

### HERETAUNGA COLLEGE

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## Newsletter – May 2018

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

21/5 – Whanau Hui

22/5 - Loves Me Not Year 12 Training

22/5 – University of Canterbury

Introduction

23/5 - PPTA Paid Union Meeting

25/5 - Student Wellness Day

29/5 - Parent Portal Evening 6pm

30/5 - CSW Cross Country Champs

31/5 - Music Solo Performance Evening

31/5 - Mufti Day

1/6 – School Closed for Teacher

Learning Conference

1/6 – NZ Fashion Tech Workshop

7/6 – Open Evening

7/6 – University of Otago Introduction

8/6 – PHY303 Trip to Carter Observatory

14/6 - Junior Parent Evening

14/6 - Uni of Auckland Introduction

18/6 – Big Sing

20/6 - AWD Floorball

21/6 - CSW Individual Swim Champs

21/6 - Gateway Health and Safety

22/6-23/6 - Wellington Careers Expo

24/6 - Student Sport Officials Training

27/6 - CSW Badminton Jnr Champs

27/6 - We Can Sing Festival

28/6 - CSW Indoor Bowls Champs

28/6 - UHC/HC Sports Exchange

29/6 – Mufti Day

4/7 - AWD Ten Pin Bowling

4/7 - CSW Badminton Open Singles

5/7 - Year 12 Victoria Uni Open Day

6/7 - HC Day

7/7 - School Ball

#### **TERM DATES:**

Term Two:

Monday 30 April - Friday 6 July

Term Three:

Monday 23 July - Friday 28 September

Term Four:

Monday 15 October - Friday 7

December

Learning Conference (Teacher Only Day) – Friday 1 June

Queen's Birthday Weekend - Monday 4

June

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30pm in the board room. All welcome to attend.

#### **ENROLMENT ZONE**

An enrolment zone was established for Heretaunga College earlier this year. This zone excluded families from outside of Upper Hutt attending Heretaunga College.

It is apparent form our current pattern of enrolment that we need to tighten the zone. This is to protect Heretaunga College from overcrowding.

The school is very full at the moment and the current enrolment pattern is not sustainable. (we have over 850 students on a campus built for 700).

The Ministry has given us approval to begin informal consultation on a new zone. The new zone would expand on the current zone by excluding students that live in Riverstone Terraces and in the Brentwood area between Moonshine Road, Fergusson Drive and the Silverstream Bridge.

#### PAID UNION MEETING FOR STAFF

There is a Paid Union Meeting for all staff on Wednesday 23 May 2018. Students will finish school at 11.25am (end of Spell 2). All buses will be provided on that day.

#### PARENT PORTAL INFORMATION EVENING

We have an information evening on Tuesday 29 May at 6.30 – 8.00pm in the College Staffroom. All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend. This event will introduce parents to the online portal for tracking their child's academic progress, attendance and to read the online comments written by teachers.

#### **PHOTO ORDERS**

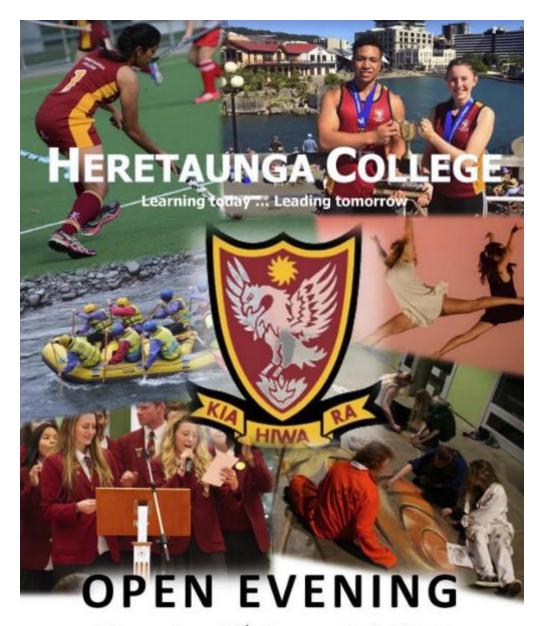
Students have been issued with the Photo Shoot Keycodes to order the photos online. Orders placed before 3 June 2018 will be delivered free to the school. Envelopes are available from the main office for those without internet access.

