



Ōtāhuhu College Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

Important Dates

25 th September	Last day of Term 3
5 th October	Office Re-opens



From Our Principal

The week has been a busy week for our students with the Common Assessment Activities (CAAs) and the start of derived grade exams. All students must pass their literacy and numeracy in order to gain their qualifications and graduate. It has been very pleasing to see the commitment of students and staff towards this goal.

Great schools give young people different places in which to discover what they are capable of. For one student, that might be on the sports field; for another, in a science laboratory; or on a stage, in Polyfest or behind a musical instrument. Our responsibility at Otahuhu College is to create those opportunities. Later in this newsletter there is a reminder about uniform. We have a great deal of pride in our achievements and want that reflected in how our students wear their uniform and the pride they have in Otahuhu College.

Our Commitments

Our commitment next week is to be respectful. Being respectful includes being aware of the language we use both at school and to and from school. Swearing is not acceptable, and can often make situations worse than they need to be. A key to success is keeping calm under pressure.

Students also demonstrate respect by the way they wear their uniforms, again this is both to and from school. The vast majority of students look well dressed as they come to school and thanks to all the families for your hard work which makes this possible. Just a reminder that our young men should be in school socks, or plain black socks.

Attendance

Punctuality matters. When students arrive at school by 8:35 a.m., they have time to prepare mentally and emotionally for the day ahead. Regular lateness disrupts learning and can make students feel out of place. At Otahuhu College, we encourage students to make punctuality a habit that will serve them throughout their lives.

Parents, you can support this by creating morning routines and teaching your child the value of timeliness. Let's ensure that all students are set up for success by starting each day on time.

‘Oku mahu’inga ke kamata ma’u pē e akó ‘aki ha ‘aho ‘oku fo’ou. Fiema’u ke ke ‘i ai ‘i he 8:35 pongipongi. Aua le tuai i le aoga i le taeao. O le taimi 8:35 e amata ai galuega a le fanau.



Uniform

Otahuhu College has a proud tradition and we expect students to take pride in wearing their uniform to and from school, and we seek your assistance in getting things right. If your child is unsure of our uniform expectations, please refer them to the Deans.

The uniform is available at NZ Uniforms in Penrose and also available online:
<http://otahuhucollege.nzuniforms.com/catalog/school-uniform-1103685.htm>

Correct school uniform is to be worn to and from school.

Students must be wearing completely black shoes, for health and safety reasons these must be enclosed shoes.

Males are to wear school socks, pulled up. Females plain white socks.

Denim/Jeans/Trackpants are not acceptable.

No undergarments (T shirts etc) should be visible, unless a plain white short sleeved top.

There are Otahuhu College hats available, non uniform hats will be confiscated.

If students are wearing incorrect uniform, it is their responsibility to see the Dean first thing in the morning.

Students without a uniform pass will have items confiscated for the remainder of the term.

Senior School (Year 11-13)

Year 11 PE Tournament

On Wednesday we held our annual year 11 PE "Physical 11" Tournament, where the students all competed in a number of events throughout the day to test their fitness and physical ability. Congratulations to our winners listed below.

Team events

Cardio winners - Ken Ah Wong, Dallas Smith, Atlas Sefilino, Angel Pera-Titus, Sila Taufu, William Fanua

Muscular endurance winners - Taini Mahe, Samisoni Ofahengaue, Joseph Tonga, Jeremiah Paese, Samuel Sen-Murtagh, Pasa Havea

Muscular strength winners - Jaid Taioalo, Solomon Siau, TJ Vila McCarthy, George Fonokalafi, Tevita Lasike, Lovelt Luamanuvae, Shalom Silafa'

Individual events

Cardio-George Fonokalafi

Muscular endurance- Jaid Taioalo & Tei Kesi

Muscular strength- Solomon Siau

Agility - Justin Amataga



And the **overall winning team** for Physical 11 Tournament 2026 who will have their names engraved on our tournament shield:
Lovelt Luamanuvae (c), George Fonokalafi, Tevita Lasike, Solomon Siau, Shalom Silafa'i, Jaid Taioalo and TJ Vila McCarthy.

Year 13 Business Studies

The Year 13 leavers' gear store is now live on the NZ Uniforms website. Students and families can now browse the range and place their orders online. Do not miss the opportunity to celebrate your final year with your official leavers' gear.

<https://leaversstore.nzuniforms.com/>

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NZ UNIFORMS CONTACT US

Pre order for Leavers are open from Friday the 4th Sep 26 and will be closed on Friday the 2nd Oct 26 at pm

Otago College Leavers 2026 1/4 Zip Sweatshirt \$71.90

Otago College Leavers 2026 SS Polo \$75.90

Young Enterprise

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Enrolments 2027

Enrolments for 2027 are now open. Please pick up an enrolment form from our school office or fill out a form online on our School Website.

Click the link below for the Enrolment Form

<https://otahuhucollege.school.kiwi/enrolment>

Enrolment requirements:

- Birth Certificate / Passport
- Visa / Proof of Residency
- Proof of Address
- School Report
- Current Phone Number

For any further assistance please email: enrolment@otahuhucollege.school.nz

Community News

SUMMER NETBALL

Starts 14 October - 3 December 2026



Get a group of friends, your school or work mates together and join our fun summer netball. Register as a team, or an individual player.

Seniors: (Snr- Ladies & Open, College- Girls & Open)
\$435 per team, or
\$85 for individual entries

Juniors: (Year 1-8)
\$375 per team, or
\$65 for individual entries

Walking Netball: (Ladies & Open)
\$435 per team, or
\$85 for individual entries

Venues:

St Johns - Thursday nights, starts 15 Oct or
Mt Eden - Wednesday nights, starts 14 Oct

Runs for 8 weeks

Entries close October 8th

Register online:

Scan the QR code or follow the instructions on the Auckland Netball website to register online. Auckland Netball will cover all costs and the information on payments will be provided.



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