



6 March 2023

Kia ora Parents/Whānau and Caregivers,

## **PERSONAL LEARNING CONFERENCES (PLCs) – Monday 20 March 2023**

We invite you to the Personal Learning Conferences (PLCs) for 2023 being held on Monday, 20 March from 9.00 am until 6.00 pm. **Please note** there will not be any classes on this day, so you will need to make alternative arrangements for your child.

### **This year we are offering 2 alternative ways to hold the PLCs:**

- Video Conference
- Face to Face at SGHS

### **Depending on the option you choose for your child's PLC we ask;**

- That you and your child are together for either type of conference, on the same device in the same location/room.
- If using the video conference option all you need is an internet connection, a web browser (e.g., Chrome), and a device with a camera and microphone (e.g., smart phone, iPad).
- Students are expected to be present at their PLC, whether it be face to face or video conference.

At the Personal Learning Conference, you will work with your child's AT/Homeroom teacher to develop / refine their goals and to formulate their next learning steps.

If you have a child who is doing one or more Cambridge subjects and you would like to find out more about the course(s) and the IGCSE Cambridge Examinations, there will be an opportunity to attend an information session which will be held in the library on Monday 20th March. The first session will be at 12.30pm to 1.00pm and it will be repeated at 5.00pm to 5.30pm. If you wish to attend, please complete the google form <https://forms.gle/QFNvVJFECY2n8qee6>

To prepare for this Conference your child has spent time with their subject teachers reflecting on their learning, next steps, and Learning Habits.

### **Personal Learning Conferences are a partnership between the student, whānau and the school:**

For students, the Conferences are an opportunity to:

- Develop and extend their ability to talk about learning.
- Deepen their relationship with their parents/caregivers around their school learning, to celebrate what has been learnt.
- Shape their ability to clarify what they are learning and assess their own progress.
- Reflect on their learning and modify it as a result of the reflection.

For whānau, the Conferences are an opportunity to:

- Actively and meaningfully support your child in their learning.
- Understand more fully what they are learning and the progress they are making.
- Support your child with their goals.
- Enjoy a rich, learning-orientated conversation with your child and their teacher.
- Be aware of how much your child is taking responsibility for their own learning.

Some suggestions to think about...

- What do you and your child feel that they do well and why?
- What do you and your child feel that they need to improve and why?
- What does your child enjoy doing when they are not at school?
- Things I want the school to know about my child.



We look forward to connecting with you all at your child's Personal Learning Conference.

## HOW TO BOOK YOUR PLC

(Booking system opens on 6 March 2023)

Please go to website: [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)  
and follow the online instructions.

- Year 9 - 13 Access Code: hvj94
- Year 7 - 8 Access Code: qtxg8

**Video Conferences:** When it is your time to enter your video call, please click the link you were emailed, and the teacher will let you in once they are available. You could be placed in the 'waiting room' until the previous appointment has left.

**Face to Face Conferences:** If you have selected the in-person option at school, please wait outside the classroom until the teacher is available. (Please do not enter the classroom as they may be on a video PLC).

**Please note:**

- You will need an email address/mobile number to make a booking. The link to join the video conference will be emailed to you.
- If you cannot access the booking system or require assistance to book in, please ring Student Services on 03 211 6030.
- If this day is unsuitable for you as a family, please contact your child's Academic Tutor or Homeroom Teacher to reschedule.

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Yvonne Browning  
Principal