



Rosehill College News



SENIOR TARGETS

1. Excellent achievement that leads to a good life after secondary education.
2. Chosen career path.
3. Achieving at least NCEA Level 2.
4. Achieving Merit / Excellence endorsements.



JUNIOR TARGETS

1. Excellent achievement that leads to good senior courses and studies.
2. Chosen career path.
3. Achieving Yr 9 Level 4A / Yr 10 Level 5B in each subject.

ROSEHILL COLLEGE - CARETAKER

Position available with on-site house

Please see Trade Me or Rosehill College website for full details or phone: (09) 295 0661

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 6 February

Waitangi Day

Thursday 8 February

Whole School Assembly

Tuesday 13 February

Parent Forum on NCEA - 6.00pm

Wednesday 21 February

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BOT Meeting - 6.00pm

Thursday 22 February

New Students and Parents Evening - 6.00pm

Together we create an environment for personal excellence

From the Principal Tena koutou katoa

Yesterday we welcomed all our new students and staff members with a powhiri (see below for photos). Our best wishes to those students and staff as they settle into the College. I am pleased to tell you that we are fully staffed for the start of the year, with teachers and support staff bringing experience from a range of backgrounds.



My thanks go to all the staff who worked hard during the holidays to prepare for the new school year. Last week Student Advisor training and the Student Leadership Camp at Waharau took place, and this week has been a busy one with senior re-enrolment. Thank you to all those senior students for their commitment to our school community.

It always takes a few days for the timetable in a big school to be confirmed, and our timetablers have been working long hours on constructing the best timetable possible. Changes to timetables are caused by a number of issues, including enrolments and re-enrolments coming in this week. We ask students to be patient with any changes that need to be made.

Reflecting back on last year, it was pleasing to see the increased percentage of students who gained NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3. I want to acknowledge the achievements of a particular group of students from last year's Year 13 students Congratulations to the following students gained NCEA Level 3 with Excellence:

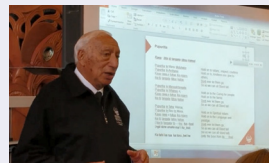
Jessica Andersen – TRV, Cameron Baker – MSL, Sophia Chen – AMG, Nina Duggan – KSS, Navdeep Kaur – ASY, Caitlin Lam – PPE, Kannu Sachdev – TRV, Nav Singh – TGL, Madison White – MNI and Anqi Yang - TLI

A number of these students also held leadership positions in the College last year.

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the death of Rosehill College's first teacher of te reo Māori, Matua Kukupa Tirikatene. He taught at the College from 1976 to 1990 and has more recently been the Kaiākau at Manukau Institute of Technology. In 2015 he was received the insignia for an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Maori and education. For our 25th anniversary, Papa Ku wrote the following:

Koe ma kua wheturangitia, haere. Kare koutou e warewaretia, na te mea e haere tonu ana nga mahi, nga tumanako na koutou i timata. Ki a tatou te hunga ora, tena koutou tena koutou tena koutou katoa. Ka tutuki te korero, "Ahakoa kua mate te putiputi kei te pakari mai nga kakano."

To you who has spiritually become a star in the galaxy of life, farewell. You will never be forgotten, because the work and the hopes you started go on. To the living, greetings. The quotation, "Even though the flower dies, its seeds are still maturing."



14 June 2016

In the past few years, Papa Ku gifted to Rosehill College the taonga of our haka and our waiata, Pupuritia. In the photo he is teaching the waiata to our students.

Sue Blakely, Principal



Reminder - Late Start Tuesdays

A reminder that students should be at school by 9.35am (the first bell goes at 9.40am) on Tuesday mornings. AT Metro buses run at the normal time. Murphys buses leave from their starting points at 9am on Tuesdays. For more information on buses see our website under "Enrolments / Buses".

Dropping off and picking up students

Would all parents and caregivers please avoid driving into the school's car park areas to drop off or pick up students before and after school, as it is unsafe to have cars driving through the grounds at those very busy times. Similarly, please don't stop or park on the yellow lines near our gates as traffic infringement notices may be issued. Drop students off or pick them up at some distance from the school – the short walk will be good for them!



Whole School Assembly



We will be having an outdoor whole school assembly on Thursday 8 February, Period 2. Students should bring a black or blue hat and wear sunscreen to protect themselves from the sun.

