



Daily Notices
Thursday, 23 April 2026

Panui o te rā
Rāpare, 23 Paenga-whāwhā 2026

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

"A new law has recently passed, so that Anzac Day now honours those who served in all wars, not just World War I. It's about remembering every sacrifice made for New Zealand. Wearing a poppy helps to show that we remember them. This coming Tuesday at Interval, we will go out as a school to honour those New Zealanders who have died in military service."

GENERAL

- Year 10 Debating is on today at 1:30pm in BES2. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Year 8 Debating starts today at 1:30pm in BES5. We would love to see our debaters returning from last year, but everyone is welcome and no previous experience is needed. See you there.
- Room change Year 13 Bio to COM4, period 2 today.
- The National Schools Poetry Award is up and running again for 2026. An opportunity for you to encourage and showcase the writing talent of your senior students. We are calling for entries from all Year 12 and 13 students. Please see Mrs Lemon for more information.
- International Science Competitions -
Entry forms are available from Reception or your science teacher.
Please complete the form, hand into Reception with the money before Thursday 23rd April.

SENIORS

- KERI Reading Tutors:
Year 13 students available to be a KERI reading tutor, please collect a form from Reception, Te Puna Waiora or the LEC.
- Queenstown Resort College visit on Friday 24th April in Careers Office at lunchtime. Please register in Careers Office if keen to attend this.
- Seniors University of Otago Liaison visit on Thursday 23rd April at 1.15pm in Kōtuku. Please register in Careers Office prior. Queenstown Resort College visit on Friday 24th April in Careers Office at lunchtime. Please register in Careers Office if keen to attend this.

LIBRARY

- ANZAC Day activities in the Library - student librarians have organised a poppy-making workshop lunchtime today, an ANZAC Blooket Challenge on Friday after seated lunch, and a short-story or poem competition with an ANZAC theme that closes next Friday. Lots of prizes and giveaways.

Lit Quiz - meet in NHW at seated lunch.

SPORTS

- All students who signed up for the dance team and any other students interested in joining the dance team please see Miss Williams in MC3 today for audition information. Open to Year 7 to Year 13.

- Congratulations to the following students who were successful in making the school Inline Hockey team who will travel to Tauranga for the NZSS tournament.

Luke Bylett, Max Freakly, Cassius Knight, Max Fraser- Nathan, Levi Wood, Boston Nielson, Jacob Hamer, Reina Hayes, Fern Mikkelsen and Loki Best.

All players please come to a meeting by the band room at interval today.

- Sign up is open for School Cross Country being run on Monday 4th May.
- Sign up is open for Turbo Touch, limited teams allowed competition in Whangarei:
Year 7 & Year 8 Mixed teams of four girls and six boys – 5th May (four teams)
Year 9 & Year 10 Boys, Girls (teams of eight) and mixed (four girls, six boys) – 7th May (four teams)
Senior Year 11 – Year 13 Boys, Girls (teams of eight) and mixed (four girls, six boys) – 12th May
- We will be attending a new event “Adventure Racing” on May 19th in Whangarei, all levels involve teams of four we are looking for the following:
 1. Year 7 & 8 - 2 hour off road 6km run with basic navigation and checkpoints involved
 2. Year 9 & 10 - 3 hour off road 5-7km run and mountain bike 10-15km with basic navigation and checkpoints involved
 3. Year 11 – 13 - 6 hour off road 10-15km run and mountain biking 15-25km with basic navigation and checkpoints involved

We will teach you how to navigate, you must have a bike (Year 9 – 13), this is not a fun event and has a cost involved to participate. Come see us at the Sports Office to sign up, either with your team or we can find you a team.
- All Year 7 & 8 students who signed up to represent the school at the 7's Rugby Tournament on Thursday 30th April, you must pick up your paperwork from the Sports Office to attend.

CALENDAR

Thursday	Year 11 PD Assessments as Scheduled Music Assessments - Event 1 OED Level 2 and 3 Activities Back up Day Otago University Liaison Visit 04.00PM - 07.00PM Whanau Feedback Evening
Friday	Year 11 PD Assessments as Scheduled Academic Plus Equestrian, Sailing and Surfing Music Assessments - Event 1 QRC Presentation