## PICTON HIGH SCHOOL

# PRINCIPALS NEWS



#### **TERM 1 WEEK 9**

It was great to see so many parents and primary school students in attendance for the Year 5 and 6 High School Information Evening in preparation for Year 7 in 2026 and 2027. Thank you to all those who attended the evening. Hopefully through your tour of the school and experience with different subject area displays, you were able to gain a good understanding of what it is like to be a student at Picton High. It was also the first community event held in our newly refurbished hall. I know this brought back some memories for parents who were former students.

Last week we hosted a Principal's forum to discuss some of the current issues faced by our youth. It was great to have Public, Catholic and Independent Principals join us, working together, to form a consistent approach in educating our youth about things like extremism behaviour, misogynistic behaviour and supports available to students and families. I would like to congratulate our fantastic Hospitality team including staff and students for the fantastic breakfast they prepared and presented to all those in attendance.

Fingers crossed the weather holds off for this coming Tuesday, our annual School Cross Country carnival. Our PDHPE staff have been working away in organising a fun day for all. We have a high number of permission notes returned for this which is fantastic to see. For those parents who have not yet given permission, please do so through the school bytes portal. There is a back up plan for the day if the rain persists which will be communicated to parents tomorrow afternoon.

Every year we complete an Emergency Evacuation Drill to ensure students and staff are familiar with our procedures in the event of an emergency. We will be holding one in the coming week. Can I ask that if you are intending on picking your child up early on any given day to inform the front office so we can have your child ready for collection. This will avoid any delay in the process particularly when these whole school events are on. Thanks for your support in this.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

**MONDAY 31/3** 

-YR 11 & YR 12 SYMPOSIUM - TEMPEST/ HAG-SEED EXCURSION -YR 11 VET STUDENTS WORK READINESS PROGRAM

TUESDAY 1/4

-ALL SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

WEDNESDAY 2/4

-BILL TURNER SOCCER U15 GIRLS AND BOYS

-YR 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION GLENROCK RESERVE (MISS MCPHEE AND MISS LINDSAY'S CLASSES)

THURSDAY 3/4

-WHITE CARD COURSE FOR SELECTED STUDENTS

FRIDAY 4/4

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At the beginning of the year, I reminded all parents of the dangers that exist when picking up and dropping off your children in the school bus bay. Please be reminded that the bus bay is not a pick up and drop off zone. This becomes extremely dangerous especially when buses are coming in and out. Can I ask again for your support in not using the bus bay for picking up and dropping off.

What's happening in the classroom? Please find an outline of upcoming assessment topics for Mathematics.

- Year 7 Length and Area task
- Year 8 Algebra and Pythagoras' Theorem term 1 test
- Year 9 Algebra and Financial Maths term 1 test
- Year 10 Algebra Techniques (Core), Algebra Techinques (Path), Surface Area
- Year 11 Standard Financial Maths and Equations and Formulae Sighted Task 1
- Year 11 Advanced Algebra Open Book Task 1

#### What's happening in Sport?

Our Fast 5 Netball teams recently competed in a gala day, showcasing their skills and teamwork against various schools. It was an exciting event, and we are proud of the effort put forth by our players.

Congratulations to our Boys Tennis team for achieving an impressive 2nd place in the recent zone central venue in Camden.

Goodluck to those attending SSW Rugby League Trials. These trials are a fantastic opportunity for our athletes to showcase their skills on a larger stage. We wish all participants the best of luck as they represent Picton high school!

We are also preparing for Touch, soccer and volleyball trials that will be happening soon. Specific dates and details will be announced shortly, so please keep an eye out for updates.

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