



Ōtāhuhu College Newsletter

Friday 5th April 2024

Important Notices

Friday 12 th April	Last day of school for Term 1
Monday 29 th April	First day of Term 2
Wednesday 1 st May	Anzac Assembly
Friday 3 rd May	Catch up ID Photos



FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Two of our students' work from 2023 is in the top art exhibition which is touring the country at present. Both boys were serious about their work and spent hours after school working on their folio. Their success is a tribute to their hard work, dedication and the support from our Art teachers.

With the winter sports season kicking off it is timely that I take the opportunity to remind those around children's sport of their responsibilities regarding those who participate, and the coaches, officials, and adults who guide them. Occasionally, around College, and in other environments, we hear of inappropriate behaviour from the sidelines that negatively impacts on staff and students. Behaviour that is unacceptable somehow occurs because of the intensity that people feel in the moment – something we should all be focused on controlling as an element of self control. At a time when we all appreciate the need for young people to be out and about playing sport as much as possible, the care and support of those who enable that to occur should be in the forefront of our minds as parents and supporters.

This morning in assembly we celebrated the success of our Senior Girls Volleyball team who won the North Island Satellite Tournament. We also farewelled Lyn Lawrence after her 37 years of service to Otago College. Her commitment and dedication to the College has been inspirational and we wish her all the very best in her well earned retirement.

Kia Tamatane.

Our Commitments

The behaviour focus for next week is on being supportive. This means more than just talking to our children about treating others like they would want to be treated. It also means being supportive in learning. School is, and should be challenging, the work must require thought, and mistakes must be made if learning is to happen. A key part of being supportive at Otago College is based around supporting each other in our learning, making mistakes and working hard to do better next time.

Curriculum News

Year 11 Market Day 2024

On Wednesday 27th March, the Year 11 Commerce students held their Market Day during break 1, as part of their first internal assessment. Students had been working hard all term, determining their products and prices. It was a very successful time with students learning a lot about business, with many making a profit on the day.





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The Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

The tasty tradition of the Otahuhu College Easter Egg Hunt, launched for the first time in 2022, took place once again this week. Over 100 Easter eggs were spread around the school grounds before sunrise, so that the first students to reach school found themselves greeted with a delectable surprise. The clear learning intention behind the egg hunt is that getting up and being active early in the day has its definite (and unexpected) advantages!



Sports News

Year 10 Mele Taukafa represented Otahuhu College in the Athletics Auckland Champs. She competed against the best in Auckland and finished 10th in the Intermediate Girls Discus. We look forward to her progress in this sport.





Community News

STRIVE Community Trust - Youth Services, are excited to announce that we will be holding a careers expo specifically for our Youth and our community. This event is called '180 Careers Exposition' encouraging our young people to turn from uncertainty and turn towards a bigger and brighter future. Poster Attached.

We have hand-picked the providers coming through highlighting:

Education

Work-ready programs.

Overall wellbeing support for our taiohi/rangatahi

We will have Spot Prizes & free sausage sizzle for our Rangatahi and some other delicious options to purchase on the day.

We will have young people from our community organisations attending as well as Local high schoolers looking at options for them and their careers. Stallholders have been asked to have interactive activities to keep the taiohi/rangatahi engaged throughout the day.

Liz social worker will be needing names if wanting to attend so we can register and be transported there and back.

CREATING OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE
CAREER PATHWAYS FOR OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY.

180

180 CAREERS EXPOSITION

TURN TOWARDS A BRIGHTER FUTURE!

10AM - 2PM
THURSDAY 11TH APRIL
NGA TAPUWAE COMMUNITY CENTRE
253 BUCKLAND ROAD, MANGERE EAST
SPOT PRIZES AND KAI AVAILABLE!!!
SCAN & REGISTER NOW!

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Health and Wellness Centre



Travellers Program runs in small groups over 8 weeks, for some of our Year 9 students.

Travellers aims to build resilience, life skills to cope with change, loss, and transition. As well as building self-esteem and confidence, so that our students can face future challenges well.

Prior to starting, all year 9 students will complete a brief and confidential survey. If for any reason you wish for them to opt out, or if you want any additional info please email

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Study News

HELP CENTRE

ENGLISH

HOMESCHOOL HELP

ASSESSMENT SUPPORT

LITERACY SKILLS PRACTICE

This is a study space where you can get extra help, more practice and additional time to work on skills, homework and assessments.

This is an opportunity for students of all year levels to get extra guidance and support to help them achieve to the best of their ability.

DETAILS: Day: Every Thursday
Time: 3pm-4pm
Location: OC Library

