



SPECIAL NEWSLETTER

23 SEPTEMBER 2011

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Please be aware of the following important calendar dates:

- On **Wednesday 28 September** students will be **released at 1.50pm** so that staff can have Professional Development. Students are expected to go straight home and not into town. Buses will run as normal, and the Homework Centre at the Library will be open as usual.
- Term 3 ends on Friday 7 October.
Term 4 begins on Tuesday 25 October, and concludes on Wednesday 7 December for Year 9 and 10.
Year 11 finish on Monday 7 November, with Prizegiving at 1.30pm.
Year 12 finish on Tuesday 8 November, with Prizegiving at 1.30pm.
Year 13 finish on Tuesday 8 November, with Prizegiving at 7.00pm (followed by supper in the Library)
NCEA examinations begin on Thursday 10 November.
Junior examinations are on Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 November.
- For Senior students who are sitting **External examinations**:
Students will be issued with their entry slips and timetables on their last day. The NCEA examination timetable is available on the NZQA website and students are encouraged to log on, and print one off, and plan accordingly. Parents are reminded that NZQA exams cannot be done on any day other than the one designated.
- **Summer Uniform**
Students are expected to be in Summer uniform for the start of Term 4. The Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st October, from 1.00pm to 4.00pm.
Please ensure that your son/daughter's uniform complies with the following regulations:

Girls' Summer Uniform

Skirt	Charcoal straight skirt with front knife pleats and side pocket, worn on the knee. (bottom of skirt should be level with top of knee cap)
Shirt	Regulation tailored white short sleeved shirt, or, white polo shirt with School crest.
Footwear	Plain flat black or brown sandals with heel strap (Roman type), or plain black leather lace up traditional style school shoes. ("Fashion" styles are inappropriate)
Socks	White ankle socks (only worn with shoes).
Jersey	Green woollen 'V' necked jersey with school crest or WHS 'Polar fleece' with school crest.

Boys' Summer Uniform

Trousers	Black dress trousers (with front creases). Must be worn with white long sleeved shirt and school tie. Formal uniform can only be worn by students in Years 12 and 13.
Shorts	Grey shorts with self-supporting top.
Shirt	White polo shirt with school crest.
Footwear	Plain black or brown sandals with heel strap(Roman style), or plain black leather <u>lace up</u> traditional style school shoes. With Formal uniform only: plain black leather <u>lace up</u> 'formal' shoes.
Socks	Grey with Wanganui High School colours around the top
Jersey	Green woollen 'V' necked jersey with school crest.
Belt	Plain black belt only.

Parents should note the two changes which have been made in response to the recent uniform review.

The girls now have a choice between wearing the white blouse or the white polo shirt.
Boys in Years 12 and 13 who are wearing the Formal uniform may wear: black leather lace up 'formal' shoes. Please note that this is NOT an option for boys in any other year group.

We appreciate your support with all uniform requirements.

If you have any questions about any of this information please phone the School.

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