



REMINDERS AND UPDATES

Evidence Examinations

Evidence Examinations will be occurring at Southland Girls High School over Weeks 8 and 9 of this term. It is essential that all students sit these Evidence Examinations as they provide vital data on student achievement and progress. If we were to have an unexpected event during the NZQA exams in November, these are the grades that your child's results will be based upon. Thus, making the evidence gathered in these school examinations essential for establishing grades for our students.

If your child is unwell during the Evidence Exam time and cannot attend, please contact Lee Pirini; (Assistant Principal in charge of Assessment) to work out the next steps.

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NCEA Evidence Exams (Year 11, 12 and 13):

Wednesday 11 September – Wednesday 18 September.

- Morning exams start at 8.50 am / Afternoon exams start at 1 pm.
- Senior students in Years 11, 12 and 13 have study leave during this time and are only required to be at school for their scheduled examinations.
- The library will be available for Seniors to study in.
- A copy of the exam timetable is available on our website. Click [HERE](#) to view.

Cambridge students do not have exam leave but will come out of their normal lessons to sit their practice examinations.

For ALL examinations:

Students are to be at school at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.

By 8.30 am for morning exams, and 12.40 pm for afternoon exams. Students should be in the following places:

- The Common Room (NCEA Evidence Exam Students)
- Performance on Tweed (Cambridge Exam Students)
- If you have special assessment conditions, please meet outside Mrs Browning's office. Bring your own laptop if you have indicated you are going to use a computer.

Exam materials:

Students are responsible for taking the correct equipment to the exam and making sure that it is working.

Students can bring:

- pens (black and blue colours are permitted) pencils and an eraser
- an approved calculator for subjects where a calculator has been used during the year

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KEY DATES

September

15th-18th Y8 Deep Cove Camp (8LL)

16th-27th Year 7 Swimming

17th Year 7 (7MT, 7EM) trip to South Alive

17th Common Assessment Activity Reading

18th Common Assessment Activity Writing

18th School Board Meeting

18th-21st Y8 Deep Cove Camp (8SH)

20th Y9-13 Southland Pickleball Championships

21st-24th Y8 Deep Cove Camp (8HK)

22nd Y7-8 Gymsport Festival

22nd Y7-13 Southland Equestrian One Day Event

22nd Sept-6th Oct Japan Trip

24th-27th Y8 Deep Cove Camp (8ND)

25th Y7-10 SMAC Competition Maths

- a fully charged laptop for Digital Exams. Laptop bags are not permitted
- all equipment is to be placed in a clear plastic bag

Emergency evacuation during exam time (if this was to occur)

As a precaution, students are allowed to bring items for an emergency evacuation into the examination room in a clear, sealable plastic bag. This pack must stay under the chair and not be touched or opened without the permission of the supervisor.

Contents could include a mobile phone (switched off) or other electronic device, keys, money, bus pass and medicines.

Vaping Action

As has been reported in the media, NZ secondary schools are having to deal with students using vapes while at school, and unfortunately SGHS is no different.

We need parents and students to be fully aware that the law states it is illegal to sell or give a vaping product to someone under 18, and that it is prohibited to vape on school property or grounds at any time or day.

Vaping is not a safe alternative to smoking, and there is a growing body of evidence that indicates it has harmful effects on young people. Please ensure your child does not use or have access to vapes. Students who don't use vapes feel intimidated by those who do, and this is not in alignment with our school culture of care and respect towards each other.

We have made it clear to students who have used vapes at school that this offense may result in a stand down from school. We don't want to exclude students from their education, but we must ensure the school is a safe environment for all and harmful behaviours will not be tolerated.

The school nurse is offering a "quit vaping programme" for students who want support with stopping vaping. If your child wishes to join this programme, please ask them to make an appointment with the school nurse.

