

Principal's Panui

Tena koutou katoa,

Wednesday this week was obviously a disrupted day for many of us. Teachers do such important work and it is becoming increasingly evident that the profession is reaching a crisis point in terms of our numbers. The teachers at Okaihau College work extremely hard for our tamariki/mokopuna. While the government has acknowledged the size of the mahi to improve conditions for teachers, we need to make teaching a profession that is attractive to the best young minds we have. The current levels of workload and pay mean that for many young graduates, teaching is not an attractive option. The administration associated with NCEA while important to ensure fairness, is massively time consuming and leaves teachers little time to prepare for anything else.

Next week the Nga Manu Korero speech competition takes place at Northland College. On behalf of the school, I would like to wish our speakers, Ngāreta and Charlyse all the best for their korero. I am sure you will represent us well.

Our current Board of Trustees also had their last meeting this week before the elections. Thank you to those board members who are not standing for re-election; Janet Graham and Paul Bolton. We appreciate your service to the school over the last few years. We wish you all the best as you finish your association with this aspect of our kura.

PPTA Strike Action

Following the one-day strike, we have been advised that PPTA members will be taking a Rostering Home Strike which is outlined below. This means that on Tuesday 4 June there will be no classes for Year 9, Tuesday 11 June for Year 10 etc.

Accordingly, it is important that you make appropriate alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children during the period of the strike, as no supervision is provided.

Rostering Home Strike Days

Date of Action	Year Group
Tuesday 4 June	Year 9
Tuesday 11 June	Year 10
Tuesday 25 June	Year 11
Tuesday 2 July	Year 12

Further updates will be available on our school Facebook page.

College Calendar

Monday 3 June

- Queen's Birthday Holiday

Wednesday 5-7 June

- Nga Manu Korero

Thursday 6 June

- Senior Curriculum Day 5 – Line 2

Monday 10-13 June

- Year 8 & 10 Self Defence Courses

Tuesday 11 June

- NSSSA Cross Country

Wednesday 12-14 June

- Year 7 Life Education

Monday 17 June

- Celebration of Excellence

Tuesday 18 June

- Senior Curriculum Day 6 – Line 6

Thursday 20 June

- Quad Tournament - Kaikohe

Friday 21 June

- Year 11 Business Studies Field Trip

- Year 13 Reports Issued

Monday 24-28 June

- Year 13 Gateways Trip to Auckland/Waikato

Wednesday 26 June

- Year 7-12 Reports Issued

Monday 1-3 July

- Senior Barista Course

Tuesday 2 July

- Year 7-13 Report Evening

Friday 5 July

- The Beast Run

- Last Day of Term 2

Sunday 7-12 July

- Year 13 Hillary Outdoors Programme – Turangi

Bottle Top Request

Students and staff in Rangimarie are currently working on an exciting art project. To complete this, they require lots of clean orange, green, yellow and light blue bottle tops. If you have any or are able to collect some on our behalf, we would really appreciate it. Just drop them into the Main Office or Rangimarie. Thanks!

Page 2 will have Cross Country Results and photos

Ball Fundraising Raffle Results

Congratulations to Aggie Wheoki – Ticket No. 26 who won the grocery hamper raffle.

Okaihau College 2019 School Cross Country

House Results:

1st: Totara 221
2nd: Rimu 212
3rd: Puriri 197
4th: Kauri 177

Year 7 Girls

1st: Grace Sanders
2nd: Gemma Harrison
3rd: Kiarn Henry

Year 7 Boys

1st: Tarelle Williams-Tanner
2nd: Ben Quarrie
3rd: Te Kawana Morrow-Makiha

Year 8 Girls

1st: Lilly-Grace Hanley-Dadson
2nd: Tamyrah Ihaka
3rd: Jada Adams

Year 8 Boys

1st: Brad Sturge
2nd: Dylan Quarrie
3rd: Tommy Lawson

Year 9 Girls

1st: Bohemia Sanders
2nd: Paige Williams-Cooper
3rd: Laura Walker

Year 9 Boys

1st: Danny Sturge
2nd: Benjamin Clunie
3rd: Rico Edwards

Year 10 Girls

1st: Chloe Schischka
2nd: Kowhai Harris
3rd: Gabrielle Titter

Year 10 Boys

1st: Tony de Reuck
2nd: Cameron Jobe
3rd: Nick Harrison

Senior Girls

1st= Madalene Clunie
1st= Te Rina Waterhouse
3rd: Jayden Edmonds

Senior Boys

1st: Tupari Cowan
2nd: Logan Salmons
3rd Konrad Kopa

