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# Dargaville High School

Tēnā tātou katoa

It has been a couple of busy weeks for students at our kura, including a number of class trips and sports events. The next couple of weeks are going to be a busy time at school also.

Last week was Youth Week, which culminated in Pink Shirt Day on Friday. Pink Shirt Day is an anti-bullying campaign that celebrates diversity as well as promoting kindness and inclusion. A large number of staff and students participated by wearing pink shirts in support. There were a number of activities organised for the students, including a photo booth, mindfulness activities and a fashion show. A big thank you to all of the staff and senior students that helped organise Youth Week and the Pink Shirt Day.

Also there were a couple of class trips last week, which included the Senior Hospitality trip to Auckland, visiting several food producers and restaurants. There were also a couple of senior English / Drama trips to Auckland. One trip was to see a performance of Witi's Wahines, by Auckland Theatre Company and the other trip was to visit the Writers' Festival, which was hosted in Auckland.

Likewise, there are a number of events on next week. At the start of the week, the Duke of Edinburgh class are tramping to Puketi Forest hut. Later in the week, the Police Academy are going to Tāwharanui. On Tuesday of next week we have a visit from the Year 11 Careers Bus.

Practices are underway for our students' entry in Showquest for this year. The students have been working hard on their performance and have a couple of dress rehearsals planned before the final show, which is in Whangarei on the 10<sup>th</sup> of June.

The Literacy and Numeracy piloted assessments are taking place in the week starting on Monday 12 June. Arrangements are currently being made for the students that will be involved in the three assessments, including setting up the students to be able to logon for the online assessments.

Finally, there has been a pause on the PPTA industrial action until May 30. Once we know what is happening beyond then, we will let you know. Also please be aware that Monday 5 June is the King's Birthday Public Holiday.

Nāku nā

Mike Houghton  
Tumuaki



**Congratulations to Cooper Shelford and his father who attended their Academic Coaching interviews and won the \$100 Warehouse voucher prize draw.**

Well done!



# Hospitality Academy Trip

Brian Ross—Hospitality Academy Tutor

The Hospitality Academy recently ventured to Auckland City to further their knowledge of the industry. The trip involved a tour of NZ School of Food and Wine, lunch at the new Commercial Bay Food Hall, Chelsea Sugar Refinery, staying at a City Hotel, dinner at the Mexican Cafe, Sky City Fortuna Buffet breakfast and Allpress Espresso Roastery.

Next year we hope to tour Wellington eateries.





## Diary Dates

Wednesday 31st May & Thursday 1st June	Tawharanui Trip
Thursday 1st June	Fencing Course Assessment
Monday 5th June	King's Birthday Holiday <b>(School Closed for Instruction)</b>
Wednesday 7th June & Thursday 8th June	Learners' Licence Course  Langs Cove Tramp Police Academy
Friday 9th June	3x3 Basketball Champs Showquest— Full Rehearsal

## SCHOOL BALL 2023

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday 29th July

### TICKETS

**\$75** Mon 22nd May - Fri 2nd June

**\$80** Mon 5th June - Fri 16th June

**\$85** Mon 19th June - Fri 30th June

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE UNTIL THE  
END OF TERM 2

## Deans Report

Ashleigh Sage —Year 13 Dean

We are now half way through Term 2 and the pressure will be increasing over the next few weeks for those students who are going on to further tertiary education with applications soon opening. Now is a crucial time for all Year 13s to be attending every class and putting in the effort with school work.

We have also started planning for the Ball this year and the ideas have been fantastic. I am grateful to be able to plan the ball with the students and make it memorable as their last ball at Dargaville High School. I will be really pushing for the students to be doing the right thing in terms of attendance, school work and uniform in order to attend.

I appreciate all communication with regards to the well-being of your children and will always do what I can to accommodate parent/caregiver requests. I can be contacted via email, [asage@darghigh.school.nz](mailto:asage@darghigh.school.nz) on my cell phone 027 628 1152.

Alternatively, you can contact the school office and leave a message for me to call you back.



**Dargaville High School**

is looking for Host Families for students we are welcoming from Japan

**Visiting Dates:**  
**Sunday 30th July 2023**  
to  
**Tuesday 15th August 2023**

If you are able to host a student for their visit please contact the school office on 09 439 7229 or via email [ascott@darghigh.school.nz](mailto:ascott@darghigh.school.nz)

## Building Academy

Julie Chiaroni

DHS Building Academy is having a great year with an excellent group of students who are progressing well. Thanks to our great tutors, Neil and Justin.



## Pink Shirt Day

Last Friday Dargaville High School supported Pink Shirt Day and the stand against bullying. Students were encouraged to wear pink to support the cause. Thank you to the staff who helped arrange the days' activities.

We all stand together to speak up against bullying.

