



SPECIAL NEWSLETTER

8 October 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Please be aware of the following important calendar dates:

- **Term 4 begins on Monday 12 October**, and concludes on **Tuesday 8 December** for Years 9 and 10.
- **Sports Awards** Thursday 15 October - Racecourse Function Centre 7.15pm
- **Cultural Awards** Thursday 22 October – Royal Whanganui Opera House
Time to be confirmed
- **Māori Awards** Thursday 29 October – Racecourse Function Centre 6.00pm
- **Pasifika Awards** Friday 6 November – Whanganui High School Hall
Time to be confirmed

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

Please check the School website for confirmed start times.

- **Finishing dates for the Senior school:**

Year 11: Tuesday 10 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 11 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 11 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 **Monday 16 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.**
An NCEA progress report will be emailed to parents of students in Years 11 to 13, between Monday 19 October and Friday 23 October.

Junior Examinations

The Junior examinations will be held on **Monday 16 November** and **Tuesday 17 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 19 October**. This allows a one week change over period.

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 requirements 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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