

## HERETAUNGA COLLEGE

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## Newsletter – September 2020

## UNIFORM

As you are aware, Heretaunga College is a uniform school. When students are persistent in wearing their uniform incorrectly, we view this as disrespect for the mana of our school and community.

The school holidays are the best opportunity for caregivers to ensure that students' uniforms are completely sorted before returning to school in term 4. This includes making sure that hair, jewellery and piercings meet the school uniform expectations as outlined in the student and caregiver handbooks.

As of term 4, students will not be permitted into classes with incorrect uniform. Students will no longer be issued with a permit for non-uniform items. Students who arrive at school without correct uniform will be provided with clean uniform items to borrow for the day.

For a medical exemption, students are to bring a medical certificate and will be provided with a permit.

As of term 4, our new school hoodie will be available for purchase from the school office as detailed in this newsletter. Therefore no other hoodie (including the HC sport hoodie) is viewed as part of the HC uniform.

Correct uniform wearing by students at our school demonstrates their respect for the school and our PRIDE values.

Please contact the college if you are requiring support in obtaining correct uniform items.

Fiona Craven Principal

## CAPITAL DENTAL MOBILE CLINIC

The Capital Dental Mobile Clinic will be visiting Heretaunga College at the beginning of Term 4. You will be contacted by Capital Dental to confirm whether you wish your child to be seen at their Mobile Clinic and if so, then be prompted to complete the relevant medical history for your child. Please watch out for this communication and respond at your earliest, since it is very important to assess and maintain your child's oral health and hygiene.

## CONTACT DETAILS

Have you changed your contact details?

Please advise the office of any changes to your address, phone numbers, email address or emergency contact details. Details can be changed by phone, email or through the parent portal. If you are unable to access the portal please contact the college office for assistance.

#### **EMAILS FROM SCHOOL**

Please remember to check your spam/junk box for emails from Heretaunga College. Once you say that the email from us is safe it should automatically start arriving in your inbox.

If your email address has changed or you have recently obtained an address please advise the school office so your student's file can be updated.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

13/10 - Year 12 Leadership Day

16/10 - AWD Bocce / Boccia

19/10 - Executive Leaders Applications Due

22/10 - HC Sports Award Evening

24/10 - School Ball

26/10 - School Closed - Labour Day

28/10 - Prospective Executive Leaders Speeches

29/10 - Junior Sports Exchange (Aotea) 30/10 - AWD Swimming

3/11 – 3x3 Basketball Junior Tournament

6/11-7/11 - CSW Junior Volleyball Tournament

5/11 - CSW Senior Volleyball Finals 11/11 – CSW Junior Golf Tournament

11/11 - Executive Leader

Announcements

11/11 - 9.30am - Senior Service & **Cultural Awards** 

11/11 - 7.00pm - Senior Academic **Awards** 

12/11 - CSW Junior Touch Tournament

12/11-13/11 - Junior Exams

16/11 - NZQA Exams Begin

17/11 - NCEA Jumbo Day - School Closed

17/11-18/11 - Duke of Edinburgh Adventurous Journey

18/11 - CSW Junior Ki-o-rahi

18/11 - CSW Junior Tennis Champs

24/11 - CSW Junior Bowls Tournament

26/11 - Stadium Sports Fesitval

2/12-4/12 – Junior Enrichment Week 2020

5/12 - Grade Cricket Finals

6/12 – Junior Waka Ama

8/12 - Junior Academic Prizegiving

8/12 - Last Day for Junior Students

9/12 - NCEA Exams End

#### **TERM DATES:**

Term Two:

Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3 July

Term Three:

Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September Term Four:

Monday 12 October - Wednesday 9

December

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2020**

Monday 26 October - Labour Day

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30pm in the Meeting Room.

## **SCHOOL MUSIC GROUPS REHEARSAL TIMES 2020!**

Orchestra - Tuesday morning break in the Hall Choir – Wednesday morning break in the Hall - new members welcome Guitar Ensemble - Friday morning break in the Music Room

#### **MUSIC EXTRAVAGANZA**

On 10 September the Performing Arts Department ran their annual Music Extravaganza. However, this year it was with a twist! To get around the Alert Level 2 restrictions we decided to try livestreaming our concert. This turned out to be a great success with the stream currently having about 1700 views! It was wonderful to find a way to continue to share our music making with the community during these difficult times. If you didn't get a chance to enjoy the concert, you can find the video on the HC Performing Arts Facebook page.









