

# **New Plymouth Girls' High School** Te Kura Taitamawāhine o Puke Ariki



# WELCOME TO YOUR NEW SCHOOL

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you and your family, as you join us at New Plymouth Girls' High School. Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Kura Taitamawāhine o Puke Ariki.

Our school has a long tradition of developing educated, confident young people of outstanding character. As you join the school that will not be the first thing on your mind, but what you will notice are that opportunities are everywhere. You will have opportunities to discover and develop the skills and knowledge necessary for academic success, alongside



opportunities to grow and share your talents in sport, visual and performing arts, and cultural activities. The best thing you can do for yourself is to take an opportunity. Be brave, believe in yourself and try something new.

We have a proud history of achievement, and now you are part of that too. I challenge you to add to that history by finding your own path, following your passions and giving everything your very best. We will be here to work with you and your family or whānau to support and encourage you along the way.

You are very lucky to be joining a school that wants to make sure students are cared for and known as unique individuals. We want to know who you are, to help you enjoy your time at school and to become the best version of yourself that you possibly can be. You will learn more about the school values of Whakamana/Respect, Haepapa/Responsibility and Whanaunatanga/Positive Relationships and how you can show these values and appreciate them in other people. These values are the basis for so much of what happens at NPGHS.

Welcome to your new school!

Jacqui Brown Principal

The best thing you can do for yourself is to take an opportunity.



# SION

To develop educated, confident young women of outstanding character.

# MISSION

Each young woman will have the opportunity to discover and develop the necessary knowledge, skills, values and character to enable her to fulfill her potential.

"Ehara taku toa I te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini. Success is not the work of one but of many."



Starting your journey at New Plymouth Girls' High School is a big change! At our kura you will make many connections, gain new skills and face new opportunities. Both the students and teachers here are ready to help lead you along your path to success!

Lottie Moffat, Manu Tāiko/Head Girl, 2023



# **OUR VALUES**

**RESPECT** 

Whakamana

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

Наерара

**RELATIONSHIPS** 

Whanaungatanga

# **OUR MOTTO**

**ET COMITATE** 

Friendship Whakahoanga **ET VIRTUTE** 

Courage Maia **ET SAPIENTIA** 

Wisdom Matauranga

# **WAKA HUIA**

Our Waka Huia are named after famous waka. All the waka have historical connections to Taranaki through tribal interactions and they were great oceangoing canoes that were used in the migrations that settled New Zealand.

### **AOTEA**

### **KURAHAUPO**

### **TOKOMARU**

#### **TAINUI**



#### SIGNIFICANT WAKA HUIA EVENTS ARE

Swimming Sports
Athletics Day

Term 1 Term 1 Waka Huia Plays Fun Run Waka Huia Singing Term 2 Term 3 Term 3

#### **WAKA HUIA DEPUTY PRINCIPALS**



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**KURAHAUPO** 

# A - Z OF NEW PLYMOUTH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

#### **ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**

If a student is absent from school parents/caregivers notify the school through SchoolBridge or the SchoolBridge App, or phone 757 8897 If you arrive late to school. Go straight to class to sign in with your Subject Teacher.

If you have to go to an appointment:

- Caregivers need to request a pass through SchoolBridge or ring the office.
- Attendance will email students a pass to excuse them from class. Students need to have the Outlook email app on their phone/device so that they can show the pass to their teacher and duty staff.

Do not leave the school grounds without a pass. Students cannot leave the grounds at interval, lunch or during lessons without a pass.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

All students are encouraged to participate in a range of sporting and cultural activities. Check out our website or the School Prospectus for details.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

During every subject class, Kāwai Huia time, and assembly, a roll is taken. Parents/Caregivers can view student attendance via our secure KAMAR App.

