

## NEWSLETTER

Term Two, Week 7



### Principals Message

Term Two is now well underway here at Cullinane. The recent annual celebrations of Cullinane highlight the tremendous school spirit here at the College. Under the leadership of the Year 13 Tuakana students the day was a great success.

The school building site is busy, with the classrooms and Stage Two on track for completion in September. It is exciting to see these quality environments coming together. The new block will include a state of the art computer suite, a permanent home for our counselling and nursing services, as well as a new toilet block.

It has been great to see the College winter sports codes in full swing. Cullinane College students have competitive teams across both individual and team sports. A huge vote of thanks to those dedicated staff, parents and friends of the school who support our students with coaching, managing and cheering.

Justin Harper

Principal

#### Catch Up Programme

We began our Catch Up programme for Years 11-13 students last week. This will be on held on Tuesdays from 3.15pm-4.15pm.

This is an opportunity for students to complete assessments and to have teacher assistance outside of a class situation.

The House Deans will signpost required attendance to the students involved each Friday. Parents will be notified by etxt each Friday for the following week. If you have any questions regarding the Catch Up Programme, please contact the College.

Martin Bullock

**Deputy Principal** 

#### **Farewell to Mr Manuel**

It is with genuine regret that our Board of Trustees has accepted the resignation of Mr Kamaka Manuel. He is moving north to join his wife in her new job and has picked up a role in



senior leadership at Whangarei Boys' High School starting in Term Three.

Mr Manuel has had a huge influence here at Cullinane College leading our kapa haka, leading in his role of Head of Maori and more recently as Assistant Principal. He is a well respected part of our school family and will be dearly missed.

#### Family Day 2018

Family day interviews will be held on Thurs 28th and Fri 29th June. This is a key event in our school calendar where Parents/Caregivers, students and Staff can sit together and discuss your student's progress as a team. We appreciate communication is very important for your family and your student's achievement and we see this as a great opportunity to achieve that aspect. During the 30min interview with your student's form teacher, you will have an insightful meeting that will review your student's goals, academic progress, sport and cultural involvement, successes and pastoral information. The Senior Leadership Team and School House Deans will be based at the 'Hub' - the new Performing Arts Centre, and will also be available to meet with you if required.

Booking of interview times for either day, is easily done online and information will be made available through the school website. To assist, we have also prepared a support letter available for employers that outlines the importance of attending these interviews for your students school achievement. Free tea, coffee and light food will be available for whānau in the 'Hub' before following your appointment. We look forward to seeing you all at Family Day!



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## **Greetings from the DRS**

It is hard to believe that we are half way through this term already! Senior classes should now be working towards their second Achievement Standards. In Year 11 the learning is around the Trinity. In Year 12 students have looked at the process of grief and Catholic beliefs surrounding life after death. They are about to move on to learning about other World Religions. Year 13 have been learning about sects and cults and will be analysing Christianity in New Zealand.

Last month a team of 16 students attended O'Shea Shield hosted by St Catherine's in Wellington. The weather was wet and windy, but the competition and interaction was inspiring. The Saturday night drama was certainly a highlight.

On the Monday after Pentecost, we celebrated Cullinane Day. The day began with Mass and out theme was 'Courage and Commitment.' Students had all written something they would commit to or show courage in onto a Form Class poster. These were presented at the offertory and will be placed up in classrooms. It was wonderful to have support from the Sisters of St Joseph, parents and other local parishioners at the Mass. Thanks also to Fr Marcus for presiding. For the first time we had a whole school shared lunch. This was wonderfully successful. Other activities included inter-house Family Feud, Riff-off, Haka, Chant and School Song. The events were well organized, engaging students fully throughout the entire day.

The following day a group of staff and students attended an event to celebrate the centenary of the Sacred Heart Chapel. For many of our students it was their first time in the chapel. It was lovely to hear the stories of its history and the restoration of the Stations of the Cross.

Tausilia, our Youth Worker, along with some senior students has initiated a Youth Group on a Friday evening for students from Yr7-10. This is proving very popular, running fortnightly from 6:30-8:00pm. The next is scheduled for June 8. I encourage students to attend and join in the fun.

The Whanganui Parish is offering the Sacrament of Confirmation on September 9th and the programme commences shortly. Please contact me, Tausilia or the Parish if you are interested in being part of this. Next term we will be running a Sacramental Programme for those who wish to start or further their faith journey through Baptism or Eucharist. Watch this space!



God Bless Helen Dougherty (DRS)



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## Senior Charity Ball

The Cullinane College Senior Charity Ball will be held on **Friday 27th July 2018 at Frank.** Our objective is that all students have a safe and fun evening with their friends, with all risks minimised. We remind students that this is a school function and all school rules apply.

