

# School Notice

## Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November

*Kia ora koutou,*

*We had a very successful day with all of our students today – the Years 11, 12 and 13 students with their learning and achievement; and the Year 9 and 10 students who joined us for the first time in 3 months.*



### Year 9 and 10 Students Returning to School

Today was a very successful day, with **huge thanks** to the staff and students who together made it so.

We had about 170 year 9 and 10 students join us on the first day back for them. Onsite also were 272 Year 11 – 13 students.

The day had to be adapted for wet weather in the morning, and after meet-and-greet included some class time and then some supervised fun activities.

We are well aware that there is a strong social desire amongst the students when they first return, so we are providing for this through supervised games and problem-solving activities.

Tomorrow will start in exactly the same way as today. We are asking Year 9 and 10 students to come into school through the very end gate, straight onto the astro-turf courts and then into the big gym when the bell goes.

There were about 20 students who arrived late this morning, some over an hour late.

Whānau, if you would like some support ensuring that your beautiful child goes to bed, or gets up, at the right time please just ask. I am always happy to call past for a home visit and enjoy a quick tea or coffee with a parent or caregiver. I'll even bring some biscuits! 😊

After some quick administration, and putting new students into their class groups the day will start, again with classwork then the last afternoon of supervised games and problem-solving activities.

If you have any questions please contact me on email [principal@jchs.school.nz](mailto:principal@jchs.school.nz) or text/call 021 336 328.

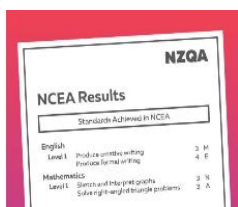
### NCEA Plans for Year 11, 12 and 13 Students

We now have a number of students who have completed their NCEA qualification – which is awesome! With more completing every day.



Some students are receiving their “Congratulations Letter” and now returning to their paid jobs, or starting their summer break. Other students are still focussed on finishing the work in their plan so they too can complete their NCEA.

Whilst others are preparing for external exams. Some are using exam leave so they can study at home, others are staying at school to study.



By now, your child should have received an individual “pack” about NCEA, exams, and other learning related information. Please ask to see it and ask them to explain it to you. If your child says that they haven't got it please let us know so we can quickly fix this.

What has been, and still is really exciting is talking and listening to Year 11 – 13 students who are so excited and pleased with their own progress, and who are regaining their confidence and building even more on their success as learners.

### Visiting Our School

**Please do not visit any part of our school at all, except the front office** (reception) area.

To be in any other part of our school you **must** first provide me or our Business Manager, Philip Doyle, with evidence of a recent negative Covid test result. Additionally, staff members, regular volunteers, Board members and others are also required to provide evidence of having had at least one vaccination.



Please ONLY go to our School Office

Both of these things are **not** just a rule we made up for ourselves, they are **the law**. Set out in Public Health Orders, MOE regulations and MOE directions to schools.

From Gate 1 (nearest to Leabank School) There is a pedestrian entrance to our front office/reception area. Please use this when you call in.

If you need any help at all, including needing to get a message or forgotten school bag etc. to your child, please call the school, or go directly to the front office/reception area.

Unfortunately, we had a breach today where a whānau member came into the main school area and into contact with areas where students were. I have contacted the whānau asking that this person immediately gets a test and provides evidence of the (hopefully negative) test result as soon as they can, and by Friday afternoon.

## Enrolments for 2022: #2 Zoom Hui for Whānau

If you want to learn more about our school please join us for a zoom hui. You can join from your phone, laptop, or other device – just by clicking the link or opening your browser (*Chrome, Explorer, Firefox*) and typing/copy and paste the link in.



These are very relaxed and low-key hui. Most of all we want to answer your questions. I will host each of them, and I think we will start with introductions, a quick summary of our school from me, then questions, answers and conversation.

The hui will last for as long as is needed, probably about 30 minutes or so. I will also have some JCHS guests also attend so they can answer your questions or talk about what we do from their expertise.

You can join as many hui a you like, and stay “on” for as short or long as you need.

Zoom Hui Links	Date and Time	Theme	JCHS Guests
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/xu3hpaw">https://tinyurl.com/xu3hpaw</a>	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> 7:30pm	Learning more about JCHS	Waru Clark, Board Chairperson
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/pzrzdeap">https://tinyurl.com/pzrzdeap</a>	Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> 7:00pm	Learning more about JCHS	Waru Clark, Board Chairperson
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/3mp5d22e">https://tinyurl.com/3mp5d22e</a>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2pm	The extra support we offer students	Denny Newburn, SENCO
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/my8c75fd">https://tinyurl.com/my8c75fd</a>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 7:30pm	The extra support we offer students	Denny Newburn, SENCO
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/2zt228u4">https://tinyurl.com/2zt228u4</a>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 10am	Learning more about JCHS, what it is like as a student	Some student leaders.
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/fbt52dd9">https://tinyurl.com/fbt52dd9</a>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 7:30pm	Joining JCHS from another secondary school	Maria Coyne, DP, and Seelan Ramiah, Assistant Principal

This information will be on our website, and in most newsletters.

**The first zoom hui is tomorrow evening, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm.**

Ngā mihi,

Grant  
Grant McMillan,  
Tumuaki • Principal