11 & 12
27-30 Sept Tues-Friday	Duke of Edinburgh Te Paki Trip

## Sports Permission Slips and Information

We have two big sports events coming up next week (Netball Festival on Tuesday and Basketball on Wednesday).

Our Sports Coordinator, Zola has been sending out emails regarding information about these events and also some permission forms, but only a handful of parents have replied. Could you please take some time to clear your emails (perhaps check your junk mail folder) so that Zola can get this sorted ASAP please.

## From the Principal

### The truth of faith, hope and love

Our caretaker's new shed is complete and just awaiting power and water to be connected. We thank our Land Trust, WCET, for this facility. A special mention to Vaughan Darby for his ongoing efforts in the property space. His gifting in this area is a bonus for our school. These improvements show the confidence we have that the school will continue to grow into the future. Watch for news of new classrooms being built later this year, to allow our Junior College to grow.

Our new carpark concreting has, again, been postponed due to the weather. We are hopeful that they will complete the job later next week. This means we will continue to use Arise carpark as our entrance area. We thank Aaron Halvorson and his team, at Arise, for their support and patience during this time.

Next Friday we have a mufti day for Daffodil Day. This is another wonderful opportunity to support a local charity, the Cancer Society, and 'love your neighbour.'

The Peace prayer is worth reflecting upon, as we look to be Jesus to all:  
Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring love. Where there is offence, let me bring pardon. Where there is discord, let me bring union. Where there is error, let me bring truth. Where there is doubt, let me bring faith. Where there is despair, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let me bring your light. Where there is sadness, let me bring joy. O Master, let me not seek as much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love, for it is in giving that one receives, it is in self-forgetting that one finds, it is in pardoning that one is pardoned, it is in dying that one is raised to eternal life. Amen. (translated from the original text of its earliest known publication 1912, in French, copyright expired).

Have a dry, and reflective, weekend.  
Blessings,  
Graeme Whitehead  
Principal

*"Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance.  
The Lord be with you all."*

*2 Thessalonians 3: 16 (NASB1995)*

## Puberty Year 7-10

This term we will be teaching our puberty unit to the Y7-10 students. This will be done as a block course with the Year 7/8 students being taught Wednesday Week 6 (31 August) in Periods 1-4. The Year 9/10s will be taught the following Wednesday (7 September) Period 1 & 2 for Year 9 and Periods 1-3 for the Year 10's. A copy of the teaching resources is available at the office if any parents wish to see the resources we will be using. If a parent does not wish their child to be part of this teaching course, please let Ben Keyte know at ben.keyte@excellerecollege.school.nz and alternate arrangements will be made during this time for them.

## Middle College Math Week



In Week 3 Term 3, it was Math's Week. Mrs Hill arranged a competition for us in the middle school to test out our skills.

We had been given math problems to do for that day and we earned 'money' for each question we completed and got correct. Just for fun we competed with our year groups to see who could earn the most 'money.' For the Year 7's the winner was Ricardo Telles Robles who had earned \$1,255, the Year 8's winner was Connor Hiscox who had earned \$6,732. These two students were awarded with 1st place certificates and chocolates. The students who placed 2nd - 10th were awarded with certificates and treats.



At the end of the week Middle College celebrated with a shared lunch. The students had to bring some food that represented their room number. After the shared lunch the Year 7 and 8's gathered in Room 7 to spend the afternoon playing games in their groups. There were marshmallow towers, spaghetti bridges and newspaper chairs. In "1 M1them1tic1l form1t" it w1s 1 truly fun week.



- Abinaya Pokkiri Raja , Year 8



## Parafed—Wheelchair Turbo Touch

This week we have the privilege of having Parafed come into our school to take the Year 9 and 10s for some all inclusive wheelchair turbo touch. Parafed is an organisation that specialises in all-inclusive sports and helps anyone who has any kind of impairment to actively participate in sport.

The wheelchairs are a great way to put all students into the same playing field with no one being highly skilled at it. The students had such a fun time learning how to operate a sports designed wheelchair, then playing turbo touch whilst in the chairs.

If your child has any kind of impairment either physically or intellectually, these are the people to get in touch with about finding a way to help your child play sports.

We are having Parafed back in a few weeks to take the year 5 and 6s for some wheelchair turbo touch as well, so watch this space.

- Zola McDonald, Sports Coordinator



## Year 11 Food and Beverage Course

Yesterday we went to Northtech to watch some of our students practice their service skills at the end of their food and beverage course in Northtech.

We were served by Natahlia and Sienna and watched Aimee, Miguel and Joel serving other tables. They were really presentable and professional and made us proud. Here are some photos I managed to take in between my yummy courses I was served:)

- Mehzard Sinclair, HoD Science & Northtec customer



## Learning and Development Support

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī 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 Tahī flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing [TT.Support@education.govt.nz](mailto:TT.Support@education.govt.nz)

All hubs are open from 9am-12pm (unless otherwise stated).

Thurs 25 August	<b>Ministry of Education</b> , 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Wed 31 August	<b>Archie Bull Hall</b> , 11 Kaiwaka /Mangawhai Road
Thurs 1 September	<b>Clark Road Chapel</b> , 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo
Wed 7 September	<b>Bream Bay Community Trust</b> , (10:00am – 12:30pm) 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā
Thurs 8 September	<b>Children's Lighthouse Playgroup</b> , 20 George Street, Hikurangi <b>Back 2 Basics Childcare</b> , 179 Newton Road, Maungatapere
Wed 14 September	<b>Mangakahia Community Room</b> , Mangakahia Area School, 1480 Mangakahia Road, Titoki
Thurs 15 September	<b>Manaia View School</b> , 64 Murdoch Crescent, Raumanga <b>Te Rito</b> , Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei

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