



Beginning of Term 2 Newsletter

30 April 2025

Kia ora koutou

Welcome back to the beginning of Term 2 at Whanganui High School.

Key dates school-wide dates this term:

Thursday 1 May	Information evening (5.30 pm, School Library) to explain the Literacy and Numeracy requirements for NCEA, and the CAA (Common Assessment Activities) being held in May and September.
Thursday 8 May to Saturday 10 May	'Chicago' TEEN Edition School Production (Royal Whanganui Opera House) Three wonderful evening performances
Wednesday 14 May	Whanganui High School Cross-Country Championships
Saturday 17 May	'Rockquest' (Royal Whanganui Opera House)
Monday 26 May	Reading Common Assessment Activity (CAA)
Tuesday 27 May	Writing Common Assessment Activity (CAA) and Inter-School NCEA Moderation Afternoon
Wednesday 28 May	Numeracy Common Assessment Activity (CAA)
Monday 2 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 10 June	Sports Exchange with Hutt Valley High School (away exchange)
Saturday 14 June	Whanganui High School Cultural Festival
Thursday 19 June	Whanganui High School Puanga Celebration
Friday 20 June	Matariki Public Holiday
Monday 23 June	Sports Exchange with New Plymouth Girls' High School (away exchange)
Wednesday 25 June	Pasifika Fusion (Palmerston North)
Friday 27 June	NCEA Progress Report and last day of Term 2
Saturday 28 June	Whanganui High School Ball (Eulogy Lounge, Whanganui Racecourse)

School Canteen

I am very pleased to introduce Tuckr as our new school canteen operators. With Libelle Group going into liquidation on 14 March, we have searched extensively for a satisfactory and suitable replacement.

Cathy-Lee and Jason, the current Pita Pit franchisees and pre-approved Tuckr licencees for Whanganui, are our new school canteen operators. They live and work in our community and I am also very pleased to mention that they have been able to re-employ the four Libelle Group staff members – Kylie, Mandy, Regan and Lynleigh – who previously worked in our school canteen into their new Tuckr canteen operation.

Tuckr is a digitally-led tuck shop experience that brings together healthy food and modern convenience. Their menu is packed with a delicious selection of freshly made pitas, rice bowls, sushi, burgers, snacks, drinks, and more.

Students can order online or head to the counter and order as usual.

Orders can be placed at: tuckr.nz/order-now and more information about Tuckr is at tucker.nz

Consultation regarding the draft relationships and sexuality education framework

The draft relationships and sexuality education framework sets out the proposed teaching to be covered in relationships and sexuality education from Years 0 to 13 each year throughout New Zealand.

The framework and supporting information for schools and parents can be accessed by typing *Consultation on draft RSE framework* into your internet browser.

Feedback on the draft framework is open until 9 May and all feedback will be welcomed by the Ministry of Education.

Three important personal presentation reminders for students

1. Any non-uniform items worn at school will be handed into the Deans' House; swapped for correct uniform items stored in the Deans' House; and then collected by students after school finishes at the end of each school week and must be left at home.
2. Covered shoes must be worn for safety reasons when students are requested to do so by teachers in Science and Technology classes.
3. All students are required to be clean-shaven.

Wishing you and your family all the best for Term 2.

Ngā mihi nui

Martin McAllen
Principal
Whanganui High School