



CAMPION COLLEGE

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NEWSLETTER 1

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Nau mai, haere mai, greetings

Welcome to the 2010 school year. To those families joining the College for the first time we hope that this is the beginning of a very successful association. To those with children returning to the College we look forward to continuing to work together with you in the development of your child's education.

The College year has begun smoothly. We pray that the fresh faces and excitement evident in students as they embrace their first week of school remains with them over the coming year.

Enrolments

We have started the year with a tentative roll of 525 students. Our maximum roll is for 512 students so this places considerable pressure on the facilities in the College. The extra numbers are largely due to senior students remaining at school which is possibly indicative of the economic times. The College continues to have an enrolment scheme in place at the request of the Ministry of Education. While the College has demand within the community to allow for an increase in roll it is not possible to do so within the political climate and economic resources available to us.

Staffing

The year has seen the arrival of seven new staff into the College. Louise Hyland has moved from Gisborne Boys' High School to

take over as Head of Mathematics. Dave Shenton has left Sacred Heart College, Hastings to take up the role as Head of Technology. Ashley Manuel has moved from Gisborne Intermediate into our Middle School area specialising in Dance. Jacqui Kay has made the move from England to join us in the Art Department. Laura Cooney has travelled north from Dunedin to booster the Science Department. Ronald James shifted from Christchurch to give us a full compliment of Science teachers. Maureen Hyland has joined our Learning Support Department. We have also appointed Darlene Gedye to English, Hannah King to Arts and Ruby Tiepa to Maori as permanent positions within the College.

At the end of last year we farewelled Donna Lougher who was relocating to Auckland and Sally Willis and Mark Karalus who were pursuing local ventures. We wish them all the best as they embark on new roads.

Cafeteria

The Cafeteria will open for business on Monday 8 February 2010.

Investiture Mass

Next Friday 12 February we will be holding our Investiture Liturgy in the Church. The Liturgy starts at 9.00 a.m. and will finish at 10.15 a.m. At the conclusion of the Liturgy we will be investing our Prefects, House Captains, Student Council representatives and Peer Mediators for 2010. Parents, family members and friends are very

welcome to join in this celebration of the start of the school year and the commissioning of the student leadership positions.

The School Day

The school day officially finishes at 3.20 p.m. from Monday to Thursday and at 2.30 p.m. on Friday.

All classes end 15 minutes before the end of the school day to allow time for staff and students to meet and discuss any issues that have arisen during the day. This is called 'Report' time.

If a student is not on 'Report' they are able to go directly home at the end of class time.

Senior School students do not have a timetabled class for the last period on Tuesday. This is Study Time.

Generally these students can go home at this time unless a specific meeting has been scheduled for them.

Tuesday Period 6

Last year all classes finished early on Tuesday. This year, the Middle School will not finish early. The Senior School will still finish early. Senior School assemblies will take place during lunchtimes on Monday and Thursday. Middle School assembly will take place during class time.

Hopefully this overcomes some of the issues raised during last year.

May the blessings of God be with you all.

Paul McGuinness
PRINCIPAL



TERM 1 DIARY 2010

Week 1

Tuesday 2 February

BOT Meeting – 5.30 p.m.

Week 2

Friday 12 February

Investiture Mass 9.00 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.

Week 3

Monday 15 February

PTFA Meeting in College Staffroom at 7.30 a.m.

Monday 15 – Tuesday 16 February

Year 13 Retreat at Whangara Marae

Wednesday 17 February

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Wednesday 17 February

7DL Retreat) At

Thursday 18 February

7FZ Retreat) Parish

Friday 19 February

7MV Retreat) Centre

Wed 17,18 & 19 February

Year 11 Retreats at Salvation Army Facility, Gladstone Road

Week 4

Tuesday 23 February

Swimming Sports at Enterprise Pool 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

Thursday 25 February

School Photos 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Week 5

Wednesday 3 March – Friday 5 March

Year 7 Camp at Whangara Marae

Thursday 4 March

Otago University Liaison Officer to speak with interested students

Wednesday 5 – Sunday 7 March

Diocesan Youth Weekend in Rotorua

Week 6

Monday 8 – Tuesday 9 March

Proposed Year 13 History Field Trip up to the East Coast

Wednesday 10 March

Athletic Sports

Thursday 11 March

Athletic Sports if postponed from Wednesday 10 March

Week 7

Sunday 14 March – Monday 15 March

Proposed Year 12 History Trip to Mahia

Monday 15 March

HPV Vaccination Year 8-13 girls

Tuesday 16 March

BOT Meeting 5.30 p.m. in the Staffroom

Tuesday 16, 17 & 18 March

Year 8 Pubertal Change, Parish Centre

Wednesday 17 March

St Patrick's Day

Friday 19 March

St Joseph's Day

Week 8

Monday 22 March – Friday 26 March

Summer Sports Week

Monday 22 March

HPV Vaccination Catchup – Year 8 – 13 Girls

Week 9

Monday 29 March to 2 April

Holy Week

Tuesday 30 March – Wednesday 31 March

Shakespeare in Schools Festival

Week 10

Thursday 1 April

Passion Liturgy Period 6

Friday 2 April

END OF TERM 1

Sunday 4 April

GOOD FRIDAY

Monday 19 April

EASTER SUNDAY

TERM 2 STARTS