



Principal Update End of Week 1 Term 3

Kia Ora everyone

Our amazing World Vision fundraising has brought us two top awards as announced this morning at the BC assembly. We have been given the World Vision 'Above and Beyond' Award for New Zealand and that is shared by all 3 campuses! Bethany Britten receives the most prestigious national award, the 'Spirit of Dulcie Award' for stellar fundraising and commitment. There will be a further update on WV in a subsequent newsletter.

Teacher Only Day: Thursday 6 August – for all 3 campuses

Parents, there are two such days provided per year for the next 3 years, by the MOE and both teacher unions. They have done this so that teaching staff can update on curriculum developments and prepare for more that are coming from NZQA and the MOE. The second day will be Thursday 19 November. Thank you in anticipation for making new arrangements at home, staff are most grateful.

End of Term 2 Collaborative Parent-Teacher-Student Mid-Year Learning Conversations

If you missed these and would still value a catch up with teaching staff, a 20 minute zoom meeting can be easily set up. It is essential you know where your child's progress is at, in order that collectively we can help them to achieve.

Terms 3 and 4

With the hope that we have 2 interrupted terms here at school – we are focusing on the following:

We aim to already have settled by now into a high quality teaching and learning routine with a focus on getting student academic results the highest we can get them – and this will be age appropriate.

We will effectively use the data we have from assessments and mid-year learning conversations to ensure:

- a. Y11-13 students get the best possible help and opportunity to achieve their level in NCEA
- b. Every Y10 student is more than ready for Y11 and Level 1
- c. Any reluctant learner is pushed to achievement beyond what we and they thought was possible
- d. The handover for Y10, for Y8 and for Y6 is done superbly with no stone left unturned
- e. Parents are made aware quickly of slow or distracted progress

We want to see all students arriving daily, on time, in correct uniform worn superbly well all day every day.

Enrolments 2020 and 2021

We are processing enrolment applications for 2021 and we are thrilled at the quantity and quality. We will continue to offer Expression of Interest Tours and as needed we can run further Open Mornings at Mt Albert Campus.

We encourage you to spread the word about our school and it is never too early to submit an application for the years ahead.

Your change in address.

If any family have moved addresses in the last year or two and have never notified us of their new contact details, please email us.

Sad News but Exciting Adventures

This coming Tuesday it is the last day for Mrs Zelda Vermeulen at our Golflands Campus. Zelda and her husband, both teachers are taking a year's leave to teach in the UAE. What a great year it will be for them both and we pray God's absolute favour and protection over them.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Murray Burton', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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