



NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

TE KURA TAMATĀNE O NGĀMOTU

JANUARY 2018

Newsletter

2018 Term Dates

Term 1:

Wednesday 7 February -
Friday 13 April

Term 2:

Monday 30 April -
Friday 6 July

Term 3:

Monday 23 July -
Friday 28 September

Term 4:

Monday 15 October -
Friday 14 December

Uniform Shop Hours

8 January -
5 February 2018

Monday to Friday:
10.00am - 3.00pm

Saturday:
9.00am - 12noon

Terms One - Four
Monday & Tuesday:
12.30pm - 2.30pm

Thursday & Friday:
8.00am - 9.00am

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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Welcome to the new school year. I trust you have had an enjoyable festive season. To all those new young men starting New Plymouth Boys' High in 2018, we extend a warm welcome to you and your whanau. To those returning, I am looking forward to working with you as we together strive to 'Be the Example'.

Kind regards

Mr PJ Verić
Headmaster

New Staff in 2018

Miss Brooke Moratti - Teacher of English
Mr Dean Hikaka - Teacher of Mathematics
Mr Adrian Wright - Teacher of Mathematics
Mrs Jessie Haylock - Teacher in Charge of Economics

New Responsibilities

The following staff have new roles within the school:

	Mrs Zoe Kirkcaldie <i>Finance Manager</i>
	Mrs Lizaan Hale <i>Head of Agriculture/Horticulture</i>
	Miss Hannah Clark <i>Teacher in Charge of Huia Curriculum</i>
	Mr Michael Somers <i>Student Leadership Development</i>
	Mrs Carolyn Matuku <i>Head of Arts, Music and Languages</i>
	Mrs Tania Moore <i>Head of English</i>
	Mr Alan Elgar <i>Head of Junior Curriculum Project</i>



The first days of the school year

WEDNESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY

Year 9 students:

Meet on the top field (the first entrance on the left, travelling up the hill) at 8.40am. You will be welcomed with a powhiri into Pridham Hall. Parents who want to be formally welcomed as part of the powhiri, are welcome to stay.

THURSDAY, 8 FEBRUARY

Year 9-14 Students:

All students (Years 9 - 14) are to attend a full school assembly in Ryder Hall at 8.40am.

<http://www.npbhs.school.nz/>

Website and Facebook

The school website has a lot of helpful information about the school, You can also "friend" us on our New Plymouth Boys' High School Facebook page to keep up to date with daily events.



House, Deans and Group Room Restructure

At the end of 2017, the school conducted a review of the house, dean and group class programme. In 2018 each House will have a Senior House Leader and a Dean of House. Group rooms on a Tuesday and Thursday have been replaced with Huia rōpū, timetabled during Period 4 on a Wednesday.



Huia rōpū (Huia Group)

Every Wednesday Period 4, students will meet in their groups (ie. as B01) with a designated teacher. This will be called Huia rōpū, named after the Huia, the bird on the school crest.

Our boys are faced with a more complex range of issues than ever before and it is affecting their social, emotional and academic well-being. Huia rōpū aims to help our boys understand what is going on in the world around them and facilitate their ability to cope with this world through content such as:

- Citizenship - 'Something for Nothing' project where the students give back to the community
- Goal Setting & Tracking - 'Big Brother' style mentoring
- Consent & Positive Relationships
- Mental Health & Well-being
- Digital Literacy & Safety
- Learning Preferences & Study Skills
- Numeracy and Literacy

The House Structure

DONNELLY HOUSE



MR B. CORLETT

Senior House Leader
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MR R. CREERY

Dean of House
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BARAK HOUSE



MR R. WISNEWSKI

Senior House Leader
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MR A. LOCK

Dean of House
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SYME HOUSE



MR D. BUBLITZ

Senior House Leader
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MR N. CREERY

Dean of House
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HATHERLY HOUSE



MR K. DUNLOP

Senior House Leader
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MR M. CLEAVER

Dean of House
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School Pastoral (Student Care) System

The school pastoral system is based on five steps which are reached through the accumulation of demerit points. Students can receive demerit points for lateness, withdrawal from class, uniform breaches and other misdemeanours. As students progress through the steps, there are more serious levels of intervention and contact with parents/caregivers. Students with clear pastoral records will receive an invitation to a 'Be the Example' morning tea. As always, if you have any concerns about your son please feel free to contact your son's Dean.

The contact details of our staff are available on the website, or ring the school office for an appointment.

Guidance Department

Guidance establishes and maintains a safe and inclusive school culture that recognises and celebrates diversity.

The guidance counsellors are always ready to listen if you have any issues or concerns.

The school has three full-time counsellors available (one to be appointed):



MR D. MOORE



MR H. KERR

Parent Portal and Student Timetables

The parent portal allows parents to access details for their son on our school computerised management system. By 3 January, his timetable will be available on the portal for you to view. We ask that, before the first day of school at NPBHS, you print and check that the subjects are correct. New parents to the NP Boys' High School community will have received information about how to access the portal. If you are struggling to access the parent portal, the school office will be open from 29 January and staff will be available to assist. If you need advice and support in changing any subject selections, then the Deans will be available on Tuesday, 30 January - Thursday, 1 February - please ring the office to make an appointment.

