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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora e te whānau

My ongoing thanks to the cooperation we are continuing to receive from home during Level 3 lockdown. Teachers are grateful for the support they are receiving from parents and recognise and respect the unique challenges all whānau face with engaging their children in online learning. The fine, sunny weather, whilst being very pleasant, also doesn't lend itself to sitting inside working. There is no specific set of rules to doing schoolwork from home during lockdown. Every household needs to find a way that works best for them and when doing so, be considerate of the wellbeing of everyone involved, adults and children alike.

As has been documented, the government have pushed back the end of year NCEA external examinations. They will now start two weeks later than originally planned. Yesterday they also announced that any student that has been in Level 3 or 4 lockdown for 20 or more days will have a reduction in the number of credits they need to achieve NCEA. It is important to note that currently students outside of Auckland do not meet this threshold and therefore are required to achieve similar credit levels to those in previous non covid years. It is also important to consider that the extension of the school year will result in our senior students missing very little school time. Covid permitting, we still have plenty of lesson time ahead of us to get NCEA credits. If as a parent or caregiver you have any questions around NCEA and the recent changes being made by the government, please feel free to make contact.

In 2021 it is the 150th year that education has been delivered on our current college site. A year quite different to most. We have had a hard-working reunion committee running for well over a year in preparing celebrations for Labour Weekend. This week they made the agonising decision to defer these celebrations until October 2022. We had numerous attendees from around New Zealand register and given the current situation with the Delta variant of Covid and the speed government announced our current lockdown it was decided to postpone the event. There is quite simply too much uncertainty now to proceed with an event that involves hundreds of people from all corners of New Zealand (and some overseas) congregating in one place. Let's hope we can celebrate this time next year.

Nga mihi nui

Dave Hunter PRINCIPAL

Revised Senior Exam Timetable 2021

Time	Monday 13 Sept	Tuesday 14 Sept	Wednesday 15 Sept	Thursday 16 Sept	Friday 17 Sept
9:00 – 12:00	L1 ENC 51 (2 hours) L1 ENG 104 (3 hours)	L1 ACI 26 (3 hours) D1 L1 GEO 38 (3 hours) L1 MET 21 (2 hours) D7	L1 ACI 27 (3 hours) D1 L1 MET 20 (2 hours) D7	L1 MAT 70 (2½ hours)	L1 SCI 117 (3 hours) L1SCP 17 (3 hours) C4
	L2 APH 21 (3 hours) D1 L2 CHE 38 (3 hours) L2TAW 12 (2 hours) D7	L2 ECO 20 (3 hours) L2 MED 3 (3 hours) M4 L2 TXT 9 (2 hours) D3	L2 ART 9 (3 hrs) D2 L2 DVC 10 (2 hours) D6	L2 HEA 43 (3 hours)	L2 ARD 11 (3 hours) D1 L2 GEO 14 (3 hours)
	L3 ENG 26 (3 hours)	L3 MAS 30 (2 hours) L3 TXT 3 (2 hours) D3	L3 ART 6 (3 hours) D2 L3 GEO 9 (3 hours)	L3 ENC 26 (2 hours) S ENG 13 (3 hours)	L3 ARD 9 (3 hours) D1 L3 CHE 25 (3 hours) L3 MED 11 (3 hours) M4
1:00 – 4:00	L1 AHS 12 (2 hours) L1 DRA 18 (2 hours) DRA	L1 HIS 42 (3 hours) L1 MUS 2 (2 hours) L1 TXT 10 (2 hours) D3	L1 DAN 1 (2 hour) L1 ECO 21 (3 hours)	L1 HEA 35 (3 hours)	L1 DRA 18 (2 hours) L1 DVC 24 (2 hours) D6
	L2 ENC 46 (2 hours) L2 ENG 75 (3 hours)	L2 BIO 63 (3 hours)	L2 DRA 13 (2 hour) L2 PHY 30 (3 hours)	L2 MAT 27 (2 hours) L2 MAS 73 (1+ hour)	L2 AGB 13 (3 hours) L2 HIS 18 (3 hours)
	L3 HEA 19 (2 hours) L3 PHY 20 (2 hours)	L3 DRA 16 (2 hours) S BIO 6 (1 hour)	L3 CLS 17 (3 hours) M4	L3 APH 12 (3 hrs) D1 L3 BIO 36 (3 hours)	L3 HIS 13 (3 hours) L3 MAC 15 (2 hours)

Exams will take place mostly in the ITC apart from specialist rooms where indicated.

Year 11, 12 and 13 students have study leave while exams take place.

Students must stay for the entire length of exam if 2 hours. Students must stay for 2 hours if in a 3hr exam.

PROCEDURES FOR SENIOR EXAMINATIONS 2021

- Full correct school uniform is to be worn by all students
- Morning exams start at 9:00am. Students need to be lining up outside the B block verandah at 8:45am on the second bell.
- Afternoon exams start at 1:00pm. Students need to be lining up outside the B Block verandah at 12:45pm.
- Students will line up in their subject classes outside the ITC.
- For two hour exams students must stay for the whole time (except L2MAS and scholarship Biology students who may leave after one hour)
- For three hour exams students will be permitted to leave after two hours but we recommend you take the time allocated. Once you leave you will not be permitted back in. Nobody is permitted to leave in the last 15mins
- If toilets are needed, students should put their hand up and wait for a supervisor.
- Students who forget about an exam or fail to arrive for a scheduled exam will be required to sit the exam they missed during make up sessions from 3:15-5:15pm the following week.

What can be taken into the Examination Room

- Cell phones, car keys, wallets and watches (digital *and* analogue) must be in a clear plastic bag and placed *under your seat*. Phones must be off.
- Pens, rulers etc. must also be in a clear plastic bag.
- Water bottles are allowed, food is not (you won't be allowed out for a drink)
- Calculators (if the exam allows them to be used)
- Refill pad if needed will be checked by exam supervisors. At the end of the year refill paper cannot be taken into the examination room with you.

What cannot be taken in:

- Prohibited electronic devices like MP3 players and iPods, non-approved calculators, PDAs and electronic translators are not permitted in the examination room. At the end of the year these will be removed from candidates by supervisors and may be sent to NZQA.
- Study notes etc. cannot be taken into the examination room.