Rangitoto College Week 9, Term 2 Newsletter 2023

PPTA update

You would have received an email from the school last night indicating that the industrial action had been halted due to the PPTA agreeing to the terms of reference for arbitration. It was wonderful to see all our students back in the kura this morning. The staff in the college are looking forward to teaching the students over the next seven days before the July holidays begin. Please note that the Paid Union Meeting scheduled for next Wednesday, 28th June, will continue as planned. Below is a copy of the information from an email dated Friday 9th June.

We have been notified by the PPTA that a Paid Union Meeting will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 28th June. The school day will finish for Year 10-13 students at 12:15pm (with a shortened period 3), while Year 9 students will be scheduled for two further lessons in the afternoon before a 3:20pm finish to their day.

Special Assemblies

Next week we will celebrate the achievements of our students in our Special Assemblies. These will recognise the academic outcomes of our seniors, and the values of our juniors. In planning special assemblies for week 10, the College took into consideration potential strike action. It's great these strikes have been called off, however, the special assemblies will still run on the adjusted days as planned. Assemblies will still run as usual in period one, 9am until 10am, and parents and caregivers are encouraged to attend. Please ensure you are seated upstairs in our auditorium for a 9am start. Limited parking is available on site.

| Day | Monday June 26th | Tuesday June 27th | WednesdayJune 28th | Thursday June 29th | Friday June 30th |
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| Year level assembly | Year 9 | Year 11 | Year 13 | Year 12 | Year 10 |

Summit Academy Awards dinner

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our prestigious Summit Academy Awards dinner on Friday 18 August at 6:30pm which will be held in our Auditorium. This special event is held every two years and enables us to come together to commemorate our carefully chosen Alumni who have excelled in their careers and given back greatly to our community. This year we are celebrating Nigel Avery, Jenene Crossan, Dr Peter Connor and Erica Stanford.

This is an opportunity to welcome our Alumni back to Rangi and to encourage you to become part of our greater community. Join us for a fantastic evening with entertainment,



delicious food, refreshments and a shared sense of camaraderie.

To rsvp for this event, please click on the following link: Tickets are limited so don't miss out!

http://community.rangitoto.school.nz/event/SummitAcademyDinner

NCEA Literacy and Numeracy Assessment - Year 10

Last week we ran the piloting of the new NCEA Literacy and Numeracy testing for a selected group of Year 10 students. The feedback from both students and staff has been positive in terms of the testing process and how well students felt they were prepared for the online aspect. It has been great to see students arriving with fully charged laptops and examination slips, as this ensures a much smoother assessment experience for them. We will receive the testing results in approximately 6-8 weeks time and these will show on a students results record in PC School. For any students who are unable to attend a session due to illness, further opportunities will be available later this year as well as in Year 11-13.

Reports

All students will have updated dispositions entries and senior students will have written subject report comments available for viewing in PC School from Thursday June 29th. For senior students, these comments should signal where they can focus their preparation in terms of readiness for the entrance exams in term 3 (Wednesday the 13th to Friday 22nd September).

Scholarship Entries 2023

Rangitoto College has a proud history of success in the NZQA Scholarship exams, having been the top performing school in the country for four years in a row (2018-2021). Our students have been rewarded with over 1.5 Million dollars in financial rewards, with 446 Scholarships being gained by students across 2021 and 2022, as well as having the the Top Academic student in New Zealand in 2021 (Prime Minister's Award Winner - Cameron Senior). Our programme continues to support students to excel at the highest levels of academic success in the NZQA Scholarship exams.

Students can now register an expression of interest for each of the Scholarship exams they would like to participate in this year. They do this by completing the 'e-form' in PC School for each subject they would like to enter. Students who are already in a timetabled Year 13 Scholarship class, are automatically entered into the Scholarship exam and must participate in the Scholarship programme and commit to the examination as part of the acceptance into the course

Dental Planet

The team from Dental Planet will be back in the College for the last week of the term and the two weeks of the holiday. During their visit last term they saw 381 students and completed 601 preventative treatments (fissure sealants, simple cleaning and heavy scaling, fluoride) and 59 restorative treatments (fillings, extraction). Students who are already enrolled will be contacted directly by Dental Planet for appointments during this visit. Click here if you would like to enrol your child for this free service.

Kind regards

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