#### ASSESSMENT OF STUDENTS

Students in Years 9 to 13 are assessed in each subject in a variety of ways, such

as topic tests, essays, assignments, projects, portfolios, practical work and models. Learning Areas determine how students are assessed and the timing of assessments

#### **BADGES AND AWARDS**

Opportunities are available to all students at NPGHS to gain a variety of Badges and Awards. These acknowledge participation, commitment and service to the school, responsibilities held, and academic, sports and cultural achievements. As a school we enjoy the chance to celebrate your accomplishments along with you. For further details you can view our school website

#### **BIKES**

Wear your safety helmet at all times when on your bike.

Cycles are to be housed in the covered school cycle racks behind N Block.

- Students should enter and leave the school by Northgate/Mangorei Road.
- 2. Road rules must be observed.

#### **BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)**

We expect students to bring a laptop to school to support their learning. We are a Microsoft Office 365 based school and we recommend a Windows 10 or 11 device, capable of running Microsoft Office. It should be lightweight and robust enough to survive teenage life, have a battery life of six hours or higher, and enough RAM (min 4GB) and Solid

State Storage (SSD - min 128 GB) for applications to run smoothly. A touch enabled device will provide the best learning experience. Chromebook type devices are not recommended as experience shows users often have difficulties on our system. Mobile phones are not used for BYOD learning. If you have an existing laptop, don't buy a new one until the device no longer meets your needs. The school has a number of older loan laptops for students who cannot bring their own. Initially, these will be loaned on a daily basis from the library. Students will need to get it issued before 8.35am in the morning and return it at the end of the day. Students are responsible for the management of and appropriate use of their personal laptops/tablets at school in line with the school values Although permitted at school, phones must be set to silent and in school bags at all times other than break times, unless permission is given by the teacher. All devices are brought to school at the owner's risk and are not covered by any school insurance. Parents and caregivers are advised to check the status of their own insurance cover for them. On enrolment, students and parents must sign an ICT agreement indicating that they will follow the school's expectations surrounding computer and internet use before any access is allowed. Students must take responsibility for their own network username and password as this allows access to both the school network and the WiFi network The school filters internet access and blocks objectionable, offensive and inappropriate websites when students are accessing the internet. However, we cannot control students' internet access using their own data plans. The student's school MS Office 365 Account allows them to

install MS Office on five personal devices.



#### **BUSES**

All buses to and from the school operate from the school entrance on Mangorei Road, some from the school side and some from the sports field side. If you are crossing the road, you must use the pedestrian crossing and always follow the instructions of the staff on duty. Travelling on a school bus is a privilege. You must behave yourself appropriately and demonstrate our school values at all times. Travel is at the discretion of the bus company and they can refuse to transport students who are a danger or a disturbance to other passengers.

If you need to know about bus fares, ticketing or specific bus stop information, for most local town buses this can be obtained from Tranzit Coachlines. Their contact number is 06 757 5783.

Withers Coachlines run four Ministry of Education buses. These bus routes are: D070402 Bell Block via Egmont Road D070407 Bell Block via Smart Road D070408 Frankley/Carrington Road D070412 Mangorei Road.

If you are needing to travel from school

to Stratford/Hawera then you will need to take the Pickering Motors Connector service. Their contact number is 06 761 8363 for more information.

To find out more information regarding school buses, refer to the Bus Information in our website Quicklinks section.

#### **CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

The Careers Department focus on developing self-awareness, where students can recognise their strengths, interests, and values. Senior students are encouraged to enrol in courses such as Trades Academy/Work Placement/ Classroom Learning, to identify their strengths and passions to unpack their career pathway post NPGHS. Students have access to an online calendar link which secures an individual time slot to discuss their career pathway.



#### **CARPARKS**

The school has limited visitor parking. Parents/caregivers should NOT drive into school to drop off or pick up students. There is no parking provided on site for students. Students who drive to school should park considerately in the surrounding streets and take note of Council parking restrictions.

#### **CURRICULUM**

New Plymouth Girls' High School offers a very full curriculum. At Year 9, students

have a taster programme where they experience 15 different curriculum choices. At Year 10, students study seven core learning areas and select three additional options for the year. Year 11 students all take English, Mathematics and Science and select three additional options. Year 12s all take English and five other options and Year 13s select five options along with their study line. Further information about curriculum and qualifications are available in the Curriculum Booklet and the Qualifications Handbooks which can be found under the 'Curriculum' menu on the School website.