More information about the harmful effects of vaping can be found at: <https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/nih-funded-studies-show-damaging-effects-vaping-smoking-blood-vessels> and information for students using vapes <https://vapingfacts.health.nz/vapefree-schools/supporting-students.html>

Student Health Nurse

Lunch time clinic dates are slightly changing. Nurse Lintott will be in the school to run lunch clinics:

Every Thursday Lunch time

Every 2nd Monday lunch time starting 9 September

Call in to the Nurse's office or contact her direct on 027 245 4163 or email

erin.lintott@southerndhb.govt.nz. Health Centre behind 1EC

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25th Y9-13 Subject Options Expo for students 3.30pm-6.00pm in West Hall

27th End of Term 3

29th-1st Oct Y9-13 National Road Cycling Champs

October

14th Term 4 Starts

18th Cultural Festival Event

22nd Youthmark Awards Ceremony

25th Teacher Only Day – school will be closed

28th Labour Day

November

5th-29 Nov NCEA Exams
Click [HERE](#) for timetable

18th – 27th Year 7 Camps Dunedin

December

4th Y7-13 Prizegiving Civic Theatre

For more dates please
our website:

www.southlandgirls.school.nz



ILT Sing Out

Sing Out tickets are now live on Ticketek.

<https://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=ILTSING24>



Hockey Prizegiving

Hockey prizegiving will be held on Tuesday 24 September from 5.00pm-5.30pm in the West Hall. We look forward to seeing you all then.

Subject Teacher Interviews – Year 9-13

Tuesday 3 September, 3 pm-6 pm: We will be holding 5 minute interviews. School will finish at 2.00pm on this day for all students including Year 7 and 8. Click [HERE](#) for more information and how to book. Bookings close on Sunday 1 September.

Youth Mark Awards

Every year as a school community we celebrate the recipients of the annual prestigious Youthmark awards. These students have demonstrated a high level of talent, determination, and willingness to put the work in to achieve their goals across their chosen areas whether it be in the Academic, Sporting, Cultural, Arts, or Leadership and Community service. The girls will join 44 students from other high schools across the region to receive their awards in a formal ceremony to be held in October.

Emily Springford – Cultural Leadership
Carlie Scherp – Sport Athletics NZ rep
Katie Pope – All round Community service
Emma Pope – Leadership and Community service
Bridget Adams – Brass Band (Horn) NZ rep
Kobi Harpur – Leadership in Business and Entrepreneurship
Ebony Stevenson – Leadership and Community service

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WEEK 7: 2nd September – 6th September 2024

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| Mon 2 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Winter Sports Tournament Week▪ Year 7 Swimming, 9.00am-10.00am at Splash Palace. (All week. Click HERE to complete the registration form |
| Tues 3 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Y9-13 Parent Subject Teacher Interviews from 3.00pm-6.00pm. Click HERE for booking information. School finishes for all students at 2.05pm. Students who need to wait for transport at 3.10pm can go to the staffroom which will have supervision. |
| Wed 4 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Y7-8 Table Tennis Champs all day at Southland Table Tennis▪ Y9-13 Subject Options Expo held in the West Hall from 12.00pm-12.50pm |
| Thurs 5 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Year 7 Visit to South Alive (7AD) Mrs Devereux, (7SS) Mrs Skelt, (7CC) Miss Corkery |
| Fri 6 Sept | |

WEEK 8: 9th September –13th September 2024

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| Mon 9 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Year 7 Swimming, 9.00am-10.00am at Splash Palace. (All week. Click HERE to complete the registration form▪ ROSSO rehearsal for ILT Sing Out at Civic Theatre from 1.00pm-2.30pm▪ NCEA and Cambridge Evidence Exams. Click HERE for timetable and key information |
| Tues 10 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ ROSSO rehearsal and ILT Sing Out rehearsal at Civic Theatre from 9.00am-11.15am and Evening Show from 7pm▪ Y10 Common Assessment Activity Numeracy |
| Wed 11 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Y8 HPV Vaccinations in the Library from 9.00am-11.15am |
| Thurs 12 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Y8 (8LM) Mrs Mckenna class to Deep Cove Camp return 15 September |
| Fri 13 Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Y9-13 Southland Rangatahi Sports Diversity Festival all day at the ILT Stadium |