15 January 2019

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

**RE: YEAR 13 START OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS**

I hope you have had a good break and you are looking forward to the year ahead at Whanganui Collegiate School. A special warm welcome to the Year 13 students who are joining us this year.

It is important that as student leaders of the School, you are organised, and your House is a welcoming and positive place from day one.

You will be the first group of students to return so you can work with your Housemaster to make the start of year run as smoothly as possible. All Year 13s are expected back at School on **Sunday 27 January by 1.30pm**. (Lunch will be available at the Dining Hall if you arrive prior to this.) The day gives you time to catch up with your Housemaster and make the necessary arrangements for the year ahead.

**Stationery**

Stationery can be ordered via the Officemax online system. Year group Stationery Lists are posted on the School website or select the following link: [Stationery List](#).

You will receive your House Newsletter outlining the start of the year details. However, in summary the programme for the start of the year is as follows:

**Sunday 27 January**

- 11.00am  Blueshirt Meeting
- 1.00pm    Lunch
- 1.00pm    Subject changes opportunity. (Please meet Mr Muirhead or Mr Standley in Big School)
- 2.00pm    Godwin, Bishops and Selwyn to meet Mr van Dort for photos
- 2.30pm    Grey, Hadfield and Harvey to meet Housemasters in Houses
- 3.30pm    Grey, Hadfield and Harvey to meet Mr van Dort for photos
- 3.30pm    Godwin, Bishops and Selwyn to meet Housemasters in Houses
- 5.45pm    Dinner in the Dining Hall
- 7.00pm    Year 13 to set up for Powhiri and Powhiri practice
- 8.30pm    In Houses with Housemasters
Monday 28 January
8.15am  Breakfast
9.00am  Year 13 Leadership training/preparation continues in Houses.
11.00am Swimming Trials for Year 13s
12.30pm Lunch in the Dining Hall
1.15pm  Students gather on Anzac Lawn
2.00pm  Powhiri for new students and families in Big School. Formal dress
         Afternoon tea for guests with selected Year 13s assisting
5.30pm  Dinner
6.30pm  Meeting in the GHMR with Mrs Simpson, Mr Muirhead and Mrs Wright to discuss
         orientation programme
Evening Students under House arrangements

Tuesday 29 January
New Student Orientation Programme:
6.30am  Morning run on the golf course
7.15am  Breakfast for new students and Year 13 in the Dining Hall
8.00am  House meetings. Then assemble in Big School for Orientation Program
1.00pm  Lunch in the dining hall
5.30pm  All Year 9 12 Boarders return
         Dinner in the Dining Hall
6.15pm  Blueshirts to meet Reverend Savage, Mr van Dort and Mr Muirhead in Chapel for
         Commissioning Service rehearsal. Please bring Blueshirt ties.
Evening Students under House arrangements

Wednesday 30 January
8.00am  Roll Call in Houses for all students (All Students in No. 1s)
8.40am  Beginning of Term Chapel Service
9.30am  Big School Assembly
10.00am Meeting in the GHMR
10.30am Break
10.45am ID Photos taken
11.00-12noon Tutor time or subject changes
1.30pm  Sports Meetings and then under House arrangements
         Students under House arrangements

Thursday 31 January
8.00am  Roll Call
8.30am  Lessons Begin

Please note that the Weekend of 2nd and 3rd February will be a Non-Leave Weekend. Wednesday
6 February is Waitangi Day and there will be no lessons, but School will remain open for Boarders.
If you would like to make changes to your subject options, please take advantage of the opportunity to see Mr Standley, Mr Owen or Mr Muirhead at Big School during the following times:

**Day Students**
- Thursday 24 January: 12.30-3.30pm
- Friday 25 January: 1.00-1.30pm

**Boarders**
- Sunday 27 January: 1.00-2.00pm
- Wednesday 30 January: 11.00am - 12.30pm

Additional time will be arranged as required.

**Please make sure you return in the right uniform and with the right haircut.** You are going to be a great year group and the staff are looking forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or your Housemaster.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Muirhead
Deputy Headmaster