



NEWSLETTER, April 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 2 at Whanganui High School. This term is ten weeks long, finishing on Friday, 5 July.

We have a busy calendar of events planned for the term, which is broken up with two public holidays and one Teacher only Day. You will be advised when there is a change to the daily time schedule.

TERM 2 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Updated events are always posted on the school's website.

Wednesday 1 May	Numeracy and Literacy Information Evening for Year 10 parents. School Hall 5.30 – 6.30pm
Thursday 9 May	House Quiz evening
Friday 10 May	WHS Cross Country
Tuesday 14 May	WSS Cross Country (<i>teams</i>)
Thursday 16 May	Paid PPTA Union meeting (<i>early finish to be advised</i>) Aotea Regional Manu Korero
Tuesday 21 May	WSS Cross Country - Individual
Thursday 23 May	Senior Careers Expo (<i>details to be advised</i>)
Monday 27 May	Literacy and Numeracy testing
Thursday 30 May	Showquest
Friday 31 May	Teacher only Day
Monday 3 June	King's Birthday holiday
Tuesday 11 June	Hutt Valley High School sports exchange (Home) Chamber Music competition
Friday 14 June	Smokefree Rockquest
Thursday 20 June	Big Sing competition
Tuesday 25 June	Inter School Moderation (<i>early finish to be advised</i>) New Plymouth Girls HS sports exchange (home)
Friday 28 June	Matariki holiday
Wednesday 3 July	Pasifika Fusion
Thursday 4 July	NCEA Progress Report issued
Friday 5 July	Last day of Term 2
Saturday 6 July	WHS Ball

A major focus for our School is student attendance and engagement. It is important that our students attend school every day. Regular attendance makes a big difference. This way, students can keep up with the work – every day counts – and we know that missing too many days leads to lower achievement, poorer wellbeing, and other worrying outcomes. The School has both a strong Senior Management team and Pastoral team and we work together with families/whanau to ensure their tamariki come to school and maintain at least a 90% attendance rate.

If you need help, please contact the relevant House Deputy Principal or Deans.

We are looking forward to a productive busy term.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

Elizabeth Spooner
Deputy Principal