#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Matthew Tait for gaining a Distinction in his ABRSM Grade 8 Piano exam.

Congratulations to Jessica Weston, Joshua Franken and Christopher Horne for gaining Distinction in their Trinity Musical Theatre exams.

## LITTLE BIG SING

Heretaunga College's Phoenix Chorale Choir attended the Hutt Valley Little Big Sing on Thursday 24 September held at Sacred Heart's Performing Arts Centre in Lower Hutt. This was a fantastic opportunity to be able to present whatever works were in progress to other choirs and it was great to finally be able to perform to an actual audience! Phoenix Chorale presented one piece, Battle of Jericho, to students from HIBS, St Pats Stream, St Mary's, Sacred Heart and Wā Ora Montessori. The event culminated in a massed item where sectionals were run and then all the students and choral directors came together to sing the last item. The Little Big Sing was immensely enjoyed by all!!





## FREE AFTER SCHOOL MATHS TUITION

Available every Wednesday in room Morgan 5 from 3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. All welcome.

#### LIBRARY / WHARE PUKAPUKA

It's time to start thinking about summer reading. We'd much rather have our books at home being read over the long holiday break than gathering dust in our library so we don't put a limit on how many can be issued. Seniors who are returning to HC in 2021 can sign up from the start of Term 4. Junior students can sign up from week 4 next term. If you have any questions please email our librarian at <a href="mailto:leamyk@heretaunga.school.nz">leamyk@heretaunga.school.nz</a>.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with new books, reviews and resources.

Follow us on https://www.facebook.com/Heretaunga-College-Library-225182564323520/

## **HOODIES HAVE ARRIVED**

The price of the hoodies are \$70 each.

Payment methods are:

- 1. Eftpos
- 2. Transfer from credit balance on school account (must cover full cost)

Please note, No cash payments are able to be taken in the school holidays.

Due to the late delivery, we will be opening in the school holidays for sales, no appointment necessary, as follows:

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 9am – 12pm Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 1pm – 4pm Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 9am – 12pm Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 1pm – 4pm

Please note we have a limited number of sizes in this first order. The second order is estimated to be delivered in mid November.

Further information will be sent out to parents in Week 1 of Term 4.

If you have any queries, please email <u>accounts@heretaunga.school.nz</u> or phone Kirsty Fraser on 04 939 9370 ex 803.



#### **GERMAN SPEAKING COMPETITION SUCCESS!**

The Goethe Society German Speaking Competitions took place on Saturday 8 August at Victoria University in Wellington. Only one student braved the cold Wellington weather to compete. *Tinkisha Patel (9LI)* successfully competed in both aspects of the competition: Prepared Speaking and Conversation. She was placed third overall. Well done, Tinkisha!

## SPORT: BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE THE GERMAN CLASSROOM

The Year 10 German class has been combining sport, language and culture through Germany's second most popular sport: Handball. Frank Stoltenberg, from NZ Handball, has visited the class once a week for the last three weeks to help introduce the class to the sport. The students have created their own warm up drills in German, practised German verb forms within the context of the game (Eg I throw, you catch. But in German!), written their own player profiles and even some team chants in German! The two year 10 German Class Handball teams: "Die Otto von Bismarcks" and " Die gelben Katzen" will face off on the last day of term 3 to see who will be champion!"

## STUDENT VOLUNTEER ARMY

## Collect your first badge now!!!!

Heretaunga College is a member of the Student Volunteer Army Foundation. This means that all of our students can register their volunteering hours to receive a SVA pin badge for free! So get registered and start logging your hours. This can be done retrospectively – you can log hours that you have already done. Register here:

# service.sva.org.nz



The SVA Award pins can be awarded by any nominated person at your school.

You can also register independently online to receive these pins.



Member Pin



Bronze Award Pin



Silver Award Pin



500 hours

#### **VOLUNTEERING IS...**

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If you're doing something to help other people and you're not doing it to make money then that's volunteering. Whether you're putting out cones at sports events, organising the school ball, caring for a sick whanau member, washing dogs at the SPCA, planting trees or picking up plastic rubbish at the beach you're making contribution to your community and that counts.

