# NAENAE COLLEGE NEWSLETTER WEEK 7, TERM 4, 2020



### **PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT**

#### Kia ora e te whānau

This week has been business as usual as we work towards the end of the year. It is a very busy time for teachers as they prepare reports and continue to support exam students and senior students working on completing credits for the year.

My thanks to whānau and students who contributed to my Principal appraisal; I value the overwhelmingly positive feedback and the constructive observations that will allow me to better meet the expectations of students and the community for their principal.

#### **Community Consultation evening**

I would like to invite you all to a community consultation evening about **Ka Ora, Ka Ako – Healthy Lunches on Thursday 10 December.** This is a wonderful opportunity to support healthy eating for all our students and I am very interested to provide an opportunity for whānau to understand how this will be delivered and to seek your input into the way we can meet some of the challenges of delivering this programme.

Good luck to the Year 10 Services Academy for their EOTC trip next week.

Enjoy your weekend and keep up the great work that has been going on to end the year strongly.

#### **Outward Bound Scholarships 2021**

I am delighted to announce that Naenae College has two scholarships available for the Outward Bound course running in March next year. The successful candidates taking up these two scholarship offers are Auauna Saolotoga and Reihana Rapira. Congratulations to you both.

#### Ngā mihi, Nic Richards

#### Year 9 and 10 EOTC 'Week' 9 - 11 December

The students all enjoyed their first meeting in their EOTC groups today (Friday 27 November); it was a great way to end the week. They are all looking forward to being involved in their activities from Wednesday 9 to Friday 11 December. If a trip is beyond our blanket EOTC consent, or an overnight excursion, students will be bringing home a letter today and this permission slip needs to be returned asap. If you don't receive a letter, please ask your child what school-based activity they have signed up for. Please let Fiona Crawford, Assistant Principal Junior School, know if for any reason your rangatahi isn't going to be at school during that time period for any justified reason so we can take that into consideration for our planning. We hope you join in our excitement for these wonderful experiences the teachers have planned for all our students.

#### Naenae Kai

Naenae Kai has closed for the year and we are asking all students to bring a packed lunch each day as no one will be permitted to visit the shops at any time during the day.

We appreciate everyone's support.

#### Sport

"On Tuesday Jayden Burns, James Macmillan, Jack Bareta-Byrnes and Maraea Pihama participated at the College Sport Wellington Regional Junior Lawn Bowls Tournament held at the Johnsonville Bowling Club. It is a first for the kura competing at this event. David Staite (Head of Social Sciences and TIC of Lawn Bowls) said students showed all the values of Te Whanau Tahi on and off the green. At the end of the day 3 players were equal on competition points and the final placings decided by points for and against. Jayden won gold, James silver and Aotea College 3rd. Thank you to Naenae Bowling Club for the loan of 4 sets of bowls. "

Mrs Yvonne Manuel Director of Sport

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#### SNU

Recently the students and staff of the Special Needs Unit submitted an entry in the Focus on Ability Film Festival. Our film was about the students getting ready for our Snormal (SNU formal) but then it had to be cancelled because of Covid 19. So we made a music video instead. While our film didn't place in the competition, we learned a lot about recording our song (with the help of Mr Swanson). We enjoyed dressing up and dancing, and also watching the awards ceremony on-line. We also watched lots of cool short films and documentaries made by other schools both in NZ and Australia.

Hopefully these will serve as inspiration for our entry next year!

This is the certificate the Focus on Ability people sent us to thank us for our entry.



## **EVENTS COMING UP**

NAENAE COLLEGE Coming Up! NCEA External exams - under way

**Tuesday 8 December** Naenae College Graduation Ceremony & NCEA exams finish

Wednesday 9 December SNU Prize Giving & Junior EOTC starts

Thursday 10 December Community Consultation evening

Monday 14 December Junior Prize Giving



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