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# TE KARERE O TE KURA TUARUA O WHANGAROA

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*From the  
Principal's  
desk*

Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau,

Let's talk about something really important: being present and on time, every day, for every class. Think of it as building a vital skill, like showing up on time for sports practice, a club meeting, or eventually, your job. Being reliable and punctual sets you up for success in everything you do.

Here's the breakdown of how this works at school:

### **EVERY CLASS COUNTS:**

You need to be in each class, on time, and stay for the whole lesson. If you're found outside of class without a valid pass, you won't be able to join the end-of-term lunch. Remember, you also need at least 85% attendance to qualify for that lunch in the first place.

### **LATENESS TO CLASS:**

Being late to five or more classes in a term means you'll miss out on the end-of-term reward.

### **TRUANCY MATTERS:**

If you skip any class during the term, you'll be removed from both the end-of-term reward and the big \$500 end-of-year award. Being late for ten or more classes throughout the entire year will also mean you won't be eligible for that end-of-year award.

### **FRESH START EACH TERM:**

Good news! Every new term gives you a clean slate to work towards the termly reward. However, remember that being truant or caught out of class without a pass will still disqualify you from that term's reward.

### **PUNCTUALITY AT SCHOOL:**

Arriving at school on time and staying until the end of the day is crucial. If you're late to school five or more times in a term, you won't be able to participate in the end-of-term reward. And just to reiterate, being late for ten or more classes across the whole year means you'll miss out on the end-of-year award.

We want to celebrate your commitment and effort, and these rewards are one way we do that. By being present, on time, and engaged in your classes, you're not only showing respect for your learning and your teachers, but you're also building habits that will serve you well in the future. Let's all aim for great attendance and punctuality!

## REMINDERS



### CELLPHONES



Any confiscated cellphones will be held at the school office and will need to be retrieved by the student's parent/caregiver.

### PUBLIC HEALTH REMINDER



### PREVENTER INHALERS



Just a reminder to whānau that now is the time for tamariki & other whānau members to start using their preventer inhalers (usually red or orange in colour).

These generally take a month of continuous daily use to become fully effective and should also be used daily thereafter over the winter & spring, with a spacer.

Remember to rinse the spacer weekly with soapy water to prevent the build-up of bacteria within the spacer.

### SAVE THE DATE

## Matariki Celebrations

THURSDAY, JUNE 19TH

This year, Whangaroa College will be celebrating Matariki with the following events on Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

- Kaumātua/Kuia Lunch
- Kapa Haka Performance
- In-school market stalls
- School Bands Performance
- Evening market (public)
- and much more....

More information will be provided over the coming weeks, including a call-out for community members who would like to hold a market stall during this event.



Year 8/9 Wood Technology



**PST CONFERENCES**

PARENT - STUDENT - TEACHER CONFERENCES

**WEDNESDAY 07 MAY****3:30 pm - 7 pm****THURSDAY 08 MAY****3:30 pm - 6 pm**

- Our Parent, Student, and Teacher (PST) meetings for ALL students will be held on Wednesday 07 May between 3:30 pm and 7 pm and Thursday 08 May between 3:30 pm and 6 pm.
- Interviews will be with subject teachers. A list of staff and subjects can be found below.
- Students are expected to attend the interviews with their parents or caregivers.

**BOOK ONLINE**



If you have internet access this is the easiest option, especially if you have more than 1 child at the school.

**Step 1:** Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) or scan the QR Code

**Step 2:** Enter the event code **nh84m**

**Step 3:** Enter your name, email, and your child's name

**Step 4:** Choose your child's subject teachers.

**Step 5:** Choose an appointment time (for each child)



**DONE!** A confirmation email will be sent to you so you have a record of your appointment time. If something changes, you can go back and change your appointment time to when it's convenient for you.

**PHONE/VISIT/  
TEXT**

If you don't have internet access no problem. Call the school office and staff can book for you over the phone or in person. Alternatively, you can get your child to book for you at school. Ph: **(09) 405 0199**

If you prefer sending a text, text the school cellphone (please note this is only used for text messages). Text your name, child's name/s, the teachers you would like to see and times.

**021 025 58310****WHO SHOULD WE SEE?**

Kiritopa Allen	Y7-9 Te Reo Māori, Y9/10 Social Studies, Senior NZ Histories	Room 11
Raewyn Cairns-Cowan	Senior Science, Senior CAA English	Whānau Room
Robyn Grey	Y9 Technology, Y10 Creative, Technology, Senior Design, Senior Services	Room 5
Abby O'Donnell	Y10 English, Senior Academic Literacy, Senior Creative Pod	Room 7
Ben O'Donnell	Senior Academic Numeracy, Senior Social and Community Services Pod	Room 9
LeeAnn Samuels	Y7 English, Maths, Y7-9 Socials Studies, Y7-9 Creative	Room 3
Wendy Sutherland	Y8/9 English	Room 4
Joe Tua	Y7-10 Health, Senior Gateway, Senior Services	Uniform office
Stacie Tumoana	Y9/10 Te Reo Māori, Senior Te Reo Māori	Whare
Jess Williams	Y7-10 PE, Y7-9 Technology, Y10 English, Senior Science	Room 1
Nikita Williams	Y8-10 Maths, Senior CAA Maths	Room 8

*We look forward to seeing you there!*



# ANZAC COMMEMORATIONS





# TERM 2 CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	April 28 <b>TERM 2 BEGINS</b>	29	30	May 01 WAI FENCING COURSE 	02
Senior Socials: Lane Cove trip					
DENTAL PLANET: All week					
2	05	06	07 <b>PSTs</b> 3:30 pm - 7 pm	08 <b>PSTs</b> 3:30 pm - 6 pm	09
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3	12	 Year 7/8 <b>TURBO TOUCH</b>	14	15	16 Whole school <b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>  <b>PINK SHIRT DAY</b>
4	19	 Year 9/10 <b>TURBO TOUCH</b>	21	22	23 Northland <b>CROSS COUNTRY</b> 
5	26	27	28	29 Year 9-13 <b>TABLE TENNIS</b> 	30
6	June 02  <b>KINGS BIRTHDAY</b> NO SCHOOL	03	04	05	06
7	09	10	11 <b>SPECIAL ASSEMBLY</b> Tangaroa College Choir & Rock Band 	12 Year 7/8 <b>TABLE TENNIS</b> 	13
8	 <b>SEMESTER 2 BEGINS</b>	17 <b>INCLUSIVE SPORTS DAY</b>	18	19  <b>MATARIKI MARKET/EVENING</b> 	20 <b>Matariki</b> NO SCHOOL
9	23	24	25	26	27 <b>EOT ASSEMBLY</b> <b>END OF TERM 2</b>