#### **CYBERSAFETY**

New Plymouth Girls' High School is a Netsafe School and takes Cybersafety seriously. Being 'Cybersafe' is part of being a New Plymouth Girls' High School student. There are lots of ways to keep yourself 'cybersafe'. These include thinking carefully about what information you put online about yourself, what social networking and other internet sites you belong to, and managing carefully how you use digital technologies to communicate and interact with others. Cyberbullying can be a real concern and we encourage all students to become part of the solution for addressing Cyberbullying by becoming 'Cyberbusters'. Cyberbusting stops actions that lead to Cyberbullying. By applying our school values every student can be empowered to stop cyberbullying. For more information visit www.netsafe.org.nz

#### **DAILY NOTICES**

The Daily Notices are read in Spell 1 and copies of the notices are in the library and MB Block Foyer. Notices are also available on the school website, SchoolBridge or the SchoolBridge App and on the link in Facebook. It is the student's responsibility to check the notices each day.

#### **DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP**

To be a good digital citizen you need to take RESPONSIBILITY to use and care for your digital devices properly. You should also consider your RELATIONSHIPS with others in how you use your digital devices, and finally you should RESPECT others when and how you use your digital device.

# EMERGENCY / EVACUATION PROCEDURES

Emergency Procedures are on the wall in every classroom. Emergency practice drills are held through the year. The Evacuation Assembly area is on the Turf Courts.

#### **HOMEWORK**

New Plymouth Girls' High School has a clear expectation of homework as a valuable aspect of the learning process and as being important in developing sound study habits. Homework can be divided into either tasks set by the teacher to be completed by a certain date, or revision– time where you select what work to learn.

The following times are suggested guidelines: Year 9 – 1 hour 20 minutes, Year 10 – 2 hours, Year 11 – 2½ hours, Year 12 and 13 – 3 hours plus per evening. It is the student's responsibility to make sure that they complete homework and meet set deadlines.

#### **LEARNING SUPPORT**

The Awhina Learning Centre team is made up of the Awhina Head of Department and the Awhina staff. The team offer a range of support to students, staff, and parents. Students are referred to the Awhina Learning Centre by previous schools, teachers, deans, parents, counsellors, and support staff or by the students themselves. Learning assistance is available to students with specific learning needs. The Awhina Learning Centre team

is based at the Awhina Learning Centre next to the Hall.

#### **LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE**

The Library is open before school from 8.00am, during interval, at lunch time and after school until 4.00pm. The loan period for books is three weeks. It is important that items are returned by the due date so that they are available for others to borrow. Devices can be issued on a daily basis in emergency situations. The Library is a welcoming environment for reading, games and guiet chatter.



#### **LOCKERS AND KEYS**

At the start of every school year, lockers are available to students near their Kāwai Huia Room. The purpose of a school locker is to provide security for student's belongings, particularly books and stationery. Students must supply their own padlock and key. Students can choose their own locker, these are not allocated. Students are advised to keep devices and other valuables with them, not stored in lockers.

#### LOST PROPERTY

Check at the Student Services to see if the item has been handed in. Check the area where item was lost. If everything is named it should be returned to you. Keep your gear in lockers/bags. Any lost property must be reported promptly to the Student Services. At the end of every term all unclaimed items will be donated. Please name all of your belongings.

#### **MAIN OFFICE**

We operate a 10-day timetable. If you don't know what day of the week it is, you can check this with the Main Office or check your timetable on the SchoolBridge app.

If you left something behind; if you forget your lunch, or PE gear, or musical instrument, the Main Office is where you have these delivered to for you to pick up at breaks.

#### **MUSIC**

It is possible to learn most musical instruments at school. Specialist music teachers are employed to provide tuition for individuals or groups. Some instruments can be hired. The school has choirs, orchestras, bands and instrumental group activities. See Mrs Woller for more information.



#### **PHONE**

There is a phone in Student Services for student use – please note it will not ring cell phones.

