



One Tree Hill  
COLLEGE

# NEWSLETTER

11 February 2022

## 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. Last Wednesday a pōwhiri, welcoming our new students was held outside. Although we were unable to permit parents and caregivers to attend due to the current alert level, it was still a wonderful first day for our new students. I found myself watching the Year 9 students as they nervously and excitedly spent their first hours in the school that will be an extension of their whānau for the next five years, and not for the first time, I felt honoured that we have been entrusted to be the guiding hand for these stages of your child's development and learning.

The year has already started very well with the release of our NCEA achievement results for 2021 – which were excellent, considering the disruptions to the school year due to covid. These results emphasise the high-quality teaching and learning taking place at the college. Student achievement was well above national averages in all NCEA levels:

	One Tree Hill College	National Mean
NCEA Level 1	76%	68%
NCEA Level 2	83%	77%
NCEA Level 3	84%	69%

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 (8:40am for an 8.45am start to lessons,) and in the correct uniform. Please remember that school begins on a Tuesday at 9.10am for a 9.15am start to teaching and learning. I would like to thank all families for their support with these this year.

On Wednesday 9 February, at the conclusion of the Prefect Badge presentation, our 2022 Head Students were announced (pictured):

Head Boy	Solomone Mahe
Head Girl	Sabine Roskilly
Deputy Head Boy	Dominic Lo
Deputy Head Girl	Mena Falefata

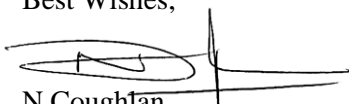


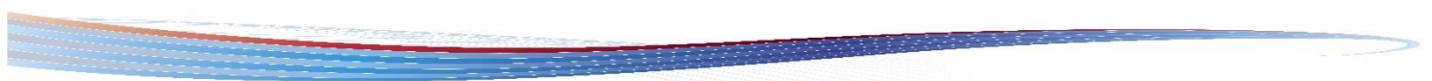
They are all excellent young leaders who will serve our students, college and community very well. Their leadership skills are already very evident and will be of real benefit to the student body throughout 2022. If you missed the live stream of the announcement, it can still be viewed via the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zs1vRLMm13A>

At One Tree Hill College we are proud to have a strong and proud Tongan community. In light of the recent volcanic eruption, which triggered a tsunami that destroyed villages and communication infrastructure in Tonga, we wanted to support our Tongan families and friends. Therefore, One Tree Hill College has teamed up with Rutherford College to ship a container full of stationery and food items which will leave Auckland this weekend. In the space of only 24 hours our community donated in excess of 120 large boxes of items – what an incredible effort! A special thanks to all those who donated, especially our neighbours at Post Haste Couriers who were also very generous with their support.

Finally, as we continue to navigate through the current covid alert settings, I would like to thank you again for your support. I know that some in our community are experiencing difficult times due to the restrictions and I wish you well. Please continue to emphasise the need to wear masks, hand sanitise, get fully vaccinated, get tested if you have any symptoms, and stay at home if unwell. At One Tree Hill College we will continue to provide a high quality education for all our students regardless of covid.

Best Wishes,

  
N Coughlan  
Principal



## Senior Leadership Team 2022



*Left to Right:* Assistant Principal Terry Kimiangatau, Deputy Principal Meredith Raukura, Principal Nick Coughlan, Deputy Principal Emma Beale, Assistant Principal Christine McKnight, Assistant Principal Geraint Tagaloa

## PPTA Paid Union Meeting Friday 25 February 2022

School will finish for students at 12noon on Friday 25 February to enable staff to attend the paid union meeting which has been called by the PPTA. Buses will operate at this earlier time. Please ensure there is adequate supervision provided for students at home from this earlier time.

## Coming Events

*14 February*

Catch up ID photos

*17 February*

Māori Awards Presentation

*22 February*

REP Graduation Presentation

*25 February*

PPTA PUM meeting

*21 March*

Virtual Year 9 Parent Evening

## Year 9 Pōwhiri



## Ka Ora Ka Ako: Healthy School Lunches

### Job Opportunities

Are you looking for temporary and flexible work in a fun team environment during school hours? DeeJays, our lunch supplier, have some great opportunities available for parents/caregivers. These roles are during school hours and offer flexibility (see advert attached).

If you are interested, please contact: [tersia@deejays.co.nz](mailto:tersia@deejays.co.nz) or mobile 027 551 0001

## Whānau Leaders 2022

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 2022 please do not hesitate to contact your child's respective Whānau Leader.

**Miro Whānau**

Miss Husband & Mr Eiman

Extension 847

**Kōwhai Whānau**

Miss Pullein & Mr Maea Brown

Extension 848

**Tawa Whānau**

Miss Taylor & Mr Davies

Extension 830

**Hīnau Whānau**

Ms Whittle & Mr Tuia

Extension 867



*Left to Right:* Kyle Eiman (Miro), Rachelle Husband (Miro), Andrew Maea Brown (Kōwhai), Morgan Pullein (Kōwhai), Scott Davies (Tawa), Amanda Taylor (Tawa), Ashley Tuia (Hīnau) and Collette Whittle (Hīnau)

## New Staff to One Tree Hill College this year



*Front row:* Mr Wong, Ms Han

*Second row:* Ms Misiata, Mrs Eliason, Ms Sewter, Mr Ang, Mrs Clifford

*Third Row:* Mr Tokerangi, Ms Maoate, Mr Coughlan, Ms Cook, Ms Spencer

*Back Row:* Mrs Holmes, Mrs Chen, Ms Scott, Ms Jensen, Ms Rope

*Insert:* Mrs Singh, Ms Fowlie

*Absent:* Ms Britten