We remind students again, that pre or after-ball gatherings with the consumption of alcohol are strongly discouraged. The local police have informed us that there will be a zero tolerance stance taken by them in regard to after-ball parties where alcohol is involved. The College supports their stance which fits with our objective of a safe, fun evening. Please be aware alcohol is not permitted at the Ball and anyone showing such effects will not be admitted. Use of other drugs is of course forbidden and this is a non-smoking event. Everyone is to arrive between 7.00pm and 7.30 pm (doors will be shut at this point) and may leave between 10.00pm and 10.30pm.

Tickets are \$60.00 each. A deposit of \$20.00 must be made to the College Office by Friday 29th June (This is non-refundable). A portion of the cost of the ticket will be donated to the Sisters of St Joseph in Peru to assist with the education of children in need. Complete payment must be made by Tuesday 3rd July 2018. If families would like to make a donation over and above the ticket price, this would be gratefully received and will be passed on to the Sisters of St Joseph in Peru.

- Justin Harper & Lida Penn-Reina

### Café Concert

Our College will be hosting a Drama evening on Tuesday June 19th. The senior Drama students will be performing a show called "Remain in Light", by Stephen Sinclair. The play explores the ideas of life without light and how people behave without this 'commodity'. It would be fantastic to have your support as they put on their first public performance this year. Additionally, the Drama will be supported by musical items before and during an intermission.

On Wednesday 20th June, the College will showcase a Musical Evening with performances from Years 10 - 13. There will also be a number of dance items as well. Two Nga Tawa Bands, SHIIVA & JHEA, will also be taking part in the evening entertainment.

This is a fundraising event for the Ball Committee and entry is Gold Coin.

There will be food available to purchase and seating will be arranged in an informal Cafe style.

Both evenings will be filmed for NCEA assessment purposes for both schools.

It would be wonderful if you would come and support our students at this event. These two nights are a real collaboration of the Arts at Cullinane College.

- Marco Perry & Sophie Hart

CULLINANE COLLEGE CHARITY BALL FUNDRAISER

Cafe Concert

\$ GOLD COIN ENTRY \$ TWO NIGHTS FILLED WITH UNIQUE -DRAMA -MUSIC PERFORMACES -DANCE

With special performances from Nga Tawa School! Bring a few extra \$\$ for delicious food and beverages. DATE-19th JUNE - 20th JUNE 2018 TIME- 6:30PM-9PM PLACE- CULLINANE COLLEGE PAC



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## Message from Peter Davis in Bangladesh

Hello all,

Well currently I am in Bangladesh working in Dhaka. The population in Bangladesh is around 166,000,000 people and Dhaka was around 19,000,000 people in 2017. Dhaka is growing about 600,000 plus a year.

The numbers of people here make travel around the city an adventure every time you go out.

The work I am doing here is working at translating the Bible into tribal groups local languages. This achieves several things: It gives them God's word in their own mother tongue. Many village people through this will end up learning to read and write. Education here costs money and many do not have enough money to pay for education. People who can read and write have a much better chance of getting work.

We also teach English at the workshop. (English speaking people can get work easily)

While in Bangladesh I have been able to visit our sponsored child, Champa who lives in the Savar Childrens' Village. Her family are very poor. Our sponsorship has meant that she is able to have an education and now is starting her journey to higher education and then training as a nurse. This is an opportunity she would never have had if she was not in the children's village.

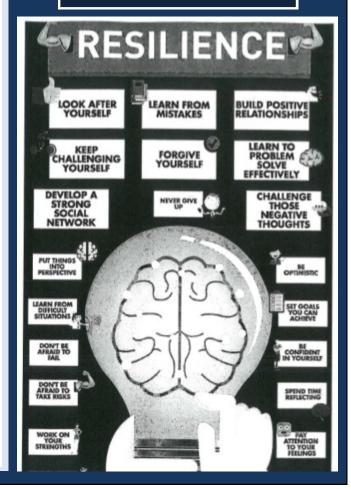
Thanks and blessings Peter Davis

## **Attendance Dues Reminder**

We thank all the parents and families who have, and are continuing to pay their Attendance Dues on time or who have a payment arrangement with the Palmerston North Diocese Attendance Dues Team. But just a reminder:

- If your postal address has changed, please contact Marcy, Susan or Mark at Attendance Dues on 0800 200 208 or by email: dues@pndiocese.org.nz.
- One off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can be made using the Diocese website: www.pndiocese.org.nz/ education/dues.
- Payment of the total amount may also be made by weekly, fortnightly or monthly deductions from your bank account or credit/debit card. For assistance with payment options or to set up a regular deduction, please contact the Attendance Dues team.
- While the payment of these dues is a condition of enrolment, the College realises that this may present a financial hardship to some families. In the case of difficulty, please contact the Bursar, Joanne O'Hara, Ph: 06 349 0105, Extn: 7036 or email johara@cullinane.school.nz.

