



Excellere College

Whaia te Maramatanga o Te Karaiti

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Newsletter - Te Pānui

June 2 2023

Term 2 Week 6

Upcoming Events

5 June Monday	King's Birthday school closed
7 June Wednesday	Tauraroa Area School Jazz Band visit - Year 7-13 12:20pm in gym
8 June Thursday	3x3 Basketball Y9-10 Kensington
9 June Friday	Mufti Day Fundraiser for World Vision \$2 gold coin Wear BRIGHT colours
13 June Tuesday	3x3 Basketball Y11-13 Kensington
15 June Thursday	Table Tennis Tournament Year 7 & 8 Kensington
16 June Friday	Careers Expo Auckland Year 10
17 June Saturday	Senior Ball - McKay Stadium
23 June Friday	School Assembly Arise Church
27 June Tuesday	Interschool Cross Country Barge Park Year 7-13
28 June Wednesday	Renew Sports Exchange @Excellere College
30 July Friday	Last Day of School School Reports Out
1-16 July	School Holidays
14 July Friday	Matariki
17 July	First day of Term 3

From the Principal

Kia ora Excellere Whānau,

Term 2 has continued to be busy and so very positive here at Excellere College. Many visitors have mentioned how calm and caring the school is. They often comment that they can't quite put their finger on why the school is such a lovely place to be. We know that we have a very special school environment but we also know that we do not work in our own strength.

Psalm 27:1 "The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

Matthew 19:26 "But Jesus looked at them and said to them, 'With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'"

Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

As a staff we continue to begin our days in prayer. Teachers take turns at sharing devotional sessions and praise and worship music will be heard in the mornings. Students will be praying in classes and Scripture memory verses recited throughout the school. In the section below I continue to present further special character information to enable greater understanding and transparency of what we are working to achieve.

Student Graduate Profile

Our vision for students of New Zealand Christian Proprietor Trust (NZCPT) schools is that they graduate with faith in God, love for others and hope for the future.

People of Faith/Whakapono: Our graduates will be people who are growing in their faith and knowledge of God, who know that they are valued by God, know the story of Scripture and how they can participate in it, have had opportunities to become disciples of Jesus Christ, and are beginning to think theologically about all of life.

People of Love/Aroha: Our graduates will be people of love who are growing in their understanding of God's love for them and the world as demonstrated in the incarnation, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and are learning to love God with all their heart, soul, mind and strength, to love their neighbour as themselves and to respect and care for God's creation.

People of Hope/Tūmanako: Our graduates will be people of hope who are becoming captivated by a vision of the kingdom of God, are growing in awareness of what God may be calling them to, are developing a passion for a particular vocation or mission in Aotearoa/New Zealand or the world, and are inspired by the Holy Spirit to participate in Christ's work of reconciliation, restoration, renewal and shalom in the world.

This Graduate Profile is woven into the planning and preparation by all teachers at Excellere College. It is exciting to see the various manifestations of the profile coming through at differing levels of the school.

Have a blessed weekend,

Andy Mouat, Principal

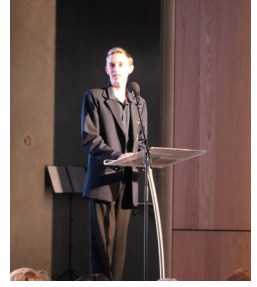
Bay of Islands Fun Run

Mr Keyte and Zola competed at the Bay of Islands fun run/walk series event. Mr Keyte (vintage but still got it) took 1st place in the 'tiny run' (8.7km).

It was a beautiful day, clear skies and no wind. Next year we hope to see some Excellere students participate at this event. Distance options are 6km, 8.7km and 21km.



Term 2 Week 3 Assembly



Digital Whiteboard Trial

The Year 7 class lead by Tim Osborne are trialling a Smart Board in their room this term. Ricoh are sponsoring the trial of the Smart Board which retails for \$11,000. The Smart Board gives us the ability for the students and teacher to interact with the screen, so far it has been an exciting learning experience for all.



