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Ka eke ngatahi i te ngaru o
te angitu

Collingwood Area School

2011

Korero

It's a little bit late to wish you all a happy new year, and for many you were presented with some unplanned challenges that you could well have done without. Nature does have the habit of reminding us who is boss and we've had our own taste in recent weeks alongside the experiences of many other parts of the world recently.

It's good to see the students back and ready to continue with their successes from last year. As detailed elsewhere, every one of our years 11 to 13 students gained the relevant certificate in NCEA. Our numbers of new entrants are steadily increasing each year and we also have more senior secondary students than we have ever had before. Welcome back to Stephen in year 13 and a warm welcome to Jo and Quinn in year 12 and Lucy in year 11. Tipene has also joined us in year 5.

On the staffing front there are few changes from last year. Melissa Dixon is joining us on a more regular basis teaching at year 7 and 8. Tom Foster is joining us as a part time PE teacher for years 4 to 10. He has been teaching in Wellington for several years. Our non-teaching staff is also very stable which certainly helps with the smooth running of the school.

There's the usual wide range of activities planned for the year but the focus always has to be on student learning. Don't forget that if you have any concerns about your child's learning or situation at school then you are more than welcome to contact the relevant teacher, dean, Alison Menary, Garry Lewis or myself. If you need information about finances or about the running of the school then Irene is the fount of all knowledge.

Hei kona ra

John Garner

Term 1 Calender

Contact Details

Phone: 035248125-----Fax: 035248124

Principal: John Garner

Deputy Principal: Garry Lewis

Assistant Principal: Alison Menary

Room 3: Susan Feron

Room 15: Alison Menary/Pip Baker

Room 16: Jonny Hanlon

Room 6: Melissa Dixon

Year 7-10 Dean: Steve Beck

Year 11 Dean: Marta Barham

Year 12-13: Garry Lewis

Executive Officer: Irene Pomeroy

Office Administrator: Sharyn Scrimgeour

Bus Controller: Garry Lewis



February 11th...Gerry Tonkin-Bus monitor training
Mural Painting
February 14th-18th...Gerry Tonkin- Cycle Safety Week
Valentines Day
February 14th... Room 16 Sailing at Pohara
February 15th...Board of Trustees Meeting
February 21st...Year 7-13 Information Evening
February 23rd...Room 16 Parents Meeting at 3.15pm
February 24th...Student Contact Camp
February 24th... Years 7&8 Sailing at Pohara
February 25th... Swimming Sports years 1-6
March 3rd.....Swimming Sports years 7-13
(period3-6)
March 11th.....Full School Assembly
March 15th.....Whanau Sports period 5-6
April 6th.....Reports Posted
April 11th.....Tournament week at Karamea

END OF TERM ONE at 2pm April 15th

April 17th-23rd
Area Schools Leadership Camp
National Youth Drama School



Birthday Wishes

December

- 13th Chloe Dixon
- 13th Clarissa Barham
- 14th Chloe Wells
- 19th Stephen McLellan
- 25th Racheal Boulton
- 28th Daniel Barham
- 30th Hayley Page

January

- 1st Aaliyah Lockwood
- 5th Daniel Davis
- 7th Regan Bertridg
- 9th Jack Jones
- 11th Tipene Donald
- 14th Natalie Nalder
- 17th Shannon McLellan
- 21st Chloe Harkness
- 24th Bailey Davis
- 24th Kieva Littlejohn
- 25th Marta Barham
- 26th Dave Slater
- 28th Jonny Hanlon
- 28th Max Thorby
- 28th Jaimee Gorinski

Big Birthday wishes to all those students in December, January and early February who had Birthdays. Hope you all had a wonderful day.



February
3rd Cameron Price
5th Steve Beck

Happy Birthday this week goes out to:

Tama Leslie....7th
Have a good Birthday



Child Booster Seats

Thursday 10th Feb 10:30 am
Pakawau Hall.

Child restraints Booster Seats Safety in cars.

Demonstration of a new Driveway Runover kit

Everyone who would like information and advice on these important issues is invited to join Pakawau Rural Women for a cup of tea and educational morning

Presentation by Buckle Bear , Booster Rooster and Krista Hobday (Road Safety Coordinator TDC)

All welcome

Contact Joy 5248341 / Joyce 5248364

ICONZ starts for 2011 this Friday 11th

Girls 8 to 11 yrs old Contact Sarah 5259448 or Joyce 5248364

Adventure for boys 8 to 11 yrs old Contact Steven 5258182

Xtreme for boys 12 to 16 yrs old . Contact David 027 201 5933

Growing young people into kiwi icons

Many Thanks again

Joyce

Netball

The netball season is with us once again so anyone interested in playing Saturdays will need to let Paula know as soon as possible. The girls will need to be from Room 16 upwards. They will be meeting in the hall at lunch time today so if you missed the meeting and are interested please ring Paula Beck ph5248324



Fees and Stationery for 2011

Fees for 2011 will remain the same as last year. This includes Activity fees for years 7 to 13. These Activity fees do recognise that some subjects do use consumable items much more heavily than others and the money from the fees do help provide a better budget for these teachers.

YEAR 7 - 10		YEAR 11 - 13	
Health / PE / Outdoor	\$10	Employment Skills	\$10
Visual Arts	\$10	Outdoor Ed	\$20
Technology	\$20	PE	\$10
		Art	\$10
		Design Tech	\$40
		Building Skills	\$20
		Food Tech	\$40
		Photography	
		Forestry	

This information will also be available on the school website or you can email Irene for details (irene@collingwood-area.school.nz)

Parents and Children

Don't forget: **HATS**

SUNBLOCK

TOGS and TOWELS

For the very hot days at school

LIBRARY PAGE

Korero Whare Pukapuka

Welcome back to all the pupils coming into the Library.

We hope you all find time to get into the library this week.

Don't forget to bring back all those books borrowed at the end of last year; get them in by the end of the week!!

We will have new books to borrow and reserve out on display next week. See

you then!

Happy Reading

Donna & Diane





NCEA RESULTS IN 2010

22 students were entered into NCEA last year and all gained the certificate level that they were entered for. This is an outstanding achievement for these students. On top of this, they passed 59% of the external assessments that they sat.

6 students gained an excellent in these externals. Sara Isbister (Spanish and English) and Robyn Tomlinson (Biology and Visual Arts) gained theirs at level three. Rory McMahon (Maths), Amy Robinson, Caitlin McLellan and Talia Menary (all Visual Arts) gained theirs at level one.

Rory, Talia and Brianna Davis also gained a merit endorsement at level one. This is a special recognition for gaining at least 50 credits at this level of merit or excellent.

So these students have certainly set a high standard for others to follow. Congratulations to you all.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Each year the Board of Trustees sets itself some goals for the year. For 2011 these are as follows:

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:

Literacy – to focus on those students who have serious needs with their reading and writing and ensure that they are able to catch up with others. .

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT:

To ensure that all aspects of the New Zealand curriculum are being implemented and that the approach is coordinated across the whole school. This work has been carrying on for the past 2 years and the finishing touches are still needed. Many of the Achievement Standards for NCEA have changed and secondary teachers have a major task in applying these changes to their programmes.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT:

To continue targeting the professional development of teachers and learn how to measure that this is making a difference to student learning.

ICT & COMPUTERS

To focus on methods of improving the thinking skills of students by using the latest technology. So computers aren't expensive toys and distractions but real tools to help learning.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

To consult with parents and caregivers as to the future directions of the school

MODERNISATION

To begin the transformation of the library block and classrooms into modern learning environments

Term One Ends : April 15th @ 2pm