# REPORTING AND LEARNING CONFERENCES

Throughout the year students receive regular feedback on their lesson engagement, their grades and general progress within their subjects. This can be viewed in our secure KAMAR Portal.

Learning Conferences take place in Term 2, to discuss student progress across their subject areas. Bookings for these interviews will be accessed via SchoolBridge or the SchoolBridge App. Booking details will be sent out to parents closer to the time.

#### **SCHOOL APP**

New Plymouth Girls' High School uses SchoolBridge and the SchoolBridge App for all communications. Some features include submitting absences, requesting passes, daily notices, alerts, newsletters, school calendar, EOTC information/ permissions and payments.

**Download the app** by searching for SchoolBridge in your app store or by scanning the QR code on the back cover of this booklet.

#### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

The purpose of the School Council is to allow students a place to: voice their ideas, take action on student related matters, support charitable events, manage student funds, and to experience being student leaders. The School Council consists of the Manu Tāiko (Head Girl) and Kaitiriwā (Deputies), Secretary, Hauora Leader and Elected Representatives from each of Years 9 -12.

#### **SCHOOL COUNSELLORS**

A full confidential counselling service operates from Wai Ora, the blue cottage behind the hall, with two fully trained and experienced counsellors who are members of the National Association of Counsellors and a partly trained counsellor. You can make an appointment to see one of the school counsellors to discuss with full confidentiality any challenges you are facing in your life including: anxiety, friendships, bullying issues, family, school or any other personal situations that you might like some support with.

To make an appointment: You can go up to Wai Ora and drop a "request an appointment" slip in the box on the door, or you can email us: counsellors@npghs. school.nz or send a message through Team Chats for an appointment. We will get back with a time for you. You can also text us on 020 4188 7388.

#### SCHOOL LOGIN CREDENTIALS

Parents/Caregivers will have unique credentials for accessing our secure KAMAR Portal. These will be distributed prior to the start of Term One.

Parents/Caregivers can login to SchoolBridge or the SchoolBridge App using a variety of protocols: Facebook/ Google/Microsoft/Yahoo. This depends on the email address that was given at enrolment.

Students will have their own login credentials for KAMAR, Office 365 and SchoolBridge in order to access their unique work environment. These will be given to students during Kāwai Huia time in the first week of term.

#### **SCHOOL NURSE**

Hanna Northcott, the school nurse, is available at Wai Ora from 8.30am-3.30pm. She is a Registered Nurse who provides a wide range of confidential nursing care.

There is also a Public Health Nurse and a Doctor who have clinics on-site at Wai Ora.

To make an appointment: You can go up to Wai Ora and drop a "request an appointment" slip in the box on the door.

Feeling unwell? During class time, ask your teacher for a yellow pass to see the registered nurse at Wai Ora so you can be picked up to go home. If it's interval or lunchtime you can also pop up to Wai Ora to see the nurse about anything you are worrying about health-wise.

#### **SECURITY OF BELONGINGS**

You can safeguard your property by the following means:

- 1. Keep any electronic devices safe.
- Name all uniform items and stationery (including calculators) and other items of equipment.
- Use your locker with a strong padlock for items you don't need during the day, but not for items of value.

#### STUDENT SERVICES

At Student Services you can: make payments, purchase stationery, make a phone call, find lost property, and get uniform and leave passes.

#### **STATIONERY**

Although devices are used for learning, some stationery is still required. A copy of our stationery requirements can be found on our school website under the 'School Life' menu. Our preferred supplier for stationery is OfficeMax. Parents are able to shop online. To access the stationery list and to shop online go to https://www.myschool.co.nz/npghs. There is a free delivery service for orders over a certain amount.

Services is open every day before school and at interval. It stocks a wide

range of products at competitive prices for general stationery purchasing throughout the year. Parents can set up automatic payments at Student Services, if required.

#### **PAYMENTS**

If you need to pay for something at school, payments can be made at Student Services, using eftpos or cash, or via online banking. Bank account 15-3953-0478234-00

Please reference: student name and the reason for payment eg. Uniform

If paying by cash at Student Services you will be given a receipt immediately.

