



## NEXT WEEK @ HOWICK COLLEGE

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Tues 9 February:** First Day for Y9/new Y10 students. Powhiri and welcome followed by Top Town Sports.

**Weds 10 February:** Whole School Returns  
Year Level Assemblies 8:50 - 9:20am

**Thurs 11- Fri 12 February:** Student Leadership Camp

### WELCOME YEAR 9 & NEW YEAR 10 STUDENTS

**Tuesday 9 February, 8:40am - 3:20pm**

All Y9 and new Y10 students should arrive at school in their full school uniform by 8:40am and assemble in House groups on the grassed area behind the bus bay for the Powhiri in the Gym at 8:50am. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend and are invited to stay on for morning tea in the theatre.

The day will include a Top Town Sports event so students please bring the following: PE uniform, sunblock, towel, drink bottle, packed lunch, pen and refill pad.

### WHOLE SCHOOL RETURNS

**Wednesday 10 February, 8:50am- 3:20pm**

All student are to report to their year level assemblies at 8:50am as follows -

**Y9 Students** - Tutor Group Room

**Y10 Students** - Theatre

**Y11 Students** - Gym

**Y12 Students** - Library

**Y13 Students** - Dance Studio

\* All new Y11 -13 students are to meet in the reception area in front of the school administration building.

### BUSES

All buses will run as normal from the start of term.

### ATHLETICS DAY

**Thursday 25 February**

Our annual Athletics Day is a **compulsory** event for all Y9 students with an optional sign up for Y10 - 13 students.

Any Y10 - 13 students who wish to take part must enter a minimum of 3 events and will need to register their entries by **Friday 19 February**. Details on how to enter will be given out during tutor time.

## TERM 1 WEEK 1: 8 - 12 February

### INFORMATION EVENING & FAMILY PICNIC FOR YEAR 9 AND NEW STUDENTS

**Wednesday 17 February from 6:00pm – 8:00pm**

Howick College warmly invites all our Year 9 students and any students new to the College, their parents, caregivers and families, to join us for an evening of information sharing and a fun family picnic.

The Information section of the evening will commence at 6:00pm in the Bill Dimery Performing Arts Centre with a formal welcome by our Principal, Mr Iva Ropati, and a brief introduction of some of our key staff members. This will be followed by sausage sizzles and a family picnic on the field. This is a great chance to mix and mingle with our teaching staff and other families. There will also be an opportunity to join our student leaders for a tug of war!

You are very welcome to bring a picnic dinner and drinks to this event and each House will provide FREE sausage sizzles for students. We strongly encourage you to come along to this fun family occasion.

**Parents with younger children:** Childcare will be available onsite provided by our ECE teacher and students. Please meet in the Bill Dimery Performing Arts Centre Foyer prior to 6:00pm for childcare arrangements.

### STUDENT STATIONERY FOR 2021

Once your child's timetable has been confirmed and finalised (this should be by Wednesday 10 February) please visit the OfficeMax website <https://www.myschool.co.nz/Howickcoll>, and follow the prompts to find the requirements for each of their subjects. All students will require the basic essentials such as pens, refill pad, ruler, pencils etc. Parents are welcome to purchase from other stationery suppliers. There is no brand preference.

Students, particularly Y9s, have been informed to bring their device, refill pad and pens to school for the first few days and this will be adequate to give parents enough time to organise their child's subject requirements over the next couple of weeks.



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### COLLECTION OF STUDENTS AFTER SCHOOL

The continued safety of students on our school site is of the greatest importance to us all and vehicles pose a manageable risk.

Exacerbated by Cockle Bay Primary School traffic, vehicular congestion outside our College is at its peak at the end of the day. In order to safely manage this risk, students are not to be collected from within the bus bay or main carpark areas. The only exception is for learning support parents or taxis. Our school buses have priority at this time and it is important we manage their loading and departures carefully without other vehicles using it as a thoroughfare.

We encourage parents to make a plan with their child to collect them from surrounding streets away from the main entrances. Students who are collected regularly by car at the end of the school day can be collected from entrances located either at Bledisloe or Rochester Streets which are less congested.

### Y13 LEAVERS PACKS 2020

There are still a number of Y13 leavers packs to be collected from the Student Office. Packs contain the Y13 Leaving Certificate, Record of Involvement and Achievement (RIA), any certificates received and a complimentary copy of the 2020 Year book. Packs can be collected from the Student Office on presentation of a completed clearance form.

### 2020 YEARBOOKS

Some 2020 Yearbooks ordered at the end of last year are still waiting to be collected from the Student Office.

Limited copies of the 2020 Yearbook are available for \$15 from the Student Office for those who would like to purchase one.

### GIVE BLOOD SAVE LIVES!

#### NZ Blood Collection, Monday 1 March

Just one donation can help save the lives of up to 3 people. If you are in good health and over 16 years of age you can do your part to support this worthy cause.

Drop in to the health centre for more information.

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### STUDENT LOCKERS

Lockers are located in H, L, G and T blocks and are now available to hire from the Student Office for \$40 for the year.

Students are required to return a completed locker contract form and will be allocated a locker on a first in first served basis on presentation of a Cashier's receipt.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1,

**Mon 15 February** - House Assemblies 8:50am

Bacot - Dance Studio, Bell - Gym, Ingham - Theatre

**Wed 17 February:** Family Picnic & Information Evening - 6:00pm Bill Dimery Performing Arts Centre

**Thurs 18 February:** House Assemblies 8:50am

Irvine - Gym, MacDonald - Dance Studio Minerva - Theatre

**Fri 19 February:** Full School Assembly 9:00am on the Field

**Mon 22 - Tue 23 February:** Student ID Photos

**Weds 24 February:** BOT Meeting 6:00-8:00pm

**Thurs 25 February:** Athletics Day

**Mon 1 March:** Blood Bank Collection

**Mon 29 March:** Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Weds 31 March:** Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Fri 2 April:** Good Friday (Public Holiday)

**Mon 5 April:** Easter Monday (Public Holiday)

**Tues 6 April:** Easter Tuesday (School Holiday)

**Thurs 8 - Fri 9 April:** Summer Sports & Cultural Photos

**Fri 16 April:** Last Day Term 1

**Mon 3 May:** Term 2 Begins





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# **YEAR 9 & NEW STUDENTS INFORMATION EVENING AND FAMILY PICNIC**

**Wednesday 17 February 2021**

**From 6.00pm - 8.00pm**

**Bill Dimery Performing Arts Centre**

Followed by a picnic on the field

We warmly invite ALL Year 9 and newly enrolled students, their parents, caregivers and families, to join us for a fun evening to welcome you to our Howick College community!

Bring along a picnic dinner and make the most of this opportunity to meet other families, our Year 9 Tutors, Deans and the Senior Leadership Team.

**BYO Drinks &  
Picnic Food**

**FREE Sausage Sizzle  
For All Students**

**Childcare available onsite provided by our ECE teacher and students**

*See our Facebook Events page for more details*

*<https://www.facebook.com/howickcollege>*