



One Tree Hill
COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER

28 October 2020



Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Caregivers

After a year of interruptions, cancellations and postponements, it is great to be holding large scale school events again. I know that I have certainly missed the energy and excitement they bring to our school community. This was certainly the case on Saturday evening, at our Senior School Ball held at Eden Park. Over 300 students and staff enjoyed a night of dancing, laughter and celebrations. A special mention to Year 13 students enjoying their last Senior Ball before they graduate at the end of the year.



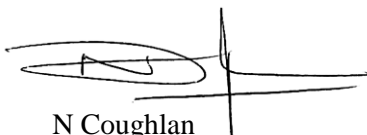
On Wednesday 21 October we enjoyed celebrating our Pasifika student successes at our annual Pasifika Awards – what an incredible night of celebrations. It was wonderful seeing families engaging with the college and celebrating their children's successes. As well as various awards being presented, we were also treated to a variety of student performances including dance, song, speech, and a media presentation. It seemed fitting that the first full school event after coming out of two lockdowns was the Pasifika Awards, as our last event before going into lockdown in March was our annual Cultural Evening. Our prestige awards winners for 2020 were (pictured on right):

- Year 9 – Rose-Marie Ah Siu
- Year 10 – Mosese Taufahema
- Year 11 – Foakautu'u Oto'ota
- Year 12 – Roy Rogers
- Year 13 – Iele Ieremia

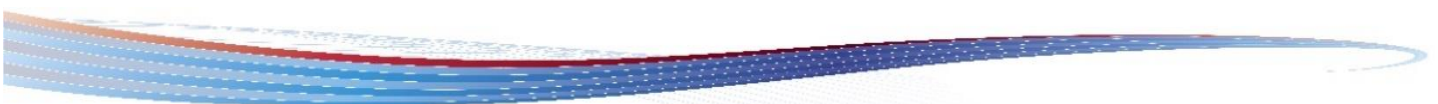


In yet another highlight last week, I would like to congratulate our Technology and Visual Arts students and staff. The exhibition of student work was simply outstanding, and a reflection of the great teaching occurring in these two faculties.

Enjoy the rest of the week,



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Principal



MUFTI DAY - FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

Students are welcome to wear mufti clothing to school on Friday. There must not be any combinations of school uniform and mufti. Any students who wear inappropriate items will have them confiscated.

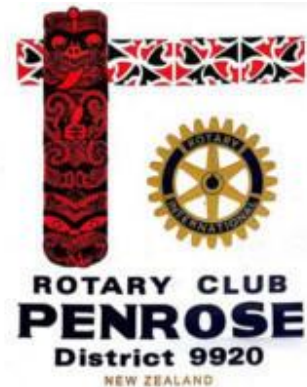
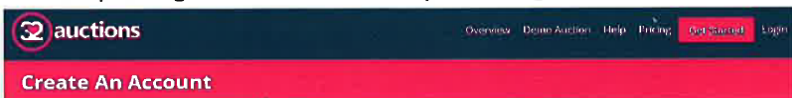
PENROSE ROTARY CHARITY AUCTION 2020

The Rotary Club of Penrose are proud of their strong affiliation to One Tree Hill College which now spans several decades. Over the years they have generously raised funds to support the Reading Enrichment Programme (REP), Year 9 Scholarships, Trees for Survival Programme, and the annual Science Forum. They have also supported many other students at the college with their various leadership opportunities.

In the absence of our annual Rotary Gala Dinner, they are running an online charity auction. Some of the items up for auction are on display in the college reception, or visit <http://www.32auctions.com/RCPCCharity2020> to view and bid. The auction closes on 31 October.

To bid on items follow the link above or the instructions below:

- 1 URL to access auction
<http://www.32auctions.com/RCPCCharity2020>
- 2 To bid first register with 32 Auctions
Select Login (Top RH corner of the page)
Select Create Account (or Login if you already have one)
Complete registration and 32Auctions will email a confirmation link
Once your registration is confirmed you can login and bid.



NZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

On Saturday 24 October, 5 One Tree Hill College students competed in the National Power Chess Tournament. Students involved were Iele Ieremia, Matthew Hookings, Charlie Zhang, Harry Nguyen, and Jonathon Hookings

The team placed 4th, one point behind the team in 3rd place. This is a tremendous effort.

All team members improved their chess rating. Jonathon had an outstanding day and was invited to participate in the individual tournament the next day.

The B team played in the online tournament, Jed Sanchez and Oscar Forman both played well improving their rating. The tournament consisted of 9 rounds of chess in which students play moves in a limited time frame.

COMING EVENTS

30 October	Mufti Day
9 November	Leavers' Dinner, 5:30pm
10 November	Senior Prize Giving 1pm
12-13 November	Junior Exams
16 November	NCEA External Exams Begin
19 November	MOE Teacher Only Day
25 November	Teacher Only Afternoon
3 December	Junior Prize Giving, 10am
4 December	Year 8 Transition Day

2020 SENIOR PRIZE GIVING - Tuesday 10 November, 1:00pm

Please join us for an afternoon of celebrating student success.

Junior students finish school at 11:30am. All buses have been arranged to operate at this earlier time – they will not run at their usual time and seniors attending will be required to make their own transport arrangements home following the conclusion of prizegiving at approximately 3:15pm.