Caps and Bucket Hats

Plain navy blue official school caps and bucket hats are in stock and are available from the Resource Room.

Caps: \$6.00
Bucket hats: \$8.00



PROCEDURES FOR UNWELL STUDENTS

If you receive a txt or phone call from your child saying they are unwell please...

- Tell them to go to the nurse first before you come to the school
- The nurse will assess the student
- Then she will contact the parent/caregiver if the student needs to go home.



We have systems in place to best manage this and the safety of students can be compromised if they txt family instead of following our procedures.

Your support in this would be much appreciated.

Leadership Camp

Last week the Senior Student Leaders spent two days at Waharau developing their leadership skills. Between sessions on leadership and organisation the students participated in a Great Race where they had to work together as a team to achieve set goals. It was a great opportunity for the students to learn more about other leaders and prepare them for the start of 2018.



PROCEDURES FOR VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

If any member of the public, whether parent, caregiver, grandparent, tradesperson or supplier etc., wants to come into school to see either a member of staff or a student at the school, there are procedures that need to be followed. Please:

1. Make an appointment to see whoever it is you want to meet with. Teachers are generally best contacted by email to arrange an appointment. All the school email addresses are generic – firstinitial.surname@rosehillcollege.school.nz. If you are not sure of an email address please contact the main office on (09) 295 0661 extension 0 and they will help you.
2. When you come into school make sure you sign in at Reception, just inside the main front door.
3. Please ask for a visitor's sticker, if it is not given automatically, which you must wear at all times whilst you are on school grounds.
4. Remember to sign out when you leave.

Your support in this would be much appreciated.

NAMING GEAR

We get a lot of uniform and non-uniform items handed into the Student Office – some are very expensive and all too frequently a charity ends up benefiting as students don't collect them! Please ensure that all items brought or worn to school are NAMED, so that lost items can be returned to the rightful owner.



Year 10 Camps

Year 10 students will be given information sheets and permission slips for the upcoming Year 10 camps. Please note that these forms and payment for the camp are due by Friday 16 February. Camp dates are as follows:

Atawhai: 5 - 7 March
Manutaki: 14 - 16 March

Rangatahi: 7 - 9 March
Pounamu: 19 - 21 March

Taikura: 12 - 14 March
Kahuranig: 21 - 23 March

Attendance Procedure

If your student is absent from school please phone the Attendance Officer on:

FREE PHONE: 0800 RCAWAY (0800 722929)

Or 295 0661 Ext 869 **at any time and leave a message**

Or EMAIL: attendance@rosehillcollege.school.nz

Receiving a text message notifying of an absence

- Please reply to the txt (this number cannot be saved on your mobile phone – **it is invalid after 7 days.**
- OR phone: 0800 RCAWAY (0800 722929)
- OR the parent/caregiver provides a note explaining absence

Student to leave school during the day

- Please provide a note for your student to take to their Head of House
- Student is to obtain an 'Exit Permit' from their Head of House **before Tutor time**

If a student is unwell during the course of the day

- They should go to the nurse.

If a student is late to school before tutor time finishes

- The student must go to their Tutor Teacher to sign in late

If the student is late to school after tutor time

- The student **must sign in at the Student Office and**
- **Provide a note** from the parent/caregiver advising the reason for being late
- **OR** the parent/caregiver should phone the Attendance Officer on 295 0661 Ext 869 and leave a message

Year 9 - 12 students may not leave the school grounds without permission – in case of a fire or emergency – we need to know where students are at all times.



Touch

Sign ups for Touch happened today and will continue on Monday 5 February. Entries are due on Monday 5th so any seniors that wish to play at Bruce Pulman Park on Tuesday afternoons please see the Sports Center staff.

Softball Girls and Boys

Sign ups are open until Wednesday 7 February. Again, please see the Sports Center staff if you would like to play this year, Term 1 only.

Rugby Gala

Rugby gala for all boy rugby teams Wednesday 28 February at 3:45pm.

Sign ups at the sports office but all welcome.

Girls rugby is in Term 4.

School Swimming Sports

Competitors only sign ups at the Sports Office. Rosehill College Swimming Sports Thursday 1st March.

Rosehill Raptors Basketball

Raptors will start Thursday 15 February at 3:45pm for Primary students, 4:45pm Intermediate students and 5:45pm for College age.

