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One Tree Hill  
COLLEGE

June 2012

**To the Parents and Community of One Tree Hill College**

**These are the findings of the 2012 Education Review Office's report on One Tree Hill College:**

"The 2009 ERO review of One Tree Hill College identified that students were proud of their school, that they felt safe and had a strong sense of belonging. Students' positive attitudes remain very evident. They enjoy a student-focused and inclusive school culture. Key features of the school's recent development include continued roll growth, increased community confidence and improved student achievement.

The new Principal, appointed in 2010, is working well with a new leadership team to lead and manage the school. They have developed a culture of self-review that is purposeful and contributes to positive change for students. The school's focus on personalised learning demonstrates the high value and priority that is given to student engagement, progress and achievement.

**Learning: How well are students learning – engaging, progressing and achieving?**

The quality of teaching is very good. Classroom environments are settled and purposeful. The school's curriculum promotes and supports student learning.

Students are highly engaged and making good progress with their learning. Students in Years 9 and 10 make good progress in literacy and numeracy. NCEA results from 2010 to 2011 showed significant improvement, particularly in NCEA Level 1, and in merit endorsements.

In years 11 to 13 there have also been some significant improvements. These include:

- a significant increase in the number of students achieving NCEA Level 1 in 2011 and improved achievement from 2010 to 2011 in NCEA Level 2
- an increase in the number of excellence endorsements at NCEA Level 2
- high rates of achievement in literacy and numeracy at NCEA Level 1

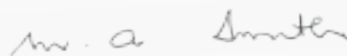
A strong focus on relationships as a foundation for teaching and learning is evident. The school's student leadership programmes are particularly effective. Students have many and varied opportunities to contribute, lead and experience success through music, sports, art, culture and pastoral care programmes. Strong pastoral support is provided by senior leaders, teachers and the whānau structure.

**Sustainable Performance: How well placed is the school to sustain and improve its performance?**

The school is well placed to sustain and improve its performance. The school's leadership is strategic, focused and responsive to student and staff needs. The leadership team is collaborative and collegial. School leaders demonstrate innovative and reflective practices and are appropriately focused on school improvement and effective learning. Students are at the centre of the school's decision making processes.

The 2009 ERO report commented on the significant progress, forward-thinking and determined leadership of the board, principal and key staff. Trustees, the new principal, curriculum leaders and key staff have effectively sustained this progress and continued to improve the school's performance. The leadership momentum gained over the last two years should result in further gains in student achievement."

If you would like a copy of the full report, please see the ERO website, <http://www.ero.govt.nz>



Makere Smith  
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At One Tree Hill College we are committed to high standards and excellent student achievement. We reflect the values and aspirations of our local community. Our latest Education Review Office (ERO) Report emphasises our excellent standard of teaching and learning. We focus on achieving the best outcomes for our students and local community:

#### **Academic Success:**

- Very high quality teaching
- Excellent rates of achievement and endorsements in NCEA
- High rates of success in literacy & numeracy
- NCEA Scholarships achieved
- Creative and critical thinking classes for gifted and talented students
- Strong academic and careers counselling

#### **Positive College Environment:**

- Strong whanau based support structures for all students
- Parents are fully involved in their child's learning
- We are a restorative practising college and we value positive relationships
- Anti-social behaviour is not tolerated
- Student Support Centre which includes a nurse, social worker and counsellor

#### **Strong Sports Programmes:**

- Academies to develop talent in Rugby, Football, Netball, Hockey, Softball, Volleyball, Basketball and Baseball
- New Zealand Baseball Champions 2012 & 2013
- Many Auckland and New Zealand representatives
- Teams compete in top grade competitions
- Quality coaches - many with national honours

#### **Excellent Performing Arts Programme:**

- National Stage Challenge Champions 2010 & won 3 awards in 2014
- 'Bring It On' Dance Champions 2013
- Winner in Pasifika Beats New Zealand Band Competition 2011
- Auckland winner of Smokefree Rockquest 2011
- New Zealand Finalist Big Sing Competition 2014

#### **Modern Teaching and Learning Facilities:**

- \$16m property redevelopment in recent years
- Ultrafast broadband throughout the college
- Fully wireless and BYOD compatible
- All classrooms have been refurbished and are fully IT capable
- New technology centre, gymnasium, knowledge centre, administration area, student services centre, music suites and auditorium
- The most valuable and extensive art collection in any New Zealand school

#### **Leadership and Direction:**

- Our senior leaders have high expectations for student achievement, attitude, behaviour and uniform
- We have strong traditional values, underpinning our philosophy of placing students at the centre
- Our Board of Trustees are strategic thinkers and they value input from our community
- We have recruited highly professional staff who provide high quality teaching and learning

Our college has a bright future and is well positioned to achieve excellence in every area.

Kind regards,

**Nick Coughlan**  
Principal







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# Enrol Now For 2015

### Year 9 Rotary Scholarships

Applications are invited from any students seeking enrolment in Year 9 at One Tree Hill College for 2015.

**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: 4.00pm Friday 8 August 2014.

### Open Day

Wednesday 6 August 2014.  
Guided tours will take place at:  
9.00am, 10.00am, 4.00pm and 5.00pm  
Meet in the College reception.

### Year 9 Enrolments

All enrolments for 2015 will be governed under a new 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 Tuesday 12 or Thursday 14 August 2014, 8am to 8pm.

#### Out of Zone Enrolments

All out of zone students must be enrolled on our special enrolment days on Tuesday 12 or Thursday 14 August 2014, 8am to 8pm. The last day for out of zone enrolments is Wednesday 3 September 2014. All out of zone enrolments are provisional until the ballot takes place on Wednesday 10 September 2014. All families will be contacted regarding the outcome of the ballot process.

**ONE TREE HILL COLLEGE HAS RECEIVED A GREAT DEAL OF POSITIVE PUBLICITY ON NATIONAL TELEVISION.**

If you missed the programmes they can be seen on the following links:

[www.tvnz.co.nz/close-up/art-heart-school-s-success-video-4918579](http://www.tvnz.co.nz/close-up/art-heart-school-s-success-video-4918579)

[www.tvnz.co.nz/close-up/monday-june-18-4935469/video](http://www.tvnz.co.nz/close-up/monday-june-18-4935469/video)

Make an informed choice  
about your child's future

