

**Friday 23 August 2024**

## **Rangitoto College Term 3 Newsletter 2024**

<b>Community event</b>	<b>Date</b>
Y10 & Y11 Pathways Evening: Auditorium 4pm	Tuesday 27 August
Y13 Ball: Ellerslie Event Centre	Friday 30 August
Sports Tournament Week	Monday 2 September - Friday 6 September
Rangi Day: <b>School Closed</b>	Friday 6 September

### **Principal Update**

As the school year continues to race by, we come to a crucial time of year for our Year 12 and 13 students. 32 school days (less Entrance Exams) remain prior to our Year 13 students going on study leave for NCEA exams, with IB exams starting prior to this. All of these students should now be studying for the upcoming practice exams, this will allow teachers to accurately identify individual gaps in learning and help students focus their revision prior to the external exams - hard work now pays off later, enabling students to approach the end of year exams in a confident and organised manner.

With the winter sports team coming towards an end, I would like to pass on my thanks to all volunteers who have helped record numbers of students represent the College this year. The time commitment our community has made in coaching and managing our teams is much appreciated and makes a real difference to student outcomes both on and off the field and court. We wish all players competing in National Winter Tournament week the very best of luck in the various venues they are travelling to around New Zealand.

This week, we have had a serious injury to a cyclist on East Coast Road where a car door has been opened into a cycle lane. We request that all drop offs occur in safe areas and respect and care is given to all road users, pedestrians and residents.

### **NCEA Revision Programme**

This Community Programme is held at Rangitoto College, **during term 3 holidays** for students welcome from all schools.

Classes are designed to support students to be better prepared for their NCEA exams.

We offer 3 different types of classes - all taught by experienced registered teachers.

- **NCEA REVISION CLASSES: 30 Sept - 10 Oct** are content-based classes that revisit key topics in Mathematics, English and Science subjects **Level 2** **Level 3**
- **EXAM PREP CLASSES: 19 Oct - Nov** review questions from past exam papers and how to improve answers to gain the best possible results in **Level 2** **Level 3**
- **STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOPS: 7 Oct - 10 Oct** cover different methods for studying and look at time management and planning, resource organisation and exam techniques for success, available for Years 9-10 and for Years 11-13, cost \$35.

Any questions, email [events@rangitoto.school.nz](mailto:events@rangitoto.school.nz)

## PATHWAYS EVENING - FOR YEAR 10 & 11 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

The purpose of the Expo style evening is to help Year 10 & 11 students, along with their parents/caregivers, make **informed decisions about subject choices for 2025 and beyond.**



**YR 10 & 11 STUDENTS**  
**PATHWAYS EVENING**

Tuesday 27th August  
4.30pm - 7.30pm

**Making informed  
decisions about your  
subject choices for 2025  
and beyond**

See your email for an  
invitation

AS AN EXTRA OUR ONLINE PATHWAYS EXPO IS NOW LIVE! ([Click here](#) to access).

If there are any questions still unanswered, there is an ["Ask the Expert"](#) button, where you can submit your questions too.

If you would like to attend, please [click here](#) to register.

### Literacy and Numeracy NCEA testing for Year 11 to 13 students:

For students who do not have all of the reading, writing or numeracy standards required for the NCEA co-requisite and Year 11 Diploma, testing will be taking place across September 19 to 20. Students involved have been notified and will receive an exam timetable that they can access in PC School closer to the testing date.

A reminder for all students to check they have set up their NZQA login and done the approved device checking process well in advance of the day. Students have been working through this process in their tutor classes across this week.

### Entrance Exams Year 12 and 13:

Exams for Year 12 and 13 students begin on Thursday the 12th September and run through to Friday 20th September. All students will receive an individualised timetable that they access through PC School, with their examination room and time. Attendance to all exams is compulsory. Given the importance of these exams and the opportunity they provide to give students feedback prior to the November NCEA exams, students who do not attend without a justified reason will be followed up on by senior staff.

While the entrance exams are running, all Year 9, 10 and 11 classes operate as normal, although room change will occur to accommodate examinations.



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