



Kia ora Talofa lava Fakaalofa lahi atu

School Newsletter

Friday 6th November 2020

Kia ora and Greetings,

Term 4 is now well underway. Our students and staff are all busy with learning, and getting ready for the next few weeks, or next year.

NCEA Arrangements

The Covid-19 interruptions this year have led us to make changes and prioritise our efforts around NCEA. This was explained in earlier newsletters, and at the time news media also reported on what our school is doing.

Priority Group 1

These are our Year 12 and 13 students, and Year 11 students who are 15 credits away from completing Level 1.

All of these students will have the following support in place for them:

- They will continue to work in school, completing assessments and preparing for exams (if they have them).
- Students who have 3 or more exams will be able to take study leave after **Friday 6th November**.
- Some students will be invited to stay at school up until **Thursday 19th November** to complete assessments.
- All of these students will have an individual planner booklet, which you should ask to see.
- Those students who complete their NCEA qualification will be given a "Congratulations Letter" and are released for the year.
- I encourage you to regularly ask your child about their plan and how they are going.

Priority Group 2

These are most of our Year 11 Students, who through no fault of their own, are more than 15 credits away from completing Level 1 NCEA.

For these students we have the following in place:

- The priority for this year is to complete a minimum of 20 Level 1 NCEA credits including Literacy and Numeracy requirements.
- Those students who complete this will end their year after **Friday 6th November**.
- Those students who have not completed this will stay in school until **Thursday 19th November**.
- Each of these students will receive a letter that sets out what their plan is. We will advise on our Facebook page when these letters have been given to students.
- You should read this letter so you know what is happening for your child.
- The priority for 2021 is for all of these students to complete the 60 credits that they will need for NCEA Level 2.

Questions

If you, or your child, have any questions please contact us. We are more than happy to answer your questions and explain what is happening for your child.

Kia orana

Malō e lelei

Ni sa bula vinaka

Namaste

Sa-laam

Hello

Prizegivings

All Year 11, 12, 13 students are invited back to school for our Senior Prizegiving on **Thursday 10th December starting at 6pm**. Students who are attending must be at school by 5.30pm.

Our Year 9 and 10 Junior Prizegiving is also in our school hall at 9.30am on **Friday 11th December**.

Please put these dates in your calendar. More details will be shared closer to the time.

School Ball

Our school ball is being held here at JCHS on the evening of Friday 6th November. It is for our Year 12 and 13 students.

We are using our school hall, so we have been unable to include outside partners, however if a student left our school for the workplace during the year we have also given them the opportunity to attend on a case-by-case basis.

My congratulations to the students and staff members on our Ball Committee, who have organised a way to have an amazing evening whilst being aware of costs in these ever changing Covid-19 times.

Year 12 and 13 students have received all of the above details some time ago.

Teacher Only Day – Friday 20th November

The Ministry of Education is asking all schools to have a teacher only day to gain understanding of the NCEA changes next year. Ours teacher only day will be on **Friday 20th November**. Other schools in Auckland may be having theirs on the day before.

We have chosen Friday 20th, as this is less disruption for our students.

Our school will be closed on Friday 20th November.

Communication

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page and website, as these are important ways of keeping up to date with what is happening in our school.

Ngā mihi nui, Kind regards,



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