



*Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of Mana College,
Tena koutou. Talofa Lava. Fakalofa atu. Kia Orana.
Taloha ni. Malo e leilei. Greetings to you all.*

Great NCEA Results

We are nearing the end of our first term and for me, the end of my year as Acting Principal. What a successful time it has been! We have a very busy week ahead of us to finish off with the powhiri for the new Principal, John Murdoch, taking place on Friday 15 April. This has meant some changes to our last day arrangements and these are outlined later in the Korero.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the students, parents and whanau for your support over the past year. There were some difficult times earlier on in 2015 but we pulled together, focussed on the future and showed our community that Mana College can provide excellent education and ensure successful outcomes for all our students.

Our NCEA results for 2015 have now been made official and these have been shared with the Board, staff and students. These results are now available on our Facebook page and our website. Next week there will be an article in the Kapi Mana that celebrates our great success.

It has been wonderful to see so many of our students experience academic success and I know they will continue to strive to be the best they can be

Nga mihi
Marion Tuite, Acting Principal

Board of Trustees Election

What can parents/whanau do?

Our students are busy learning and also participating in sports, cultural and community activities that make a positive difference. Parents can also do a number of things to support their children and other students in the college.

This can range from supporting your children through regular checks on the Parent Portal on the Mana College website, attending college meetings or sports events, making sure that homework/study are completed and uniform is kept clean and tidy.

As well as these things you can become involved in the wider college community by considering nomination for the upcoming Board of Trustees Election. If you are interested in becoming a school trustee or have any queries in relation to the voting process please go to www.trustee-election.co.nz

Call for nominations: Friday 6 May 2016
Nominations close: 12.00pm, Friday 20 May 2016
Voting papers sent: Wednesday 25 May 2016
Voting deadline: 12.00pm close, Friday 3 June 2016
Votes counted: Thursday 9 June 2016
New Board takes office: Friday 10 June 2016

Last Day of Term Arrangements

School will be closing at 11.45am on Friday 15 April.

Year 9 Students – will have no classes and we ask that they study at home.

Year 10 Students – will have Learning Conference appointments organised with their Dean and Form Teacher

Year 11-13 Students – will have no classes, however, some students will be involved in the organisation of the Principal's welcome. Please see attached letter.

Waka Ama

Our senior boys team is currently representing us at the Nationals in Rotorua. We are delighted that they have put in some excellent performances in the heats and semi finals and are now paddling in the 250m and 500m finals this morning. I know that we are all cheering them on and giving them our full support.

NCEA Whanau Workshop

If you want to know how NCEA works and how you can help your tamariki succeed and identify a plan of action that is relevant to you and your whanau – please contact Ben Ngaia on ben.ngaia@nzqa.govt.nz

Your Community Needs You!

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Coming Events

Monday 11 April-Thursday 14 April – Year 9 Camp
Friday 15 April – Year 10 Learning Conferences

- Year 9 home study day
- Powhiri for John Murdoch
- Last day of Term 1

Monday 2 May – Term 2 begins @ 10am