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Excellere College Table Tennis Club

Last term our students all had a go at our 'table tennis taster' that the Northland Table Tennis club held at our school. The idea behind this was to expose our students to table tennis and help them to fall in love with the sport. We have been given the opportunity for our keen Year 5-6s to be part of the Excellere College Table Tennis club that we run in school time. Naina from Northland Table Tennis generously gives her time each Tuesday morning to teach and coach our students who would like to learn more about the sport of table tennis.

If your child is making noises about being part of the Northland Club, below are their options for further exposure:

Northland Table Tennis club Kensington

Juniors (anyone), Monday, 4.30pm-6pm

Kid-Z (5-10 years), Wednesday, 3.30pm-4.30pm



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Year 7 & 8 Winter Sports

After months of the never ending rain, the weather cleared for one day giving us a PERFECT day for our year 7-8 Winter Sports Tournament. After the initial stress of the day when our bus didn't arrive which meant that we were an hour late for the day, we eventually got there and thoroughly enjoyed the event.

The Whangarei Winter Sports Tournament is a gathering of all Whangarei Year 7-8 students. Students select a sport, get allocated into teams and battle other schools. It is essentially a fun day where no scores are kept.

I would like to thank those parent helpers that came forward and managed teams, without your help, there was no way that we could have done that event, so thank you so much for taking time to be part of that day, we truly appreciate you.

Zola McDonald, Sports Coordinator.



Year 9&10 Turbo Touch Tournament

Our Year 9-10 boys had a great time playing Turbo Touch last week at the Whangarei Turbo Touch festival. Our boys haven't had much exposure to this sport so I was so proud of their skill levels and how well they adapted to the challenge. I would like to give a special mention to both Aiden Marais and Keanu Aprea who were recognised by the organisers for their excellent display of the Touch moto "AWHI" (Attitude - Whanau - Harmony - Integrity).

Zola McDonald, Sports Coordinator



Souped Up

We are a group of Year 9 students called 'Souped Up.' Our group consists of boys and girls. The people included are Ashtone, Luane, Maisy, Clarissa, Vanessa, Josh, James B and Ayden A. We are lead by the amazing Mrs Kelly.

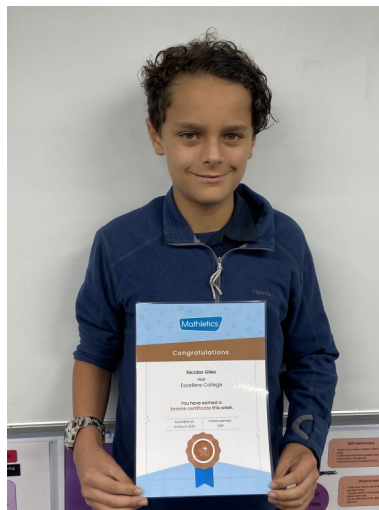
We sell soup and bread every Friday for \$3. Every week the flavour of the soup changes. Students pre-order it and have it either delivered or can pick up from the canteen in the school gym. Mrs Kelly freshly makes all the soup and even some of the bread.

The reason we decided to do this is because we are raising funds for a Middle College class trip.

- Luane Nel, Year 9



Achievement in Maths



Congratulations to Nicolas Giles for achieving a Bronze Award in Mathematics for his work completed in Term 1.

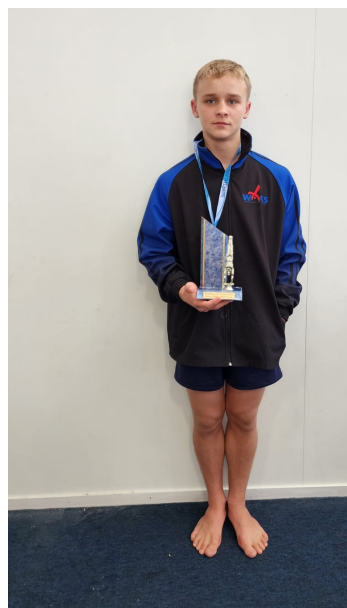
Well done Nicolas. You make us so proud. Keep working hard to achieve all your dreams.

From Mrs Hill and all your support teachers in the Hub.

Gymnastics Championship Success

This past weekend Whangarei Academy of Gymnastics hosted the Northland Gymnastic Championships; there were 4 clubs that competed and overall:

Year 9 Excellere College student Malan Volschenk was the Level 4 winner. Year 6 student De Wet Volschenk was the Level 2 winner. Malan will be representing Northland at this year's Nationals in July.



