

Principal's Panui

Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa,

I am excited to announce our Head Students for 2020. All the applicants were of the high calibre and made the decision of the panel of 4 students and 4 staff extremely difficult. Congratulations to the following students and their whanau for their appointment to these positions:

Head Boy - Shaun Reeves

Head Girl - Alyssa Williams

Deputy Head Boys - Kodi Chamberlain, Daylon O'Brien

Deputy Head Girls - Freda Blaikie, Zoe Harrison

Whanau and supporters are invited to join us for a full school assembly on Monday of next week from 8:40 in which we present our Head students to the school.

Congratulations again to Kodi Chamberlain who gained 3rd overall in the Northland Secondary Schools Showjumping champs last week.

We held our Swimming Sports yesterday and there were a number of outstanding performances, not least by the staff relay team who again owned the students in the last event of the day. Thank you to the staff and students who worked so hard to make the day a success.

Our Whanau Leaning Hui begin this afternoon and continue tomorrow. Please take this opportunity to have a 20 minute conversation with your student's whanau teacher about what your hopes and aspirations are for them this year and beyond. It is important to us to hear your perspective on your child's education and how we can work together to achieve their goals for 2020. Please bring your child with you no matter what they tell you, they need to be at the table when their future is being discussed.

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

PPTA Paid Union Meeting

The school branch of the Post Primary Teachers' Association (PPTA) has advised the school that members will not be available to teach on the afternoon of **Friday 28 February 2020** as they will be attending a Ministry of Education approved Paid Union Meeting, as they are entitled to do under Section 26 of the Employment Relations Act 2000.

**We will finish our school day at 12.20pm
and students will be sent home.
The buses will leave by 12.30pm.**

College Calendar

Friday 21 February

- Whanau Hui Day

Monday 24 February

- Full School Assembly

Tuesday 25 February

- Level 1 & 3 Geography Trip

Wednesday 26 February

- School Athletics Day

Friday 28 February

- PPTA Paid Union Meeting

Monday 2 March

- Year 9 Vision and Hearing Testing

Wednesday 4 March

- Rotary Youth Driver Awareness Programme

Thursday 5 March

- Senior Curriculum Day (Line 4)

Tuesday 10 March

- Year 7 Vision Testing

Thursday 12 March

- NSSSA Track & Field Champs

Monday 16 March

- School Photo Day

- Swim For Life Programme – Year 7 & 8

Wednesday 18 March

- Senior Curriculum Day (Line 2)

- Year 8 HPV Vaccination 1

Thursday 19 – 20 March

- Swim For Life Programme – Year 7 & 8

Monday 23 March

- Year 11 Activities Day

Monday 30 March – Friday 3 April

- Year 12 Gateways Week

Wednesday 1 April

- Senior Curriculum Day (Line 5)

Monday 6 April

- Academic Excellence Assembly

Thursday 9 April

- Last Day of Term 1

Monday 13 – 15 April

NZSS Ki-o-Rahi Nationals @ Waitangi

Tuesday 28 April

- First Day of Term 2

Vision and Hearing Testing

Northland DHB staff will be in school to do vision and hearing testing for Year 9 students on Monday 2 March and vision testing for Year 7 students on Tuesday 10 March. If you have any concerns or requests please contact Mrs Crystal Jordan, Deputy Principal, 09 4019030 x.201.

Whanau Learning Hui

Thursday 20 (3.30pm - 6.30pm) and
Friday 21 (9.00am – 4.00pm) February

**This means that classes will not be
running as normal on Friday.**

We would like whanau to book a time with your student's Whanau Teacher to talk about your hopes and aspirations for your student as well as goal setting for 2020 and beyond. Please follow these instructions to make a 20-minute booking for your child / children. Your 20-minute appointment should be made with their Whanau Teacher only.

- * Go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz.
- * Click on Make a Booking.
- * Our Event Code is xqq6n.
- * Enter your details to make the booking and click Go.
- * You will be sent a confirmation email.

If you have any problems with this process, at all, please contact us at school. Your child's Whanau Teacher or the staff in the Main Office can assist you with making a booking.

NSS Showjumping Event



Year 13 student Kodi Chamberlain representing Okaihau College at the Northland Secondary Schools Showjumping Championships event last week where he was placed 3rd overall.

Swimming Sports



Congratulations to all who participated and helped in the school swimming sports day on Wednesday this week. You all helped make it another great sporting event. We eagerly anticipate the final results in the near future!