





WHANGAPARĀOA COLLEGE

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Newsletter Term 3 Issue 3 2021

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From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora e te whānau o Whangaparāoa,

Nau mai hoki mai - welcome to our new learners and parents joining us this year. Welcome back to all our returning learners and whānau.

It's wonderful to have the school full of all our learners and staff again for the first time in 6 months. The noise and excitement around the campus is great to hear.

We have had a positive start to the year. Our new staff were welcomed with a Mihi whakatau on Tuesday 1 February and we had the same welcome for all our new learners on Wednesday 2 February. A few of us attended the Wairau Valley Special School (WVSS) blessing at dawn on Wednesday 2 February. It's lovely to have them sharing our site and we look forward to working together and collaborating for the benefit of all learners.

We have also just received fantastic news that Alex Lu has achieved 5 Scholarships and Benjamin Mueggenburg has achieved 1. More details are later in this newsletter.

Our new team of Prefects have already made a positive start, leading the activity days last week for our Year 7 & 8 learners.

COVID - we are well planned and ready for the worst situation, should it occur in our school community. We encourage you all to be prepared if we have to switch to home learning which will happen at short notice.

Many sports and activities are mandating participants to be double vaxxed to be entered into these. If you haven't already, or if you have an update, please send evidence as follows:

For Year 7-9 learners use covidvax1@wgpcollege.school.nz
For Year 10-13 learners use covidvax2@wgpcollege.school.nz

Our Strategy for the next 5 years was communicated to you last week via email. The plan ahead is exciting and we will be starting to implement aspects of our Strategy this term.

We would like all learners to begin the year well and to carry this on throughout the year. To do this, each learner needs to wear the correct uniform, attend every lesson, be prepared to learn with all the necessary equipment and bring along a positive attitude for learning.

There will be a Paid Union Meeting (PUM) for most teachers between 1 and 3 pm on Wednesday 23 February 2022. School will close at 12.15 pm for Year 9-13 learners on that day. Year 7 & 8 learners will be supervised during this time and will finish at the normal 3.15 pm. School buses will run at the normal time of 3.20 pm.

As mentioned earlier this year, the Ministry of Education have allocated Staff Only Days. The first of these Staff Only Days will be on Wednesday 9 March. There will be no school for learners on this day.

We are very pleased with the way our school year has started and thank you for the support you give your learners. Together, we can work to help our learners to reach their potential. Ngā mihi

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Steve McCracken Principal

Year 7 & 8's First Week Back at School

We had a really exciting start for our new Year 7 learners last week. Unfortunately there was no Powhiri inside, but what an awesome mihi whakatau on the school field where Year 7's and other learners were given a warm welcome to the college by Matua Fox, Mr. McCracken, staff and prefects. We wish our Year 7's all the best on the first year of their college journey! - Lisa Williams

First week back at school saw our Year 7 & 8's enjoying tabloids.



Prefects, Whānau and SLT Dinner

The prefects had the pleasure of hosting their families for a pizza and cake extravaganza on Wednesday 2 February.

They put on a great evening with fantastic decorations, and the occasion was enjoyed by not only the families, but also SLT who attended.

It was wonderful to spend time and connect with people in this challenging period, and congratulations to everyone who made it possible under the current restrictions.

We look forward to seeing the prefect group grow and develop as the year progresses. I have no doubt they will be a credit to the college.



A Welcome Note from our Guidance Team

Welcome to 2022! As our learners begin another exciting year, it's important to reflect on the challenges many have faced due to the uncertainties of Covid-19. If we add into that a new school transition for many of our learners, it is easy to understand how an exciting start to the year can suddenly feel overwhelming.

We, in the Guidance Department, wanted to reach out to you all, as learners, and parents, and to reassure you that there is heaps of support at Whangaparāoa College for anyone who needs it.

Kaiārahi and Deans can advise you how to access this support, but below is also a list of staff contacts to reach out to. Sometimes we just need someone to talk to, who can help us find a positive pathway through whatever it is that is stressing us. Having a safety net of great support ensures things stay at a manageable level, and we experience a sense of calm assurance instead of distress. Together we can do great things.

