



#15 10th November 2023

Tēnā tātou katoa

Dargaville High School

Thank you to all whānau and family that attended the Senior Prizegiving during the week before last. It is always pleasing to celebrate the achievements of our students. Particular congratulations go to Angela Parahinog, who was announced as Dux Litterarum for this year. I also want to acknowledge the staff involved in organising and assisting with the Prizegiving.

Senior students are currently on study leave and the 2023 NCEA examinations have begun. A reminder that students need to attend all examinations in school uniform and be prepared with pens and their admission slip.

Last week was the annual Tutamoe trip, which was based in Taupo for this year. The students had a busy week, including visits to a number of tourist attractions. It was a very successful week and photographs from the trip are included in the newsletter. We have also had the Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh group undertaking their tramp for this term at Taharoa Domain.

School continues as normal for the Year 9 and Year 10 students, with a number of activities involving the students taking place before the end of the year, including the Junior Examinations, various sports trips and the Junior Activity Days. Attendance and uniform will continue to be foci areas during this time. The Junior Examinations start on Monday November 20 and the Activities Days are planned for the 11 and 12th of December.

Next Friday, November 17, is a Teacher Only Day for our school. The focus of the day will be on planning and preparing for the new Level 1 standards for NCEA, which come into place from the start of next year.

The final day for students is on Wednesday December 13. This is the day of the Junior Prizegiving, which starts at 10am in the school hall. Parents and whanau are welcome to attend.

Nāku nā

Mike Houghton
Tumuaki



Students Leaders 2024

Congratulations to the following Year 12 students who have been selected to be Student Leaders for 2024.

Head Leaders: Bailie Schick, Carmelo Crichton-Marsh

Deputy Head Leaders:

Jimi Donovan, Tarra Smith, Kasey Wynyard

House Leaders:

St Patrick: Flynn Meyer, Tia Holster, Kasey Wynyard

St George: Jack Vallance, Kaliah Ngakuru, Hope Davis-Pulham

St Andrews: Marcus Kahi, Jaydee Taurua

St Davids: Ashton Kareko, Finn Sloan

Technology Leaders:

Nico Walker, Carmelo Crichton-Marsh

Cultural Leaders:

Pasifika: Keleni Paunga, Margaret Anderson

Maori: Carmelo Crichton-Marsh, Hope Davis-Pulham

Academic Leaders:

April Morris, Danielle Norman, Kayla Godfrey, Tarra Smith, Alyssa Ledingham

Arts Leaders:

Visual: Kayla Godfrey, Rose-Alice Parker, Lillian Hayward

Visual/Drama: Alyssa Ledingham

Music: Te Timatanga Henare

Creative: Jessica Winter

Drama: Flynn Meyer

Enviro/Sustainability Leader:

Jimi Donovan, Lloyd Chitty

DHS Ambassador:

Lloyd Chitty



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Uniform Reminder

Just a reminder that Year 9 and 10s are required to be in correct uniform while at school.

Shirts: Navy Blue Polo Shirt with School Logo
Shorts, Trousers or Skirt: Black trousers, shorts or skirt, le Faitaga/Tupenu **Track pants with any writing on them are not allowed**

Socks: Black socks

Jackets/jerseys: Navy School Jacket/ Jersey with School Logo **Plain Black sweatshirts with or without zips are not allowed**

Shoes: Shoes must be black and polishable. Shoes must have low backs. If shoes have laces, they must be black. For Technology, Science and Food classes, shoes are required to be black, hard leather lace up shoes, to comply with Health and Safety regulations.

Sandals: Black Roman sandals. Sandals must have a back strap **No sneakers, jandals, slides allowed.**

Studs: You can wear gold or silver studs in each ear and a single nose stud can be worn. If for some reason your child is not in the correct uniform please send a note with your child that includes a contact telephone number. If your child has no note and they are in incorrect uniform, they will be put on a lunchtime detention

Thank you to Dargaville Rotary Club for their generosity in contributing \$1000 towards Teacher Training for the Peer Support Programme for 2024



From the Board

The Board would like to wish our students all the very best for the upcoming exams. The time and effort that you put into preparing for exams will be reflected in improved results.

Congratulations to those students who were acknowledged at the senior prizegiving for their achievements during 2023.

The next two Board meetings scheduled for the year are to be held on Monday the 20th of November and the 11th of December at 5.45pm. You are welcome to attend.

Kim McCahon
Presiding Member
Dargaville High School Board
Email: board@darghigh.school.nz

NZQA Exams

NCEA exams start on Monday 6th November.

Remember to bring the Exam Admission Slip, pens, ruler, and calculator.

Good Luck!

Teacher Only Day

Teacher Only Day for preparation of new NCEA Level 1 Materials is Friday 17th November 2023

School will be closed for instruction on this day

Diary Dates

Monday 13th November	Dental Planet Van
Wednesday 15th November	Year 9 Trip to Waitangi
Thursday 16th November	Volleyball Girls Cup
Friday 17th November	Accord Teacher Only Day SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSTRUCTION
Monday 20th November To Friday 24th November	Junior Exams

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Dean's Report

Haley Corfield—Year 11 Dean

Hasn't this year flown! It's exciting to have the Year 11's first year sitting NCEA almost over, with external exams starting this week. It has been a short but busy term with Senior Prizegiving, study sessions and students sitting the Literacy and Numeracy pilot exams.

Firstly, I would like to congratulate all students on their successes with NCEA this year. Seeing the growth and learning occurring this year has been awesome, with students really stepping up and working hard to see success. We have a number of students who have already passed NCEA Level 1 and many more very close.

Secondly, I would like to acknowledge those students who received awards at Senior Prizegiving. Gaining a first in subject, merit, or special award is a great accomplishment and all students who received these should be proud of their efforts this year.

NCEA external exams start this week for our Yr 11 students. I would like to wish all students sitting exams the very best. Planning is already in full force for a successful 2024. I will be in touch with students at the end of the year / beginning of next year to organize timetables. We are moving into the Senior School and I know our cohort will be fantastic role models and ambassadors for Dargaville High School.

I would like to thank all students of Yr 11 and their families for a wonderful, successful year and wish everyone a happy and safe upcoming holiday.

If there is anything you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me via email hcorfield@darghigh.school.nz or through the school office on 09 439 7229.