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Dry Ice Experiments

Dry ice is solid carbon dioxide at - 80 degrees celsius. When melting, it sublimates straight into the gas state, which makes it very interesting material to use in teaching states of matter.

Mr Buchanan and I ran a scientific demonstration on the school field last Thursday, attended by almost all of the Excellere students. We hope we have ignited the students' curiosity and love for science.

- Mehrzad Zamanpour, HoD Science



Term 2 Sport Calendar

Term 2 Events Year 7-9

Week 7:

Basketball 3x3, Year 9-10, Thurs June 8

Week 8:

Table Tennis, Year 7-8 Thurs June 15

Week 10:

Interschool Cross Country, Years 7-13, Tues June 27
Renew Sports exchange, Wed June 28

Term 2 Events Year 10+

Week 7:

Basketball 3x3, Year 9-10, Thurs June 8

Week 8:

Basketball 3x3, Year 11-13, Tues June 13

Week 10:

Interschool Cross Country, Years 7-13, Tues June 27
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Business Studies—Tauira Desserts



We are Tauira Desserts, We are in the process of creating a bakery business. We sell delicious brownies for \$3.50 each as well as sweet donuts for \$3.00 each.

We would really appreciate it if anyone would email us via tauira.desserts@gmail.com if you are interested in buying our baked goods. We would really appreciate the support. Thank you for your consideration.

- Ulricke, Madde, Yael, Jemma

2023 World Vision 40 Hour Famine

This year, World Vision 40 Hour Famine is raising money for children in Malawi who do not have clean drinking water. "Every day in Malawi, 11 kids under 5 die from diseases related to dirty water." Excellere College will be participating in the fundraiser this year. The 40hr famine will be on the 9 - 11 of June. This is for students in Year 7 - 13. We hope many of you will participate, to help make a difference in the lives of children in Malawi. - "Every Child Deserves Clean Water."

Some ideas to raise money are:

To go 40 hours without food (barley sugars)

To go 40 hours using 40 litres of water (for drinking and washing)

40 hours no water from taps - bucket only

40 hours 40 kms (in a group)

40 hours no technology (no TV, cell phones, computers, radio)

If you are interested, parent information forms will be handed out in class this week or email Mr Keyte for further details on: ben.keyte@excellerecollege.school.nz



School Cross-Country Results

Cross Country 2023 was an awesome event for Excellere College. With all of the horrendous weather we decided to call it a Cross-Country-Mud-Run event. The students had such a great time, jumping through flooded paddocks and drains, making mud and getting covered in it and climbing over carpeted fences.

The kids who took part loved it, all the way from the year 1s to the year 13s. You can see by these photos that the students had a good time. Here are the final results for each age group.

Year 1		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Nathan Falloon	Liannah Teariki
2nd	Blake Jackson	Da-Som Kim
3rd	Axel Harris	Haim Park

10 Years (1st Jan)		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Liam Dodd	Sophia Restrepo
2nd	Josiah de Vetter	Lylah Fairweather
3rd	Kai Keith	Ella Teariki

Year 2		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Tu Kaea Liddell	Ellee Neho
2nd	JG Fraser	Lola Dow
3rd	Liam Hugo	Milla Eke

Year 7 & 8		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Izzy Yung	Kelly De Beer
2nd	Eli Hartwell	June Underwood
3rd	Noah Holt	Dahae An

Year 3		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Joshua Falloon	Sophie Dodd
2nd	Samuel Garton	Amelia Neho
3rd	James Subritzky	Zoe de Vetter & Mila Vigus

Year 9 & 10		
	Boys	Girls
1st	James Bradley	Lydia Jongkind
2nd	James Walker	Lauren Gildenhuys
3rd	Aiden Marais	Jayne Chambers

8 Years old (1st Jan)		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Anton Duinkerke	Alana Gildenhuys
2nd	Huxley Dow	Bella Leggott
3rd	Field-Li Ngwa	Sophie Blithe

Under 16 Years		
	Boys	Girls
1st	LJ Volschenk	Jessica Dawson
2nd	Matthew Philander	Aimee Whitehead
3rd	Levi Yung	Ulricke Schreuder

