



## Principal's Message



### Dear Parents and Caregivers

After another very busy and successful term, I hope that the school holidays have started well for our students and families. If you are travelling away these holidays, please do so safely.

The holidays also provide us all with an opportunity to reflect and plan for times ahead. For our senior students this is a perfect time to think about their recent performance in examinations and assessments, and begin developing a study and revision programme to ensure success in the upcoming NZQA Examinations which commence on Thursday 10 November. It is now that these preparations must begin.

As you are all aware, One Tree Hill College is a member of the Maungakiekie Community of Learning (MaCoL). This is a very exciting Ministry of Education initiative which allows schools in our zone to work more closely together for the benefit of student success and teacher professional learning. The schools in MaCoL are One Tree Hill College, Ellerslie School, Stanhope Road School, Bailey Rod School, Panmure District School and Sylvia Park School.

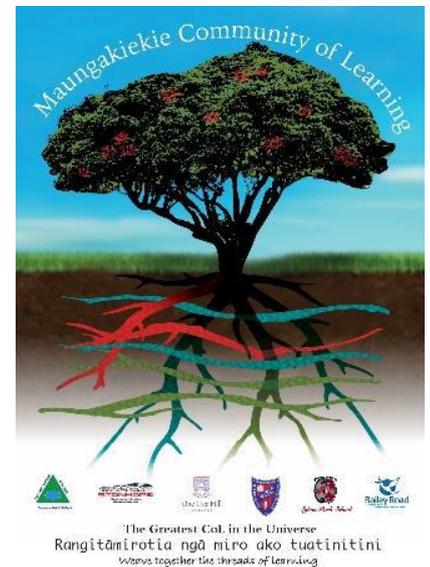
In the last week of term, the college added two new classrooms to cater for the significant growth we are experiencing. These have been located by the current Dance and Dramas studios. They will allow for greater flexibility of teaching spaces and cater for the additional demand for places at One Tree Hill College.

Finally, I would like to thank all the very hard-working and professional staff at One Tree Hill College who continue to provide so many excellent opportunities for our students. I am very aware that during these holidays, many staff are running study groups, workshops, and other opportunities for students to gain additional learning and credits towards their NCEA.

Have a very safe holiday and I look forward to seeing all students at the start of term 4 on Monday 10 October.

Best Wishes,

N Coughlan  
Principal



### Upcoming Events

10 October	Beginning of Term 4
13 October	Sports Awards, 6:00pm
21 October	Hinau Starship Mufti Day
24 October	Labour Day
4 November	Senior Prize Giving, 1:00pm
7 November	Graduation Dinner
14-15 November	Year 9 Examinations
5 December	Teacher Only Day
9 December	Junior Prize Giving, 10:00am

## STUDENT TRUSTEE

Congratulations to Ishwanka Sharma (Year 12) who has been elected as the Board of Trustees Student Trustee for the next year. Thank you to Alicia Kumar, Ausdan Selesese, Brittanie Simons, Desiree Sinapati, Taylah Tagaloa and Anahera Webb who were also well supported by their peers in the election. Our special thanks to outgoing Student Trustee, Opeti E-Moala Aholelei for his work in the last year representing our students on the Board of Trustees.

## SPORTS AWARDS

**Thursday 13 October, 6pm**

This important event will take place on Thursday 13 October in the college auditorium. We welcome all parents and caregivers to this event to celebrate the sporting achievements of our students and teams this year.

## HOLIDAY AND REVISION PROGRAMMES FOR SENIORS

A number of programmes and revision opportunities are being offered by staff for students doing NCEA during the school holidays. Senior students should already be aware of when these are occurring and what sessions they should be attending. Parents/caregivers are asked to discuss this with your child. Thank you to the staff who are giving up their time to give extra support to our students.

## 2016 SENIOR PRIZE GIVING

**Friday 4 November, 1:00pm**

Please join us for an afternoon of celebrating student success.

## NETBALL SUCCESS

Netball Rotorua recently hosted the annual Kurangaituku tournament, which started in 1933 and has grown to become the biggest netball tournament in New Zealand. Our Senior A netball team attended this tournament and over the weekend played ten games. Throughout the tournament the team demonstrated leadership, passion and determination, winning all but one of their games. This meant that One Tree Hill College came 1<sup>st</sup> in their grade which is another great achievement for One Tree Hill Colleges' netball programme in an outstanding season. This tournament was especially significant for our Year 13 players Rianna Pepe, Luisa Susu and Sharon Sinisa who have been heavily involved in our netball programme since starting at the college. Congratulations to the Senior A netball team, coaches and staff on their success.

The college would like to thank Pak'n Save Royal Oak for their support of the team at this tournament.



## NZQA FEES

Families must now contact the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) directly to pay any outstanding NZQA fees. These payments may be made online or by using the candidate fee payment form available from their website: [www.nzqa.govt.nz](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz)  
Payments made after the 1st of December 2016 will incur on top of the NZQA fee a late fee of \$50 (i.e. \$76.70 + \$50).

## PASIFIKA AWARDS EVENING

On Tuesday 20 September One Tree Hill College celebrated our Pasifika student achievements in true Pasifika style. The evening included cultural performances, songs from our successful chorale, performances from two Pasifika student bands, student speeches and of course, the most important aspect of the night, celebrating Pasifika academic success at One Tree Hill College. Guests were treated to two guest speakers, the first former prefect Tui Mulitalo who is currently working for a successful marketing company and New Zealand Warriors player, Tofofoa Siple, who also spent time as a trainee teacher at the college last year. The Marilyn Wales Auditorium was full to capacity showing the strong support the college has from our local Pasifika community.

Prestige Awards winners were:

- Year 9 - Jennifer Irshad
- Year 10 – Isaiah Silinu'u
- Year 11 – Bai Buliruarua
- Year 12 – Dolly Nihulu
- Year 13 - Mikayla Ngatoko