He waka eke noa.

We look forward to working alongside you to achieve great outcomes together!



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16 Year Old Boy Battling with Cancer Needs Your Help

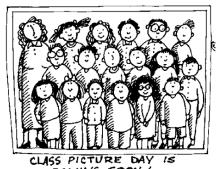
The son of two of our teachers (Carla Taylor and Lisa Williams) has cancer and is needing support. John Taylor attends Mahurangi College. If you are able to spare a few dollars to assist with treatment and medication, etc, please go to this link:

https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/john-taylor-16yo-has-cancer-and-needs-your-help



PhotoLife—Class & Individual Photo's 11 February

Class and individual photo's will be taking place on Friday 11 February in the auditorium. Please make sure learners are in their full correct school uniform (ie. No PE uniform for the photos).



OMING SOON,

NCEA Exam Reviews and Reconsideration

The closing date for NCEA external exam Review and Reconsideration applications is Friday 25 February.

The closing date for Scholarship Review and Reconsideration applications is Friday 4 March.

review or reconsideration

Please email our NCEA Administrator Tracey O'Neill for further information traceyon@wgpcollege.school.nz

Early Finish for Year 9 to 13's on 23 February

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Valentines Day 14 February



Prefects will be selling roses outside D1 at lunchtime from Tuesday 8 February until Friday 11 February.

Come along and support a good cause but more importantly—surprise that special person in your life this year!



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OUR KINDO ONLINE SCHOOL SHOP IS NOW LIVE!!

We are excited to let you know that our Kindo School shop is now live and open 24/7.

In 2022 all your school payments will be able to be made in one place with your myKindo account.

You can now order school lunches easily and soon will be able to see your outstanding payments on your personalised account.

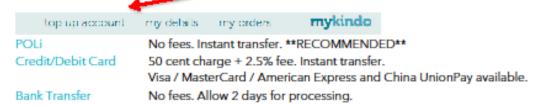
Your myKindo account

Kindo is used in a lot of schools and organisations in your area. So please select the option below that applies to you.

- Current user If you already have a <u>current</u> ezlunch or myKindo account:
 You can simply log in here and update your details on the 'my details' page.
- Previous user If you have had an exlunch or myKindo account in the past, but have closed the account, or not used the account in the last 15 months: Please email our Kindo helpdesk.
- New user If you have never had an ezlunch or myKindo account with any school or organisation:
 Click here to register using the email address the school has on file for you.

Payments

There are a number of ways you can choose to top-up your account, and this can be done at the checkout, or by selecting the 'top up account' option at any time.



Purchases

There are TWO types of transactions you can make using myKindo: paying personalised payment requests for your students; purchasing optional items.



Personalised payment requests appear at the top of your screen under your student's name.

Pay the full amount by clicking '+' next to the item or make a part payment, by changing the amount before clicking the '+' (if available).

There are also the Kindo shop/optional items. Click on your child's initial next to an optional item to add to your cart.



Once you have made all your purchases click on the *Checkout* option to complete your transaction. If you have sufficient funds, then simply click *Place Order* at the checkout and you're done! If you have insufficient funds, you will be required to top up to complete your order.

Your order will automatically go through to the school and you will receive an email receipt confirming your top-up and/or purchase!

mykindo App

mykindo app is also available to download for both android and iPhone.



Need assistance? Our Kindo helpdesk is open 8am to 4pm weekdays.

Freephone: 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636) Email: hello@mykindo.co.nz

Online support: support.mvkindo.co.nz.



Setting up an Automatic Payment to your myKindo account Making regular payments into your myKindo account means you will always have funds available when you need them! Having an automatic payment set up into your myKindo account is easy. Login to our Kindo school shop and click on the top up account.

These are all the details you need to set up an Automatic Payment with your bank.

Under the Bank Transfer (allow two days) option, will be your personal details and

IMPORTANT: You must include the Reference number (your member number) so we can ensure the funds are transferred into the correct myKindo account.



the Kindo bank account number.