#### **NZQA FEES**

NZQA fees of \$76.70 for all senior students are **due to be paid by the 24th August.** This is a standard fee set by NZQA, collected by the school and forwarded to NZQA in September. The fee covers all credits earned this year, both internal and external assessments. If your student is entered for any scholarship exams, there is an extra cost of \$30 per exam.

Fees can be reduced to \$20 per student or \$30 per family if you are on a benefit or have a community services card or your income meets the threshold for a community services card. Please check <a href="www.workandincome.govt.nz">www.workandincome.govt.nz</a> for threshold levels if you are unsure if you are entitled for assistance. You must apply for financial assistance, if eligible. Forms are available to complete in the school office or you can request one to be sent to you by emailing me at <a href="mailto:bitchenerl@heretaunga.school.nz">bitchenerl@heretaunga.school.nz</a>.

If you have any queries re NZQA fees please contact me, Linda Bitchener, at <a href="mailto:bitchenerl@heretaunga.school.nz">bitchenerl@heretaunga.school.nz</a>



Thursday 7th June at 6.30pm

Ward Street, Wallaceville, Upper Hutt

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Students will finish school at 12.45pm (end of spell 3)

#### **HUTT VALLEY STUDENT LEADERS MEETING**

Student Leaders met at HVHS on 12 April 2018 to be a part of what we hope will become a permanent group. The students are working on a name that signifies the collaborate team that they hope to become.

17 students were present from 9 schools. Further meetings will be held in order to continue the conversation and planning, and bring the students from the schools who were unable to make the hui up to speed.

The focus of the meeting was to discuss ways that the youth of the valley could collaborate together and address some of the issues facing youth ... in effect, a project by youth for youth. It was very special watching a diverse group of students work together with such ease. Chris Bishop and Ginny Anderson popped in for an hour and offered their support.

Here is a brief summary of the day and an outline of the proposal that the group plan to present to each senior leadership team early next term. I hope that we are all able to support them.

1. The students broke into groups and discussed the issues they felt affected youth in the Hutt Valley.

2. A general consensus was reached that Mental Health was the biggest issue and that many of the other factors identified linked to mental health.
3. Upper Hutt College shared their 'Mental Health week' plan. All agreed that something similar could be rolled out across all Hutt Valley schools at the same time. The key idea was that schools would collaborate, share and support each other to do this.

The big project for the Mental Health Week is a walk along the Te Awakairangi River Trail. It is a nice symbolism as the river connects most of our schools. This could possibly involve Year 13 students starting in Silverstream and ending up at HVHS. However this project is still in the planning and we will watch with interest to see where it ends up!



#### LOST PROPERTY

If your son/daughter has lost any item of clothing please have them check at the office. We have many jackets, jerseys, shoes which have been handed in. None of the items in the office are named.

## HERETAUNGA COLLEGE PRODUCTION ZOMBIE PROM

Heretaunga College proudly presents this year's killer production, Zombie Prom.

Enrico Fermi High is built on the regimen of "Rules, regulations and respect" kept under control by its Principal, Miss Delilah Strict - that is, until Jonny "Without an H" Waner transfers to Enrico and starts causing trouble.

During a nuclear attack drill, "Rebel without an H" Jonny bumps into golden girl Toffee, and sparks fly. When disaster strikes, the blossoming romance is shot down before it's begun, and with nosey reporter Eddie Fragrante digging up secrets better left buried, more than just the past will come back to hunt the halls of Enrico Fermi High.

"Can love survive when your boyfriend's buried in a lead-lined coffin at the bottom of the ocean?" Watch this space for details to find out!

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected from auditions for the school production of Zombie Prom and especially to those who managed to win lead roles!

