



One Tree Hill  
COLLEGE

# NEWSLETTER

26 May 2016



## Principal's Message



**Dear Parents and Caregivers**

Tomorrow, Friday 27 May, Senior Assessment week begins. It is a week in which all senior students are scheduled to complete course examinations and assessments which, in many cases, count towards their final NCEA grades. All senior students must attend school every day as per their normal timetable. Most assessments and examinations will take place in period 1 and 2 each day. Please find attached to the email version of this newsletter, a full senior assessment timetable. Juniors will continue as per normal during this period. Please discuss with your child their timetable for the week and I would also like to ask all families to help their children by providing them with a quiet place in the home in which they can study and be prepared for these important assessments. In so many cases these upcoming examinations and assessments will prove essential for your child to achieve their NCEA this year.

I am delighted to be able to report that One Tree Hill College teams have made an outstanding start to the winter sports season. The results have been excellent at all levels across all sporting codes. At the premier level, our teams have recorded the following achievements already in 2016:

- Premier Netball – qualified for Auckland Secondary Schools Premier 1 competition. They play St Mary's College on Saturday at 9:30am at the Auckland Netball Centre.
- 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby – have beaten both Macleans College and Papatōetoe High School over the last two weeks to be in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Auckland 1B competition. They play Botany Downs Secondary College on Saturday at 12noon at Botany.
- 1<sup>st</sup> XI Football – after being unbeaten in the first 3 weeks of the competition, they defeated Glendowie College 2-1 on Tuesday in the Auckland Knock-Out Cup. This is a very significant result and progresses us into the top 16 round. They play Papatōetoe High School on Saturday at 10:00am at One Tree Hill College.

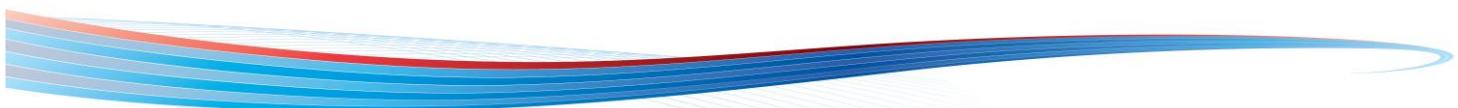
Finally, on behalf of our community, I would like extend my sincere thanks to our Board of Trustees who have provided such outstanding governance over the last 3 years. With only 3 members of the current Board standing for re-election (Darryl Follows - Chairman, Adrian Bull - Deputy Chairman and Max Guptill), there will be a new Board of Trustees when voting closes at 12noon, Friday 3 June.

To our outgoing Board members, I would like to make special mention. Garth Biggs and Maurits van den Berg have dedicated 8 and 7 years respectively to supporting our college. Their input has been invaluable to the development of the school. Berin Wong, a former student, who has served for 4 years, we also thank you.

I wish all seniors well for their assessments.

Best Wishes,

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Principal



## School Trustee Elections

The 2016 Triennial Board of Trustee elections are well underway. At the close of nominations on Friday 20 May 2016, the returning officer had received 12 nominations. Below is a time line for the Board of Trustees Elections process.

Voting papers were posted to all eligible parents and caregivers on Wednesday 25 May 2016. All parents will receive a voting paper containing the names of the candidates for whom they are able to vote for, together with the candidates' statements and a return envelope. You must return your voting paper via the post (please remember that NZ Post only provide the delivery service 3 times a week) or by handing the voting paper into the main school office. Voting closes on Friday 3 June at 12 noon. Please note that as Friday 3 June will be observed as a mid-term break, the main school office will be open until 12 noon to accept voting papers. No votes will be accepted after this time.

Please exercise your right and vote in the upcoming Board Elections. It is extremely important that any parent community selects the right mix of experience within the candidates to form the next Board, who will remain in office for the next three years. Your vote can ensure One Tree Hill College continues to move forward ensuring all our children have the opportunity to succeed.

Post voting papers	May 25
Close of voting at 12 noon	June 3
Votes counted	June 9
New Board takes office	June 10



## Careers Corner

The following University's will be holding information evenings in Auckland. If you are interested in attending these evenings please contact the Careers Department.

Victoria University	Tuesday 31 May 6:30pm, QBE Stadium, Albany
	Wednesday 6 July 6:30pm, Vodafone Events Centre, Manukau
	Thursday 4 August 6:30pm, Pullman Hotel, Auckland City
Otago University Law	Tuesday 21 June 7pm – 9pm, Rydges Hotel, Auckland City

The following organisations are having an Open Day:

YOOBEE School of Design	Saturday 2 July 10am – 2pm
SAE Creative Media Institute	Saturday 11 June 11am – 3pm at its Campus in Heather Street, Parnell

New Zealand Careers is holding its Auckland Expo at the ASB Showgrounds from Thursday 26 May until Saturday 28 May.

## USA University Sports Scholarships

Students interested in attending a University in America are invited to a seminar being held at One Tree Hill College on Monday 30 May from 7pm in the Auditorium. Central College Recruiting will be conducting the seminar.

## Upcoming Events

27 May – 2 June	Senior Assessment Week
3 June	Board Election – Poll Closes 12pm
3 June	Mid-Term Break – no school for students
6 June	Queen's Birthday – no school for students
10 June	New Board Takes Office
17 June	One Tree Hill Has Got Talent
14 June	The Big Sing Competition – Boys and Girls
20-22 June	Whanau Basketball