





# WHANGAPARAOA COLLEGE

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Newsletter

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# From the Principal

Welcome back.

It has been a pleasure to see our learners arrive back for the start of the New Year – keen and ready. In addition, we welcome all of Year 7 as well as new arrivals to all other year levels. It has been a busy time with 60 additional enrolments we did not know would be attending Whangaparaoa College. The timetable is fairly settled, but with the larger than expected roll, there will need to be some changes to accommodate all our learners.

Maintaining a positive and safe environment.

You may be aware that in Term Three last year, there was much comment and allegation in the media and social media about bullying at Whangaparaoa College. Like all schools, there will be bullying from time to time. It is unacceptable and we work with learners and their families to prevent it and deal with cases that arise. We are taking additional steps to monitor the experience of learners and staff against our policies and procedures, and identify areas for improvement. To this end, we have gathered a group of staff and learners with input from an external expert. This Bullying Prevention and Response Action Group will meet at least once per term, make recommendations to me and monitor progress in this important area. I, in turn, will pass on their finding and recommendations to the Board. Our aim is to provide a respectful, safe and positive environment for all learners and all staff; that reflects the centrality of Hauora in our strategic thinking. Learners, staff and whanau share the responsibility for making Whangaparaoa College a respectful, bully-free and inclusive environment.

House System.

As signalled last year, we have a new House structure for 2019. The AC class that every learner meets with first thing in the morning will become the basic unit of the House System. Already we've seen this working very well with a very successful Beach Carnival last Friday. Learners who wish to compete in the athletics and swimming inter-school sports will still be able to do so. They need to get in touch with the sports office to indicate their interest.

Ka kite ano

James Thomas
Principal

## School Ball

Due to a clash of events at Crowne Plaza, the School Ball will now be held on **Saturday 27 July 2019**.

### **Street Address:**

8 Stanmore Bay Road Whangaparaoa Auckland New Zealand

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## **House Prefects 2019**

### 2019 is the YEAR OF FUN!

Introducing our House Prefects for 2019; **Sam Creevey** 

Nikash Prakash (Air/Yellow),

(Earth/Green),

Skylah Davies (Fire/Red), Buell Verkade

(Water/Blue).

These learners have kicked off the year in style with a successful Beach Carnival for Year 7, Year 8 and Years 11 – 13, and a Tabloid sports day planned for the Year 9 and 10s this week. We are very excited about the events coming up this year; including Lip Sync, Pavement Art, WGP's Got Talent - to name a few. Every learner and member of staff has been allocated to a house, and learners are in the same house as their Kaiārahi, so there is sure



competition across the year groups and wider school. BRING IT ON!

# **Sport**

**Year 9-13 Athletics** will take place Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 February. Sign-up's are in the Sports office. This starts at 2.00 pm, come in uniform.

### **Expression of Interest**

to be some good healthy

We are looking for expressions of interest for Coaches or Managers over the winter sports season. If you are interested in helping out with this in any of the winter sports, please email: sports@wgpcollege.school.nz

## Rugby

Silverdale Rugby Club is putting a women's rugby team together, open for all women over 16 years of age.

Pre-season musters will be every Tuesday and Wednesday, through February and March, from 6.30 pm to 7.45 pm.

These will be at Silverdale Rugby Club (opposite the bus Park and Ride). It is definitely "the more the merrier", and is open to all female athletes, whether they have played rugby before or not.

## **Silverdale Rugby Club - Juniors**

For all existing and new J1 – J6 and Rippa Rugby players, please register online at **www.silverdalerugby.co.nz** 

For any enquiries please contact: junior@silverdalerugby.co.nz

## International Department

We are so excited to welcome these fantastic new international learners to Whangaparaoa College for 2019.

They have come from Japan, Germany, Chile, Korea, Brazil, Spain, France and Vietnam.



## **Course Related Costs**

A BIG thank you to everyone who has paid their child's course related costs or organised a regular payment with Learner Accounts.

Just a reminder that you can access your child's up-to-date statement via the parent portal. If you are making a payment by internet banking, please include your child's ID number.

There is no need to make individual payments for each item, one payment is all that is required. Sports fees do require a specific reference however. If you prefer, you can pay your donation term by term.

## From the Nurse



Will be at WGP college from 20 March – 17 May, providing FREE DENTAL CARE care for Year 9-13 learners.

For more info, click **here**For an Enrolment form, click **here** 



Children under the age of 16 can have a free vision check at Specsavers.

www.mycup.co.nz are giving WGP college learners waste-free Period Kits at a heavily discounted rate, (RRP is \$50.00).

This will save you money on purchasing sanitary items.

The kit includes:

- 1 x Teen MyCup Menstrual Cup (NZ made), reduces or eliminates need for other sanitary items
- 2 x Reusable pads
- 1 x Set of Instructions for Cup and Reusable Pad Use
- 1 x Waste Free Period Bag
- 1 x Pack of 5 Miltons Tablets and Instructions for Use.

These can be purchased form the school nurse for \$20.00



## Lockers

Lockers are available again this year, \$50.00 per year plus a refundable \$10.00 bond. If you would like a locker for 2019, you will need to fill in an online order form at: http://www.stowawaylockers.co.nz/order-form/

Stowaway Lockers



GET IN QUICK as they are going fast!

## **Upcoming Events**

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February	18	Year 8 HPV Talk, Auditorium
	18-19	Year 9-13 Athletics (sign up only)
	19	L2&3 Excellence Breakfast, Auditorium Foyer, 7.45am
	20-23	Year 13 Camp, Pipers Lodge
	20-22	Year 13 at School Activities (non-camp participants)
	21	Year 7-11 Class and ID photos
	26	Boys Softball Zone Day
	26-28	Year 7 Camp, Group 1
	27	Girls Softball Zone Day
		Full School Assembly
		Year 11 History Trip, Navy Museum & North
		Head(TBC)
	27- <b>March</b> 1	L2PHED01 – PE Camp
March	1	Year 12 Biology Trip, Tiri Tiri Matangi

For more information from our school calendar please see Quick Links

# **ASB Supporting Whangaparaoa College**

If you are a parent, staff member or a member of the school community and draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500.00 to your chosen participating school. Contact your local Whangaparaoa ASB Branch on 09 421 9810 for further information on great home loan rates and how you can help support Whangaparaoa College with a \$500.00 donation (see following ad).



# **Community Notices**

## Whangaparaoa College Physio Clinic (established 2010)

"To all the staff and students 2010-2018. Thank you for your custom & support. I am still be working locally, but the College clinic will now be run by my colleague, **Tom Heijs** – John Lanigan

Neck or Back Pain Sports Injuries / Sprains Physio Rehabilitation after Plaster or Operations Specialized in Teen Sports/Growth Injuries



Conveniently at College to reduce time out of class

Discounted ACC Surcharge: Only \$10 for School Clinic Treatments / Non ACC \$50

Parents/ caregivers welcome to accompany their child

### Where? Administration Block behind Learner accounts

When? Open every Monday, Wednesday & Friday

After hours treatments can be arranged at Coast Physio Whangaparaoa

To make an appointment or discuss your needs Phone/ txt 021 1873299 or Coast Physio 424 1309



John Lanigan Physiotherapist



Tom Heijs Physiotherapist



Casual workers needed

# Love kids?



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