

## Principal's Panui

Tena koutou katoa,

As this is the last Breeze for 2019, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas and New Year. I trust that you will enjoy time with whanau during this period. Thank you for all the support that you have given the College this year and I am looking forward to what 2020 brings.

To our Year 13s, know that you will always have a place here and we will follow your progress as you take on the world with great interest and pride. Well done on completing your journey through Okaihau College. I look forward to celebrating your achievements with you at Prize Giving on Tuesday evening.

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

## 2019 School Magazine

The school magazine is back from the printers. These are \$15 each and cover all the events and activities held during the year, as well as class photos. There are limited number still available. - pay at the Student Centre or Main Office.

We also have a few copies of previous years' magazines available, also for \$15. For more information, make contact with Tara Rawiri or Jenny Couchman in the Main Office.

## College Calendar

**Wednesday 11 December**

- Year 7 – 10 Prizegivings
- Year 7 - 10 Reports Issued
- Last Day of Term 4

## Whakarongorua Rewards

*"Ka Kata Nga Puriri O Taiamai" (There's good news in the north)*

It is exciting to be able to share with you the good news of the positive behaviour of our junior students. Congratulations to all students who displayed our school values of manaakitanga (harmony), whakapono (truth) and kia kaha (effort). The students below showed outstanding behaviour for the entire year. They have been recognised at Junior Assemblies

this week and will be rewarded with a free lunch on Monday. Tino pai, tamariki ma!



**Term Four Junior Whakarongorua Reward Recipients:**

7BP: Sky Byers, Noah Graham, Eva Millen, Leah Smith, Terei Walker

7MB: Shannon Chambers, Charlie-Gurl Foster, Connor Gubb, Isabel Harrison, Madison Lewis, Byron Menefy, Rico Nisbet, Petra Roper, Tyler Taito-Mokaraka, Maia Vaka, Brooke Wells, Tarelle Williams-Tanner

7SB: Ethan Briggs, Katie Graham, Gemma Harrison, Zoe Heads, Ani Palmer, Issac Quarrie, Luke Soady, Willen Veldhuizen

8MH: Joy Culham, Ehlana Reid, Connagh Ward

8PA: Edward Kim, Bailey Rihari, Diesel Williams

8WH: Jada Adams, Lilly-Grace Hanley-Dadson, Heavenly Howai

9AC: Ardyn Alexander, Grace McDonald, Perapuna Mutu, Bohemia Sanders, Herbert Waterhouse

9KK: Karen Horrobin, Jacob Kake, Whakaaria-Lee Rameka, Lucas Tawhai

9NF: Dallas Davis, Mekayla Slade, Evarna Tana, Paige Williams-Cooper

10DA: Jacob Ninkhot, Ingeborg Rodger

10EF: Te Owai Clarke, Devlin Lewis, Daniel Williams, Carol Yang

10GS: Osgar Gilbert, Shannon O'Connor, Chloe Schischka, Charlyse Tansey

## Okaihau College 2019 Prizegivings

Parents/Caregivers/Whanau All Welcome

### Senior Prizegiving

7.00pm on Tuesday 10 December

Students are expected to wear a high standard of dress. Please bring a plate of food for a shared supper.

### Year 7 and 8 Prizegiving

12.30pm on Wednesday 11 December

### Year 9 and 10 Prizegiving

2.00pm on Wednesday 11 December

All junior students are expected to be in perfect school uniform.

## Learn to Make Piupiu

Calling for expressions of interest from anyone interested in learning the art of making piupiu. Ideally we are seeking 10-12 people willing to volunteer their time to help make new piupiu for the Okaihau College roopu – Nga Wheinga a Rahiri.

Meeting Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020, 4.30 pm at Whakarongorua Marae, Okaihau College

followed by our first wananga to begin our learning on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020

For more information contact: Grant – 021 214 3883 or Eileen – 022 439 5484

## 2020 Start Dates

**Thursday 30 January**

Years 7, 11, 12, 13 and all new students in Years 8-10 start

**Friday 31 January**

Years 7, 11, 12, 13 students

**Monday 3 – Wednesday 5 February**

Whole School Attends

**Thursday 6 February**

School Closed – Waitangi Day

**Friday 7 February**

School Closed for Holiday



# OKAIHAU COLLEGE

Principal: Mr Thomas Davison MEdLd (Hons) B.A. Dip.Tchg

4<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers

**From the Board of Trustees**  
**School Donations and changes from 2020**

From 2020 the Government has offered schools throughout New Zealand, that are Decile 1-7 (Okaihau College is Decile 2), the opportunity to receive an additional amount of \$150.00 per student.

The Okaihau College Board of Trustees have voted to accept this offer, which means that we cannot ask families for any school costs that are linked to the curriculum or any associated programme that the student is expected to be part of.

If we had decided not to accept this offer, Okaihau College would be approximately \$60,000 less in income. As it is, we are considering having a Gala Day in 2020 to meet costs that we will be incurring.

There are some costs for your student that parents/caregivers still need to pay. They are:

- All uniform purchases
- All stationery costs
- All activities/trips that are optional
- All sports fees
- School Magazine
- Music lessons that are outside the general education programme

The following list are items that you will not be charged for:

- Subject fees
- Course Material fees
- Curriculum workbooks

Camps are a special condition. We can ask for the parents to pay a donation as travel, food and accommodation are additional to the student's curriculum. For further information please go to:

<http://www.education.govt.nz/school/funding-and-financials/fees-charges-and-donations/>

Regards

Michelle Harrison  
BOT Chairperson