

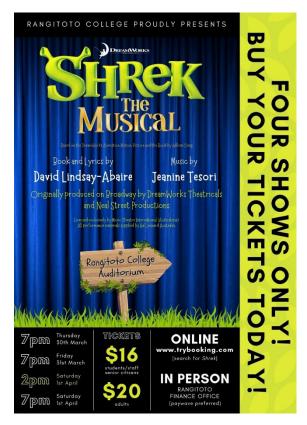
24th March 2023

Rangitoto College Week 8, Term 1 Newsletter 2023

<u>Te Kawerau ā Maki Iwi Partnership</u>

Rangitoto College is excited to have signed a three-year School Engagement and Development program with one of our mana whenua, Te Kawerau ā Maki. The intent of the School Engagement and Development Programme - Mana Kura - is to provide information and activities that contribute to strengthening educationally powerful connections to Te Kawerau ā Maki, enabling Rangitoto College staff to develop their knowledge of historical and cultural connections to the whenua, and pass this knowledge on to our students.

<u>Shrek The Musical</u>



Rangitoto College Performing Arts department will present the full-scale musical production of Shrek The Musical at the end of next week.

It's going to be a fabulous show and great entertainment for all ages. There's a live orchestra, fantastic costumes and scenery, and of course an outstanding cast of hilarious characters which will be familiar to you all.

There are 4 performances as listed below:

7pm Thursday 30 March, 7pm Friday 31 March

2pm & 7pm Saturday 1 April

Tickets are \$16 for students/senior citizens and \$20 for adults.

Tickets can be purchased from Rangitoto College Finance Office during school hours (PayWave is preferred) or online from <u>www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/8778</u>

Special Assemblies

In Week 10 the College will celebrate the achievements of its students in academia, sports, arts, culture and service. Parents of students who are receiving awards will receive an email in Week 9 notifying them of their success and advising them of the time of the Special Assembly. Parents are encouraged to come along to Special Assemblies. Due to Easter Friday, Special Assembly times will be as follows:

Y9 – Monday April 3rd 9am - 10am

Y10 – Tuesday April 4th 9am - 10am

Y13 - Tuesday April 4th 2:30pm- 3:20 pm

- Y11 Wednesday April 5th 9am 10am
- Y12 Thursday April 6th 9am 10am

<u>Reports</u>

All students will receive report entries for Term 1. These will be disposition entries which comment on the level of each student's academic engagement (as well as two other areas unique to each subject area) for each of their subjects. All Year 9 students will receive a tutor teacher comment with a pastoral focus targeted at providing feedback on how well they have settled into the College over the course of the first term. Reports can be viewed anytime through the parent portal via the school website as they are 'live', however, staff will have completed all term one entries by Wednesday April 5th.

Ongoing Traffic Congestion - Graham Collins Drive

We have been disappointed by the limited response of those parents and caregivers that continue to drive down Graham Collins Drive to pick up their child at the end of the school day. We ask again that the parents concerned make alternative transport arrangements where possible, planning a different pick up spot if it is a necessity to pick up your child from this general location. Residents are extremely frustrated by the lack of access to their houses and the Knightsbridge retirement village, with preschool parents also struggling to pick up their young children from Kindy Cottage. The school will be liaising with police to try and ease the congestion and ask that parents involved take pre-emptive action.

Rangitoto College is very grateful to Windsor Park Baptist Church who have given us permission for parents to pick up their children from their car park. This permission is granted under the proviso that parents access this car park via the East Coast Road entry nearest East Coast Bays Rugby and Cricket Club and park in the area near the clubrooms and away from the Windsor Park Baptist Church buildings, thus ensuring safety for their users.

Start of Term 2 Reminder

Please be aware that all students will start term 2 on **Wednesday 26th April (DAY 4)** following Anzac Day on 26th April. School staff will be using one of the Ministry of Education teachers only days on Monday 24th to continue planning for the introduction of the new NCEA system that is scheduled for 2024.

Dental Planet

A reminder that Dental Planet will have mobile units on site during Week 10 and throughout the holiday break to provide free dental services to our students. You can enrol your child <u>here</u>.

Scam emails

We have become aware of some recent scam emails purporting to be from the College and asking for money. As for all emails, care should be taken to establish that the sender is bona fide. Scammers are able to mask an email display name in the 'From' field by replacing it with other text which can also include an email address. Whilst this email address displays as a legitimate email from our domain (@rangitoto.school.nz or @cloud.rangitoto.school.nz) it may in fact not be. Different email clients and mobile apps have different ways to establish whether it is real, with the most common being to click on the 'From' field to access more detail about the actual address from where the email originated.

Kind regards

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