#### **STYMIE**

Stymie is an anonymous reporting tool we use at NPGHS to report incidents of bullying and harm, safely and anonymously. It can be accessed at **www.stymie.co.nz**. Any student, parent or member of the community can make a notification. It is another means of

supporting our pastoral system at NPGHS. Only designated staff members will receive notifications via email when a report is made. We will deal with all reports according to our existing pastoral care system in an effort to continue to promote student wellbeing.

#### **TEXTBOOKS**

Textbooks and equipment issued to you become your responsibility. If they are lost or damaged you will be charged for them. At the end of the year you must ensure all books and equipment issued to you are returned and accounted for.

#### **UNIFORM DISPENSATION**

Students should organise their uniform the night before to make sure they have clean garments to wear. An excuse for not wearing the correct uniform because it is in the wash is unacceptable. If there is a problem with your uniform, take a note from a parent/caregiver to Student Services from 8.30am.



# **UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

Uniform is to be worn correctly to and from school and during the school day.

#### **FOR ALL LEVELS**

**Shirt:** NPGHS regulation shirt

**Jersey:** NPGHS regulation navy merino jersey (non allergy)

Footwear: Black sandals with backstraps without socks or pantyhose/tights,

Haviana sandals are allowed (not surf wear sandals or jandals)

OR Black low heeled and plain polishable shoes with or without plain black

pantyhose/tights or black ankle socks. No sports shoes, boots, or

canvas shoes

**Jacket:** NPGHS regulation jacket only. No other jackets to be worn.

PE Uniform: NPGHS regulation PE shirt, black shorts/trackpants, sneakers and

swimming gear. Protective gear, e.g. mouth guard.

OPTIONAL\*

Scarf: Plain black/navy
Headband: Plain black/navy

Any additional clothing worn underneath the uniform (eg. T-shirt/thermal top) must not be visible.

#### **YEARS 9, 10 & 11**

**Skirt:** NPGHS regulation style knee-length tartan skirt.

OPTIONAL\*

**Culottes/Shorts:** NPGHS regulation knee-length tartan culottes or tartan shorts.

**Trousers:** NPGHS regulation trousers.

#### **YEARS 12 & 13**

**Skirt:** NPGHS regulation knee-length navy skirt.

Shorts/Trousers: NPGHS regulation knee-length navy shorts or NPGHS regulation

trousers.

OPTIONAL

**Tie:** NPGHS regulation tie Blazer: NPGHS Blazer

Honours Blazer: NPGHS Honours Blazer – awarded only

#### **FORMAL DRESS**

Representing NPGHS at formal occasions. Regulation Blazer and navy skirt/trousers, white shirt and tie.

#### **JEWELLERY**

Students are allowed to wear up to three earrings in each ear (either plain studs or sleepers), one facial piercing (silver or gold, metal pin-head sized, nose or lip piercing), a watch, one necklace and one bracelet.

No other items of jewellery are permitted. (Rings of significance can be worn on a chain around the neck).

Taonga may be worn around the neck.

Makeup is generally not permitted but if worn, must be natural in appearance with no eyeshadow or lipstick. No coloured nail polish or artificial/gel nails are permitted.

### **UNIFORM SHOP**



# Our onsite Uniform Shop, in O Block, is run by NZ Uniforms and is open for purchases during the term and during the school holidays.

Uniform can also be purchased online at https://npghs.nzuniforms.com/. Please visit the site to view the uniform pricelist.

#### **SHOP HOURS**

 Monday
 9.30am - 2.30pm

 Wednesday
 9.00am - 2.00pm

 Friday
 9.30am - 2.30pm

#### Christmas Break - Back to School Sales

The shop will close for Christmas at 2.30pm on Friday 22 December 2023

Re-opening on Monday 8 January 2024 with extended hours:

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm Saturday 13, 20 & 27 January 9.00am - 1.00pm

Normal hours will resume mid February.

