

Welcome back to the new term.

Senior Exams

Senior exams: students who were unable to sit an exam during the week are expected to attend school on Friday to sit any missed exams. This includes students who were unable to attend on account of transport issues in the stormy weather or unwell on any day.

Catch up day is on Friday 18 October. Students and parents have been contacted if a student needs to attend on this day, otherwise students are not required at school, although supervised study is available.

These exams are to indicate to a student where they are at in terms of their learning. It is important that they use the feedback to make the most of identifying their gaps in learning and set up a regular study routine to be well prepared for externals in November.

Junior Reports

Years 9 and 10 will receive Junior Credit Updates on Thursday 17 October of this week which includes outcomes from Term 3 and a Junior Certificate / Junior Diploma update. Note the change from the original issuing date of Wednesday.

Subject Selection Evening (Current Year 10s)

Year 10 - a subject information evening will be held on Thursday 17 October at 7pm in the college hall to assist Year 10s with choosing subjects for Year 11 2020. Parents will be provided with information on the subject selection process leading into NCEA Level 1.

Uniform

By the end of Week 2, all students are expected to be in full summer uniform including Roman sandals. The only exception to this will be granted to Year 13 students leaving at the end of Week 4 of Term 4, who would like to remain in regulation winter shoes instead of buying sandals for just a few weeks. Please make sure your children are in the correct footwear.

Student Support and Wellbeing

We have seen an increase in the number of students vaping on the way to and from school and in school grounds. A reminder that any vaping is against school policy regardless of whether or not they contain nicotine. If your child is in possession of this paraphernalia then we encourage families to discuss the need for this to remain at home and used under the guidance of parents, whānau and caregivers only.

Career News

Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT) is holding an Open Day on Saturday 19 October from 10:00am – 2:00pm at their Manukau Campus (cnr Manukau Station Road and Davies Avenue. Register online @ manukau.ac.nz/study/improudas/experience-mit/open-day

Vetel Open Day Wednesday 23 October 10:00am - 2:00pm. Fees free options. Courses available include: Mechanical Engineering, Retail, Customer Service, Agriculture, etc. Transport available. Phone: 07 8687892

University of Canterbury applications are open for enrolment now. Log into myUC

Online resource:

School-leavers-toolkit.education.govt.nz

Featured topics: 1. Loans, scholarships, fees free. 2. Moving out of home. 3. Taking care of myself. 4. Getting a job

Sports News

Sports prize giving 24 October 7pm in the college hall. All students receiving awards will be notified in the next few days.

Congratulations to:

Michael Ellis - placing 1st in the Individual U16 National Eagles Golf Tournament.

Senior Girls Basketball Team competing at the National AA Schick Basketball Tournament.

Shooting Team competing at the NISS and NZSS Shooting Championships.

NISS Results:

Girls Team - Points Score 2nd place (Ayisha Hull, Katrina & Lauryn Bond)

Ashling Welch - Ladies Skeet 2nd place

Brady Coldicutt - 3rd place Boys Single Rise

NZSS Results: Girls Team - 1st place Points Score & 1st in Kilwell Postal Shoot (Ayisha, Katrina, Lauryn)

Ashling Welch - 1st place Ladies Single Barrel

Brady Coldicutt - 1st place Boys Single Barrel

Lauryn Bond - 1st place Ladies Points Score

2nd place Ladies Single Barrel

1st place Girls Individual Kilwell Postal Shoot

1st place Girls High Gun

1st place Ladies 2 day High Gun

Member of the North v South Girls Championship – 1st place

Term 4 Calendar:

Catch-up Day: Friday 18 October.

Sports Prize Giving: Thursday 24 October.

Second Out of Zone Ballot closes 12 midday on 25 October.

Arts Festival & CD Release Concert: Tuesday 29 October.

Last day for non-exam senior students: Wednesday 30 October.

Senior Prize Giving: Friday 1 November at 7pm.

Year 8 Orientation: Wednesday 20 November.

Year 9 Certificate Prize Giving: Thursday 28 November 10:30am.

Year 10 Diploma Prize Giving: Friday 29 November 10:30am.

Junior Camps: Monday 2 December to Friday 6 December.

Year 13 Leadership Camp: Monday 9 and Tuesday 10 December.

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