



Dear Parents and Friends

Winter tournament is next week. Good luck to our girls and boys basketball teams and the girl's football. Congratulations to our 5th grade rugby and the boy's Open basketball who won their finals last weekend. It was wonderful to see a large group of supporters at both games.

Well done to **Jack Stenersen** who has just been selected for the last stage of the Geography Olympiad competition. He is one of 8 from NZ to make this stage – four will be selected to go to Quebec next August.

Reminder to all seniors that your school examinations should be your top priority over the next few weeks.

Congratulations Auckland Region Winners Vector ePro8 Challenge



Josh Skulve, Dagmara Rudolph, Connor Ward, Josh Jeffers

After taking out the North Shore engineering challenge event, our team of four Year 10 engineers competed in the Auckland region finals against other teams that had all come out on top of their area qualifying competitions. After 2 1/2 hours spent building a wind powered lift, a pinball machine and a machine to launch an object across the room the Birkenhead College team came out in first place. The team showed excellent technical knowledge, worked very well together and they can be extremely proud of their fantastic achievement!

Options afternoon for 2018 courses

To help parents and students select courses for next year, there will be an Options Afternoon Thursday September 7th in the library running from 3.30-5pm. This is open to all Year 10, 11 and 12 parents and students with no appointment necessary. Just turn up with any questions.

All Heads of Departments, some of the Leadership team, and the Careers Adviser will be there.

All Year 10, 11 & 12 students will have been given a 2018 course booklet with information offered regarding the courses for Years 11-13, 2018. Students also have an Option Selection Form which is required to be handed in to Form Teachers by Tuesday 12 September.

Congratulations

to Year 10 Textile Technology students in transforming coffee bags into wearable art.

See inside for more photographs.



Sports awards are coming up soon and we would like to know if any of your children have made representative teams for North Harbour or New Zealand. Please email Mr Mckeown with a little write up of the achievement mn@birkenhead.school.nz. Thank you.

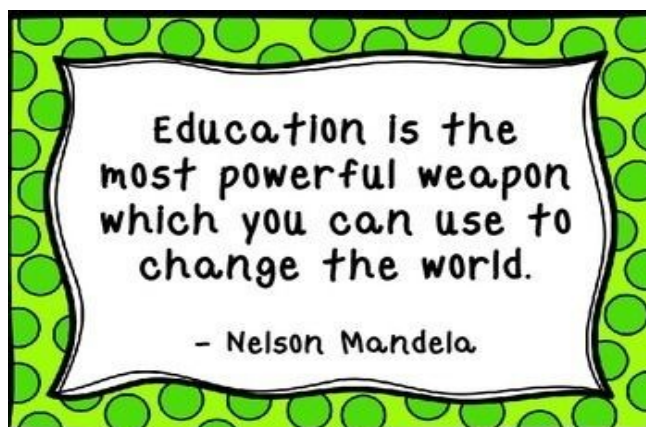
Year 10 Textile Technology

Students have been completing a unit of work designing and making a piece of Wearable Art. The project was part of the Textile Technology Department being as sustainable as possible. Students had to use coffee bags that Mrs Holmes had collected from a local café in Highbury. Students had to use all their problem solving skills to create garments that had the true 'WOW' effect. When the fabulous creations were finished the students chose a piece of music to align with the final outcome.



Well done Brittany!

As well as being a superb dancer, **Brittany Overy** 12DH has shown her natural talents as a teacher in her instruction of the BC Dance Club. The group of almost twenty students are busy practising for their showcase later in the year and are putting in many hours, in and out of school, preparing a wide range of dances. A big thank you from the girls and teachers to Brittany for your choreography, clear instruction and patience.



