

EDGEWATER COLLEGE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 2 is a time when many of the internal assessments for NCEA candidates come due.

I have previously addressed the importance of meeting deadlines and completing assessments, but I do so again as it is a message that is worth repeating.

We are not going to let students fail to achieve because they fail to complete.

The period six programme, which runs from 3:30pm to 4:30pm each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Library will continue this term.

Students who have not met work completion deadlines, or have not completed their assessments, are required to attend.

We all want success for our students and I look forward to support from our parent community for this initiative.



EDGEWATER PRESENTS “LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS”

A Singing Plant. A Daring Hero. A Sweet Girl. A Demented Dentist. What more could you want! A show for all the family—you won't want to miss it!

Evening performances start at 7:30pm on Tuesday 20 June through to Friday 23 June. Tickets are \$10 per person and go on sale Tuesday 6 June, available for purchase at school reception.



WINTER UNIFORM

All students must have at least one warm garment for winter – a school jersey and/or jacket. Please ensure that uniform is in good, clean condition and worn properly. All garments should be labelled with your child's name.

Boys and Girls Winter Shoes: plain, secure, black leather school shoes.

No sandals, no canvas shoes, no high-top boots.

Girls Socks/Stockings: white socks or black stockings are to be worn with winter shoes. No knee-high stockings.

TERM 2 KEY DATES

International Dinner

Friday 26 May

Queens Birthday holiday

Monday 5 June

Production “Little Shop of Horrors”

7:30pm evening performances Tuesday 20 to Friday 23 June.

Tickets \$10 per person on sale from Tuesday 6 June from school reception.

Senior School Ball

Saturday 1 July

End of Term 2

Friday 7 July

NZQA 2017

The closing date for payment of the NZQA fee (\$76.70 for domestic students doing NCEA coursework) and applications for financial assistance is **Thursday 10 August**.

Fee payment ensures your child's NCEA credits are allocated accordingly.

After this date we are unable to collect fees on behalf of NZQA and you will need to make payment directly.

Please note late payments incur a penalty of \$50 (even if you have applied for financial assistance).

Application forms for financial assistance are available from Reception or the NZQA website www.nzqa.govt

PILOTING A GATEWAY COURSE

Edgewater Gateway enables students to gain credits in work-related Unit Standards and then back up their learning with practical experience in the workplace. We help students to make choices about future careers from the experience of both theory and practical learning.

One of the exciting courses available on Gateway is Pilot Training. Based at Ardmore Airport, the Ardmore Flying School is one of the only flight training organisations in the Pacific Rim to offer personalised programs specifically to meet the needs of each student.

Year 13 students Cleland Iosefa and Sharleen Teihoata-Iro took up the opportunity and attended two training days, did three flights and completed a variety of learning material. Your dream of becoming a pilot is easier and closer than you think! Many other courses are available so feel free to check in with Mrs Bayley and you'll soon be flying towards your goal!



Above: Cleland Iosefa and Sharleen Teihoata-Iro at Ardmore Airport.

Below: French students enjoying lunch at *La Fourchette*

BON APPETITE

On 9 May our Year 12 and 13 French students went to “La Fourchette”, a very typical French restaurant in St Heliers, where they enjoyed a beautifully presented three course lunch, this being the main meal of the day in France.

Their visit to “La Fourchette” provided them with, not only the opportunity to practise the language with the French waiting staff and sample delicious French food, but also to observe cultural differences in how people eat in France, the experience being invaluable preparation for one of their senior French internal assessments.



TEMPLE EXPERIENCE

World Cultural Studies and 10E Social Studies classes recently visited the Shree Swaminarayan Hindu Temple where we attended a birthday celebration for a god, took photos, enjoyed all the architecture of the temple and learned about this religion. We then went to an Islamic mosque and saw how interesting this religion was, and we listened to an emotional talk from a man who spoke about the relationships between different religions and how they were similar in some respects.

We also visited the Buddhist temple Fo Guang Shan, where a Monk explained how Buddhism was related to love, kindness and personal growth. We were also shown how the wonderful temple was built with artifacts from another temple.

The visits helped to clarify and improve the knowledge we are given in the classroom, and helped increase our respect for other religions.

Thank you to Mrs Scott and Mr Milton for organising a wonderful experience. We all enjoyed ourselves and learnt so much.

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Photo Right: International students Maria, Sarah and Alexia

