

Kaikoura High School

TE PANUI RIKIRIKI



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Tena koutou katoa nga Matua,

Thursday is the Academic Review Day

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the students and their parents/caregivers for their input in the preparation for the review. By now all the appointment returns have been processed, along with the requests for transport to and from school and the crèche facility. It is pleasing to see how many have taken up the offer.

On the day Deans, Heads of Level and Head Students will be here to greet you and take you around the school to your appointment. Feel free to take the opportunity to see the displays of students' Art and Computer work as you walk around the school. Please note that students are only expected to be at school for the duration of their interview and that they are not required to be in uniform for their appointment. After the interview there are refreshments available in the Home Economics room where the Principal will be available, along with other staff. While you are there you will get the chance to have a preview of the plans for the new Hospitality Suite and to hear more about this exciting project. (See item below)

At the end of the review meeting parents of students in Years 10 to 12 will be given a copy of the Option Booklet outlining the subjects available for 2011. There will soon be an opportunity for parents and caregivers to discuss Options with teachers, and to learn more about NCEA (National Certificate of Educational Achievement). Details about this will follow in the Te Panui Rikiriki.

David Mallinder - Deputy Principal

Hospitality Suite – We have some good news!!

We have been working hard towards the establishment of a fully fledged community hospitality suite over the past 10 months. This process started late last year when a working group of the High School met with stakeholders of the school and other community groups to discuss the concept, which was well received.

Restaurant and cafe owners from Kaikoura were then consulted to obtain their support for such a facility, and also to discuss the range of HSI (Hospitality Standards Institute) approved programmes that could be offered to fulltime students of the school and adult students in the community.

The response received from community groups, local industry, parents, students and other residents has been extremely positive. There is clearly a need for the establishment of a high calibre hospitality training facility, given how many eateries we have for a small town like Kaikoura and the large number of employees employed in the industry. Students who wish to follow a hospitality career will be able to gain industry approved credits by participating in the school's Gateway programme, and adult student needs could be met through the ACE programme.

Significant progress has been made with this project over the last three school terms. The school has liaised with Ministry of Education property consultants, representatives from HSI and the hospitality industry on an ongoing basis. One of the school's teachers is being trained to serve as an accredited HSI assessor and the school will be going through the formal process of obtaining accreditation to offer Level 2 HSI approved courses. The building plans for the suite and the equipment specifications for the facility are being finalised and will be available at the school office. It is expected that tenders will be called for in mid August. The facility will include a modern commercial kitchen, barista and dining area that will allow the school to teach HSI courses to cover cookery, general hospitality as well as front of house and customer service skills from 2011.

Support and buy in will be obtained from community bodies and community leaders and the school will be approaching relevant stakeholders for letters of support before we apply to a number of Trusts and other community organisations for the funding of this project.

A letter of support is available at the school office for parents and other members of the community to sign.

Congratulations – Haley Baxter for being selected to represent New Zealand at the very first Youth Olympic Games in Singapore. Representing New Zealand at any level is a very high honour, and she has done well to reach this level of expertise in her sport. We wish her every success in Singapore.

Welcome to New Staff

At the beginning of Term 3 we welcomed seven new (and not so new) staff members – Kelly Wilson, Rachel Blissett, Tony Robson, Priyanka Welsman, Rebecca Hunt and Christina Levy. We are pleased to have them on board, as we are with Marcello Cecchi and Jayne Mallinder-Scott who both return from leave.

Maths Tutorials

The Maths Department is continuing to offer help with Maths on Thursday afternoons (3.00 to 4.00pm). Please contact Bill Lonsdale for more details.

Students' Stationery

Can you please ensure that your child/children come to school well equipped for their lessons. We have some students arriving unprepared and this impacts on their learning environment.

Community Input on Music Tuition

Following the passing of our much valued music teacher, Mr Robin Judge, we invite parents and members of our community to provide us with inputs regarding the provision of music tuition to students in Kaikoura in the future.

Your suggestions will serve to inform us on how to best address our students' needs in this regard. Submissions close on **Monday 16 August**.

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast club is up and running even if the numbers are on the light side. A reminder: it is open to everyone who attends the High School, all welcome from 8.05am on Monday and Thursday mornings. The KICK Start breakfast (Weetbix and milk) is provided by Fonterra and Sanitarium, and a big thanks to Steve and Karla Mansfield for providing bread for toast!

Senior Students

A couple of reminders – Y13 students need to have their Record of Learning forms back to Mrs Fiss by Monday 9th August. This is your school testimonial and the opportunity will not be offered later in the year due to the time it takes to collate them. Credit cards will be coming out again this week, and weeks 7 and 10.

If you would like to be part of an email trial of sending information home to seniors please contact Jo Fissenden (Extn 207). Please ensure that your current email on KAMAR is valid too.

Te Panui Rikiriki and Other School Information

The Te Panui Rikiriki and Kaikoura Star newsletters are now available on the website. Our website address is www.kaikourahigh.school.nz. As part of the ongoing Website development we will be making newsletters, letters to parents and other school notices / information available on the website. However, if you would like the Te Panui Rikiriki, Reports, School Flyers/Notices emailed to you can you please provide Sandra in the school office with your email address. Can you also let her know if this is instead of or as well as a hard copy being posted or sent home with your child.

Kind regards

Werner van Aswegen
Principal

Coming Up....

4 Aug – CCHS Indoor Tournament
Christchurch

9-12 Aug – Exams

13 Aug – Get2Go Challenge Yr9/10

18 Aug – Ski/Snowboard Regional
Champs

20 Aug – Yr12 Outdoor Tramp

23-27 Aug – Yr12 Biology Camp

28 & 30 Aug – Yr9/10 Basketball
Nelson

30 Aug – 2 Sept – SISS Netball
Blenheim

8-11 Sept – Yr10 Commerce Trip -
Wellington

10 Sept – Yr12 Outdoor Climbing

14 Sept – Yr12 Outdoor Tramp

16 Sept – Yr13 Biology Human
Environment Field Trip

17 Sept – Yr12 Outdoor Climbing

20-24 Sept – Manu Korero Speech
Contest Finals

21 Sept – Silver Art Exhibition

21, 23, 24 Sept – Yr7/8 Community
Sport

25 & 26 Sept – Target Shooting
Blenheim