



A NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF MORRINSVILLE COLLEGE

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL – SCOTT JENKINS



The last few weeks has seen a busy period for our students as we transition from a period where field trips are numerous to one which is dominated by academic goals, internal assessment and preparation for external exams. In terms of sport, our winter teams are well into their competitions and we have seen significant growth in netball, basketball and badminton in particular. I want to acknowledge all of the coaches and managers and those parents who are called on to transport their children during the week and weekends. This includes one of the big events on our sporting calendar, our school cross country. We had a new course this year set up by our Sports Coordinator Ms Alison Priestley, and we would also like to acknowledge On Time Traffic Management who donated their services to provide health and safety support for our students crossing between the school and the farm.

Culturally, we have just finished the drama production and have students preparing for the Big Sing competition and our own Arts Showcase which will run across the final week of the term. Socially, it has been great to see our students interacting at lunchtime sport run by our sports leaders and the growth in student numbers in attending the different clubs that run at lunchtime. There is something for everyone across the school if they choose to be involved.

Two Fridays ago our student leaders ran Pink Shirt Day which involved a mufti day and their presenting at an assembly. At the same assembly our Police Community

Constables presented to our students around the impact of cyber bullying and how this might impact both the victim and the instigator.



New Board Member

We wish to welcome Mr Grant Haynes to the Morrinsville College Board of Trustees as a co-opted member. Grant has a wealth of experience within our community and we are happy to have him on board.

Year 10 and 11 CAA Literacy and Numeracy Exams

Today in assembly I congratulated our Year 10 students in particular for the way they approached the recent CAA exams. They were well-prepared, well-organised when they came into the exam room and stuck to the task of what turned out to be some very long assessments. I also want to acknowledge all of those staff who worked alongside the students over the last few months to get them prepared for their first ever external exams.

Building Projects

During the assembly I also outlined to our students the current building projects at the school and some future possibilities as we look to create some inviting outdoor spaces for our students. Our current toilet block project will finish at the end of next week and next door to this will be a new learning space for both our teachers and students where the old toilets were originally. This is specifically targeted at our staff preparing all of the new curriculum documents that have started coming online this year and will continue to do so over the next two years. It is also a good space for our student leaders to meet to organize activities for our student body.

After this project is completed, Nathan's builders will begin a \$1.6 million project to re-roof parts of C Block, B Block, the PAC, the Tech Block and the Caretaker's shed. This project also includes a large electrical refit across the school and a brand-new alarm system. In August the recladding of the gymnasium is scheduled to start as part of a weather tightness project. This should miss the bulk of the winter sport season. We are also currently looking ahead to the next two to three years as we consider how we can best use our outdoor spaces in a learning capacity. This may include covering our turf so that it can be better used by PE classes, groups within the school and for

community events. This may also include a redevelopment of the area between B and C Block and adding some covered areas attached to our classrooms. It is very difficult to get new classrooms from the Ministry of Education at the moment with demand up across the country, so our reasoning is if we can't access resourcing for significant new indoor spaces then we will focus on our outdoor spaces.

Parent Interviews

Our parent interviews have now been scheduled for **Tuesday 11 June from 3.30 pm to 7pm**. An email will be sent out at the start of June with your child's updated interim report and with details on how to book interviews.

Year 8 Enrolment Evening

Our Year 8 enrolment tours will be on **Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th June, both from 4.30pm through to 6.30pm**.

Senior School Ball

Our senior school ball will be held in our PAC on Saturday 16 August. Students and parents have been very well informed since the beginning of the year around the attendance and behaviour requirements in order to be invited to go to the ball. Each senior student will receive an invite to the Ball if they have met their attendance and behaviour requirements very shortly.



Help Wanted - Security

We require parent help for security for our Senior Ball on Saturday 16 August between 6pm-10.30pm. This would involve helping with traffic management and being around the school to ensure our students are safe. Any help, even for an hour, would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs Vicky Marshall, email vicky_marshall@morrill.school.nz or through the school office 8898308.

ARTS SHOWCASE

You don't want to miss out.....

Our Arts Showcase is coming up at the end of the term (24-26 June) in the PAC 7pm.

Mauri Ora! tells the story of a young boy finding out just what humans are doing to the environment. It is an evening of music, dance, drama and Te Ao haka alongside yummy finger food supplied by our Year 11 Food Tech students.



Tickets will be on sale through Humanitix soon. \$25 adults \$18 students or \$80 Family pass (2 adults 2 students). Limited seating. Keep your eyes peeled for more details and score your tickets as soon as they come on sale!

Mauri Ora!!

School Cross Country

We held our school cross country event on Thursday 15 May. The results were as follows:

Junior Boys

1-Xandro Bernado, 2-Jack Clark, 3-Travis Marshall

Junior Girls

1-Saskia Dewhurst, 2-Caitlin Mills, 3-Erin Hamer

Intermediate Girls

1-Samantha Leigh, 2-Ayla Byers, 3-Georgia Mills

Intermediate Boys

1-Cole McMahon-Graham, 2-Santi Bernado, 3-Kohei Ohya

Senior Girls

1-Kayley McMillan, 2-Romane Bedel, 3-Sofia Bonnar

Senior Boys

1-Jakob Byers, 2-Manjot Banga, 3-Gordon Campbell.



