20 May 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Please read the following notices regarding industrial action and Queen’s Birthday weekend.

1. **Notification of Industrial Action Wednesday, 29 May**

   Please note that the nationwide industrial action will occur by the Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) on Wednesday 29 May. Members of the PPTA will therefore be on strike.

   **However, Whanganui Collegiate School will be open.**

   The Inter-House Cross Country event will occur as calendared. We expect all students to be at school to take part in the programme below:

   **The schedule for the day is as follows:**
   - 8.30am: Roll Call in Houses for ALL students
   - 9.00am: School Chapel followed by Supervised Study
   - 10.40am: Junior Boys
   - 11.05am: Junior Girls
   - 11.35am: Intermediate Boys
   - 12.00pm: Senior Girls
   - 12.30pm: Senior Boys
   - 12.55pm: Presentation
   - 1.10pm: Lunch
   - 2.10pm: Roll Call for ALL students
   - 2.20pm: Supervised study for Boarders. Day students may go home but are welcome to stay.
   - 3.30pm: Finish of School Day

   We always enjoy parental support and we look forward to seeing you there if possible.

2. **Long Weekend Details**

   It is expected that many students will wish to take the opportunity to request Leave for Queen’s Birthday Weekend. Please note, the Houses will be open over the weekend and activities planned. School will be closed on **Monday 3 June**. Most of our staff will be involved in a regional Professional Development Day on **Tuesday 4 June**. However, the School will be open to give students the opportunity to work on assessments, study and/or to receive some additional tutoring in some subject areas.
All boarders who have taken leave are expected back for a **5.30pm Roll Call** in their Houses on Tuesday 4 June and all students will need to be at the Wednesday morning roll call.

The weekend may also be a great opportunity for Collegiate families to host some international students. I am sure they would enjoy your hospitality. If you would like to help with this please contact rosie.austin@collegiate.school.nz

**Please Note**

The CNI Rugby competition and inter-schools’ fixture on Saturday 1 June at Francis Douglas Memorial College (FDMC) is a commitment that both players and parents need to be aware of as part of their planning for Queen’s Birthday Weekend.

**Arrangements**

Leave by Bus early in the morning to travel to FDMC and return later the same day. The teams travelling are:

**Rugby**
- 1st XV (CNI)
- 2nd XV Inter-Schools
- U15 Inter-Schools

**Football**
- Boys 1st XI Inter-Schools
- Boys Colts A Inter-Schools

Please ensure that all arrangements are made around these sporting commitments, as well as other team commitments your child may have.

Kind regards,

Grant Muirhead

**Deputy Headmaster**