#### Lead roles

Holly Main-Grant – Toffee
Jessica Weston – Coco
Kate Henderson – Candy
Sujin Lee Ginger
Megan Scholtz - Miss Strict
Zac Turner – Jonny
Kees Kerr - Joey
Josh Franken - Josh
Hope Rennie-Raea - Jake
Adam LeFrancke - Eddie

#### Chorus

Lia Zanetti
Nadine Houghton
Irisse Calangian
Chris Horne
Charlotte Weir
Kyle Clarke
Ruby France
Cari du Toit
Elisha Madhayan

#### **Minor roles**

Bethany Drower - Ramone
Phil Spence - Stage Manager
Josh Davis - Announcer
Rachel Breen - Mum
Jordan Cocker - Dad
Abby Corston – Sheila the Secretary





#### **NEAR MISSES WITH STUDENTS ON TRAIN TRACKS**

There have been some near misses recently involving children crossing train tracks before and after school. They all have one thing in common: children aren't expecting a "**second train**". In all of these recent near misses, bells and lights have still been operating, but because the first train has passed, students make the mistake of thinking it's safe to cross. This can be extremely dangerous as the track crossings in areas with double tracks **always**have the potential for a second train to pass.

This link shows footage of one near miss:

https://www.facebook.com/TrackSAFENZ/photos/a.154551947888305.28634.154539751222858/1833540026656147/?type=3&theater.

As well as looking and listening before crossing, please make it clear to children that if bells and lights are going, it's because a second train could be coming and it's **not safe to cross**. Thank you for your support in getting this safety message out to children. For more information about safe behaviour around tracks and trains, see <u>Tracksafe.co.nz</u>.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER**

Heretaunga College is fundraising again! Entertainment books are available online or from the main office. They are \$65 with thousands of valuable 2-for-1 and up to 50% offers at many of the best restaurants, arts, hotels, travel, shopping and much, much more.

To order your Digital Membership or Book online visit: <a href="www.entbook.co.nz/105b359">www.entbook.co.nz/105b359</a>
20% from every membership sold contributes to supporting our fundraising.

#### UNIFORM REMINDER

Please ensure that your child brings a note from home if they are wearing a non-uniform item at school. They need to bring this to Ms Lucas' office at the start of the day.

A reminder that shoes must be plain, black leather (not mesh or canvas) and there is no jewellery other than TWO studs or sleepers in the ears (no facial piercings).

Jackets need to be plain, black jackets (without colours or logos) and caps/beanies also plain black without colours or logos.

We welcome your support in ensuring that our students follow the uniform requirements.



All parents/caregivers will be advised of changes to school bus routes before changes are made on 17 June.

#### LATE TO SCHOOL

This year if your child is late to school they need to head to Ms Lucas' office in the first instance. It is best if they have a note. If a student is late without a note an email letter will be sent home.

For students who are habitually late, meetings with parents will occur. Even 10 minutes late to the start of the day has a significant impact upon a child's learning and preparedness for the school day. Across a number of days this impact can compromise their success. Thank you for your support.

#### **CAREERS**

#### **WelTec Petone Campus Open Day**

Wednesday 23rd May, 9.30am to 1pm

#### **Careers Expo**

TSB Arena, Queens Wharf, Wellington Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd June, 10am to 3pm

#### **Wellington Tertiary Open Day**

Victoria University, Massey University, WelTec, Whitireia, Yoobee, NZ School of Tourism, NZ Fashion Tech and many more Tertiary providers will be open on this day. Friday 31st August

#### **PARKING / DISABLED PARKING**

We would ask that parents do not park in the school carpark before and after school. The parking within the school grounds is limited. Our disabled parks are for holders of a disability parking card only. We would also request you do not use the grass as a turning point. Thank you.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Camryn Johnson is doing us proud by scoring the first ever goal for NZ at the Woman's Floorball Championships! Awesome effort! https://youtu.be/vUTLO7m0EoQ



It was announced and recognised in full school assembly last week that Year 12 is officially the most comic HC year group. Three Y12's Nicole Mort, Kyle Clark and Rosalia Lyons auditioned for and were selected for a "Class Comedians" programme. The selectors said all our students who auditioned were of really high calibre.

Over the Easter Holidays Andris and Isaac Martins participated in the College Sport Wellington Mountain Bike Championships.

- Isaac won the U17 Super Downhill
- Andris won the U15 Super Downhill
- Both boys will be awarded CSW Medals later in the term

#### **ROCKQUEST 2018**

On Saturday 19th May two bands from Heretaunga College competed in the Wellington regional heats of the Smokefree Rockquest at Sacred Heart College Performing Arts Centre. The competition was fierce and unfortunately, even though they both presented outstanding performances, they did not make it through to the regional finals. The bands were Cold Case (Adam Lefrancke, Jacob Robinson, Stefan Lategan, Cameron Napier) and The Three Headed Dragons (Jessica Weston, Arden Robinson, Shir Weinstein, Maggie McMillan-Perry). Congratulations to these students for representing the school with PRIDE.