9 Years old (1st Jan)		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Taiki Murray Ishii	Emma Posthumus
2nd	Jake Vermeulen	Mialee Boshoff & Isabella Delpont
3rd	Fletcher Dow	Renee Trass

Open		
	Boys	Girls
1st	Caleb Duinkerke	

Cross Country Photos



Duke Of Edinburgh—Peach Cove



During week four of this term the Gold Duke of Edinburgh group (Josh Carter, Aimee Whitehead, LJ Volschenk and Caleb Duinkerke) with Morgan Swanepoel (Silver), Mr. Keyte and Mrs Anson set off on the Gold practice journey in the Whangarei Heads.

Day one we hiked up with our full hiking packs around Smugglers Cove, up Mt Lion and along the ridge to the Peach Cove turn off - it was definitely not easy. There we left our packs, put on our day packs and hiked up to the top of Bream Head. The views there were magnificent.

On day two we set off straight up the 900 stairs from Peach Cove hut to the ridge where we walked down to the car park and along the road all the way to Mt Aubrey. Mt Aubrey had amazing views as well, with even clearer skies. After that we walked back to the hut, after a long day of 26km hiking.

On day three we set off again straight up the 900 stairs to the ridge and went up via the Bream Head track, detouring briefly to experience the amazing views that Bream Head peak offers. After that we descended down to Oceans Beach and walked along there for a few kilometres, to then turn around and walk back to try and beat the incoming bad weather, to which we won, as we didn't get wet. During the evening we had a lot of fun cooking our meals and playing card games, especially fitness poker (where you bet a number of push-ups).

Day four we ended with a thorough beach clean up at Peach Cove, collecting two full rubbish bags, and a epic rock stacking competition. After this we walked up and down to Peach Cove carpark, where Peter thankfully picked us up early, allowing us to miss the rain that quickly came.

- Caleb Duinkerke, Year 13



Excellere Kapa Haka News



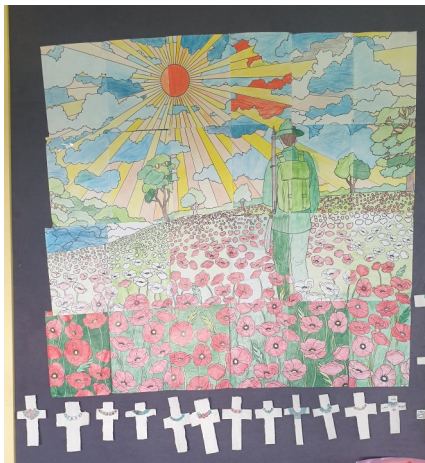
Tēnā koutou katoa. On Friday 19 May, Excellere's Kapa Haka welcomed Matua Shannon Toki as our new tutor at a Mihi Whakatau. His wife, Helena and Mrs Hill 'brought' him in. Mr Mouat, spoke on behalf of Tangata Whenua (us) and Kapa Haka performed a Waiata/Himene Tautoko (hymn and song to support speech).

Although this was small, we wanted to honour the Tikanga with mihi and kai. Following the formality, Matua Shannon eagerly set out to teach us and fine tune our singing and waiata ringa (action songs). It was such a blessing to start Kapa Haka again as we'd been in recess since our Pōwhiri at the start of the year. We look forward to improving our stamina in singing, haka, waiata ringa and all aspects of Kapa Haka. Nō reira, tēnā ra koutou katoa.

- Danielle Smith (Māori Activator)



Year 6 Class Artworks



Excellere College Saturday Netball

The netball season has just begun and Excellere have seven netball teams represented each week at the Whangarei Netball Centre. The teams look amazing in their brand new uniforms and the players demonstrate developing skill, sportsmanship and are learning to work well together as a team. We are grateful for every coach and manager that makes it possible for Excellere students to participate, grow and represent our school with honour in our local netball community. Here are some results from our last game day:

Excellere Flamingo Flamingos (Year 5-6a) vs MPE All Stars: Win 15-3
Excellere Roxy Foxes (Year 5-6b) vs KPS Green: Loss 3-15
Excellere Ferns (Year 7-8a) vs KIS 4: Win 29-26
Excellere Blue Ravens (Year 7-8b) vs NGU Serpents: Win 11-4
Excellere Hotshots (Year 9-13) vs TRR Kauri: Loss 7-25

Our younger teams don't keep score as the focus is on learning the game and having fun. But we would like to acknowledge the following players for gaining player of the day for their efforts at the last game day.

