18 September 2020

Kia ora koutou Dear Parents and Whānau

Over this past week, we have celebrated **Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori / Māori Language Week**, an event that has been on the national calendar each year from 1975. Encouraging to see the number of students and staff, both Māori and Pakeha, giving it a go.

**Cultural and Arts Awards Evening:** With the uncertainty of COVID levels, we have cancelled the annual Cultural and Arts Awards evening. Major awards, including Cultural Blues, will be presented at the Senior Academic Prize Giving.

**Unplugged Concert:** This event is happening in the Music Room on Thursday 24 September. Limited tickets available. Always a great night of entertainment.

**Subject Selection for 2021:** Years 10, 11 and 12 students will be given Subject Selection Guides in week one of next term. There will be a Subject Selection evening for Parents / Whānau and students to attend on Thursday 15 October.

**Practice Exams:** Despite the unsettledness and uncertainty of Term 3, we are happy with how senior students in particular are focusing on completing their NCEA qualification. A study skills workshop will run next week for students with external exams.

Senior students with external exams in Term 4 will have practice exams in Week 2 of next term. Exams will take place from Tuesday 20 October to Thursday 22 October of Week 2 in normal class times. Other classes who do not have exams will run as normal.

**Sports:** Congratulations to the Senior Boys Basketball team for taking out the Thames Valley Championship recently. Good luck to the 1st XV and HPC Under 15 West rugby teams who are both in finals on Saturday at Waihi, and to College A Netball in the TVSS Boulton Cup on Wednesday.

## **Events Coming Up**

Tue 22 Sep Auckland Uni Liaison Visit

Wed 23 Sep Thames Valley Boulton Cup (Netball College A)
Thu 24 Sep HPC Cross-Country - 1pm at the HPC Farm

Thu 24 Sep 7pm Unplugged Concert
Thu 24 Sep 5pm Board Meeting
Fri 25 Sep End of Term 3

Term 4:

Mon 12 Oct Term 4 Starts
Thu 29 Oct 7pm Sports Prize Giving

Mon 2 Nov Year 9 Dilworth / Rototuna Exchanges

Friday 6 Nov 7pm Senior Academic Prize Giving

Wed 2 Dec Year 9 Junior Certificate Prize Giving Thu 3 Dec Year 10 Junior Diploma Prize Giving

Mon 7-Wed 9 Dec Years 9 and 10 Camps

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