Got any questions? See Mrs Pike

## **SPORTS**

Julia Corston has won the Upper Hutt Cosmopolitan Club Indoor Bowls Junior Singles Championship. This is the third year in a row that Julia has won this competition. Congratulations!

## NZ SECONDARY SCHOOLS FLOORBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Heretaunga played off for 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> in the above competition. They got off to a cracking start and held off St Pat's Stream to take the win, with the final score 6-4. This gave them 3rd place overall! Congratulations!

A message from the coach/manager.

We found it a pleasure coach/manage this group of students. They were respectful, kind and friendly. They followed instructions well and looked after each other.

Kind regards Adrienne



#### **FOOTBALL**

Our HC3 footy girls won their division, defeating nemesis Sacred Heart 2 by 3 -2 in the final. They have been a super blend of Year 9 to Year 11 students to coach and manage this year. Thanks Ms McKee, manager extraordinaire, to staff who popped along to support them, and to John Booth and Gus Booth for creating the best playing surfaces in New Zealand.

The girls are: Emma Barron-Orriss, Charlotte Brodie, Victoria Cate, Kendyll Cooper, Taylor Courtney, Jorja Davies, Julia Gray, Emlyn Green, Emma McMahon, Izzy McPartlin, Holly Millar, Hayley Stokes, Ravai Vaurasi, and Jessie Whittle





## **HAPKIDO ACHIEVEMENT**

Julia Gray in 9BK who recently achieved her black belt in Hapkido. Congratulations Julia!



## PAPA TAIAO PREDATOR CONTROL COURSE

Our students attended the above course and learnt about the impact invasive mammals are having on our environment, learnt to set traps, build their own traps, then went into the bush and set them.













## **CANCER SOCIETY DONATION – RELAY FOR LIFE**

A big shout out to the people who donated their Relay for Life t-shirt refunds to the Cancer Society. A payment of \$965.00 has been made.

## **STUDENT WORK**

Year 9 Photo Frames





Year 12 Technology



Year 10 Technology Projects













## **OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTRE TRIP**

On the 9th of August, ten senior students from Heretaunga College and our accompanying teacher, Mr Carter, bundled into the school van and road tripped up to the Hillary Outdoors Centre, at the base of Mt Tongariro. We would be spending five action-filled days climbing, hiking, and sliding around snow-covered slopes, deep cave systems and an impressive on-site high ropes course, during our stay at the Outdoor Education Centre. Our entourage consisted of three year thirteen students, Emma, Ellie, and Morgan; and seven year twelve students; Fraser, Will, James, Lyric, Erin, Amy, and Portia. Every minute we experienced on this trip was incredible, and we feel very lucky to have had this opportunity to explore the outdoors in the amazing ways we did. We would like to tell you about some of the memories we made on our week out, and we hope that we can impress upon you just how amazing our experience was!

Our adventure started by travelling to Hillary Outdoors Education Centre (O.P.C.). We had time to get to know each other on the way and jam to music. Once we arrived, we were shown our cabins (which were called chalets) and we then set up our new home for the rest of the time we were there.

The next day, which was officially day one of OPC, we packed our gear and headed up Mt Ruapehu. We walked up part of the mountain and found a place to eat lunch and slide down a snow slope for fun, while also learning to use our ice axes to stop ourselves from sliding too far. This is called self-arresting, a technique that mountain climbers use to control their speed when they slide down steep slopes. The views were spectacular looking down the mountain. Then the rest of the day we chilled out back at the Hillary Centre, getting used to the site.

We started out day two with a short walk to the on-site low rope course, where we did team building. We thought that was hard until we had to do the high ropes course next door, and that certainly challenged us. The high ropes course included a trapeze, platform to platform jumping, rope climbing and the centipede climb, which was essentially a free-hanging suspended pole that you had to climb up. Later that day, we headed to Hillary Outdoors' very own flying fox which was very fun for everyone, as you would stop halfway across a river and then be dragged back to land by the group. After the day's activities, we headed back to our chalets where we made new friends with the cabin of people from another high school next door.

