

NEWSLETTER

23 June 2017



Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is my pleasure to inform you that it has been a great couple of weeks for our music programme at One Tree Hill College. Last week our Boys Chorale and Peka Totara Girls Choir both sang at the Auckland Big Sing competition and both received significant awards.

Awards were presented following the gala night. The Boys Chorale was the runner up for *Best Festival Recital Programme by a Male Choir*, which was accepted by head choristers, Inoke Fono and Salesi Akau'ola. Peka Totara won the *Ministry of Youth Spirit of the Festival Certificate*, awarded to the choir that displays leadership, commitment, high choral standards and innovation, which was accepted by head choristers, Rocielli Fernando and Jez Reguerra. My congratulations to all the staff and students involved.





To finish a great week, one of the One Tree Hill College bands, Rhythm and Vibes, competed in the annual Pasifica Beats competition and were selected to go through to the grand final where the top ten bands in Auckland will compete to be champions. I wish the band good luck on Saturday night in the final which will be held at Auckland Girls Grammar.

We have a huge Saturday of sport ahead of us with many big games for our teams. This week I would like to highlight three top of the table games in particular - I know the players would love your support:

9:30am Premier Netball vs St Kentigern College Auckland Netball Centre
10:00am 1st XI Boys Football vs Liston College One Tree Hill College
11:00am 1st XV Rugby vs Onehunga High School One Tree Hill College

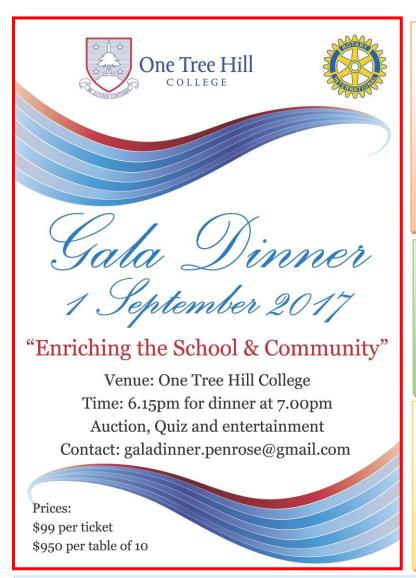
Best Wishes,

N Coughlan Principal **Upcoming Events**

29 June School finishes early at 1:10pm 30 June Hinau 'Starship' Mufti Day \$2 1 July Senior School Ball, Eden Park, 7pm

6 July Stage Challenge, Aotea Centre

7 July Last Day of Term 2



Gala Dinner

On Friday 1 September, in association with the Penrose Rotary Club, a Gala Dinner will be held at One Tree Hill College. This event is a fundraiser to support the Rotary Enrichment Programme, as well as the various other activities the Rotary Club provide for our students and community. It will be an evening of fun and good company. If you wish to attend, please refer to the details on the poster. If you cannot attend, but are able to provide items for the auction, this would also be greatly appreciated.

School Donation and Subject Fees

Thank you to all families who have paid these. If you are unsure of your child's outstanding balance please contact the college for an updated statement. Should you wish to discuss any account matter please contact our Executive Officer, Mrs Lorraine Biggs on extension 706 or email directly to lbiggs@onetreehillcollege.school.nz

Central Park Business Area and Ellerslie Township

Students are reminded that they are not permitted to use the Central Park area as a thoroughfare to and from Ellerslie, nor are they to loiter in Ellerslie. We would appreciate parents reiterating this message to all students to avoid trespass orders being issued.

Thursday 29 June - School finishes at 1:10pm

All students will be able to go home at 1:10pm on Thursday 29 June to allow the Board to meet with staff.

Enrolments for 2018

All enrolments for 2018 will again be governed under an enrolment scheme. Please refer to our website for more details and a map of the One Tree Hill College zone.

All enrolments for 2018 must be processed on (or before) our special enrolment days on **Wednesday 9 and Thursday 10 August 2017**. Any out of zone students who do not enrol on these dates are likely to find themselves on a waiting list following the ballot. This is especially important for Year 9 enrolments for 2018.

One Tree Hill College will be holding an Open Day for any families wishing to have a tour around the college on **Monday 7 August 2017**. Tours will leave the reception at 9am, 10am, 4pm and 5pm.

There are a number of Rotary Scholarships available for Year 9 enrolments in 2018. Application forms can be downloaded from the website or collected from the college reception. If you have any questions about enrolling at One Tree Hill College please do not hesitate to contact the college.

NCEA Fees 2017

All Year 11, 12 and 13 students are required to pay one fee of \$76.70 for all NCEA standards assessed in 2017. This amount is due by **4pm, Monday 28 August.**

However, significant financial assistance is available for families who:

- receive a Work and Income or Study benefit;
- are eligible for a Community Services Card;
- have more than one child entering for NZQA qualifications this year.

By completing a very simple form, this reduces the NCEA fee to \$20 (or \$30 if paying for more than one child in the family). The forms are available from reception. These forms must be returned to the college reception by **Friday 18 August**. Please contact the college reception if you require further information regarding this process.