#### **JUNIOR ACTIVITY WEEK**

Once again Heretaunga College will be offering a range of activities for students to participate in at the end of the year. Your son/daughter will have received a booklet and option form in class on Wednesday 11 April. If you have not selected options with your son/daughter please have them come to the office to collect another form. The option selection will be allocated on a first in first served basis. All forms will be date and time-stamped as they are handed in to the office. This will be the order students are allocated to activities.

Payment can be made once your student has been allocated to a group. A note will be sent home advising which group your student has been placed in.

#### **WINTER O.P.C. TRIP 2018**

Our winter visit to the Hillary Outdoors Centre (O.P.C.) will take place from Sunday 29th July - Friday 3rd August inclusive (the 2nd week of Term 3). We are taking ten Year 12 and Year 13 students. If you would like your son or daughter to go away for a week of fun, challenge, team-building and new experiences in and around Tongariro National Park under the guidance of a qualified instructor, get them to rush their deposit to the College office as soon as possible. First in, first served! Students may obtain an information pack from Mr. Carter and are welcome to borrow the 15-minute promotional DVD overnight.

#### HOMESTAYS REQUIRED

We would welcome applications for families willing to host student. Application forms are available from Nadine Te Pohe, Homestay Co-ordinator: <a href="mailto:tepohen@heretaunga.school.nz">tepohen@heretaunga.school.nz</a>. A police vetting check will be obtained for all who live in the home who are 18yrs+.



#### LIBRARY NEWS

Local author, Cat Connor, was in for two visits last week. She talked to our Creative Writing and Dystopian classes about her Byte series of books. We've now added some of these to our collection, including one where a mad author blows up bits of Washington DC. You can see more photos of her visit on our Facebook page.

#### **CALCULATORS**

Does your son/daughter have a calculator that they can bring to school every day? If not, then they can obtain a Sharp EL-531 WH scientific calculator through the College for the low price of \$18. And we engrave the calculator with the name of your son/daughter for free! We are also selling Casio Graphics calculators for \$98! To get this essential piece of technology, get your son/daughter to pay and order at the student office.

#### WHANAU GROUP

The Whanau Group is made up of Kaiako (staff), Tauira (students) and Maatua (parents) interested in improving the success rate of Maaori and Pasifika students in the college. The work of this group aims to enhance the development of all Tauira (students) who attend this school through developing the relationship between the school, home and the community.

The Whanau group has monthly meetings. The meetings are normally from 6.30-7.30 pm. The Whanau Group is facilitated by the Matua Mike and SMT.

Meetings begin with a karakia, korero and then the sharing of kai. Important ideas, issues and concerns are discussed in these meetings in a relaxed environment. All are welcome to attend.

Next Hui 21 May at 6.30pm in the Whare (P5 behind the netball courts). Check out our Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1281421745204120/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1281421745204120/</a>

#### **SPORT**

#### **Horowhenua Sports Exchange**

On 10 May we hosted 10 Sports Teams from Horowhenua College. Students and teachers were allowed out of class to watch most of the games which created a fantastic atmosphere. A great day of competition and sportsmanship left us retaining the shield with a 7:3 win.

Our next exchange will be at Upper Hutt College on 28 June. Teams participating will be advised nearer the time.

Horowhenua Exchange Results		
Team	Winner / Score	
Netball – Junior A	HC 28:9	
Basketball – Girls Senior A	HC 55:18	
Football Boys 1st XI	HO 6:2	
Rugby 1st XV	HC 53:13	
Hockey - Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> XI	HO 3:1	
Basketball – Boys Senior A	HC 63:53	
Football – Boys Junior A	HO 5:1	
Football – Girls 1st XI	HC1:0	
Hockey – Boys 1st XI	HC 3:0	
Netball Premier 1	HC 48:14	





#### **School Cross Country**

On Monday 14 May over 50 students took part in the School Cross Country. The top 3 in each age group and those with competitive times have been invited to attend the Regional CSW Cross Country event at Harcourt Park on 30 May. Any students who were injured but would like to take part in the regional event should email or talk to Claire or Debbie in the Sports Office.