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support: support.myKindo.co.nz

Setting up an automatic payment into your myKindo account

We've set up our Kindo school shop to make it easy for our families to pay for school costs anywhere, anytime. It's open 24/7 and is our <u>preferred method of payment</u>.

If you have a regular automatic payment going to our school account, please switch this to your myKindo account by following these instructions.

- Login to your myKindo account. <u>Create Account</u> <u>Login to your account</u>
- Click on 'top up account' either on the banner, or under the 'mykindo' drop down.



These include the bank account details you will need to set the payments to and your <u>member number which needs to be</u> included as the reference.

Bank Transfer (allow 2 days)

Top up your account by bank transfer, internet banking, or by automatic payment.

Please include this information with your deposit:

Please allow up to 2 working days for funds to be transferred. You will receive a top up receipt when funds are received.

my orders

NOTE: this is not recommended for same day/next day lunch orders, or items that that are closing within 48 hours as orders will not be processed until funds have cleared and may get missed!

You can choose to drip feed your funds into your myKindo account, and when you have enough funds, make a payment in full, or you can choose to make part payments on some items.

Having a credit on your account, means for a faster transaction process at the checkout too!

From the Nurse

FREE DENTAL SERVICES AT WGP COLLEGE

LUMINO mobile bus will be onsite providing **FREE** dental care to Yr **9 – 13** learners in Term 1. Please follow the attached link to enrol your child if they have not previously been enrolled. Parents of Yr 9 learners please be aware that COVID disrupted dental services for our intermediate learners in 2020/21 so your child has probably not had a dental check for 2 years. Please enrol them with Lumino following the link or with a provider in the community. Dental care is Free until the age of 18.

ARDS (Auckland Regional Dental Service) mobile van will be onsite providing FREE dental care to enrolled Yr 7/8 learners in Term 1. Babies born in Auckland are automatically enrolled. If your child was not born in Auckland and is not enrolled with ARDS call 0800 talkteeth to enrol

Parents can you please inform the school nurse nurse@wgpcollege.school.nz if your child has a health vulnerability and will need to learn from home if WGP College gets a covid positive case.

MASK WEARING

Mask wearing is mandatory at WGP college (unless you have a mask exemption). Please ensure your child has a mask and a spare in their bag. However, if they do not have a mask or spare, these can be purchased at the the Kura Kai Café for \$1 each during morning tea or lunch time. If your child has a mask exemption please email a copy through to nurse@wgpcollege.school.nz.

Please ensure your child brings a full water bottle to school each day.



The Lumino the Dentists Mobile Unit is scheduled to come to Whangaparaoa College in 2022. Term 1, weeks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

The Lumino the Dentists, School Smiles Programme is fully funded by the Ministry of Health. It offers free dental ns, oral health education, x-rays and a professional dental clean for students in year 9 to year 13, *up until their 18th birthday. Treatment including white fillings, sealants and extractions of baby teeth are also provided on the school grounds as required. For other treatment not completed on board the unit, you will be referred to your local practice or orthodontic specialist.

If you'd like us to see your child during our visit, please complete the online enrolment form via the link below. If we have seen your child at Whangaparaoa College before, please also complete this online enrolment form, to make sure we have up to date contact/medical information for your child, as we now advise our patients/their parents of

Please call or text us on 0272228521 if you have any questions.

Click here to enrol with Mobile 3

Keeping Students safe during COVID-19.

Lumino operating guidelines are over and above Dental Council of New Zealand and Ministry of Health requirements.

- Triage and Contact Tracing for students and Lumino staff. ts' temperature taken by contactless thermometer prior to appointment. Dental unit staff screened daily. Triage questions prior to appointment on exposure to, or symptoms of, COVID-19. Students to sign in and contact tracing details collected.

Lumino is well resourced with PPE for their entire team Students will be provided with an anti-microbial mouth rinse both prior to and after treatment. Students will be provided with alcohol-based hand sanitiser both prior to and after treatment.

You can find out more about Lumino's additional safety measures for COVID 19 here.



