



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

November 4 2022

Term 4 Week 3

Upcoming Events

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| 7 Nov Monday | NCEA exams begin Exam centre: Renew School |
| 9 Nov Wednesday | Kiwi North Trip Years 1-3 |
| 10 Nov Thursday | Badminton Year 7 & 8 Mixed |
| 18 Nov Friday | Market Day Year 9 & 10 |
| 16 & 17 Nov Wed & Thur | Cricket Development |
| 22 Nov Tuesday | Fast 5 Netball Years 7,8,9,10 |
| 23 Nov Wednesday | Interschool Athletics Years 7-8 Year 6 Surf School Trip |
| 24 Nov Thursday | Girls Badminton Year 9 & 10 |
| 25 Nov Friday | Teacher Only Day |
| 28 Nov Monday | Teacher Only Day |
| 27-30 Nov Tues-Fri | Duke of Edinburgh Tongariro Trip |
| 30 Nov Wednesday | Interschool Athletics Year 5-6 |
| 8 Dec Thursday | Awards Day @ Arise Church Year 1-6 Time Year 9-13 Time |
| 9 Dec Friday | Last Day School Reports MC Top Town (House) Event |

Correct Contact Details

Please let the office know if your address or email address has changed recently.

This will ensure that we have your details correct for sending results and reports.

From the Principal

We honour our senior students

We held our annual Leavers' dinner last night. This is an informal opportunity for staff, students and parents to relax together over food and korero. We are delighted that all our leavers have a clear goal ahead of them and will be entering the wider community as more mature young adults, secure in the love of Jesus.

NCEA exams begin next week for some of our students. We pray for calm and confidence as they navigate this final learning exercise for this year.

Please take some time to complete our Charter Community Consultation Survey, which is due by next Monday, November 7th. This then allows the School Board to consider your feedback as they develop their strategic planning for the next three years.

We are told by Peter, in Scripture, to "honour everyone" (1 Peter 2: 17-19), and not just those we "feel" deserve to be honored. This is not an easy task, as we are very good at judging others and deciding they do not measure up. So what does this mean? 1 Peter is a powerful letter written to persecuted Gentile Christians, reminding them that they are chosen by God and have a future hope in Jesus. So whilst it is contextually situated for a specific purpose, and to a specific group, we can still relate to the intention of being forgiving of others, and maintaining our honour before God. We are always His children and ours is His Kingdom. His light must always be seen in our eyes, in our words, and in our responses.

Go the Black Ferns in their semi-final this weekend.

Blessings
Graeme Whitehead
Principal

*"Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves."
Romans 12: 10 (NIV)*

School Office Manager

Our Office Manager, Carole Wootten, is retiring at the start of next year. Carole has spent nearly 25 years greeting, and caring for, our community. She will be greatly missed, and we honour her commitment at Excellere College.

The position is currently being advertised and if you are interested please visit our website for details and application forms.

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 in 2023.

DoE Cape Brett Expedition

Last week 8 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students ventured out on their qualifying journey. They were blessed with great weather, views and positive attitudes all round. There were a few blisters and tears by the end. This is a tough few days where they walk 16km up and down the rugged terrain of the Cape Brett Peninsula. It takes a lot of perseverance and character. Well done, Miguel, Matthew, Morgan, Lahratio, Joel, Ben, Bella and Ulricke.



Excellere Intermediate Netball Team

Congratulations to the Excellere Intermediates Netball team who recently were awarded two trophies at the Whangarei Netball Centre Awards Evening. The team won their preliminary round moving up a grade for the championship round. They were also awarded the trophy for 'Runner Up for Least Goals Scored Against' in the Preliminary round.

This is a huge achievement as this is awarded to the runner up of all 39 competing teams regardless of grade. Well done to every team member for all your commitment and effort throughout the 2022 season and bring on netball 2023!

Tamara Chambers - Coach



Last Buddy Class for Year 12 & 6

This week was our last buddy class with Year 6. Every week we have played fast paced team games in the gym: uni hoc, futsal, basketball and netball. Caleb thought that for our last time together, we could do it a bit different. We moved the goal posts closer and played crab ball with a balloon. It definitely was a slower game!



Year 13 Prank Day

The Year 13 leavers caught the teachers by surprise this week with their prank day antics. Mr Carroll's room was covered with tin foil (approximately 90m of it). The art room was a mess of chairs tied together with string and probably the worst was Mr Buchanan's room, picnic tables plastic wrap and bean bag beans everywhere. Thank goodness they also offered to clean up the mess afterwards.



Year 13 Leavers Dinner

"... His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness" Lament: 3: 22-24.

This year, the Senior College welcomed Dr Gabriel Segerfroyd, Mrs Jane Garrick, Mrs Gretchen Dainty, Miss Helena Lamason, Ms Mehrzad Sinclair, Mrs Chantel Minnaar. Amidst the challenge and change, God has provided amazing opportunities for us to celebrate and together with Mr Ben Keyte, Miss Julie Hale, Mrs Linda Auton, Mr Wayne Carroll and Mr Richard Smith we have continued to build healthy partnerships and harness academic success.

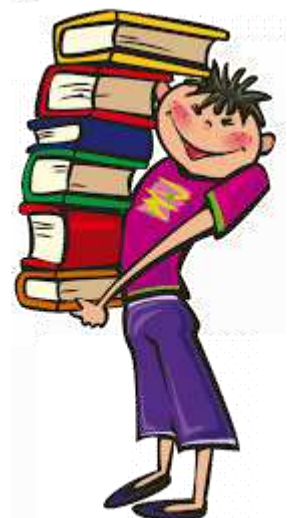
To our graduates of 2022, we pray God's blessing and favour on you all. Mrs Danielle Smith (Senior College Leader)



Library Notice

Term 4 is when we hold our annual library stocktake. Please check your homes, cars and school bags for books marked either "Excellere College," "Kamo Christian College," or "National Library of New Zealand," and return any found to the school library ASAP. I really appreciate your help getting these books back so that our stocktake can run smoothly.

Thank you for your support.
Kimberley Nielsen,
Library Administrator



Year 5&6 Girls Touch Rugby

This week our Year 5-6 girls competed at their first Touch Festival at Kensington park against other local schools. Our girls had flair! Although this event was all about participation, we couldn't help but keep score and our school did fantastic!

Our Year 6 team won 4 out of their 5 games and our Year 5 team won 3 of their 5 games. It was a massive day for the girls in the heat, but they all did so well and were great school representatives. Thank you to those parents who helped me (Charlene, Carlo, Judy and Ambika) it was much appreciated!

- Zola McDonald, Sports Coordinator



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