Name	Year	Time	Placing / Age Group
Attewell, Hadley	10	10.06	1st Intermediate Boy
Crafar, Coby	11	10.3	2nd Intermediate Boy
Mort, Alex	10	10.59	3rd Intermediate Boy
Molloy, Hannah	10	10.55	1st Intermediate Girl
Johnson, Camryn	11	12.04	2nd Intermediate Girl
Vlas, Jordyn	10	12.09	3rd Intermediate Girl
Gillham, Terence	9	10.2	1st Year 9 Boy
Goose, Tommy	9	12.01	2nd Year 9 Boy
Joyce, Tom	9	12.09	3rd Year 9 Boy
Houghton, Nadine	9	12.36	1st Year 9 Girl
Martins, Kalila	9	12.37	2nd Year 9 Girl
Cameron, Tayla	9	13.1	3rd Year 9 Girl
Creed, Samuel	12	9.49	1st Senior Boy
Bond, Luke	13	10.04	2nd Senior Boy
Brannigan, Tom	12	11.59	3rd Senior Boy
Jones, Faith	12	17.31	1st Senior Girl
Hicks, Summer	12	22.31	2nd Senior Girl
Makiri, Portia	12	22.34	3rd Senior Girl







#### **CSW Regional Tournament - Premier 1 Netball**

Congratulations to our Premier 1 Netball girls who placed placed 7th out of 24 at the CSW Regional Tournament held on Thursday 18 May.

Scores throughout the day were:

vs Aotea won 20 to 14 vs St Oran's won 19 to 15 vs Onslow won 27 to 13 vs Bishop Viard won 22 to 12 vs SHC lost 27 to 7 Played for top 8 vs Newlands lost 25 to 15 Played for 7th - 8th vs Queen Margaret won 19 to 16

#### **Up and Coming Sport Events this Term**

If you would like to enter any of the following please contact the Sports Office.

Student Winter Sport Umpire / Referee Training Course

Te Rauparaha - 28 May (Basketball)

Walter Nash - 5 June (Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby)

Student coaches are paid by the college to umpire so it makes a good part time job.

Swimming - CSW individual Swimming Champs 12 June
Badminton - CSW Junior Badminton Champs - Wed 27 June

- CSW Senior Badminton Champs - 4 July

Bowls - CSW Indoor Bowls Champs - 28 June

#### **Sports Uniform**

Students playing sport for the school have been issued with sports uniform. We would like to remind team members that they need to look after items given to them and NOT swap it with other team members. Students have signed a uniform contract and have agreed to the terms of use.

Players should take note of their tracksuit and shorts numbers, which are written inside with Vivid. Shirts will have number printed on them. It is easy for items to be mixed up at the end of games, so students need to check they have the correct gear. Lost items will be charged to the students account if they are not retuned at the end of the season.

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT HERETAUNGA COLLEGE

#### Chem202 & Level 3

In Callaghan 1 on Tuesday 3.30pm – 5.00pm. Homework Club

In Morgan 6 on Wednesdays from 3.30 - 4.30pm.

Maths Tuition
Free afterschool Maths tuition is available every

Wednesday in Morgan 5, from 3.30pm. – 4.30pm. All welcome!

#### **Vibe**

Vibe are available for appointments for students each day. Appointments can be made at the Main Office.

#### **CALCULATORS**

We are selling the Sharp EL-531 scientific calculator for \$18 and the Casio Graphics calculator for \$98 - still the cheapest prices in town! And we engrave your child's name for free! Orders and payment through the student office.

#### NCEA STUDENT APP UPDATE

An updated version of the NCEA Student App can now be downloaded from either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. It is available to use in English and Te Reo Maori, is free to download and can be used from any smart device.

This version displays and better supports multiple levels of NCEA and new users can simply add credits from previous years without having to also add standards information first. This means that students can track their progress towards various NCEA levels over multiple calendar years more quickly and easily.

The App allows students to plan, select and set their NCEA credit goals and targets and to see how they are tracking towards NCEA Levels One, Two and Three, including Literacy, Numeracy and University Entrance.

