

NEWSLETTER

9 February 2018



Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Caregivers

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new and returning students and staff. It has been wonderful seeing familiar faces, and meeting our new Year 9 students and their parents. Last Friday a powhiri welcoming our new students and their families was well attended, and it was great to see how many parents are already determined to be actively engaged in their child's school.

The year has already started very well with the release of our NCEA achievement results for 2017 - which were excellent, emphasising the high quality teaching and learning taking place at the college. Student achievement was outstanding across all NCEA levels, as well as in literacy and numeracy.



New Staff from left: Mr Cannell, Mr Steyn-Ross, Ms Gounder, Mr De Luca Ms Whittle, Ms Mill, Mr Ogilvie-Lee, Ms Husband Ms Manchineela

I would like to congratulate the many students who were endorsed with either merit or excellence in their NCEA last year. To succeed at such high levels are outstanding achievements and we are all very proud of these students. At our senior assemblies over the next two weeks we will honour these students with 'Academic Excellence' awards and challenge all other students to emulate their success this year.

This year has also seen the college grow considerably in student numbers at all levels, with in excess of 250 Year 9 students enrolled. This is a very positive indication from our community that they are enjoying the excellent work being done at the college.

As we have done in previous years, we will continue to place significant emphasis on our 'Attitudes to Learning' which are fundamental to student success and are detailed in this newsletter. Two of these attitudes which we have stressed this week have been ensuring all students are on time to school (8:50am for a 8:55am start to lessons) and in the correct uniform. This year there are new bell times (see next page). Please remember that school begins on a Tuesday at 9:15am for a 9:20am start to teaching and learning. This year we have introduced a school cap to our uniform list. These are \$15 and are available for purchase from the Student Services Centre. Students are reminded these are to be worn outside only.

I am pleased to announce our Head Prefects for 2018:

Head Boy:Bai BuliruaruaHead Girl:Ariana Guptill

ruarua Deputy: Guptill Deputy: Sake Tafea Nicole Cullen

They are all excellent young leaders who will serve our students, college and community very well. Their leadership skills are already very evident and will be of real benefit to the student body throughout 2018.

I look forward to meeting you all throughout the year and would like to wish our students every success in 2018.



N Coughlan Principal



ID Cards & School Diary

All junior students are required to purchase a 2018 College Diary (\$5) and all students are required to purchase a Student ID card (\$8). In 2018, the Student ID card will be required by all students to gain student discounts and fares, as well as allowing students to borrow books from the Library, print documents from the computers, and/or use the photocopiers. The ID photos will occur on Monday 19 February, when diaries will also be given out. This is the only opportunity for students to get an ID card so ensure your child has the correct money in <u>cash</u> with them on Monday 19 February.

Carparking

For the safety of all students, parents are asked to collect their child outside of the school grounds each afternoon. The best way to do this is to arrange with your child to walk out and meet you in a neighbouring side street off Rockfield Road. We know that this is a slight inconvenience, but student safety is always our number one concern. There is to be no double parking in the school grounds.

Central Park Business Area and Ellerslie Township

Students are reminded that they are not permitted to use the Central Park area as a thoroughfare to and from Ellerslie, nor are they to loiter in Ellerslie. Can parents please reiterate this message to all students to avoid trespass orders being issued.

Whānau Leaders 2018

The introduction of the whānau system at One Tree Hill College has been very successful and much of that success is down to the excellent leadership at the helm of each whānau. If you have any questions with regards your child or the college in 2018, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Whānau Leaders:

Hinau Whānau Kowhai Whānau Miro Whānau Tawa Whānau Ms Hughes & Mr Blincoe Ms Ryan & Mr Kimi Miss Wharepapa & Mr McWhinnie Miss Lingham & Mr Lanner Extension 867 Extension 848 Extension 847 Extension 830

School Donation and Subject Fees

Thank you to all families who have paid these. If you are unsure of your child's outstanding balance, please contact the college for an updated statement. Please remember that the college counts on you paying these amounts to ensure it can provide the best learning opportunities and facilities for your children. It is appreciated if payments could be paid to the college reception as soon as possible. Payment of subject fees is compulsory. Should you wish to discuss any accounts matters please contact our Executive Officer, Mrs Lorraine Biggs phone 280 0480, or email her directly at lbiggs@onetreehillcollege.school.nz

Attitudes to Learning Your school report will show: YOUR ACHIEVEMENT GRADES/NCEA GRADES Your school report will show:	One Tree Hill	BELL TIMES 2018			
YOUR ATTITUDE TO LEARNING You should: Be punctual to class Settle quickly to work at the start of each lesson Bring correct equipment to class Complete work set in class Complete work with accuracy and care Complete work in sufficient depth Complete homework as required Be focused and responsive in class Avoid distracting other students in class Participate and contribute positively in class activities Show respect to peers in the classroom Show respect to your teacher	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		8.20 – 9.15 Staff PLD & Scholarship Classes			
	8.55 – 9.55 Period 1	9.20 – 10.20 Period 1	8.55 – 9.55 Period 1	8.55 – 9.55 Period 1	8.55 – 9.55 Period 1
	9.55 – 10.55 Period 2	10.20 – 11.20 Period 2	9.55 – 10.55 Period 2	9.55 – 10.55 Period 2	9.55 – 10.55 Period 2
	Interval 10:55 – 11.25	Interval 11.20 – 11.50	Interval 10:55 – 11.25	Interval 10:55 – 11.25	Interval 10:55 – 11.25
	11.25 – 12.25 Period 3	11.50 – 12.50 Period 3	11.25 – 12.25 Period 3	11.25 – 12.25 Period 3	11.25 – 12.25 Period 3
	12.25 – 1.25 Period 4	12.50 – 1.50 Period 4	12.25 – 1.25 Period 4	12.25 – 1.25 Period 4	12.25 – 1.25 Period 4
Your school report will show: YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR WHANAU AND THE SCHOOL You should: • Contribute positively to whanau class activities and discussions • Contribute positively in school co-curricular activities • Wear correct uniform (correct shoes, jacket etc) • Look tidy and clean in uniform	Lunchtime 1.25 – 2.10	Lunchtime 1.50 – 2.35	Lunchtime 1.25 – 2.10	Lunchtime 1.25 – 2.10	Lunchtime 1.25 – 2.10
	Whanau Time 2.10 – 2.35		Junior Assembly 2.10 – 2.35	Senior Assembly 2.10 – 2.35	Whanau Assembly 2.10 – 2.35
	2.35 - 3.25 Period 5	2.35 - 3.25 Period 5	2.35 - 3.25 Period 5	2.35 - 3.25 Period 5	2.35 - 3.25 Period 5
				3.30 – 4.30 Scholarship Classes	
Your school report will show: YOUR ATTENDANCE RECORD					

Coming Events

12 February Year 12 & 13 MITTA Information Evening, 6:00pm Venue: Knowledge Centre

15 February Year 9 Information & BYOD Evening, 6:00pm Venue: Auditorium

16 February Swimming Sports Venue: Lagoon Pool, Panmure

19 February Class and ID Photos Please bring correct cash

22 February NCEA Information Evening, 6:00pm Venue: Knowledge Centre

28 February Athletics Day (All Students) Venue: Mt Smart Stadium

7-8 March Year 9 Vision Testing

13 March Cultural Evening, 6:00pm Venue: Kowhai Quad

14-17 March ASB Polyfest Venue: Manukau Sports Bowl