## ) Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

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

## Newsletter - Te Pānui

September 9 2022

Term 3 Week 7

### **Upcoming Events**

12-14 Sept	Senior Exam Week
Mon-Wed	Week 8
13 Sep	MCAT External Exam
Tuesday	Level 1 Maths
15 Sep Thursday	ERO Visit
14-16 Sep	HĀ Kākano
Thurs&Fri	Year 10
17 Sep	HĀ Kākano Exhibition
Saturday	3pm at ARISE Church
19-20 Sep Mon-Tues	NZCPT Review
20 Sep	Basketball Festival
Tuesday	Year 9 & 10
28 Sept Wednesday	Kiwi Tag—Year 7 & 8
22-23 Sep	Outdoor First Aid
Thurs&Fri	Year 11 & 12
23 Sep	School Assembly
Friday	11.20am School Gym
25 Sep	Opera—Aotea Centre
Sunday	Auckland
27-30 Sep	Duke of Edinburgh
Tues-Friday	Te Paki Tramp

### School Trophy Return

### End of Year Awards

Its time to return the trophies that were awarded at the end of last year.

Drop them off to the school office as soon as possible.

Thankyou



### From the Principal

### Local culture, in His Kingdom

Next week our Year 10 students will be participating in a programme called Kākano, developed by the group HĀ. HĀ was established in 2019 by Justice Hetaraka and Rhieve Grey who were supported by kaumatua, Te Warihi Hetaraka. The purpose of HĀ is to create safe learning environments for our communities to embrace the history of Aotearoa and imagine our shared future. Kate McLeod and Rhoen Hemara, an Excellere alumnus, are also Co-Founders of HĀ who share the understanding that our history has the transformational potential to create a unified future – so long as it is conducted with aroha. Students use the medium of art to navigate our local history and express their emotions and vision for the future. Kākano content is developed in collaboration with local kaumatua and knowledge holders, trusted academics, and students. The content is structured to help students deepen their sense of belonging and empower them to be agents of change in the future. Kākano is a three-day programme. Throughout the week students explore various aspects of our local history that are categorised into four wāhanga ako (learning blocks):

- 1. The Arrivals (Arrival of Maori and Europeans, cultural foundations and early interactions)
- 2. He Whakaputanga me Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- 3. The Years of Change (Period of land loss, urbanisation, loss of culture and identity)
- 4. The Future

The hope is that students complete this programme with a deeper understanding of our local history, compassion for their peers and the seed to actively contribute to our future.

Next week our NCEA students will be sitting exams, which will provide an indication of their progress and readiness, and also provide a result if they are unable to sit exams later in the year. These are an important part of their learning, and we wish them well as they prepare.

Blessings Graeme Whitehead, Principal

> "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6: 33 (NIV)

### School Board Student Representative Election

Excellere College Declaration of Student Election Results (no voting election required)

At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received, I hereby declare the following duly elected: **Melisa Tshuma.** 

Signed,

Kimberley Nielsen, Returning Officer

### Ice Cream Containers Wanted

ICE CREAM containers wanted for the school library. The lids are not required. Please drop off at the school office. Thanks. - Kimberley, School Librarian



### Springs Challenge Reminder



A reminder to students and whanau who are participating in the Springs Challenge this year. All evidence is needed by the end of this term.

Please start bringing in your books to be checked and signed off so they can be handed in before Friday Week 10 (last day of term).

- Ben Keyte, Springs Challenge Coordinator

### **Excellere College Yearbook 2022**

The yearbooks will be ready early Term 4. Each family will receive one copy for free.

Extra copies will be available for \$7 each and can be ordered and paid for at the school office. Thanks to the families who have already requested extra copies.

Please order and pay for your extra copies by the end of Term 3.



# **KĀKANO EXHIBITION** EXCELLERE COLLEGE

**SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER** 3PM

**ARISE CHURCH CENTRE** 55 GREAT NORTH ROAD, WHANGAREI



### 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 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 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz

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

	Wed 14 September	Mangakahia Community Room, Mangakahia Area School, 1480 Mangakahia Road, Titoki		
	Thurs 15 September	Manaia View School, 64 Murdoch Crescent, Raumanga Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei		
Wed, 21 Septembe		Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville		
	Thurs 22 September	Hora Hora School, 22 Te Mai Road, Woodhill Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo		

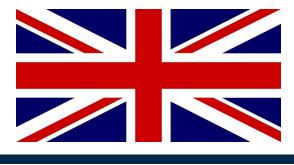
### 2023 Enrolments

2023 Enrolments - Classes for 2023 are filling up fast, so if you know of anyone wanting to enrol please ask them to get their enrolment forms in as soon as possible.