More information can be found on the NZQA website: <a href="www.nzqa.govt.nz/audience-pages/students/ncea-app/">www.nzqa.govt.nz/audience-pages/students/ncea-app/</a>

#### FROM THE FINANCE TEAM

#### **Tax Donation Receipts**

Donation receipts for the 2017-18 financial year have been emailed out on the 6th of April. Please get in touch if you have not received yours.

You can use the link below to access the 2018 donation claim form from the Inland Revenue department. You can receive up to 33% of donations back. Please contact them if you have any questions about this process.

http://www.ird.govt.nz/formsguides/keyword/rebates/ir526-tax-credit-claim-form-2018.html

Statements of student accounts will be posted out in the holidays so please keep a look out for these.

#### **Making Payments**

Cash or cheque payments can be made at the college office between 8.00am and 2.15pm daily. However, Eftpos facilities are 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.

Thank you to those of you who have altered your automatic payments to our new bank as below.

The BNZ old account is now closed.

Please note our new account number below:

Heretaunga College Board of Trustees ASB: 12 – 3478 – 0030501 – 00

If you have any queries regarding your student's account, please contact the finance team via email <a href="mailto:accounts@heretaunga.school.nz">accounts@heretaunga.school.nz</a> or phone 939-9370 – Kirsty on ext 803 or Ady on ext 809.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

#### The Uniform shop hours are:

Tuesday: 8.00am to 8.30am 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 student's account.

#### 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 send an email to Mrs Moehricke: <a href="mailto:moehrickeb@heretaunga.school.nz">moehrickeb@heretaunga.school.nz</a>.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **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.

#### Signing In/Out of College

Students are reminded to sign in at the student office if you 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).

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

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

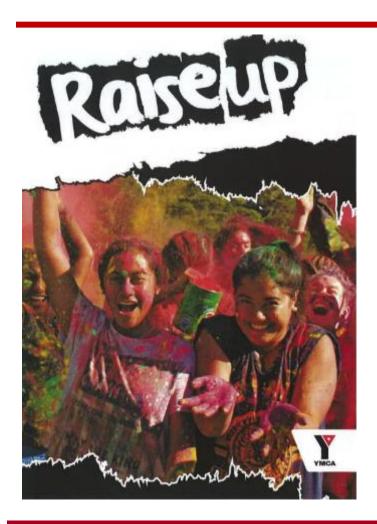
#### Uniform

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.

#### 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.

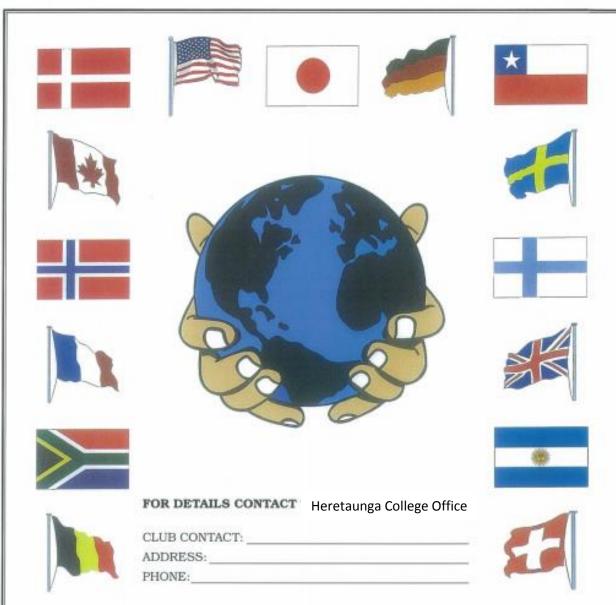






# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE





## AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY OVERSEAS AT A FOREIGN HIGH SCHOOL FOR ONE YEAR

The Youth Exchange Programme is a tremendous adventure in the international programme of Rotary. Each year it provides opportunities for many thousands of students to live and study in distant parts of the world for 12 months, in an entirely different environment to their own.

The impact that this programme will have on international relations in the future is incalculable. But perhaps more important is the impact that the programme is having on the lives of the students who participate in it. These young people will be the leaders of their communities in the future, and the breadth of experience and the widening of their horizons gained through the programme must play a vital role in the shaping of tomorrow's world.