

NEWSLETTER

12 April 2018



Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Caregivers

It was a very proud moment late Monday evening when former One Tree Hill College student, David Liti stunned the Commonwealth by lifting a record total 403kg, winning gold and along with it, the hearts of New Zealand. David was a school Prefect and a member of the 1st XV whilst he attended One Tree Hill College between 2011 and 2015. He is a humble young man who is very proud of his 'old' school.

David cleared 174kg in the snatch and was successful, in his final attempt, with 229kg in the clean and jerk to claim the gold medal. David's trademark kiss, which he blew to the judges after each successful lift, is typical of his laid back, fun-filled personality. David's coach, Tina Ball, has coached many One Tree Hill College weightlifters over the years, including fellow Commonwealth Games competitor Ianne Guinares who finished 7th in the 62kg division.





Today, NZQA released the final NCEA results for 2017. It is my pleasure to inform our community that the results for One Tree Hill College are again outstanding and reflect the extremely high quality teaching and learning taking place. Our confirmed 2017 NCEA results were:

NCEA Level 1	91%
NCEA Level 2	91%
NCEA Level 3	80%

Please remember that today is our Parent/Teacher Interview Day at the college and it is always a wonderful opportunity for us to connect as a community. This is a critical opportunity for every student to be involved in three-way conversations involving their teacher, parents and of course, themselves. It is imperative that all families commit to attending at some stage during the day, between 8am to 7pm. Bookings with their teachers can be done using the electronic booking form. Information has been circulated through emails on how to access this booking form. Please ensure that students attend in full school uniform.

It is also an opportunity to develop relationships with your child's teachers so that we can work together to provide as much support as possible for your child. I am sure you would have realised by now that the vast majority of our communication occurs via email. It is therefore important that we have the correct email addresses for all parents and caregivers. If your contact details change at any point during the year. Please inform the college reception.

I look forward to seeing you all at Parent/Teacher interviews today.

Kind regards

N Coughlan Principal

Last Day of Term – School finishes at 1:30pm

We will be finishing school on Friday 13 April at 1:30pm. We have arranged for buses to collect students at this earlier time. Please ensure adequate arrangements are made for your child to get home safely. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and will see you back ready for term two at 8:55am, Monday 30 April 2018.

Parent/Teacher Interviews – Key Questions To Ask

- How is my child progressing?
- How are my child's attitudes to learning?
- What can my child do to enhance their learning?
- What can we, as a family, do to enhance my child's learning?
- What other opportunities are there for my child to enhance their learning?

1st XV 1A Playoff Game

Following an outstanding 2017 season, the 1st XV have a playoff game on Saturday 28 April against Tamaki College to decide who will compete in the prestigious 1A competition in Auckland rugby this year. The game will kick-off at 2:30pm and be played at Tamaki College.

The game will be televised live on the Sky Sports Rugby channel, such is the interest in this game. However to support the team as much as possible, we would love your support at the ground. Please wear your One Tree Hill College branded clothing and be ready to make lots of noise cheering the team on.



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. Please remember that the college counts on you paying these amounts to ensure it can provide the best learning opportunities and facilities for your children. It is appreciated if payments could be paid to the college reception as soon as possible. Payment of subject fees is compulsory.

Here are some methods which may suit you best:

- ✓ Credit card we are able to accept Visa or Mastercard for payment of your account
- ✓ Payments on line these may be made directly to our bank a/c # 12-3023-0600686-00 Please be sure to provide pupil's name as details so we can correctly identify the account being paid.
- ✓ Payments by instalment should you wish to make weekly/ fortnightly/ monthly payments this can also be done on line, as above, or arranged by signing an "automatic bank payment authority".
- ✓ Payments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS at our reception are also viable options.

Should you wish to discuss any account matters please contact our Executive Officer, Mrs Lorraine Biggs on extension 706 or email him directly at lbiggs@onetreehillcollege.school.nz or call into reception and speak with our friendly receptionist Mrs Lisa Whiting.

Coming Events

12 April Parent Teacher Interviews
13 April End of Term One, 1:30pm
28 April 1st XV 1A Playoff Game, 2:30pm
30 April Term Two commences
7-11 May Whānau Basketball
14 May Board Meeting, 6pm

Central Park Business Area including 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.