Please let the office know if you are not planning to return to Excellere College in 2023.

### Queen Elizabeth II

Condolences and prayers today for the British Royal family on the loss of their mother and grandmother.



PLAY FUTSAL **Futsal Skill Development & Competition** for kids aged 7 - 17 years Spaces still available for term 3 All academy players receive a free subscription to Football Foundation Skills.com - our progressive ing football skills course for young players www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz admin@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz

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### Week 8 Senior Exams Information

Derived Grade examinations (including subjects offered via FARNET) will take place Mon-Fri next week. Most exams will take place in the morning session which starts at 9am-12pm. The afternoon session is from 1pm-4pm and students will have to find their own way home. Please refer to the exam timetable emailed last week and students have a copy in their Google Classroom.

These exams are very important as grades can be used if a student can't sit their final exams due to illness, bereavement or a traumatic event - NZQA has criteria should an application be needed. Excellere students must attend school everyday and be dressed in full school uniform. A study room has been allocated for students who finish early or who are not sitting any exams on a particular day. A list of what to bring to the exam room has been issued to all students. I wish all our students the very best as they prepare for these exams.

#### Blessings, Danielle Smith, Head of Senior College

Senior Exam Timetable								
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
9-12pm	Level 1 English (Rm 19) Level 2 English (Rm 19) Level 3 English (Rm 19) L3 Physics (Rm 19)	L2 Maths (Rm 19)	L1 Science (Rm 18) L2 Physics + VC (Rm 18) L2 Biology (Rm 18) L3 Biology (Rm 18)	NORMAL CLASSES (VC Exams/SAC/Exam Catch-Ups)	NORMAL CLASSES (VC Exams/SAC/Exam Catch-Ups)			
1-4pm	L2 Health (Rm 19) MCAT Revision (Rm 17)	VC Subjects: L2 Chemistry (Rm 19) History (Rm 19) Te Reo Maori (Rm 19)	VC Subjects: L1 Economics (Rm 18) L2 Economics (Rm 18)	NORMAL CLASSES	NORMAL CLASSES			

### Middle College Assembly



### On Friday the 2nd of September the Middle College had their 2nd ever Middle College assembly for the year. We had an awesome time and the Year 8's did an amazing job putting together this assembly.

I recited my parable of the bags of Gold, Mr Osborne spoke on failing and Mrs Kelly spoke some encouraging words that challenged us all. We had some fun videos from the Year 7's, the Year 9's, and the Year 8's shared some funny stories that they had written. The big G.I.G had their first ever performance of two songs: Diamonds and The blessing. We presented certificates and had some amazing time spent together as a Middle College. We were all encouraged and blessed by this amazing assembly. - Rosie De Vetter, Year 9







### Middle College Mathex Competition

Mathex is a yearly competition we take part in. This year it was at Boys High in their new fabulous Auditorium.

We entered year 7,8, and 9 teams. There were 3 groups of the Year 7 & 8's and 2 groups of Y9's. The questions were somewhat hard but the pressure was more on because of the time limit. Every student who took part got a chocolate before the start and a fancy pen to take home afterwards. It was really fun to put our knowledge to good use. - Lauren Gildenhuys













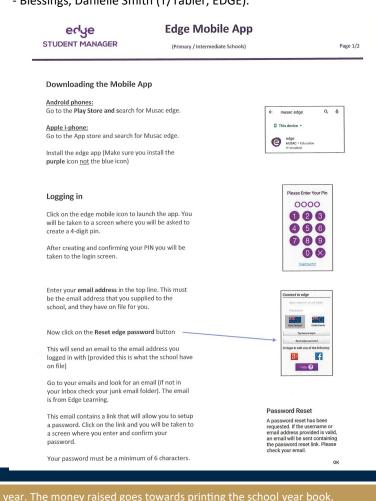




### Edge Student Manager on Your Phone

Here are instructions to download EDGE app for parent notifications, timetables, reports, attendance etc. This would prove quite useful for all parents.

- Blessings, Danielle Smith (T/Tabler, EDGE).



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