



PARENT WEEKLY UPDATE

6 April 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers

PROGRESS CONFERENCES FOR YEARS 9-12: A reminder to all parents and caregivers of the Progress Conferences happening this coming **Wednesday, 11 April**. These appointments run from 12 noon and finish at 7 pm. Your son will be able to take you to his tutor room for the interview and there will be a list of locations for non-tutor teachers displayed on a whiteboard in the office. You will have received an email explaining the Progress Conferences and how to book these online through the College website. Note bookings can be made, or changed up until 11 am on the Wednesday, but we would strongly encourage you to book as soon as possible, as some appointment times are inevitably more popular than other times.

Please note that both Ms Southall and Ms Gilmour will be unavailable on the day. Those appointments will be allocated to other staff. If your son has one of those 2 teachers you will need to come to the College Office first to check which room your interview will be in. A whiteboard with this information will be in the Office foyer, or you can ask one of the Office staff. Ms Kendall-Elder will also be unavailable after 5 pm, so parents of students in WKE should also check at the Office.

There are no classes on this day so it is really important that you and your son take this opportunity to have this meeting. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the College Office.

PROGRESS REPORTS: These will be available via the Parent Portal, accessed through the College website from Monday evening. You are strongly encouraged to read this prior to the Progress Conference on the Wednesday and if possible have a printed copy of this with you on the day.

DATES TO DIARY FOR NEXT WEEK:

- **Monday 9 April** - Polynesian Parents' Association meet at 6pm in the staffroom, Parents' Association meet at 7.30pm in the staffroom and Women's Group meet at 7.45pm.
- **Wednesday 11 April** - **Progress Conference Day. Students only need to come into school for the duration of their appointment and there are no classes that day.**
- **Thursday 12 April** - Grandparents morning for Year 9's.
- **Friday 13 April** - Term 1 ends and newsletter available.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP NEW HOURS: With Term 2 approaching when students need to wear formal uniform each day you may need to buy some additional uniform items. The shop will be open on **SATURDAY 28 April from 10AM TO 12 NOON**. Pop in and pick up your winter uniform needs for next term. The shop is really well stocked and even has ties and scarves on sale. Pop along and see what they have got as they are there to help.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISER: WE'RE AGAIN FUNDRAISING WITH ENTERTAINMENT™: The NEW 2018|2019 Entertainment™ Books will be arriving soon. For every Entertainment™ Book and Entertainment™ Digital Membership we sell, \$13 is contributed to our fundraising! The new Entertainment™ Memberships are available now and are packed with thousands of up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers that you can use through to 1 June 2019. The more Memberships we sell, the more we raise! Please tell your family and friends. Thank you for your support! Use this link to take you directly to our college page <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1042f11>

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION: The Parents' Association would like to thank all those who attended the Big Boys' Breakfast and helped make it a memorable occasion. We would also like to thank the guest speakers TJ Perenara and Rt Hon Sir Anand Satyanand GNZM QSO KStJ who generously gave their time to speak. Special thanks to the **main** sponsor Designgroup Stapleton Elliott, and our table sponsors Abstel Glyde, Ellmers, E.N.Ramsbottom Contractors, Forex Limited, Hudson Taylor, KPMG, Paragon Painting and GSE Engineering, Qual IT, Real-iO, Tranzit Coachlines and the St Patrick's Old Boys' Association. Without the support of these sponsors we would be unable to hold this event.

We would also like to thank the following who kindly donated food, money, product and time – their generosity is greatly appreciated: Arobake, Bunnings Warehouse, Café' Caribe, Crisp Family, Empire Cinema and Eatery, Habit Gym, Havana Coffee, Haylo Skin and Body, Island Bay Butchery, La Bella Italia, Life Pharmacy Kilbirnie, Mediterranean Food Warehouse, Milne Print Wellington, Oracle, Pak'n Save Kilbirnie, Paneton Bakery, Penthouse Cinema, Salty Pidgin, The Children's Bookshop and The Pines.

Finally a special thank you to John Wiggins from the Victoria St Café for donating his time and skill as head chef in the kitchen along with his assistant Suki Toyama Morris - your assistance was greatly appreciated.

A REMINDER THAT THE RECTOR IS ON LEAVE: Mr Swindells is away overseas on leave until Saturday 5 May and that I am Acting Rector in his absence.

Kind regards

Wayne Mills

ACTING RECTOR