



Te Awamutu College Newsletter – November 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers and Students

- **Senior Prizegiving** - Thanks for the great support at Senior Prizegiving (Friday 2 November). It was an enjoyable event which showcased the amazing achievements and actions of our talented students in the academic, sporting, culture, arts, service and leadership areas. An immense thanks to “Te Awamutu Courier” and Editor, Dean Taylor, for the fantastic coverage given. Thanks also to the generous organisations and businesses who provide scholarships, prizes and awards.
- **Staffing** – At the end of 2018 we farewell from Te Awamutu College:
Bill Crombie (Mathematics and Statistics)
Hanna Reid (Mathematics and Statistics)
Ursula Johnson (Science)
Shauna Handley (English)
Kayla Abbott (English)
Louise Longbottom (English)
Andy Scott (Health and Physical Education)
Rachael Pentney (Social Sciences)
Sue Nelson (Learning Support Assistant)
Christine Williams (Uniform Shop Manager and Science Technician)

Thank you for all that you have contributed to Te Awamutu College and all the best for the future. Kia Kaha.

- **PPTA PAID UNION MEETING**
On Thursday 22 November PPTA members will attend a Paid Union Meeting to discuss progress with their negotiations regarding the Secondary Teachers’ Collective Agreement which expired in October 2018.
Normal classes i.e. Form Class and Periods 1-3 will finish at 12.30pm.
The College Library will be open for supervision.
Buses will run at normal times.
Please make appropriate and safe arrangements for your child/children.
- **School is not over!**
We have an enjoyable and worthwhile *End of Year Learning Programme* planned for all Year 9 and 10 students. Please make sure your child/children keep attending right up until **Friday 7 December**.
- **Parents/Caregivers of our “Graduating” Year 13s** – see you at our awesome Graduation Dinner, **Tuesday 4 December, 7.00pm at Vilagrads**. Tickets are **\$48.50** and can be purchased at the Student Centre up until Friday 30 November.
- **Junior Prizegiving (College Hall) is on Friday 7 December** – last day of Term 4 – 10.30am start. Students will be released after this (approx. noon) **Buses will run at normal times**.



- **End of Year Learning Programme** - For six days we will suspend normal classes (Friday 23 November – Friday 30 November). Students will spend a day having class(es) involving each of the following learning areas:
 - English
 - Social Studies
 - Mathematics and Statistics
 - Science
 - Health and Physical Education
 - Options

They will spend a whole day with an Options teacher. This should allow them to “have a good go” at completing projects or attempting activities and tasks for a longer period of time. With the other subjects, they will move from teacher to teacher. Teachers will have prepared activities which will interest and challenge students. We are excited by the possibilities of this programme.

Students will resume “normal” classes for Week 8 (the last week of Term 4). It is important that all Junior students keep attending school – teachers will still be returning students’ work, there are Prizegiving practices, Deans’ Certificate Assemblies will be held, “Hokioi” (the school magazine) and Junior Reports will be issued.

- **Term 4 Calendar 2018**

WEEK 6

Monday 19 November	10OED Kayak (a)
Tuesday 20 November	9OEE Rock climbing (a)
Wednesday 21 November	Pd 4: Deans to Organise 10OED Kayak (b)
Thursday 22 November	PPTA Paid Union Meeting – classes finish at 12.30pm
Friday 23 November	End of Year Learning Programme (EYLP) begins

WEEK 7

Monday 26 November	EYLP
Tuesday 27 November	EYLP
Wednesday 28 November	EYLP
Thursday 29 November	EYLP
Friday 30 November	EYLP NCEA Exams Finish

WEEK 8

Monday 3 December	Pd 2 Junior Prize Giving Practice.
Tuesday 4 December	Pd 1 Junior Prize Giving Practice. Graduation Dinner 7.00pm (Vilagrads)
Wednesday 5 December	Pd 4 Junior Assembly BOT Meeting 6.00pm
Thursday 6 December	Deans’ Assemblies Pd 3 Yr 9 - Pd 4 Yr 10 3.10pm Junior Reports issued
Friday 7 December	Junior Prize-Giving 10.30am (Hall) END OF YEAR Staff Luncheon



- **Uniform Shop Hours**

2018

5 December – Wednesday 3.30pm-6.00pm
 6 December – Thursday 3.30pm-6.00pm

2019

21 January – Monday 9.00am-3.30pm
 22 January – Tuesday 9.00am-6.00pm
 23 January – Wednesday 9.00am-3.30pm
 24 January – Thursday 9.00am-6.00pm
 25 January – Friday 9.00am-3.00pm

- **Term Dates 2019**

Term 1:	Tuesday 29 January – Friday 12 April (11 weeks)
Term 2:	Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July (10 weeks)
Term 3:	Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September (10 weeks)
Term 4:	Monday 14 October – Friday 6 December (8 weeks)
Waitangi Day	Wednesday 6 February (Term 1)
Easter	Good Friday 19 April (Holidays) Easter Monday 22 April (Holidays) Easter Tuesday 23 April (Holidays)
Anzac Day	Thursday 25 April (Holidays)
Queen’s Birthday	Monday 3 June (Term 2)
Labour Day	Monday 28 October (Term 4)

- **Starting Dates 2019**

Tuesday 29 January, 8.45am	Year 9 (Hall) start Year 13 (Marae) start Powhiri 10.00am
Wednesday 30 January, 8.45am	Year 11 (Hall) start Year 12 (Keith Millar Gym) start
Thursday 31 January, 8.45am	Year 10 (Hall) start
Friday 1 February, 8.45am	Year 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 at school

Kia Kaha.

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Tony Membery
 Principal

