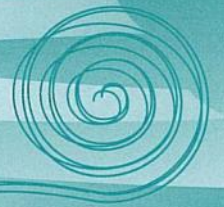


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Newsletter



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Term 1: 18th - 29th March 2019

Kia ora koutou katoa - Daniel Murfitt, Principal

ATHLETICS 2019



**2018 WINNERS PRIME MINISTER'S EDUCATION
AWARD: EDUCATION FOCUS: TAKATŪ**

**2017 WINNERS PRIME MINISTER'S EDUCATION AWARD: EXCELLENCE IN LEADING:
ATAKURA
FINALISTS FOR TEACHING & LEARNING /GOVERNANCE**

SCHOOL PHOTOS

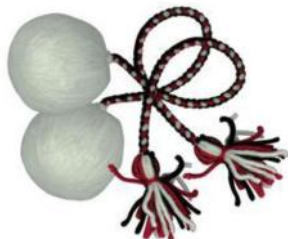
CHEESE!



Final day for orders is **Friday 12th April**.

ID Student Cards are \$10.00 each and can be paid for at the front office. These are available to purchase throughout the year.

KAPA HAKA 2019



Practices started last Wednesday: 3.20pm-4.30pm and will continue up until Kapa Regionals in 10 weeks.

If you are serious about performing we want you. Bring a change of clothes, drink of water and poi.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

At the beginning of this term along with all our new domestic students, we welcomed twelve new international students from Germany, Japan and Sweden.

Warm welcome to: Ayuki Oka, Kotona Hashimoto, Kento Nakaoji, Haruka Konagano and Takuya Ogyu from Japan, Carl Omberg from Sweden, Magnus Beck, Lukas Dorfner and Soenke Elbrecht from Germany.

Next month we are expecting another ten students from Brazil bringing our total number of international students to 25.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We ask that all students wear either plain black shoes (no ankle boots) or plain black sandals with a back strap under the ankle. Students who have technology classes need to wear covered shoes in these classes. **Please ensure your child's uniform items are named clearly, this helps if they end up in lost property.**

Kidscan - We are fortunate to be supported by Kidscan with shoes and jackets (Warrior wind jackets). If you require any of these items please contact the Student Office.

Looking good makes you feel good, which leads to better performance.

When people take pride in the way they dress, they are showing respect for themselves, to their family and their school. When this happens others show them respect and start looking at the positive things they do instead of the negatives.

We expect all students to be equipped with the correct uniform, and for Year 13 students to wear appropriate tidy mufti. To ensure school is a place where learning is a priority and conflict is minimised, any student who is wearing incorrect uniform will be sent home to take the incorrect item home (they will then be expected to return to school). No notes will be accepted and we will not be taking incorrect uniform off students and holding it until the end of the day.

TEACHER ONLY DAY & INDUSTRIAL ACTION

On Wednesday 27th March the school will be closed as all teachers and teacher aides will be undertaking professional development.

Teachers will be developing their skills in running Restorative Circles. These are facilitated dialogues used to build school communities, develop positive relationships, and provide opportunities for effective teaching and learning. They foster calmer, more focused classrooms in which less time is spent managing behaviour.

Teacher aides within our Student Support Centre will be working with Jenny Tebbutt. Jenny has vast experience in delivering professional development to support people working with students who require extra support to achieve.

Thank you for the opportunity that this time provides for all of our staff to work collaboratively on improving their skills to support our students.

Teacher Industrial Action

As many of you will know there has been ongoing negotiation between the government and the teacher unions relating to teachers' contracts. These negotiations have been very intense as teachers have been restrained from putting in reasonable pay demands on governments for the past ten years. This was due to the impact of the Christchurch earthquake and the global financial crisis.

On Wednesday 3rd April, there is either a planned paid union meeting in the afternoon to ratify the offer presented by the government or a full day strike if the two groups don't come to agreement.

I know that the last thing teachers want to do is strike. But I also know that if action is not taken, we will continue to lose teachers from the profession and struggle to attract highly skilled recruits. I firmly believe education is the most critical factor in improving the life of young people and their families, and therefore the country. I also know that the most critical factor is the quality of the teachers. I apologise for the potential disruption, but I hope you are able to understand the critical nature of the situation.

We will advise on our facebook page, school app and newsletter distribution list whether it will be a paid union meeting or full day strike.

Daniel Murfitt
Principal

PERFORMING ARTS MELBOURNE TRIP



As part of the fundraising for students attending the Melbourne trip in April we are holding a student performance, Friday 5th April in the school hall 6.30pm. Entry will be \$10.

The Performing Arts department are running a raffle to win this mirror (roughly 78cm height and 55cm width) handcrafted by our very own Damon Rangitaawa. Tickets are only \$10 and you can buy as many as you like. Contact Janneke on 027 386 6143 to book and for more info. All funds go to the Melbourne Performing Arts trip in April.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child needs to attend an appointment during school hours please provide a written note/text or phone the Attendance Office: 8310180 Ext 825 or 826. Your child will need to sign out at the student office before they leave the grounds.

ASPIRE, ACT, ACHIEVE: WAWATATIA, MAHIA, EKEA

SCHOOL UNIFORM JACKETS / CAPS



School jackets and caps are available for purchase from the School Office. These uniform items **are not sold at The Warehouse**.



Cost for the jackets are \$92.00. The jackets are produced by Kooga Clothing; they are waterproof, windproof and very warm. This is the only item of clothing with a hood that may be worn to school. The caps are \$25 and are able to be worn at school.

SAMOA TRIP 2020



Planning for our next annual trip to Samoa has started. If you would like your child to be part of this trip please pick up a letter from the front office.

The purpose of the trip is to provide an experience and build connections and leadership for our students. It also provides them with experience in planning and fundraising for the trip.

CELLPHONES AT SCHOOL

NO CELLPHONES are to be used in the classroom as they are a serious disruption to student learning and outcomes. Please support your child's learning by not texting or phoning during class time. If you need to contact your child please phone the college office and we can arrange this.

KEY DATES

Mon 18th March:	Level One Kayak Trip
Tues 19th March:	Level One Kayak Trip
Wed 20th March:	Level Two Canoe Trip Parents Association Meeting: 6pm in the staffroom: all welcome
Thurs 21st March:	Level Two Canoe Trip
Mon 25th March:	Board of Trustees Meeting: 5.30pm Staff Workroom
Wed 27th March:	Teacher Only Day
Wed 3rd April:	Year 7 Boostrix & Year 8 HPV Possible Paid Union Meeting or Full Day Strike: will advise when confirmed
Fri 5th April:	Year 7 & 8's Marae trip to Pukemokimoki Marae Melbourne Trip Fundraiser: 6.30pm, \$10, students performing
Fri 12th April:	Last day of Term One, World Famous @ WCC Assembly: 2pm Performing Arts Students to Melbourne
Mon 29th April:	Term Two commences