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Level 11, AMP Centre 29 Customs Street We



- The link for enrolment doesn't work Please copy and paste this link into your search en
- . If I enrolled my child previously, do I need to enrol again? Yes, to ensure we have consent to see your child
- . What is an NHI number? An NHI number is your child's "National Health Identification number" if you do not w it, your GP doctor can provide this for you. Unfortunately, we cannot see children who do not have an
- . If my child was seen at Primary School, do I need to enrol? Yes, Primary School Dental Service and High
- If my child is currently seeing an orthodontist, can they be seen at school for their free dental check-up? Yes.
- . My child currently visits another dental practice, can they be seen again at school? No, children under 18 can ng for your child's other dental check-up
- Do I need to book an appointment? No, you will receive a text message with your child's appointment
 the day before the appointment, please ask your child to come and see us at their appointment time. We
 also send our runner to get your child from class if they forget to come and see us at the allocated time.
- . What can I expect on my child's visit to the dentists at school? Once a student comes to see us, we will ask them to fill in a Covid-19 questionnaire form and take your child's temperature using a laser thermometer. Then, one of our highly qualified clinicians will take x-rays, check their teeth, and do a clean/scale and polish. If further treatment is required, your child will be asked to come back for a second appointment
- sealants, we will send a card home with them to be signed by you, before completing this treatment on the Mobile Unit at School. We will not perform any treatment without consent from a parent/guardian.
- What happens if my child is referred to an orthodontist? Unfortun alth and this will need to be paid for privately at an orthodontist of your choice, please let us know if you would like a recommendation

Have any other questions? Please feel free to contact me, my details are below



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Level 11, AMP Centre

Academic Excellence

A huge congratulations to the following learners and their teachers on gaining Scholarship in 2021:

Ben Mueggenburg – Scholarship in Physics

Alex Lu – Scholarship in Physics, Chemistry, Statistics, Biology, Calculus (2020), Calculus (2021)

Ben and Alex will be acknowledged at our Excellence breakfast on Monday 14 February. Well done to them and their

teachers!



Ben Mueggenburg



Alex Lu

Sports Announcement / News

Congratulations to Year 10 learner Jessica Smalley, who took part in the Auckland Marathon. Jessica entered the 11km traverse run, she came first in her category (under 14), 4th female and 31st overall. Well done Jessica!





Congratulations to Year 10 learner Torbein Beauvais who has been selected to represent his region (Tāmaki ki te Raki) in the U16 Shaun Johnson Shield for Rugby League.

Senior Girls and Boys Tag Football trials. Click on link to register

https://forms.gle/P764wdvSrP1CdCVW9

Senior Athletics sign ups

https://forms.gle/8vEraAN17eUQ6G4B9

keep an eye on the daily notices and social media pages for sports sign ups and updates.

https://linktr.ee/Whangaparaoa_College_Sport

Email us with any of your sporting achievements!

sports@wgpcollege.school.nz





Upcoming Events

All events are Covid-dependent

February	11	PhotoLife Class and ID photos.	
	14	Excellence Breakfast	
	15-18	Year 13 Camp	
	18	Photolife Catchup Photos	
	22	L3ESSC Goat Island Trip	
	23 Paid Union Meeting. School closes @12.15pm for Yr 9-13		
	24	Yr 7 Meet the Teacher	
	25	L2OUED Day Tramp	
	25	Closing date for NCEA external exam Review and Reconsideration	

Key Dates for 2022

March		Staff Only Day
April	14	Last Day of Term 1
May	2	First Day of Term 2
June	6	Queens Birthday Holiday
	24	Matariki Public Holiday
July	8	Last Day of Term 2
	25	First Day of Term 3
September	30	Last Day Term 3
October	17	First Day Term 4
	24	Labour Day Holiday
November	2	Last Day for Seniors
	7	NZQA Exams Start
December	6	NZQA Exams Finish
	12	Last Day of Term 4





and our local community!

Thank you for choosing our school to receive your tokens at the end of your shop at New World Whangaparaoa!
We were thankful to receive \$300 for our school.

Thank you for your support!!!



your community store

open 7am - 10pm • 7 days a week

570-588 Whangaparaoa Road - 09 869 9013











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