

26 January 2018

## **2018 Start of Year Arrangements**

Dear Year 9 Students and Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to the 2018 academic year!

**The first day for Year 9 students is Wednesday 31st January 2018.** Please ensure your son or daughter comes to the **Technology Block** (Shakespeare Street) by **8.45am**. Bus students will be supervised from 8.30am in the Technology Block. The only students in school for the first two days will be Year 9 and 13 plus the Peer Support mentors at Year 12. All Year 9 students are to wear the new school uniform.

### **Pōwhiri**

This day will begin with a pōwhiri in the hall at 9am. This process embraces our new staff and students and welcomes everyone into our school community. Parents, caregivers and whānau are welcome to attend this pōwhiri and should also wait in the Technology Block to be welcomed in.

### **Chromebooks and Stationery**

All students should bring their fully charged chromebook on their first day. This will allow for our technical team to relicense it to ensure everyone is ready to start learning. Also included with this letter, is the Year 9 stationery list that students should bring with them on their first day. Students yet to receive their chromebook who have signed their kawa of care and paid the \$40 deposit, will receive their chromebook on their first day.

### **Year 9 Parent Meeting**

On Thursday 8 February, all Year 9 parents and caregivers are required to attend a meeting to meet your child's mentor teacher. There will be more information about this event at the start of Term 1 2018, but put this date in your diary now.