Attendance at School

If your child is away from school, for whatever reason, you must ring or email the school before 9.00 am. A written note will be required if he is away when a major assessment is due. If you are planning on taking your son out of school for any length of time during the term, request for leave must be made in advance, in writing or by email to the Headmaster, with details and dates of when he will be absent. Only the Headmaster is able to grant leave for exceptional circumstances. If the leave is not approved by the Headmaster, it will be recorded on your son's record as unjustified, in accordance with the MOE coding requirements.

School Donation

The school donation for 2018 will be \$290.00. This greatly assists the school in providing and maintaining services that the Ministry of Education does not provide for in the school's funding. For example, the maintenance and upkeep of the school pool, additional teaching, deans and support staff, library resources/archiving, and upkeep of our beautiful grounds/facilities. Included with the first statement from the school there will be a detailed explanation of the donation and other school-related costs. These donations are essential in helping us to provide the wide range of opportunities. Every year we are humbled and grateful for these contributions.



Host an International student!



Become a paid homestay host with New Plymouth Boys' High School for an enriching and rewarding experience. Provide our international students with a home away from home, and make a world of difference for them and your family.

LONG OR SHORT-TERM PLACEMENTS AVAILABLE

Like to know more?

Please contact Glynda Malley (International Homestay Co-ordinator)

(06) 758 5399 ext 735 | homestay@npbhs.school.nz
027 855 7779 | npbhs.school.nz

Important Dates

Included with this newsletter are two cards which contains important information. The cards are in this format to enable you to put them on your noticeboard/fridge. It has important dates for Term 1, Term 2, Term 3 and Term 4 along with the six-day timetable for those terms, the telephone number and email details for student absences.

Work Day

This year Work Day is on Thursday, 29 March. On this day there are no formal classes and students are encouraged to go to work to raise money for the school.



TERM 1 - SIX DAY TIMETABLE

Day	Time	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Monday	8:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	9:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	10:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	11:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	12:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	13:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	14:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	15:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	16:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	17:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	18:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	19:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	20:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	21:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	22:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	23:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	24:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	25:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	26:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	27:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	28:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	29:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	30:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Monday	31:00	Maths	English	Science	History



TERM 2 - SIX DAY TIMETABLE

Day	Time	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Tuesday	8:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	9:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	10:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	11:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	12:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	13:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	14:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	15:00	Maths	English	Science	History
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Tuesday	29:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	30:00	Maths	English	Science	History
Tuesday	31:00	Maths	English	Science	History

Confirmation of Current Details

If any contact or medical information has changed, please contact the school office with the details. It is very important that the school keeps up-to-date details of your son.

Stationery for 2018

Our preferred supplier for stationery is OfficeMax. Parents are able to shop online or go to the local store located at 173 Courtenay Street, New Plymouth. To access the stationery list and to shop online go to www.myschool.co.nz. There is a free delivery service for any orders over \$57.50 (incl gst) and OfficeMax will match a lower price. You are also able to pay the school donation at the same time as your stationery purchases (this will be shown as a separate transaction on your credit/debit card). If you choose to shop elsewhere the school stationery list is available on our website.



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Uniform Rules

How to wear your uniform at school, and to and from school.



This is an example of a Year 9 - 10 uniform.

Year 11 - 14 are in a transition stage and are able to wear their existing uniform or a combination of both.

Important Dates

Your first four weeks at NPBHS.

- 03 JAN** ○ Students able to check courses on the parent portal
- 30 JAN** ○ Year 11 course confirmation with Deans available to students and parents for any course changes - please ring school office for appointment time (06) 758 5399
- 31 JAN** ○ Year 12 course confirmation with Deans
- 01 FEB** ○ Year 13 course confirmation with Deans
- 05 FEB** ○ All Yr 13 in residence in the hostel
- 06 FEB** ○ **WAITANGI DAY**
1.00pm Yr 9 and new boarders to the hostel meet at the boarders' lounge
- 07 FEB** ○ 8.40am Yr 9 are welcome for a powhiri on the top field. Parents who want to be formally welcomed with a powhiri are welcome to stay
4.00pm Yr 10 - 14 hostel boys in residence in the hostel
- 08 FEB** ○ 8.40am Full school assembly for all levels in Ryder Hall
- 09 FEB** ○ 8.40am Yr 9 - 14 go to group rooms for group photos
12.30pm Tabloid sports
- 12 FEB** ○ 8.40am Normal school day

Upcoming Events

- Hamilton Boys' High School Exchange (away) - Monday 19 - Tuesday 20 February
- Swimming Sports - Friday 23 February
- Athletics Day - Friday 9 March
- Be The Example Huia Interviews - Friday 16 March
- Summer Tournament Week - Monday 19 - Friday 23 March
- Work Day - Thursday 29 March
- Anzac School Assembly - Friday 13 April