Excellere Cubs (Year 1-2): Player of the Day: Alexia Pokkiri-Raja
Excellere Stars (Year 3-4): Player of the Day: Larissa Van Der Hulst

Please feel free to come down to the Whangarei netball courts to support our amazing players on a Saturday (or Monday evening for Years 1-2). It is a fun sport to watch; you won't be disappointed!

- Tamara Chambers,
Netball Coordinator



Senior College Assembly Week 4

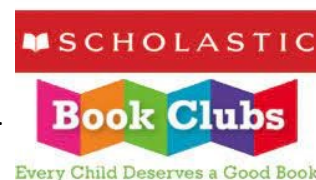
In Week 4 on Friday, the Year 10 class ran the Senior College assembly. Led by Keanu as the MC and a few helpers from the Year 10 class, we ran a great assembly. Mr Carroll invited a guest speaker, one of his good friends Colin Ashby to come and speak to us. He told us some amazing stories about his journey to salvation and how he smuggled bibles into China. It was a great assembly overall and a huge thank you to Mr Ashby and the Year 10 crew!

- Rosie de Vetter, Year 10



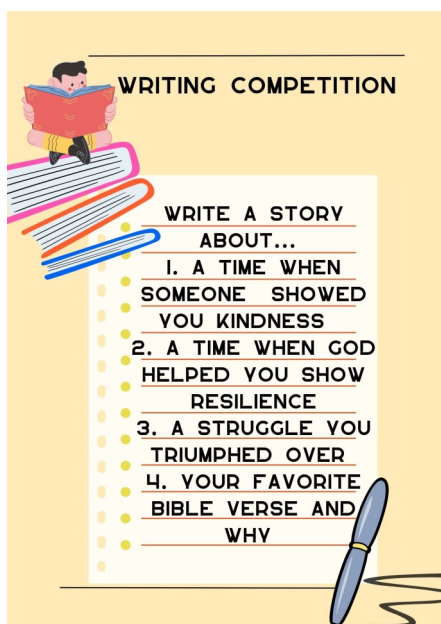
Library Reminder

You should have received a copy of the latest Scholastic Book Club (issue #4) pamphlet. If you would like another copy, you can view online (<https://scholastic.co.nz/schools/book-club/>) or pick one up from the library. Please note that orders must be in by Thursday 8 June. Thanks for supporting our school library.



- Kimberley Nielsen, Library Administrator

Whānau Writing Competition



Time for another Whānau competition! Calling all writers who want to gain points for your whānau. This competition starts now and ends Friday, Week 9 of this term. All entries can be posted in the box at the front office from Week 4. Students get writing and teachers get your students writing so we can get as many entries for our whānau as possible.

Competition Rules:

- Stories must be about one of topic options, it must be original work and will be checked for authenticity
- Students may ask for help with spelling and grammar from Year 1 to Year 6, Year 7+ need to write without teacher assistance.
- All stories must be named and have the students name, house group and age on the page
- The stories must not be more than 500 words
- Our Whānau leaders will read through all the stories and will pick the best from each year group, the finalists will be judged by Mrs Dainty

Year 8 Art—Migration Artworks

The Year 8 art class have been learning about migration. We have looked examples of migration in the bible from Abraham leaving his homeland to follow God, Moses and the Israelites leaving Egypt to Jesus and his parents going to Egypt to flee King Herod.

The students looked at examples of migration and connection to places in their own lives. They selected a central animal or object that they felt connected to, then put patterns and objects around the outside that represented places and cultures important to them. These artworks are made with Indian ink and coloured with dye.



Year 12 Design — The Logo Development Process

Ani Ripia is designing an art studio called Rerehua Studio for her Level 2 design project. The design aesthetic combines Māori culture, illustration and colour in her branding. Her concept logos on the left show a broad range of ideas before focusing on the kowhaiwhai patterns, brush, pencil and paint in the developments and selecting the koru pencil as the final design.