MCAT (Algebra external assessment) help for 11MAX students

We will be running MCAT help sessions on Tuesday and Thursday after school from 3.15 – 4.15pm every week in T9 until 19th September. This is a great opportunity to practice doing some exam questions.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017

TERM 3

Week 8	Mon 11 Sept	Sports Awards
	Wed 13 Sept	NCEA Music Evening
	Fri 15 Sept	Senior Exams begin
Week 10	Wed 27 Sept	Arts Awards
	Fri 29 Sept	Last day of Term 3

Careers Events

Saturday 2 September –	AUT and the University of Auckland Open Days in the city.
Thursday 14 September -	Canterbury University course planning R2
Thursday 28 September -	Massey University course planning R2
Wednesday 18 October -	University of Otago course planning R2
Thursday 19 October -	University of Auckland course planning 9-11am. S4.





Auckland Secondary Schools Basketball Champs:

Birkenhead College Senior Boys team coached by Mr Allan won the Open Boys College Sport Basketball Champs last week. This is a huge achievement for the team and our school. Many of the boys have been playing Basketball for BC since Year 9 with the championships in mind. Mr Allan, has done an incredible job coaching and mentoring this group of boys over the years – Well done.

Team: **Jason Bhana, Carew Chamberlin, Braidon Fletcher, Robert Gannaway, Allen Gongora, Kees Grootjans, Mugisha Gwassa, Tyler Haldane, Jayden Masters, Czar Montecillo, Oscar Passells, Jesse Sale, Vladislav Zenin.**

Tournament Week:

The following teams are heading away on tournament next week. Girls football – playing in the Kathy Seaward tournament in Whangarei. Their tournament is a week long, starting Monday with a game against Kings College at 10:15am followed by Aquinas College at 2:45pm.

Basketball teams competing in the Zone 1 & 2 (Upper North Island) Premiership at the Bruce Pulman Arena are: Sen Boys, Sen Girls and Jun Boys Team.

Good luck everyone!

Congratulations!

*Congratulations **Senior A Basketball team** in beating Mt Roskill by 2 points and winning the **Greater Auckland Championship** last week.*

This is the boys fifth year together as a team, and after losing in either the semi's or finals for the last 4 years they were very happy to win a gold medal last week. Well done boys.

Coach Allan

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Lunch Time

Fridays starting 8 September



SENIOR EXAMINATION TIMETABLE TERM 3 2017							
level	Friday 15/9 Day 6	Monday 18/9 Day 1	Tuesday 19/9 Day 2	Wednesday 20/9 Day 3	Thursday 21/9 Day 4	Friday 22/9 Day 5	NOTES
11	11ENG – T8, T9, T10, 11ECM– T5, T6 - 1½Hrs	11GEO – T7 11JAP – T11 11DTA – C6	11ART – C5 11DAR – C8	11FOD – C10 – 2Hrs 11FRE – E1 11TXT – T3 - 2Hrs	11SCI– T7, T8, T9 11FOD – C10 – 2Hrs	11MAX– T7, T8, T9 11FOD – C10 – 2Hrs	ALL exams 3hrs unless otherwise stated. You should arrive 15 minutes before your exam starts. Lists will be up in T Block allocating rooms. Workshop students must confirm slots with subject teachers.
	12FOD – T11 – 2Hrs	12PHO – C8 12CHE– T9, T10	12ECO– T5 12MUS – T11 – 1Hr	12HIS – T7 12GRA – C1– 2Hrs 12DES – C8	12FRE – E1 12ICDL– C6- 2Hrs 12DTP – C6- 2Hrs 12PHO - C8 12ART - C5	12PHY– T2, T5 MA2000– T5 12TXT - C9	
	13BIO – T2 13ECO – T7 14EL2A – T1 - 2Hrs	13FRE – E1	13HIS – T6 13DRA – T2 - 1½Hrs 13ENG (School)– T6 14EAP2 – T1	13ENG– T9	13MES – T6 - 2Hrs 13JAP – T11	13PHO - C8 13MUS– T5 – 2Hrs MA3000– T5 13FOD– T6 - 2Hrs	
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N A M E		Subjects	E.g.12HIS				Students should highlight their individual exam timetable on this sheet.
		Exam time	Wed 9am				
Students with exam clashes must see Mr McKissock in his office before Tuesday 11 th Sept. It is your responsibility!							