



Rangiora High School



Whakautea  
**RESPECT**



Tohaina  
**CONTRIBUTE**



Wawatahia  
**ASPIRE**

Tangata ako ana i te whare, te turanga ki te marae, tau ana  
*A person who is taught at home, will stand collected on the marae*

A child who learns values at home and is cherished within their family, will not only behave well amongst the family but also within society and throughout their life.

## Newsletter to parents/caregivers/whānau

27 August 2021

Kia ora koutou,

We hope that you and your family / whānau are well.

### Junior Module Changeover

- Current Year 9-10 module classes were due to end this week. We have pushed back the changeover by one week. Module C courses will now end on Friday 3 September. Module D then runs from Monday 6 September.

### From NZQA - Changes to 2021 NCEA assessment dates

- End-of-year exams and portfolios: The dates for end-of-year **NCEA and NZ Scholarship exams will be delayed by two weeks** and will run from Monday 22 November until Tuesday 14 December. Here is the [revised NQZA exam timetable](#). Due dates for portfolio submissions will also be pushed back by two weeks. These two changes will give students and schools more time to prepare for the end of the year.
- Mathematics Common Assessment Task (MCAT): NZQA is also delaying the NCEA Level 1 Mathematics Common Assessment Task (MCAT) for two weeks to 28 or 30 September. This will give students who were due to sit the MCAT more time to prepare.
- Digital Technologies & Hangarau Matihiko Common Assessment Tasks (DigiCATs): At this stage, the dates for DigiCATs remain 20 September–1 October and 18–27 October.

### Temporary change to University and NZ Institute of Skills and Technology / Te Pūkenga enrolment and scholarship application processes

- As an interim process - students should, where possible, provide a copy of their results documentation, but this does not need to be certified. They will obtain confirmation of students' results from NZQA.
- During COVID-19 students can enrol with uncertified documents until further notice. Students must be prepared to provide certified documents if required once alert levels change.
- Students are required to make a declaration in the form set out below if they have not been able to obtain independent verification by an authorised person of their identity documentation. Students should include their declaration at the same time as their accompanying enrolment documents. This can be in the form of a handwritten sheet or a printout with their signature.
- **Universities declaration**: All enrolling students must provide a self-declaration in the following form:  
*I certify that every document I have attached is a true copy of the original document.*  
*Full name: [full name as per identification document]*

*Signature: [pen or electronic signature]*

*Date: [insert]*

- Where students are providing photographs or scans of documents, they must ensure that the information on the document and the accompanying declaration is legible.
- **NZ Institute of Skills and Technology / Te Pūkenga declaration:** New enrolling students who have not yet started their study with Te Pūkenga must provide a self-declaration in the following form:

*In support of my application to enrol at [subsidiary name], I certify that every document I provide (or have provided) to [subsidiary name] as part of the admission process is a true copy of the original document.*

*I will produce the original if requested by [subsidiary name] at a future date.*

*Signed: [print full name and signature]*

*Date: [insert]*

### **Vaccine FAQs (including information for 12 to 15-year-olds)**

- [FAQ re the vaccination](#). This information has been provided by the Government to support any questions you might be getting about vaccinations for 12 to 15-year-olds.

### **Access to food and other essential items**

- [Here's a fact sheet](#) with information about the many ways of getting food and other essential items. It covers:
  - food delivery
  - what to do if you can't get food delivered
  - staying safe when getting food delivered
  - financial help to buy food
  - Foodbanks

If there is a need for financial help to buy food, Work and Income may be able to help.

### **From Netsafe**

- There's a common misconception that parents need to be tech experts to properly support their tamariki, but sharing life experiences, engaging in the activities their child is undertaking and using the tools available are an invaluable part of helping your child.
- Netsafe has a range of resources available at [netsafe.org.nz/digitalparenting](https://netsafe.org.nz/digitalparenting) that are useful to supporting tamariki of all ages and our latest [digital parenting webinar](#) is a must watch. Many parents worry about the amount of time their children spend online. Netsafe has put some advice together to help you work out what's right for you and your family. Learn more [here](#).

### **Kia Manawaroa: Information hub for whānau Māori**

- Kia Manawaroa is a dedicated channel for whānau Māori with tamariki and rangatahi in the education system.
  - [read the latest issue of Kia Manawaroa here](#)
  - [subscribe to Kia Manawaroa here](#)

### **For Pasifika families**

- Important information for Pacific families in Canterbury:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/18KmYkD\\_-hSSR02yXgZGikbFsz-c\\_tcLO/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18KmYkD_-hSSR02yXgZGikbFsz-c_tcLO/view)

Like you we are all waiting to hear the Government's announcement this afternoon. We will send out another newsletter on Monday after we have received tonight's Ministry of Education update. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to [email](#) your child's wānanga teacher, Dean or Head of House.

Ngā mihi,

Karen Stewart

**Principal / Tumuaki**