#### Forms of payment include:

Cash, Eftpos, ZIP or WINZ Card.

Please contact the Uniform Shop directly with any queries. Telephone 06 920 3260







Justin and the team have a wonderful selection of freshly made food available at very affordable prices.



# **Opening Hours:**

Every school day, Interval & Lunch-time



www.npghs.school.nz

### **BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS**







NPGHS is committed to building positive relationships between students, teachers and all members of the school community. This programme is based on the three R's: Respect/Whakamana, Responsibility/Haepapa/ and positive Relationships/ Whanaungatanga. These relationships are based on mutual respect and responsibility. We all need to take responsibility for:

- managing our behaviour effectively;
- establishing constructive positive relationships with our peers and teachers;
- developing and maintaining a positive and safe physical and emotional environment:
- creating an environment which encourages respect and understanding;
- maintaining a purposeful learning environment.

The three values Respect/Whakamana, Responsibility/Haepapa/ and positive Relationships/Whanaungatanga will be displayed in all areas of the school.

#### **GOAL:**

To create a positive, supportive environment where all students can learn, work and achieve to the best of their potential.

#### **BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS**

Expectation: New Plymouth Girls' High School is a place of:	Classroom
RESPECT/ WHAKAMANA looks like	<ul> <li>Being polite to one another.</li> <li>One person talking at a time.</li> <li>Listening attentively to the person speaking.</li> <li>Showing concern and care for others.</li> <li>Doing what has been asked of you.</li> <li>Treating materials and room with respect.</li> </ul>
RESPONSIBILITY/ HAEPAPA looks like	<ul> <li>Being on time, ready to work with the correct equipment.</li> <li>Following instructions.</li> <li>Staying on task and completing work to the best of my ability.</li> <li>Using my initiative.</li> <li>Communicating concerns, asking for help appropriately.</li> </ul>
Positive RELATIONSHIPS/ WHANAUNGATANGA look like	<ul> <li>Communicating positively and politely.</li> <li>Sorting issues out in a calm and positive manner.</li> <li>Encouraging and supporting each other.</li> <li>Being kind to one another.</li> <li>Working together.</li> </ul>

### PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Each Waka Huia at New Plymouth Girls' High School has a Waka Kaitaki and a Waka Amo. These are key people at the school that are in place to assist you as you become familiar with your new environment. Deans are special teachers who, in addition to teaching, oversee the daily care and management of a Waka Huia.

#### AOTEA



Mrs Rebecca Crowe rcrowe@npahs.school.nz Waka Kaitiaki

(Head of Waka)



Matua Rihari Brown rbrown@npahs.school.nz Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

#### **KURAHAUPO**



Mrs Bronya Mischefski bmischefski@npghs.school.nz Waka Kaitiaki



Mrs Madison Parsons mparsons@npghs.school.nz Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

#### **TAINUI**



Miss Jackie Crawford jcrawford@npghs.school.nz Waka Kaitiaki (Head of Waka)



Mrs Maggie Verry mverry@npghs.school.nz



#### **TOKOMARU**



Mr Callum Harris charris@npghs.school.nz Waka Kaitiaki (Head of Waka)



Mrs Courtney Brons cbrons@npghs.school.nz Waka Amo (Waka Dean)

#### KĀWAI HUIA TEACHER

Your Kāwai Huia Teacher is your first point of contact and you will meet daily with them and the other students in your Kāwai Huia Group. Your Kāwai Huia group is a vertical group with a mixture of Year 9-13 students.

# THE FIRST DAY FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS 2024

#### **DAY ONE - THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2024**

All new students (Year 9 and above) and parents are welcome to attend a Pōwhiri in the school Hall. Please meet outside the hall at 8:50am. Following the Pōwhiri, students will then spend the rest of this day in their Kāwai Huia class completing a range of orientation activities.

#### **PŌWHIRI PROTOCOL**

It is important for the manuhiri (new students) to understand that this is a formal proceeding that should be respected as such.

