

# Start of Year 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We hope you have had a wonderful holiday. Please find following important dates and information regarding the start of the 2021 school year.

# 1. START UP TIMES AND DATES FOR 2021

- Any Year 10-13 who have gaps in their timetable will be contacted with a time to meet with a member of the Senior Leadership Team on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021 for timetable confirmation. Students are to attend these meetings in full school uniform please. Timetables can be viewed on the KAMAR portal from January 2021.
- Full school for all year levels will commence at **9.15am on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021** (**Timetable Day 2**). Students will go directly to their whānau classroom for the start of the school day. Students will start on timetabled lessons for Day 2 from Period 2 onwards. Students will need to bring their laptop and all other required subject stationery and equipment on this day. Please note school buses will be running and the canteen will be open from this day.

All students must attend in **FULL** school uniform from their first day.

# 2. WHĀNAU LEADERS

Your child will be allocated to one of our four whānau (houses). Each whānau has a leadership team who are your first point of contact should you have any queries throughout the year:

Hināu Whānau Kōwhai Whānau Miro Whānau Tawa Whānau Ms C Whittle and Mr J Qionimua Mrs A McDonnell and Mr A Maea-Brown Miss R Husband and Mr K Eiman Miss A Taylor and Mr S Davies

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#### 3. UNIFORM

All students must be wearing correct school uniform from their first day. Our One Tree Hill College uniform can only be purchased from The Warehouse store located in Sylvia Park Shopping Centre. Phone: 09 9850510. Substituted items <u>are not</u> permitted. A full list of uniform requirements can be found on our website <u>www.onetreehillcollege.school.nz</u>. The Physical Education (PE) uniform can be purchased via the school website. The PE uniform is compulsory for all students (years 9-13) who learn PE as a subject. Ordered PE uniforms can be collected from the College from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Parents will receive an email when items are ready for collection.

# 4. STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Stationery can be ordered directly from Office Max via <a href="https://www.myschool.co.nz/othcoll">https://www.myschool.co.nz/othcoll</a>. Stationery lists are also available on the school website. Please check your child's subjects via the Parent and Student Portal. Please note timetable gaps will be addressed via an appointment with one the Senior Leadership Team on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

#### 5. LAPTOPS

All students are required to bring a laptop to school on a daily basis from the start of 2021. Laptops are an important part of the learning programme. Teachers and students utilize Office 365 as the College's teaching and learning platform.

### 6. SCHOOL DONATION AND OTHER COSTS

The One Tree Hill College Board of Trustees has opted into the Government Donations Scheme, which means in 2021 we will not be asking parents for a school donation. This will also mean most curriculum related costs will also be covered by the College (excluding stationery and overnight school extra-curricular trips). There will still be a required payment for items or services that are extra-curricular (eg. sports teams, cultural groups, etc) or when there are 'take-home' components of courses. These costs will be detailed on stationery lists and communicated by teachers.

#### 7. BELL TIMES

School begins at 8:45am on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. School starts at 9.15am on Tuesday. School finishes at 3:20pm, Monday to Friday. The bell times are included.

# 8. BUSES

School buses are run by Auckland Transport. Students require a HOP card or cash to travel on the school buses. School buses drop off and pick up outside the school gym at the Rockfield Road Entrance to the College. Bus routes for 2021 are yet to be confirmed but are unlikely to change. The 2020 bus routes are attached. Parents and students are advised to check the AT website journey planner at <a href="www.at.govt.nz/journeyplanner">www.at.govt.nz/journeyplanner</a> – complete an advanced search to locate school bus routes.

## 9. PARENT AND STUDENT PORTAL

Students will be able to view their timetables via the KAMAR portal <a href="www.onetreehillcollege.school.nz">www.onetreehillcollege.school.nz</a> from January 2021. Portal log on details have been emailed to the main caregiver.

### 10. SCHOOL RECEPTION

The school reception will be open in the new year on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021 from 9.00am until 3.00pm. During term time, School Reception and Student Services will be open daily from 8.00am until 4.00pm. You are able to contact the school reception by telephone on 09 579 5049 or email <a href="mailto:office@onetreehillcollege.school.nz">office@onetreehillcollege.school.nz</a>

The staff and I are looking forward to working with your child in 2021 so that the best possible learning outcomes are achieved. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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