

## Principal's Panui

Tena koutou katoa,

Reports went home for all our year 7-12 students on Wednesday. I encourage whanau to come and have conversations with your student's teachers about their learning. We hope that the 10 minute time slot we have set for each interview will allow a deeper conversation about your student's learning in that subject. Please bring your student with you for the interview. It is important that they are also part of the conversation and can contribute to any plans for achievement that are made.

Recently, we have had a couple of close calls on the pedestrian crossing between the Primary School and the College. As a result, Tim and I have talked with the District Council about some ways to make the crossing safer for children particularly during the busy times at the beginning and end of the day. The council have observed the crossing at various times during the day and consequently come up with a few ways to increase safety mainly around increasing visibility for the crossing. They will implement these things over the coming months. They include:

- Extending the yellow no stopping lines to 15 metres from the crossing
- Making a bus only parking space prior to the bus bay entrance for the before school period (8:15-8:45).
- Cones for the primary school to put out during the morning and afternoon busy periods to increase awareness. These cones have been donated by Broad Spectrum.

Hopefully, these actions will make accidents less likely for our children as the crossing will be more visible to motorists.

At school, we are seeing the negative effects of social media use more and more. Many incidents at school are direct consequences of activity on social media in which students are involved. I would like to remind parents, particularly of our year 7 and 8 students that social media platforms like facebook are R13. Students younger than this are not meant to have accounts. Research tells us that social media is also contributing to far greater anxiety and stress for students, many of whom are not equipped to deal with the interactions they have. Please monitor your student's interactions with social media, particularly how many accounts they might have. It is really important that home and school support each other to ensure that our students are using social media in a positive way, not as a tool to bully or victimise others.

No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

## College Calendar

### Monday 1-3 July

- Senior Barista Course

### Wednesday 3, Thursday 4 July

- Whanau Learning Hui

### Friday 5 July

- The Beast Run  
- Last Day of Term 2

### Sunday 7-12 July

- Year 13 Hillary Outdoors Programme – Turangi

### Monday 22 July

- First Day of Term 3

### Thursday 25 July

- University of Auckland Course Planning – Year 13s

## Mid-Year Reports

### Whanau Learning Hui

Parent/Teacher Subject Interviews

Wednesday 3rd July 2019, 2 – 7pm

Thursday 4th July 2019, 9am – 4pm

Formal Mid-Year Reports are being issued to all students. Year 13 reports were issued last Friday 21 June 2019 and Year 7-12 reports were issued this Wednesday 26th June 2019.

**On Wednesday 3rd July, classes will finish at 12.15pm, and buses will leave Okaihau soon after to transport students' home. On Thursday 4th July, classes will not be running as normal so students will need to stay home unless they are here with their parents / caregivers for their hui.**

As with our first Whanau Learning Hui, you can book your interview times with your student's subject teachers.

Please bring your student's report with you to the interview. We look forward to seeing as many parents and caregivers as possible.

### How to Book Your Interview

Follow these instructions to make a 10-minute booking for your child / children. Appointments can be made with any subject teacher you wish to see.

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)

Click on Make a Booking

Our Event Code is **hw2pv**

Enter your details to make the booking and click Go  
You will be sent a confirmation email

If you have any problems with the booking process, please contact us. Your child's Whanau Teacher or Jenny at the Main Office can assist you with making a booking. Either ring (09) 401 9030 or email [jennyc@okaihau-college.school.nz](mailto:jennyc@okaihau-college.school.nz)

# OKAIHAU'S GOT TALENT!!

**Finals - Monday 1st July, 1.11pm**

For the past few weeks some students have been taking part in the Okaihau's Got Talent competition. Well done to all students who entered and gave it a go, it's not easy getting up in-front of people and performing something. Congratulations to the following students who have made it to the finals: Charlyse Tansey, Grace Sanders, Hayley Bradley, Jack Johnston, Madelene Clunie, Maia Vaka and Tomas Grant.

The finals will be held in the school hall on Monday 1st July at lunch time (1:11pm). Everyone is welcome to come along and support the students.



## Year 8 Whanau Breakfast

Year 8 Totara group cooked breakfast for their whanau visitors on Wednesday this week.



## Dental Message

We will be open over the school holidays at Okaihau Primary and will be making appointments for all Year 7 & 8s who have treatment to be done.

Please parents if you are not able to make these appointments can you ring 0800MYTEETH and reschedule to when it suits.

We are looking at only 4 more weeks in this area and if they do not reschedule then the next appointments for them will be at Tautoro.

Thank you to those parents who have returned their children's forms we have had a high rate of return.

Any queries please ring us on 021531963.

## NZ Police

### New Non Emergency Number 105

NZ Police recently launched a new non emergency number, 105. We've done this to make it easier to get hold of us in the event of non-urgent situations or 'Things which have Already Happened', which don't require Police assistance immediately.

You can call us on 105 for all non emergencies, or you can go online at [105.police.govt.nz](http://105.police.govt.nz) to report things like:

- Lost property
- Theft for a public place or car
- Intentional property damage
- Or to get an update or add info to a previous report

In the event of an emergency, always call 111 - Things that are Happening Now.