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The first half of term four has been a significant one for our senior students. We firstly welcomed back our Kapa Haka group from a very successful trip to Rarotonga which was rich in cultural experiences for all. Congratulations to all involved. Important awards evenings have been held for Sport and The Arts. At both of these evenings we were able to welcome back recent successful ex pupils who were able to share their experiences with our current students. Our thanks and appreciation go to Stephanie Dickins, Stephanie Dryfhout and Sarah Goss (Sports Awards) and Jayne Ramage (Arts Awards). These were followed last week by prize-giving ceremonies for Year 11 students and our Year 12 & 13 students at Senior Prize-giving. The list of students who received awards and acknowledgements is impressive at this school and they are warmly congratulated for their achievements. Congratulations to Rachel McLean for gaining The Creativity and Excellence in The Arts Award for 2016, Tessa Webb for Sports person of the Year and Sarah Hercock for Dux of 2016.

The Hostel Vaedictory Dinner and Prize-giving is one of the highlights for our boarders and their families. This was a wonderful night where we celebrated the successes of our boarders, thanked a large number of students who have held leadership roles in the hostel this year and named some of the leaders to begin the 2017 hostel year. Similarly, office holders for next year's School Council were voted for and appointed to begin next year as well.

Senior students have now been released for study leave and NCEA examinations are about to commence. It is heartening to see so many senior students taking advantage of the extra tutorials that teachers are providing here at school.

There are still important assessments left for junior students to complete but already excitement is building in preparation for Year 10 camps which will see many of our students travelling to all parts of the country to have unique experiences.

Summer sports season has begun and I look forward to watching our students compete in our summer sports programme. Towards the end of the term our athletics team and our rugby 7s teams are competing in the New Zealand national tournaments in Auckland.

We are currently finalising our roll and timetable for next year. If you know of anyone who would like to enrol a student at FAHS - Feilding High School for next year and has not yet done so, please encourage them to do this so that we can meet all needs in 2017.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Current Year 12 student Samantha Read was elected as the student trustee for 2017. Congratulations Samantha. She joins the other current board members Mrs Ellen Bartlett (Chair), Mrs Jackie Harrigan, Mr Shane Hoggard, Mr Geoff Walker, Mr John Turkington, Mr Dave Byrne (Staff Trustee), Mr Martin O'Grady (Principal).

We wish to thank and acknowledge the contribution of retiring Board members Mr Owen Bonnor and Mrs Cushla Williamson.

2016 HONOUR ROLLS

The Honour Rolls are to reward Year 13 students who have worked hard all year. Students who gain at least half of their Level 3 credits at Excellence level will be placed on the Principal's Honour Roll. Those who gain at least half their credits at Merit or above will be acknowledged by their name appearing on the Dean's Honour Roll.

Principal's Honour Roll

Ben Flighty
Rebecca Gray
Sarah Hercock
Fazilat Khan
Molly Hartley
Rachel McLean
Delaney Parfitt

Caitlin Hogan
Sophia Seddon
Zachary McKee
Sarah Mildon
Abbey Stratton
Alex Snaddon
Keely McKnight

Jayden Cairns
Finley Mudgway
Matthew Beckers
Zak Rodgers
Daniel Curtis

Dean's Honour Roll

Hannah Brew
Grace Burmeister
Gabrielle Oke
Rebecca Harpur
Olivia Myer
Emily Hunt
Tash Kui
Abigail Legg
Tanetta Sylva
Anais Gardner
Stuart Rayner-Nielsen

Madison Hunt
Amy Richards
Caitlyn Thomas
Charlotte Anthony
Hannah McKnight
Tylah Conaghan
Christina Cotton
Hannah Billingham
Peta Abernethy
Quinn Judd
Emily Mullen

Baylee Burnett
Liam Kokich
Ruby Wilson
Natasha Cowx
Matthew Schweikert
Maquaela McKinnon-Peel
Meg Goodman
Tayla Anderson
Julie Long-Lay
Mackenzie Walker

YEAR 10 OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Camp fees should have been paid by now. Thank you to all those who have done so. Please finalise payments in the next week if you need to do so.

A number of camps have already had meetings. This week every camp has a meeting. Very important Health and Safety forms will be issued. Please ensure you complete these promptly and return them to school to enable us to complete our paperwork before camp. If you have any queries or concerns, please contact Mrs Jane Phillips.

STUDY LINK

Students planning to go to tertiary study after they leave school should apply for their Student Allowance or Loan by 16 December. StudyLink expects around 180,000 students to apply for their Student Allowance or Loan for the 2017 academic year. Applying by 16 December means StudyLink can get everything sorted so that the student receives their funding from the start of their course. Students don't need to have their NCEA results or have locked down all their plans in order to apply. Their application can be updated as things are confirmed. It's more important to allow enough time for all the steps in the application process to be completed. Students can find out more about applying for a Student Allowance or Loan on the StudyLink website. Pop a reminder in your calendar, or even better – go straight to studylink.govt.nz to apply now.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Normal hours – Mon and Wed 3.15-4.30pm and Tuesday 1.15-2pm
Mon 31st October, Tues 1st, Wed 2nd November – as per normal.
Mon 7th and Tues 8th November as per normal
Wed 9 and Thurs 10th November - NO access
Friday 11th November by appointment only.
Monday 14th – Tuesday 22nd November NO access due to NCEA exams.
Wed 23rd November - Normal hours – 3.15-4.30pm
Thurs 24th November NO access
Friday 25th November – Morning by appointment only.
Monday 28th November – Hostel Orientation Day
Tues 29th and Wed 30th November – NO access
Thursday 1st December – No access
Friday 2nd December – NO access
Monday 5th December – Wed 7th – normal hours
Monday 12th – Friday 16th December closed due to Stock Take.

*RE OPENS – MONDAY 16TH January 10am – 4pm daily.
Until Tuesday 7th February – resume normal hours.*

Contact Raewyn Beattie 021 081 564 78 or email rbeattie@feildinghigh.school.nz

COMING EVENTS

November

18 Junior speech finals
28 Year 10 Outdoor Education (until 2 December)

December

- 2 NCEA Examinations finish
- 5 Book return day
- 6 Locker key return day
- 8 Year 10 Prize-giving 9.15 AM
Year 9 Prize-giving 10.45 AM
School closes after the Year 9 Prize-giving

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'm. o'grady'.

M. O'GRADY
Principal