On day three, we loaded up the van with caving equipment and set out into the scrubland around the level area of Tongariro National Park. We came to a cave entrance next to a river and proceeded to climb down into the depths of the cave, to where we found bioluminescent glow worms, ancient shiny calcium deposits, and fossilised shells embedded in the cave walls. There were many places where we would need to crawl through gaps barely wider than our shoulders, flat on our stomachs. We spent several hours in the dry cave, exploring all the trickiest and most challenging routes, then we spent another half hour in a separate water cave. The water cave had a freezing cold stream running into its mouth, and about five minutes in, a sharp left turn in the stream had carved a low ceilinged cave no more than 50 centimetres high with the river flowing through it. We had to crawl through this tiny fissure to make it to the other side. We all attempted to pass through but only some of us managed to get all the way through. It was an exhilarating experience.

Day four was the first day of our overnight adventure. We packed our packs full of overnight gear: food, tents, a gas cooker, and rock climbing gear and the warmest clothes we had. We hopped in the van and set out towards Whakapapa ski field. We parked at the ski field car park and walked underneath the gondola to the side of the mountain where we would be setting up our rock climbing gear on a pre-placed carabiner in the cliff face. We tramped down to this spot from the ski slopes, over the snow and rock. We set up the pulley system on the cliff in three places, so we had three groups of us climbing up different sections of the cliff. The views were spectacular and we were already so high up, but at the top of the cliff, you could see for miles, including the snow-capped Mt. Ngauruhoe. In the afternoon, we tramped further down the mountain below the snow line and set up the tents on a sheltered ridge above the river for the night.

Finally, it was our last day of OPC, we woke to the sound of Mr Carter's voice outside the tents, trying to wake us up. Sadly, the heat we built up in our sleeping bags overnight was going to disappear as we went outside. The wind had blown a frost from the mountain that had settled on the ground around us. After having noodles for breakfast which tasted interesting, we packed up our gear and looked at the map. We then headed to the top of the ridge where we walked our way down the mountain, stopping to have breaks and admire the beautiful views. Sadly, it was time to pack up and say our goodbyes, then on the road again to jam to music all the way home.

This was an amazing and life-changing experience for every one that went. We all learned to work together, manage ourselves, adapt to the environment, make decisions, and lead our peers. We all experienced new challenges, made friends and did things we never thought we would do. All of us definitely recommend trying the OPC experience for yourselves! It's something we will never forget.

We are really thankful to everyone that helped make our adventure happen! Especially Mr Carter for coming along with us, keeping us organised and driving the van; and Karl for being an amazing instructor.



















## **CAREERS**

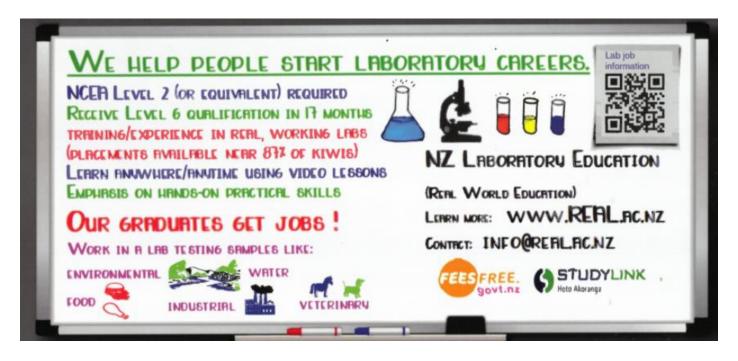
#### **University Scholarships for Year 13 Students**

Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html

#### Important:

- The scholarship page is free to use and always will be. Unlike GivMe, students can access the information at home and on their mobiles etc.
- We have published a number of tips for application success as well, designed to make the application process less stressful for your students.

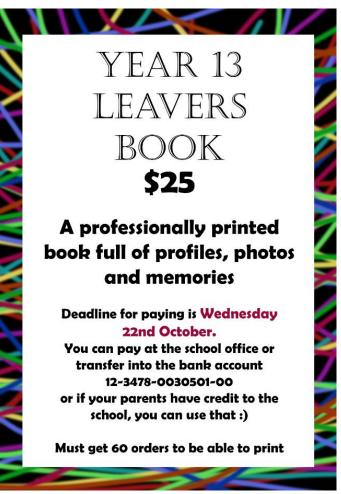


#### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Check out the Tertiary providers websites for scholarship information.

