

NEWSLETTER

29 July 2016



Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Caregivers

I am very pleased to welcome you all back to term 3 with the news that over the holidays our Boys Chorale were selected as a finalist for the New Zealand Big Sing Competition in Dunedin. This is a wonderful achievement which places them as one of New Zealand's best singing groups. The chorale will travel to Dunedin in late August and we know they will do us all proud.



In addition to this success, we were informed over the holidays that our Stage Challenge group gained two awards following their performance at the Aotea Centre last term. They were awarded best choreography and best performance awards. I would like to extend my congratulations to all the members of this group and Miss Kumar, their teacher.

By now you should have received a letter detailing information about our Parent/Teacher Day next week, on Tuesday 2 August. It is important that every family books times to meet with their child's teacher, using the on-line booking system, so that we are working together to enhance your child's

learning at our college. If you have not received this information, please contact the college immediately.

We expect every child to attend the interview with their parent(s)/caregiver(s) in their full school uniform. At the interview you will be able to enquire about your child's learning, as well as receive feedback from their teachers. Your child's report, attendance record and other important documents will also be available at this time.

Next week we also begin the enrolment processes for 2017 with our Open Day on Thursday 4 August. As the college is at capacity, all enrolments will be governed under the college's enrolment scheme. This means that all out of zone applicants will go into a ballot. If you wish to enrol a child at the college for 2017, both in zone and out of zone, you must come in during our enrolment days on 10 and 11 August, 8am – 8pm.

I look forward to seeing you at Parent/Teacher Day next Tuesday.

Best Wishes,

N Coughlan Principal



Upcoming Events

30 July School Ball

2 August Parent Teacher Interviews, 8am to 7pm

4 August OTHC Open Day

10-11 August Enrolment Days for 2017

16-18 August OTHC Got Talent

24-27 August Big Sing Finale, Dunedin

2 September Teacher Only Day
7 September Maori Awards Evening
12-16 September Senior Assessment Week

20 September Pasifika Awards Evening

Parent/Teacher Day - Tuesday 2 August, 8am to 7pm

Inspire Leadership Day



On Tuesday 5 July, ten Prefects and Mrs McKnight attended the annual Inspire Leadership Day organised by AUT in conjunction with Fuji Xerox and the Sir Peter Blake Trust. Everyone wore the Sir Peter Blake 'Red Socks' and were inspired by some exceptional speakers – William Pike, Michelle Dickinson, Keven Mealamu, Jo Brothers and Rachel Taulelei. All speakers gave inspirational talks about leadership in the 21st century and how we all need to play our part. Our Prefects represented our school with pride and came away feeling motivated and driven to make a difference in our community.

Silicon Valley Trip

On Wednesday 6 July, 18 computing and commerce students, Miss Lingham, Ms Rao and Ms Crawford went on an 11 day trip to San Francisco, Seattle and Los Angeles. They visited Silicon Valley, containing the headquarters of Facebook, Google, Intel, HP and many more leaders in technology. Students developed an understanding that it can be innovation, invention or inspiration from the people we work with, that leads to success and that the growth of the most successful businesses in the world multiples over years, rather than suddenly.

Students also got to experience American cuisine (The Cheesecake Factory being a highlight), watched a live baseball game, rode on the subway, visited the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and spent a day at Universal Studios. The learning students enjoyed was not just about what they learnt in the classroom, but about the opportunities and threats that exist in the wider world, including studying abroad, retail outlets, homelessness on a large scale, traffic and Police Officers walking around with holstered guns. After 39 hours of flying, 7 flights and 5 airports, the group arrived back exhausted and tanned, but with a touch of wanderlust, ready to see more of what the world has to offer.



Business Studies Market Day

Business studies students will be operating businesses selling food between 10am to 6pm on Parent Teacher Interview Day, as part of their subject assessment. This includes Hangi, Kebabs, Otai, Butter Chicken, Tacos, Fruit Cups and many more items priced between \$3 and \$10. All profits will be donated to Auckland City Mission.

Open Day

Thursday 4 August 2016 Guided tours will take place at: 9:00am, 10:00am, 4:00pm and 5:00pm Meet in the College reception

Year 9 Rotary Scholarships

Applications are invited from any students seeking enrolment in Year 9 at One Tree Hill College for 2017.

LEVEL A SCHOLARSHIPS have a value of \$1000 each and can be used for educational purposes for as long as the student is enrolled at One Tree Hill College.

LEVEL B SCHOLARSHIPS cover the cost of subject material fees to a maximum of \$100 during the first year of enrolment at One Tree Hill College.

Application forms can be obtained from the College reception and must be completed and returned by 4pm Friday 12 August 2016.

Year 9 Enrolments

All enrolments for 2017 will be governed under an enrolment scheme. Please refer to our website for more details and a map of the One Tree Hill College zone.

In Zone Enrolments

All in zone students must be enrolled on our special enrolment days on Wednesday 10 August or Thursday 11 August 2016, 8am to 8pm.

Out of Zone Enrolments

All out of zone students must be enrolled on our special enrolment days on Wednesday 10 August or Thursday 11 August 2016, 8am to 8pm.

The last day for out of zone enrolments is Wednesday 7 September 2016.

All out of zone enrolments are provisional until the ballot takes place on Wednesday 14 September 2016.

All families will be contacted regarding the outcome of the ballot process.