



## Ōtāhuhu College Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### Important Notices

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Term 2
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Anzac Assembly
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Catch up ID Photos
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent – Teacher Meetings 2:00pm to 7:00pm (School Hall and M Block)



## FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to the second term, I hope the holidays have allowed for time to be spent with family. ANZAC Day is a special day for all New Zealanders as we commemorate those who sacrificed so much for our country and for our future. It is fitting that ANZAC Day falls close to Easter.

The second term starts on Monday 29th April, with all students expected to be at school by 8:30am. This term our Year 12 to 13 students need to be aiming to gain 30 or more credits, and in most cases' these should be at the Merit or Excellence level, so settling into work and good routines of homework from Monday is important. For our Year 9 and 11 students they have exams to look forward to at the end of the term.

Thank for all your efforts in making sure your children attend regularly (90% or better).

## ID Cards

There is a final ID card order being placed Term 2, in week 1 for those who missed paying in time for the first order.

\$15.00 at the book shop.

There is a photo catch up for those who missed the earlier session because they were away or are new to our school. (3<sup>rd</sup> May)

## Our Commitments

Our commitment is to be respectful. A key part of being respectful is using appropriate language. Learning what words, and indeed the volume, you use in different circumstances is one of the challenges of growing up into young men and women.

Teenagers find this hard to do, so talking to them and explaining how different situations require the use of different words and mannerisms is a great step on developing articulate respectful young men and women.



## Parent – Teachers Meeting

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of May school will finish at 1.00pm.

Parents/caregivers are invited to come into school to discuss your child's progress with each of their subject teachers.

Meeting times available are: 2.00pm to 7.00pm

Each meeting is scheduled to last for 5 minutes. These are approximate times and assist teachers with preparation. We appreciate your patience.

To make an appointment:

- Go online to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/wcq4d>
- Type in your details, the student that the meeting is for, and then choose the Subject and teacher that you will be visiting. Click on the + button to add another Subject/teacher.
- Then select the time you want for your meeting...
- You will be emailed confirmation that this time has been booked for you.
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If you have more than one child at the school, you can make all your meetings at around the same time for your convenience. Meetings are made on a first-in-first-served basis, so we encourage you to make bookings early.

## Planning Ahead

### Lunch Menu for Term 2

#### **Week 1**

**Monday** - Glazed beef and vegetables on rice

**Tuesday** - Teriyaki chicken sushi

**Wednesday** - Chicken burger

**Thursday** - Cottage pie

**Friday** - Chicken parm pasta

#### **Week 2**

**Monday** - Honey soy chicken drumsticks with Chow Mein

**Tuesday** - Panko fish sushi

**Wednesday** - Cheeseburger

**Thursday** - Chicken pot pie with dipping bread

**Friday** - 18hrs Slow cooked beef Ragu pasta





## Study News

Seniors are well underway with progressing toward their NCEA qualifications and achieving UE@OC.

- Year 11s are working towards achieving 10 numeracy and 10 Level 1 literacy credits.
- Year 12s are working towards achieving UE literacy and 60 credits at Level 2 or above, targeting Merit and Excellence
- Year 13s are working towards achieving UE literacy and 60 credits at Level 3 or above, targeting Merit and Excellence, and a minimum of 14 credits in at least 3 university approved subjects.

Please ask your senior OC student:

- **How many** credits do you currently have?
- **Which credits** do you have (for example, numeracy, UE literacy, Level 2 or 3)
- **How many credits do you need** and **where will you get them from?**

If your child seems unsure about where they are currently at and where they are headed, regarding their school qualification, please book a Parent-Teacher meeting with me (instructions outlined above). I look forward to meeting you (students and whanau) and answering any questions about their academic journey at OC.

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Junior School (Year 9-10)



## Sports News

On Wednesday 10th of April Otago College return to the play in the Auckland Secondary Schools Kilikiti Tournament after a number of interrupted years. We fielded a girls' team and a boy's team in the Championship grade.

Both teams began the day with a loss and quickly regrouped after the first game and went through the rest of the round robin without losing. In the Boys semifinal the Boys played Manurewa High School and played a thrilling match to lose narrowly by 2 runs. The boys again regrouped and went on to win the playoffs for 3rd and 4th.

Our girls played a full round robin and narrowly missed out on the finals by 1 run in a countback. The girls went on to play Marist Girls College in the playoff for 3rd and 4th and finished the Tournament on a positive note, finishing the tournament in 3rd place. Thanks must go to our coaches Mrs Tuialii and Mr Tupe who shared their wealth of knowledge with our teams.



Mouth Guards for sale in the Book Room for \$3

