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CONTACT

2 November 2020

Hard Work Wins

Congratulations to our senior students who have put the mahi in and made the most of what has been an extremely challenging year. With one week to go I could not be more impressed with how students, and staff for that matter, have coped with adversity in trying times.

Despite the major disruptions encountered, most senior students have set themselves up well for success in NCEA. In fact, internal NCEA grades for the year are tracking better currently than in 2019.

While I know some students are anxious as they enter the external exams, those who have put the work in have every reason to be confident. Hard work wins!

I encourage students to make the most of their last week in school and know my staff are only too happy to help.

Alan Munro

2020 Year 13 Leavers' Dinner

Each year we celebrate the graduation of our senior class with a Year 13 Leavers' Dinner. This year's event will be held on Wednesday 11 November at the Memorial Centre in Matamata. The aim of the dinner is to mark the completion of five years of secondary education by our senior class. There will be a visual display of the progress of this year's group of students through the school from their days as Year 9 students in 2016 through to present. Entertainment will be provided by our talented Year 13 students. Parents and / or guardians of Year 13 students are invited to attend along with their son or daughter. Tickets cost \$50 from Student Reception.

Last Day for Senior Students

Just a reminder, that Tuesday 10 November is the last day for Senior students. If your son or daughter is not intending to return to Matamata College next year, it is really important that they request a Leaver's Form from the Front Office.

Examination Admission Slips will be handed out during Period 4 on Monday 9 November. Students need to check that their entries are correct. If entries are missing, they must report to the Front Office. Students should also log on to

<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/>

to check their address. If a change of address is required, please notify the Front Office immediately. Students must keep their Admission Slip in a safe place and bring it to every examination. They must not write on it. If they lose the Admission Slip they can reprint one through the NZQA website or request a copy from the Front Office. The Principal's Nominee, Dr Parish, must also sign this copy. From Wednesday 11 November if students are at school for an exam or tutorial they must be in school uniform.

Chess Champion

Claudia Mangnall is Matamata College's Chess Champion for 2020. Claudia (on the right) is pictured here with a worthy adversary, Gloria Son. However, Hunter Logie (inset) played Claudia in the finals for the champs. He impressed us with his strategic thinking.

Congratulations Claudia!



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LOOKING AHEAD

Wed 4 November

Gateway Evening 7pm

Mon 9 November

Y8 Parent Evening

Tues 10 November

Last day for Seniors

Wed 11 November

Leavers Dinner

Mon 16 to Fri 20 November

Camp & Activities
Week
NCEA Begins

Wed 25 November

Teacher Only Day

Mon 30 November to
Tues 7 December

Faculty Days

Thurs 3 December

Senior Prize-giving

Tues 8 December

Junior Prize-giving
End of Term 4
School finishes approx.
12.30pm.



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SPORTS PRIZEGIVING

We had an excellent Sports Prizegiving on Tuesday evening. It was great to be able to recognise the hard work of our students and to celebrate their sporting successes.

Congratulations to all those who received awards on Tuesday evening and thanks to the many families and supporters who were able to attend. Let's hope we're all able to participate in full sporting seasons in 2021.

Maaori Awards

Bella Dye **9DBK**

Awarded the Te Wairere Trophy for Junior Maaori Sportswoman

Phaybian Parore **TKWYU**

Awarded the Eric Kirkness Trophy for Junior Maaori Sportsman

Syteiva Wilson **TKWYU**

Awarded the Papatuanuku Trophy for Senior Maaori Sportswoman

Matthew O'Brien **W6DA**

Awarded the Ranginui Trophy for Senior Maaori Sportsman

Special Awards

Jason Roberts

Awarded the Glenn Rowsell Award for Coach of the Year

NZSS Squash Team

Awarded the Butch Tuhakaraina Award for Team of the Year

Colin Henderson

Awarded the Donna Gaskell Trophy for Volunteer of the Year

National Honours

Stevie Collins **H2PR**

New Zealand Show Jumping Team – Competed at the Caven 1 International Show Jumping Championship in Ireland

Olivia Goodwin **W1AM**

New Zealand Junior Women's Indoor Development Team Canberra 2019 and Squad for New Zealand Junior Women's Indoor Team 2020

Mollie Allison **H2PR**

New Zealand Junior Women's Indoor Development Team Canberra 2019, Squad for New Zealand Beach Volleyball Team for Youth Commonwealth Games and Squad for New Zealand Junior Women's Indoor Team

Ethan Wallace **W3AS**

New Zealand Secondary Schools Athletics – Placing 1st in the 200m and U19 Champion

Conor Goodwin **W1AM**

New Zealand Men's Indoor Development Team Canberra 2019, New Zealand Youth Med's Indoor Squad and New Zealand U17 Beach Volleyball Team

Ollie Morton-FarrellyT1CA

New Zealand Youth Men's Volleyball Team, New Zealand U17 Beach Volleyball Development Squad and 1st in Junior Boy's Discus at New Zealand Secondary Schools Athletics



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Major Awards

Ella Smart

T7SF

Awarded the Trophy for Junior Sportswoman of the Year

Thomas Pilmore-Evans

K2NU

Awarded the Trophy for Junior Sportsman of the Year

Olivia Goodwin

W1AM

Awarded the Mrs W Livingstone Trophy for Most Persevering Sportswoman

Bradley Rumble

H5AR

Awarded the Wells Cup for Most Persevering Sportsman

Mollie Allison

H2PR

Awarded the Morrison Trophy for Sportswoman of the Year

Ethan Wallace

W3AS

Awarded the McGlashan Trophy for Sportsman of the Year

Ollie Morton-Farrelly

T1CA

Awarded the Sheelah Lamb Millennium Trophy for Best All-round Sportsperson



Back row: Matthew O'Brien, Bradley Rumble, Olivia Goodwin, Ollie Morton-Farrelly, Ethan Wallace

Front row: Thomas Pilmore-Evans, Mollie Allison, Ella Smart

2021 New Entrant Parents Information Evening

Due to Lockdown restrictions our New Entrant Parent Information Evening had to be postponed twice last term. Much of what we would typically cover at this evening has already been shared via newsletters, online correspondence and the Year 8 student visits to our school to check things out and discuss options last term! Parents and students did a great job navigating the option subject selection process and much of our preparation for welcoming your son/daughter next year is in place. However, we would like to offer an opportunity for parents to come and find out further information about our school and have any queries or questions you may have about next year answered.

WHAT: 2021 New Entrants Parents Information Evening

WHEN: Monday 9 November

TIME: 5.30pm

WHERE: Matamata College Hall

A few of the topics that will be covered at this meeting are:

- 2021 start of the school year programme for Year 9's
- Introducing key staff
- School Timetable
- Sport
- Uniform

We look forward to seeing you next Monday.



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ART AWARDS 2020

JOINED BY THE TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Come and see the talent of our Artists, Designers and Creatives at our 2020 ART AWARDS. Viewing starts at 5:00 PM on November the 4th and goes till 6:30PM in the Common Room next to the library. Recognition awards announced at 6PM. Nibbles provided, and the works will be on display until 3PM on Friday the 6th of November. All welcome!