Sports Results

Week 4

Hockey:

Girls XI lost 1-2 in a hard-fought game vs Te Aroha College.

Boys XI won a scrappy game 2-0 vs St Peter's XI.

Basketball:

Kingmakers Senior Girls had a 76-8 win over Ngāruawāhia HS.

Kingmakers Junior Boys Blue had lost 17-30 to Nga Taiatea.

Kingmakers Junior Boys Gold had a 62-23 win over Ngāruawāhia HS.

Kingmakers Year 11 Boys had a good 39-27 win over St John's College.

Kingmakers Senior Boys had their first game playing Raglan and won 47-35.

Netball

Open A lost to CHS Kowhai 24-36.

Senior A won against Hamilton Girls' HS Taumarunui, 38-11.

Junior Premier lost to Hamilton Christian School Premier, 13-29.

Junior Development lost to Te Aroha College, 25-30.

Year 9 Development drew with Sacred Heart Girls 12-12.

Lacrosse

Girls' Premier vs Matamata Prem. An awesome game against our friends and archrivals, Matamata. The first half was an even contest with a 5-5 score. Unfortunately, only having one sub in the second half allowed Matamata to take the win. 6-14 to Matamata.

B Grade vs Te Awamutu B won 15-3.

Boys Prem vs St Peters Prem won 16-6

Football

Our senior boys' 1st XI had a win over Huntly Thistle by 6-2 and the same win is considered for their first Knockout match as well.

Our Junior boys won against Cambridge High School JB Gunners by 6-2 and this was their first knock out win as well.

Girls' 1st XI had wonderful passing, good movement off the ball, and determined defending which produced a very pleasing 5-2 win against Waihi College Senior Girls. Our goal scorers were Ayla Byers (1), Hollie Keogh (1), Tesha Tokerangi (1), and Saskia Dewhurst (2).

Sports Results Week 3

Lacrosse

Premier Girls vs Te Awamutu won 10-4

Girls' B Team vs St Peters Blue lost 2-16

Boys' team vs Te Awamutu, their first game for the season and half the team are new to lacrosse won 11-5.

Basketball:

Kingmakers Junior Blue had 24-35 loss to St Paul's Year 9A. (Emjae Tongia 8 points, Petelo Siaosi 6 pts, Neep Bashel and Jerome Jesbin 4 pts).

Kingmakers Junior Gold had a 54-55 loss in overtime to Hamilton Christian School. (Yeojdy Maninang 22 points, Dhoewyl Garcia 16 pts)

Kingmakers Girls had another strong win 66-18 over Rototuna Senior Girls. (Kayley McMillian 23 points, Camryn Booten 10 pts)

Year 11 Kingmakers had a hard-fought win over Raglan Area 45-42. James Carrington hitting the go ahead 3 pointer with less than a minute to go. (Anthony Poliquit 9 pts, Ian Cegayle 7 pts, James Carrington 6 pts).

Football:

Senior Boys First XI vs Cambridge High School SB Navy won 6-4

Senior Gils First XI vs Thames High School SG Won 2-0

Junior Boys vs Matamata College JB B Won 8-1

Hockey:

Hockey Boys XI lost 0-1 to Matamata College Mixed

Hockey Girls lost 0-7 to Rototuna HS 2nd XI.

North Island Secondary Schools' Equestrian Championships

Hunter Johnstone, Tyla Gotty and Abbie Cameron represented Morrinsville College against all the other Secondary Schools. They competed in Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country. Morrinsville College's team placed 7th overall out of approximately 40-50 schools - an impressive result.



Hunter Johnston on Seresin, Tyla Gotty on Rikki Tikki Tavi and Abbie Cameron on The Ice Knight.

Waikato Secondary Schools' Touch Competition

Morrinsville College had four teams in the Waikato Secondary Schools' touch competition held in Hamilton. A massive effort from all our players and great progress.

Results were:

Junior Boys - 9th Overall

Girls - 3rd Overall

Senior Boys - 2nd Overall

Senior Mixed - 1st Overall



International Netball Opportunity

International Netball Opportunity – Gold Coast 2026.

Are you keen to represent at an International Netball Festival/Tournament on the Gold Coast, Australia in July 2026? We're holding a Player & Whānau Info Meeting to share all the exciting details on Sunday 8 June at 7:00pm in T7 (the Agriculture Room), Morrinsville College. If you're a netballer with big dreams, this is your chance to find out more!

More info: <https://www.internationalnetballfestivals.com>.

Tag your teammates & spread the word!

UPCOMING EVENTS	
Monday 2 June	King's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 3 June	Year 8-Enrolments 4.30pm to 6.30pm.
Wed 4 June	Cross Country WBOP
Thursday 5 June	Year 8 Enrolments 4.30pm to 6.30pm
Monday 9 June	Waikato Careers Expo
Mon 9 – Wed 11 June	Year 13 Agriculture Trip to Massey
Wednesday 11 June	Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30 -7 pm
Fri 13 June	Y13 SPS Tough Guy Challenge
Tue17-Wed 18 June	EPRO8 Challenge
Thursday 19 June	Piako Festival
Friday 20 June	MATARIKI-Holiday
Tue 24-Thurs 26 June	Arts Showcase
Friday 27 June	End of Term 2
Monday 14 July	Start of Term 3
Tuesday 22 July	Sports Photos
Saturday 16 August	Senior School Ball





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