## **Counsellor's Corner**





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## Up & Coming **Events**

Monday, 11th June Year 11 Geography Field Trip

#### Tuesday, 12th June Year 11 Geography Field Trip continued.

Full School Assembly

Catch Up Programme

Wednesday, 13th June Year 11 Geography Field Trip continued.

Friday, 15th June Mass hosted by 9KR RAVE

Tuesday, 19th June Café Concert 6.30pm -9pm

Junior/Senior Assembly

Catch Up Programme

Venerable Suzanne Aubert's 183rd Birthday

Wednesday, 20th June Café Concert 6.30pm -9pm

Friday, 22nd June Mass hosted by 12A

Tuesday, 26th June Full School Assembly

Catch Up Programme

## **Enrolments for 2019**

Enrolments are rolling in for 2019. Our staff and students have been busy visiting our various feeder schools to show case the quality education available here at Cullinane College. Our results, environment and quality teaching are something we are very proud of. Whilst we have a small budget for marketing the best adverts are the recommendations of our parent community. If you are aware of parents considering the secondary options here in town,

please encourage them to come and visit our great school.

## **NCEA Tracking**

The beginning of June marks the halfway mark for the internal NCEA programme of work (the first external exams begin on Wednesday 7th November). Cullinane College has a history of excellent pass rates at all three levels of NCEA. This is a result of a combination of hard work by students, teachers with support from home.

Please do take the time to review your child's internal assessment results that have been accumulated over the first fifteen weeks of school. The 'Parent Portal' on the school website has the most up to date record of results.

All our students should have clearly defined goals around gaining their qualifications, either aiming for the 80 credits required or aiming for an endorsement (50+ merit/excellence). It is important that you as parents are aware of your child's goals for the year and that you are able to encourage them towards these. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you would like assistance with these.

## **Endorsement Mentoring**

Across New Zealand, gaining NCEA with an overall endorsement is a recognized premier qualification. Typically, this is a result for the top 20-25% of all students.

Cullinane College staff are accumulating a list of students who we hope to mentor towards an overall endorsement qualification. This mentoring programme will be in full swing this term. If you would like your child to be included within this mentoring programme could you please contact Mr Bullock on mbullock@cullinane.school.nz.

For calendar reminders, event updates and information regarding the College, be sure to 'like' and follow our Facebook page.





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#### GLOW IN THE DARK!!

Come and join the fun n' games at St Mary's Church on Friday 8<sup>st</sup> June from 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Come wearing black: to be seen ... or not!

Pizza provided

Anyone in Year 7-10 welcome. Led by Marianne Lynch & Te Mana Kaua (Y12 students) & Tausilia McClutchie (021509439)

## Year 9-11 RAVE

On June 15th the Ball Committee has organized a Junior Rave for Years 9 to 11. The proceeds raised from this event will be put towards our Senior Charity Ball. The Rave will be held in the school gymnasium from 7pm to 9pm. Tickets will be sold around school by Ball Committee members. The cost is \$5 per ticket and there will be tickets available for purchase at the door on the night, for those students who decide to come at the last minute. During the Rave there will be snacks available to purchase such as soft drinks, chips and other nibbles. The Maori Wardens will be there ensure that it will be a safe and secure environment for students to have a fun and enjoyable night.

- Stephenie Weston

Arahunga News

At Cullinane College our students have been learning some of the literacy games that are part of the StepsWeb programme. In the photo below Miss Watkins, Rebecca, Sam and Colt are having a go at a game with rhyming words and Miss Claire, Olivia and Julia tried a different game with Rebecca. Rhyming words are a great way to improve reading and spelling.

The photo of Miss Lea and Julia at the top of this page is of both of them practicing communicating with PODD. We enjoyed a training session with Talklink about how to use PODD, however, it will be awhile before we speak as well as the family on the promotional video: "We speak PODD" on You tube.





### UNDER 15 RUBGY

#### Game date: 23rd May, 2018

### SPORTS UPDATE

Cullinane College Under 15 Rugby Team had their third competition game today with their first away game against Whanganui City College . The boys were wearing their new kit and started the game very strongly and dominated the first half scoring two tries to be up 12-0 after 25 minutes against the wind. Whanganui City College came back with a try of their own around the ruck which put the boys up 12-5 at halftime.

