



## SPECIAL NEWSLETTER

10 October 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Please be aware of the following important calendar dates:

- **Term 4 begins on Monday 14 October**, and concludes on **Friday 6 December** for Years 9 and 10.
- **Sports Awards** Thursday 17 October - Racecourse Function Centre 7.15pm
- **Pasifika Awards** Friday 18 October – Racecourse Function Centre 7.00pm
- **Cultural Awards** Thursday 24 October – Space Studio and Gallery 6.30pm where senior student's art work will be on display and drinks and nibbles will be served. Then to the Royal Whanganui Opera House by 7.30pm for the awards ceremony.
- **Māori Awards** Thursday 31 October – WHS School Hall 6.00pm

*Tickets for all events can be purchased from the Student Centre and Main office.*

- Finishing dates for the Senior school:

**Year 11: Tuesday 5 November, Prizegiving at 1.30pm** in the School Hall.

**Years 9, 10, 12 and 13 are released at 12.50pm.** Prizegiving finishes by 3.05pm.

This is the last day for Year 11 students unless they are asked to come in for extra lessons in relation to NCEA Level 1.

**Year 12: Wednesday 6 November, Prizegiving at 1.30pm** in the School Hall.

**Years 9, 10, and 13 are released at 12.50pm.** Prizegiving finishes by 3.05pm.

This is the last day for Year 12 students unless they are asked to come in for extra lessons in relation to NCEA Level 2.

**Year 13: Wednesday 6 November, Prizegiving at 7.00pm** in the School Hall, followed by supper in the Library for students and their families.

This is the last day for Y13 students.

**Final reports** will be issued on each of these days, and sent to families via email.

- **NCEA examinations** start on **Friday 8 November**. Students will be issued with their entry slips and instructions on their last day. An exam schedule can be found on the NZQA website. Students are encouraged to print a timetable off and plan accordingly. Parents are reminded that NZQA exams cannot be rescheduled – they can only be done on the designated day.
- **NCEA Report.**  
A progress report will be emailed to parents of students in Years 11 to 13, between Monday 21 October and Friday 25 October.

### **Junior Examinations**

The Junior examinations will run from Friday 8 November to Friday 15 November. The timetable for these will be emailed to parents as soon as it is confirmed. Students sit examinations in English, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies.

### **Summer Uniform**

Students are expected to be in Summer Uniform by **Monday 14 October**.

Parents are reminded that Andersons Uniforms, is our uniform outlet.

Please ensure that your son/daughter's uniform complies with the regulations. A full list of the uniform is available on the Schools' website.

Some uniform issues we are concerned about are:

1. The length of the **girls' summer skirt** – it must be **on the knee** or longer, but no shorter.
2. **Sandals** being worn without back straps which have either broken off or been cut off. Sandals are supposed to be **black** not brown.
3. **Shaving** – a reminder that boys are expected to be cleanly shaven.

We do appreciate your support with all uniform requirements, as we like our students' personal presentation to reflect their pride in being a pupil here.

If you have any questions about any of this information, please phone the School.

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Principal

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Associate Principal