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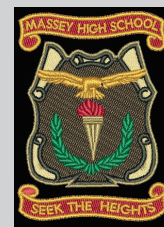
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Dear Parents/Guardians

Greetings Kia Ora Talofa Guten Tag Bonjour Malo e le lei Dobar Dan Kia Orana こんにちは

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Fakalofa lahi atu Shalom Goeie Dag Sawadee Croeso Bula Fáiite Ciao Mabuhay Namaskaar

EXAM WEEK

WEEK 9, 14 - 18 JUNE

Exam Week for all students at Massey High School will occur in Week 9, 14 – 18 June, two weeks from today. It is vital that students are at school every day and that they are on time for the start of each class. As well as carrying out the exams and assessments, teachers will continue to deliver their usual classroom programmes.

For senior students, some of the exam time is being used to assess internal NCEA achievement or unit standards or to prepare for coming assessments. Students need to prepare well to achieve their credits in these. They may also have a practice exam for an external NCEA achievement standard in some subjects. This is an important learning experience as students can gain an idea of their progress towards their achievement of the external credits. Junior students will have end-of-semester assessments in their subjects.

A special timetable has been arranged for Exam Week. Periods 1 and 2 each day will continue as they are now. Students will then have a double period between 11.25am and 1.30pm for the subject they would normally have in period 3 each day.

The Board of Trustees has approved the closing of the school at the end of the double period each day during Exam Week. Students will be released then and buses have been ordered for that time. Should any students wish to stay at school to study, arrangements will be made for their supervision. They should meet in the Hall at 1.30pm with their study materials.

For teachers, the early close will allow them time to mark assessments and exam papers and to start writing the mid-year reports. For the students, the purpose of the early closing each day is to allow them to go home and have some study time. This is their only study leave during Exam Week.

For each subject, students should know

- WHEN their assessment is
- HOW they are being assessed
- WHAT they are being assessed on.

They also need to bring the appropriate materials each day so that they are equipped for their assessments. A refill pad and a black or blue pen is the minimum requirement. This week they should be asking their teachers for the above information.

Students should have a study plan in place for time leading up to and during the Exam Week. To study effectively, students should do active revision. When they learn their notes, they need to write as well as read, and say things aloud (**READ, WRITE, RECITE**). An effective study strategy is to write practice assessment or exam answers and to do this within the suggested time allocation.

PAST STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Joanna Kennerley who was awarded at a ceremony in Wellington First in New Zealand for Accounting Scholarship 2009. Joanna is pictured with Hon. Anne Tolley, Minister of Education and Hon. Sir Anand Satyanand, Governor-General.



Congratulations to past student Chanyeol Yoo who is in his fourth year at The University of Auckland taking an electrical systems engineering degree. He is a member of Team OneBee who won the finals of the NZ Microsoft Image Cup

and will be competing in this prestigious event in Poland. The contest is in its eighth year and challenges students from around the globe to develop technologies to help solve the world's toughest problems. They are taking on illiteracy as their category.

SCHOOL BALL

The Massey High School Ball will be held this year at Alexandra Park, Epsom on Monday, July 5. This event has always been a highly successful event and every year we are complimented on the behaviour of our students. The Ball starts at 7.30pm and students will not be admitted after 8pm. The Ball finishes at midnight and students are expected to remain at the Ball until that time unless prior arrangements have been made with the school. Students must dress formally.

Massey High School has NOT arranged any pre-ball or post-ball functions and takes no responsibility for any that may have been arranged. School rules apply with regard to behaviour, alcohol and smoking and the venue security has the right to refuse entry to patrons if this is deemed necessary. Outside partners are expected to comply with Massey High School rules and are the responsibility of the student of whom they are the partner.

Tickets go on sale to Year 13 on Monday May 31, then Year 12 on June 8. Tickets are \$85 and are purchased from the Bursar. All tickets must be purchased by Wednesday June 16.

With everyone's co-operation we are sure to have an enjoyable evening consistent with the intention and spirit of the School Ball.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 11 Maatangi Whenua Geography Competition 20th May 2010

Congratulations to Conor Oades (11MWI), Brannigan Pulevaka (11TFM) and Courtney Rush (11PKN) for their efforts in the North Shore and Northland round of this competition. Whilst our team was not placed in the top three they can be extremely proud of their efforts and especially in gaining the highest score of any school in the "Your Chance to Shine" round.

Conor, Courtney and Brannigan endured three hours of quizzes and tasks to test all areas of their Geography knowledge.

Netball

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as Waitakere Netball Representatives:

Under 17 - Tatiana Hironavaa (13TES), Sofie Boswell (13TTP), Nivana Johnson (12MAL), Liz Hapeta (11TMU)

Under 15A—Latisha Sionepulu (10PAO), Jessica Fox (10MCY), Vanessa Talamahina (10MCY)

Under 15B—Kimai Babbington (10PPL)

SPORTS RESULTS

Rugby

1st XV	vs	Rosmini College	Lost	3-22
2nd Grade	vs	Rosmini College	Lost	10-18
3rd Grade A	vs	Orewa College	Lost	14-29
3rd Grade B	vs	Kristin College	Won	87-0
4th Grade	vs	Takapuna Grammar	Won	22-0
5th Grade 1	vs	Birkenhead College	Won	71-5
6th Grade	vs	Rangitoto College	Won	31-0

Netball WASS Elite Competition

Premiers	vs	Massey Development	Won	28-15
Senior A	vs	Marist Senior A	Won	24-15

Equestrian

Congratulations to Jayne Clarke (11PYU) who competed as a member of the Waitemata Rodney Area Mounted Games Team at the Quality Presentations Pony Club North Island Mounted Games Championships and won the event. This is held every two years and the team competed against Australian and New Zealand teams.

JACKETS and RAINCOATS

As winter approaches, students need to ensure that they are dressed warmly and that they keep dry.

The uniform options for students are the black jersey with the school crest on, the black school jacket and the official school sports jacket. When it is raining, students may wear a raincoat, either knee or hip length, to and from school and when they are in the grounds but not when they are in class. The coat must be waterproof and



must be in a conservative colour, for example black, dark blue or navy. Items like a pink bomber jacket with a fluffy collar do not count as an acceptable jacket or raincoat. The way our students behave and the way they wear the uniform are the two biggest factors beside academic achievement that the community uses to judge our school. We cannot emphasise enough how important this is. We ask for the support of parents in making sure that your son or daughter is correctly dressed for school. Thank you for your co-operation

KEY DATES

June

1	Careers Day
2	HPV Immunisation Dose 2
4	Massey High School Day—No school
7	Queen's Birthday—public holiday
24	Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm Library
28—2 July	Musical— <i>Cabaret</i>

July

5	School Ball
19	Term 3 Begins