The manuhiri (new students) meet at the front of the hall waiting to be called on. The kaikaranga (woman caller) stands at the front. The seating arrangements are that the men are sitting at the front with the women seated behind.

#### **KARANGA**

The manuhiri are called on by the kaikaranga who begins proceedings. The manuhiri move up slowly behind the kaikaranga. Everyone remains standing until the Tangata Whenua (people of the land) motion everyone to sit. The kaikorero (advocate) will stand and present their korero (speaking). This is followed by a waiata (song) that the group sings in support of their speakers.

#### **DAY TWO - FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2024**

8.40am start for all. The day will finish at 3.20pm. Your Kāwai Huia teacher will prepare you for this day.

#### WHAT TO BRING

#### On your first day of school please bring:

- Lunch & a drink, something to write on and a pen
- Laptop device
- P.E gear



# **LOOKING AHEAD IN 2023**

#### YEAR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION ACTIVITY DAYS

Get your kit ready – we're about to have a whole lot of fun. The two-day Year 9 Outdoor Education Activity Days are on in Week 5 of Term 1. This is a great opportunity for students to get to know other students in their Year 9 core class, as well as some of the Year 13 leaders and teachers, in a fun and safe way. The focus of the Activity Days is to take students out of the classroom environment, allowing participation in team building activities full of adventure and challenge, while providing an additional opportunity to make new friends and develop positive relationships.



No payment is required for students to attend the Activity Days. The school covers the full cost as we believe it is an extremely valuable experience for Year 9 students. This is, however, a large expense to the school and we gladly welcome any donations toward the cost of the Activity Days. Any contribution will ensure that we can continue to offer opportunities such as these. The cost to the school per student is approximately \$120. If you wish to make a donation, bank details for online payment are: 15-3953-0478234-00 – include your child's name, Yr9ODE24 (Outdoor Education) and their Kawai Huia Group in your online payment.

#### **ATHLETICS DAY**

Athletics day is held out at the TET track in Inglewood. The school organises buses to take students out to the track but all students must meet at school first. Students living south of New Plymouth may arrange to go directly there. Students will bus back to school in time to link with buses home. Athletics day is a fun-filled day with competitive and non-competitive events and relays to finish off the day. Sunblock and first aid will be on site along with food and drink stalls. Students are encouraged to dress in their Waka colours (with costumes easy enough to run in), add a little face paint with a sun hat



and you are ready to go. You can travel to and from this sports day in your costume. Students must remain at the venue for the entirety of the school day. Parents & whānau are welcome to come along and enjoy this event with the students.

#### **SWIMMING SPORTS**

Swimming sports is a fantastic day for the whole school with students dressing up in their waka colours. There are races for the competitive swimmers with records to break as well as fun boogey board, freestyle and backstroke races. You may get selected to swim for your Waka relay team or for your Kāwai Huia class relay team. Our Year 13 students compete in the Waka synchronised swimming event along with the Day Girls v Boarders and Staff v Year 13 races to finish off the day. Parents/guardiansarewelcometocomealong and enjoythis event with us. It is a fun-filled day enjoyed by many



# SCHOOL DURING THE HOLIDAYS AND WEEKENDS TO HAVE A LOOK AROUND STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO VISIT





D1 English 至 Health, Media Studies, Maths, English, Social **Trades & Vocational** Science, Tourism, Careers -

Drama, English

Dance

Drama

N2 Health

Learning Centre 4

Shape Your Future

Scotlands Hostel Hostel 7th House 몴

Tuhonohono

Wharenui

Waimarie Unit

Wellness Centre School Nurse, Waiora

Councillors

Entrance

Printmaking, Design & Visual Communication

Sculpture, Painting,

Art, Photography,

**Driveway Access** (P) Visitor Parking

싱 Disabled Parking

Downstairs: Principal,

Millennium Block

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State Highway 3 Northgate

Mangorei Road

Dental Clinic is not

Upstairs: Science Labs

Library, Computer Labs

Attendance Officer,

Staff, Student Services,

International Dept,

Admin

Deputy Principals,

RESIDENTIAL

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