



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

Excellence in Learning - Christianity in Living

Newsletter - Te Pānui

November 4 2022

Term 4 Week 4

Upcoming Events

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 HĀ
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 Years 1-6 Morning Years 9-13 Evening
9 Dec Friday	Last Day School Reports MC Top Town (Whānau) Event

From the Principal

The times they are a changing

We got a reminder of the power of weather this week as the rain returned. Flooding, leaks and damp shoes and socks returned to school for a time. However, as we head towards summer we look forward to sunshine and a season of beach.

Our Yr11-13 students began their NCEA exams this week. We continue to pray for calm and confidence during this time.

Today I attended the final hui of the year for our Northland Christian Principals. We were able to share in fellowship, and korero around the issues we are all dealing with in our schools. We also talked about the challenges facing Christian education in New Zealand currently. The political, and social, environment is changing around us rapidly and we are facing new challenges regularly. As society accepts different values and perspectives we need to constantly reflect on our Christian foundations, and look to Jesus as the example for our response.

Although written by Bob Dylan in 1963 the sentiments of the song "The Times they are a-changin'" still ring true today. Change is rapid, often random, and is consequential for all. Jesus initiated changing times, and His kingdom is still growing during those times. Change will occur whether we want it or not, however it is our response as Christians that is Kingdom-building. We must always remember that Jesus came to save us all, as sinners, and we are to follow His lead in our forgiveness, grace and love.

Go the Black Ferns in the final this weekend.

Blessings
Graeme
Principal

Whitehead

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him."

John 3: 16-17 (NASB)

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.

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.

Badminton Year 9 &10 Boys Tournament

Last week our Year 9 and 10 boys entered a badminton tournament. There were 24 teams from around Northland who came to compete. Firstly the teams competed in a round robin event to sort out the top teams from the bottom teams, then they went on to the 'knockout' rounds, One of our teams was knocked out on the second round, but the other team went on to compete in the finals, playing off for 1st and 2nd. I am very happy to announce that our boys came first.

It was such an excellent day and we were all very pleased with the result. Well done boys for your monumental achievement.

Zola McDonald - Sports Coordinator



Tournament winners: Keanu, Levi, Matthew and Lahratio

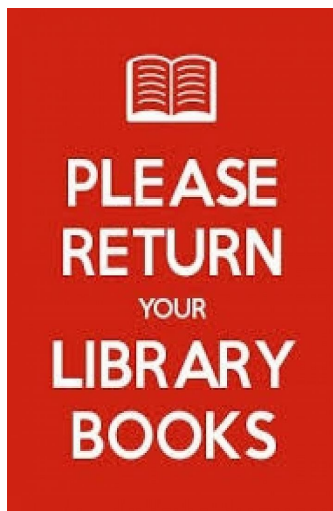


Team2: Connor, Declin, Heinz and Jaylem

Library Notices

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.



Level 2 Photography Portfolio



Congratulations to Opal Kippenberger for creating this beautiful still life photography folio. Opal focused her work on lighting effects using long exposures. She used coloured lights, mirrors, glass prisms and cut out shapes to create the wide range of lighting effects in her work.

This folio board is worth 12 Level 2 credits and was independently marked by examiners in Wellington last week. Results will not be released till January, but we have high hopes for this one.

Level 3 Art Boards

This week the last of the art portfolios were sent to Wellington. Guinevere Janse van Rensburg completed two Level 3 portfolios, one in design and one in painting.

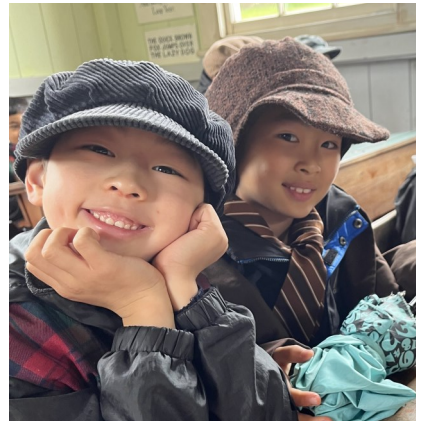
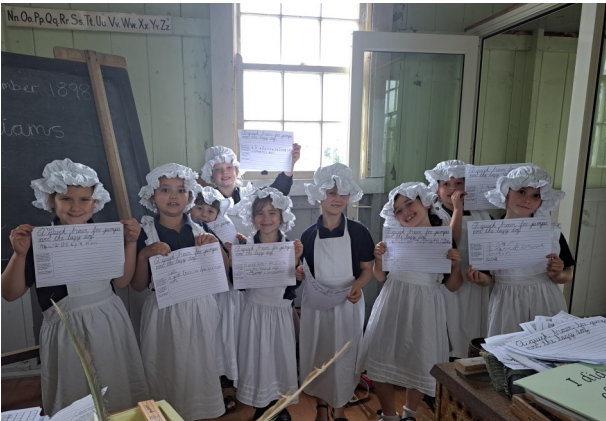
Her design work was based on a fantasy game where she created the characters, locations and designed logos, posters, game cover and website. Her painting folio looked at the history of women's rights and the pressures of society from past to present day.

Guinevere plans to further her studies in art next year. Her dream is to illustrate her own graphic novel. All the best!



Year 1-3 Visit to Kiwi North

Rooms 1, 2, and 5 had the most amazing trip to Kiwi North. We spent time looking at the kiwi and lizards in the Kiwi House, exploring the museum by completing a treasure hunt, experiencing what an olden days classroom was like, and playing with olden day toys. Dressing up like a child from the past was heaps of fun.



Senior Music Lunchtime Concert

To finish the school year for the seniors, we had a lunchtime concert on the deck last Friday. The weather was perfect and the students enjoyed a range of songs from the students and teachers. Thanks to the students: Ryan Whitehead, Levi Yung, Rosie de Vetter, Amiee Whitehead, LJ Volschenk, Sienna Quenault, Josh Carter and teachers: Shani Delport, Marija Silec, Larissa Matheson and Danielle Smith for entertaining us throughout the lunch hour.



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