



## Star Board—Week 2 Term 2

### On the Calendar.....

#### Week Two, Term Two

##### 15 May

Annie Rehearsal  
Boarder's Chapel  
Theatre Sports Y7/8  
Ballet Workshop

##### 16 May

Youth Council  
Filming

##### 17 May

Assembly  
Young Leader's Day

##### 18 May

SWAG Hui  
BOT Meeting

##### 19 May

Prefect's Assembly  
Geo Tour Quiz

Week Two certainly delivered us into what will be a busy term. The early part of the week saw preparations for our Open Evening. Our Grounds and Maintenance men were flat-out ensuring our grounds were in immaculate condition, outside lighting was installed and Cleghorn set up with a boarding display. A big thank you to all involved and especially to the day girls who volunteered to stay at school and be part of it. To the boarders whose home was on show, thank you for the way you conducted yourselves and to the girls who led the tours.

We had 61 groups through the school, a third more than last year. At last year's Open Evening we were in the middle of the new build and we were proud to be able to show our new facilities to prospective students and their families.

This week we had visits from two international schools, Hatsukaichi from Japan and No.30 School from China. Hatsukaichi was a reciprocal visit and we were pleased to return the hospitality we were offered while our staff and students were in Japan.

Other activities around school this week were the Cobham House Chapel, a number of Year 10 students on a GATE Zoo trip, Intercollegiate Cross-Country, Y9 Art trip and a Year 10 Music lunchtime concert. Our First XI Football team retained the 'Wright-Milne Cup' on Thursday with a 2-2 draw with Wairarapa College. On Friday Viva were involved in an all day workshop in preparation for Big Sing later this term. Let us not forget the regular occurrence of sport practices, production rehearsals, choir, orchestra, jazz band....the list goes on.

Lastly in assembly this morning Mr Clarke presented the school with three hand-turned crosses. These were made from the timber from the old Upper Classroom Block. A chance stroll past the skip revealed rimu fit for recycling into three beautiful pieces. These were blessed and will hang in Cleghorn, Main House and Hampton House. Thank you to Mr Clarke for his talent and thoughtfulness.

Have a great weekend.

Alison Glass, Assistant Principal

### The Week Ahead.....May 8-May 12

### Value Focus—Compassion

- \* Attached to this week's Star Board is the Geotour Quiz Night ad. A group of senior geographers and staff will be touring South Africa in July. The Quiz is fundraising for the Missionvale community with which we have strong links.
- \* Our school community is invited to the Super Whanau Advisory Hui (SWAG) on Thursday night. This is to be held at the Makoura College Teen Parenting Unit from 4pm-5.30pm.
- \* Today the girls were reminded to leave the school after sport practices in their full tracksuit. This week there were many girls at the gate in PE gear alone, in the cold. Even if girls are jumping into their parent's car and to go home they need to have their tracksuit on.
- \* If your daughter needs a school black jacket please order these from the uniform shop.
- \* There are two surveys in circulation at present—one from Mrs Gill and the other from Mrs Harper regarding Health (Y7-11). We would appreciate you taking the time to complete these to give us valuable feedback. You may need to complete this on a laptop or desktop as some links will not work to phones.
- \* Our school gate at the end of the day is even busier during the winter. It would help ease the congestion if your daughter was collected from the Hampton House entrance. Please try to avoid attempting to do this by parking over our school gate or parking on the yellow lines.
- \* Also attached to this edition is the first student newsletter of the year 'SPETs'. Well done to Alana Barns (Year 12) for gathering her writers to publish this.
- \* Mrs Gill's May 'Starlight' will be published next week.