The second half was played with the wind where scoring chances were taken towards the end of the game to be up 29-5. Cullinane defended well for long periods of time with Whanganui City College only scoring with five minutes to go to make the final score 29-10. Well done on your efforts in the game boys to grind out the win and come out on top with your second win in a row. Remember to all be at practice tomorrow from 3:30-5:00. Connor Hoyte played his last game for the team and I thank him for all his efforts at trainings and games. We wish him and his family all the best as they move out of the district.

Player of the day awards: 1 point= Shayden Gardiner, 2 points= Tyler Edwards, 3 points= Rehimana Meihana. The recipient of the 3 points receives a player of the day trophy courtesy of our sponsor GDM as well as a player of the day certificate/voucher courtesy of our sponsor Pita Pitt.

Cullinane College 29 (Paulie Manuel 2, Exodus Pauro, Rehimana Meihana tries; Tadhg O'Connor 3 Conversions; penalty) Whanganui City College 10.

Cullinane College Under 15 Rugby Team: Rico Ahleong, Johnny Francis, Tomas Jackson, Kayne Scisson, Mikaere-Lee Katene, Connor Hoyte, Ruben Hudson, Shayden Gardiner (Captain), Tyler Edwards, Rehimana Meihana, Isaac Jordan, Paulie Manuel (Vice Captain), Mitai Hemi, Exodus Pauro, Tadhg O'Connor, Daniel Austin, Jack Annabell, Jack Hadfield, Trevor Boult, Izaac Coe, Mikah Hall.



#### Game date: 30th May, 2018

Cullinane College Under 15 Rugby Team had their first road trip today with an away game against a combined Taihape Area School/Rangitikei College team in Taihape. Isaac Jordan scored a try within the first five minutes but the team quickly found themselves down 12-5 after 20 minutes, where the boys simply weren't attacking the attack when they were on defense. After some stern words given behind the posts, the boys played some brilliant rugby and scored some great tries, which put the team up 27-12 at halftime.

The second half really opened up with the team scoring a lot of tries, which came as a result from good phases. The forwards worked really well in their groups and the backs ran hard into space to create numerous opportunities the final score was 58-22. Great effort in the game today boys and well done on winning your third game in a row. Remember to all be at practice tomorrow from 3:30-5:00.

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On May 30th Cullinane College 1XV played City College 1XV. Final score: City College 1XV 36 - Cullinane College 1XV 3 Player of the day was Matua Carston

### WANGANUI SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

This year the Wanganui Secondary School Cross Country Event was held at the Tawhero Golf Course. After parking in the wrong spot and wondering where all the competitors were, we eventually found out where we were supposed to be! The weather was overcast, with on and off showers, and our students were freezing as we arrived. They soon started getting prepared for their race!

The selection process for the Wanganui Secondary Schools Cross Country was for our students to finish in the top three (1st, 2nd, 3rd) at our Cullinane College School Cross Country. So a big congratulations to those students who did! As a school we are proud of your efforts!

It isn't an easy task competing against schools within the Wanganui region who, not only have the expertise in place, but have a greater number of students to select from. Despite this, our students held their confidence high, gave it their best and each one completed the course.

See photos of our students looking smart, and the results below:

(Although students are not in Year 9 - it is just how the age group grades are determined for Cross Country).

Name	Grade	Place	Time
Tadhg O'Connor	Year 9 Boys	10 <sup>th</sup>	12:49
Tyler Edwards	Year 9 Boys	11 <sup>th</sup>	12:50
Leo Jones	Year 9 Boys	18 <sup>th</sup>	13:40
Izaac Coe	Junior Boys	11 <sup>th</sup>	17:32
Linkin Ross	Junior Boys	18 <sup>th</sup>	19:03
Mikah Hall	Junior Boys	19 <sup>th</sup>	19:19
Neo Tichbon	Senior Boys	26 <sup>th</sup>	18.43
Nellie Coe	Year 9 Girls	16 <sup>th</sup>	15:22
Shannon Hill	Year 9 Girls	24 <sup>th</sup>	16:42
Maia Kaua	Year 9 Girls	25 <sup>th</sup>	16:43
Aigalelei Leo	Year 9 Girls	26 <sup>th</sup>	16:44
Graceyn Wylie	Year 9 Girls	27 <sup>th</sup>	16:56
Makaia Matthews	Senior Girls	16 <sup>th</sup>	14:40
Maggie O'Connor	Senior Girls	17 <sup>th</sup>	14:43



(Back) Maggie O'Connor, Makaia Matthews, Nellie Coe, Shannon Hill, Graceyn Wylie

(Front) Kea Wilson, Aigalelei Leo, Maia Kaua



(From left) Neo Tichbon, Linkin Ross, Izaac Coe, Mikah Hall, Tadhg O'Oconnor.

(Front) Tyler Edwards, Leo Jones.