

## Year 13 Newsletter 2011

Welcome back.

To make the most of this year start preparing early. Work hard and aim for the best.

Planning for 2012 begins this term with liaison visits from the Universities. Polytechnic and Expos later in the year. Army, Air Force and Navy to be confirmed.

University Entrance (UE) is the minimum requirement to go to a New Zealand university. To qualify you will need:

- Approved subjects - 42 credits at **Level 3 or higher**, made up of:
  - 14 credits in one [approved subject](#)
  - 14 credits in another [approved subject](#)
  - 14 credits from one or two additional domains or approved subjects
- Literacy requirements - 8 credits in [English or te reo Maori](#) at **Level 2 or higher**, made up of:
  - 4 credits in reading
  - 4 credits in writing
- Numeracy requirements - 14 credits in Numeracy at **Level 1 or higher**, made up of:
  - 14 credits in Mathematics or Statistics and Probability or Pangarau NZQA

### Requirements for Entry to New Zealand Universities 2011

In order to manage numbers wanting to go to University each university has set up either a (GES) Guaranteed Entry Score or Preferential Entry Score.

Check out criteria for each university.

To calculate an NCEA rank score universities may use the following criteria:

- 120 pts is the minimum for GES (60 Level 3 credits at achieved)
- Based on the students 80 best credits in UE in 5 subjects at Level 3 (or higher) and weighted by the level of achievement
- Scores awarded are 4pts-Excellence, 3pts –Merit, 2pts-Achieved
- Maximum possible score is 320
- Both achievement and unit standards can be counted
- If fewer than 80 credits achieved the rank score will be based on those credits gained
- If more than 80 credits achieved the credits with the highest level will be used

### University Liaison Visits

March 7<sup>th</sup> Massey University Period 2 Venue –Hall

March 16<sup>th</sup> Otago University Period 5 Venue- Hall

March 18<sup>th</sup> Canterbury University 9.45am - Hall

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Lincoln University Class visits

March 25<sup>th</sup> Auckland University Period 2 Venue –Hall

April 11<sup>th</sup> Victoria University Period 2 Venue –Hall

–Waikato University TBC (New Liaison person starting late March)

### Poltechnics Careers Expos, Army, Air Force and Navy

-Term 2 and 3

Careers If you still have no idea of what you want to do. Use this website and do Career Quest questionnaire [www.careers.govt.nz](http://www.careers.govt.nz)

Scholarships and study awards –use “Breakout”. Use this website at school as we pay an annual subscription. Start searching now for scholarships or awards for university, polytechnics and apprenticeships.

Good Luck

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Year 13 Dean / Careers Advisor

(See timetable in Common Room and on my office door in the Deans Suite if you wish to make an appointment with me.)