MoneyHub website also has links to lots of scholarships. <a href="https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html">https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html</a>
The Generosity GivMe website offers access to more than 4000 scholarships, awards and grants. This is free to use at Heretaunga College. <a href="http://generosity.org.nz/giv-me">http://generosity.org.nz/giv-me</a>





# **GENERAL INFORMATION**Parking At Heretaunga College

Please do not park on the lawn at any time. If there are no parking spaces within the college car parks then please park on the street.

#### Signing In/Out of College

Students are reminded to sign in at the student office if they are late to school.

All students should have a note explaining their lateness or parents should ring the College absence line (939 9370 Ext 814) or email absences@heretaunga.school.nz

When signing out to attend appointments students are required to present a note/text to the office.

If a student is unwell they are required to come to the student office where office staff will call a parent.

#### Uniform

A reminder to parents that a note MUST be provided if there is an issue regarding uniform.

Please name your students uniform. We can return lost items quicker if they are named.

#### **Absences Email Address**

In addition to the phone line for absences (939 9370 press 1) there is now an absences email address absences@heretaunga.school.nz

This email address will be cleared by the Attendance Officer.

#### **Panadol**

We do NOT supply students with Panadol. If your son/daughter requires pain relief whilst at school they must bring it from home. The Student Office will store this for your son/daughter in a locked medical box.

#### From the Finance Team

#### **ID Cards**

Student ID cards are available for purchase for \$7 and payment can be made online or at the school office. This is a voluntary item which can be used for identification.

#### Printing

Printing credits can be purchased for personal use. Students can choose their top up amount from \$5.

#### **Making Payments**

Cash or cheque payments can be made at the college office between 8.00am and 2.15pm daily, with Eftpos facilities available until 3.15pm. Students can make payments before school starts each morning and during school break times only. Alternatively, payments can be made online.

The schools bank account is: Heretaunga College Board of Trustees ASB: 12 – 3478 – 0030501 – 00

Please ensure that if your payment is for anything other than fees, please advise i.e. Netball and, if known, your student ID number.

If you have any questions or feedback, please contact Kirsty or Ady at <a href="mailto:accounts@heretaunga.school.nz">accounts@heretaunga.school.nz</a> or ring 939 9370 and ask for the finance team.

#### **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform shop hours are: Tuesday: 8.00am to 8.30am and Friday: 3.20pm to 4.20pm

Payment is to be made at the time of uniform purchase. If you have an account with the school, prior approval from the finance team is required before uniform can be put on your child's account.

#### **Fizz-free School**

Heretaunga College is a fizz-free school. Please remind your son/daughter of this rule. Fizzy drinks will be confiscated from students.

#### **Parent KAMAR Portal**

#### Access to School Reports and Other Information

Each parent has access to the parent portal via the school internet page (<a href="www.heretaunga.school.nz">www.heretaunga.school.nz</a>). You find the link in the top right hand corner. Here you can access all of your children's academic data such as attendance, school reports, current results and teachers' comments as well as pastoral entries. Alternatively, you can download the Kamar app from the Apple Store or Google Play store. Access details were emailed out but if you have misplaced your user name and password, please contact the school office or email: <a href="mailto:info@heretaunga.school.nz">info@heretaunga.school.nz</a>









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The School Rewards Program is a great fundraising opportunity, with \$10 from every pair of shoes purchased being donated back to your school.

This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual shoes.

Ask one of our friendly team in store for more details!



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## **ENJOY THE SIMPLE THINGS WHIST SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!**

Heretaunga College are selling Entertainment Digital Memberships as part of this year's fundraising initiative and we would love your support. 20% of all sales will go fund our Junior Enrichment Programme for 2020. Get out and enjoy what your local community has to offer!



Entertainment Digital Memberships are convenient, easy to use and packed full of valuable 2 for 1 and up to 50% off offers for you to use over 12 months from activation. Enjoy offers from your local hospitality favourites and much, much more!

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