

Kia Ora Wesley Whanau

I hope this message finds you all well in your bubbles.

Practice exams and Unexpected Event Grades (UEG)

The disruption and changing circumstances continue to provide a challenge for us at Wesley College. We have decided to cancel practice exams next week and we apologise for the change. Instead, teachers will give students Unexpected Event Grade (UEG). Every student will be given a UEG for every standard they are entered into for the external exams and portfolios. These grades will be derived from a number of sources like practice tests, class work done to date and other relevant assessments. For all students who are unable to sit all or some of their external exams because of covid related reasons they will be awarded the unexpected event grades. For those students who do sit their external exams they will be awarded the best grade from their unexpected event grade or exam grade. Unexpected Event Grades are not available for New Zealand Scholarship.

Return to school

We do want to respect and where possible accommodate parental choice with regard to sending your child back to school while we are still at alert level 3. What this means is that students who wish to return are welcome, but teachers will also continue to provide on-line learning using Google Classroom for those students who may be immunocompromised or due to heightened levels of anxiety prefer to continue to learn remotely.

If your child has completed their NCEA qualification you can also choose for them to remain home. We encourage students and parents to check the school portal for up to date NCEA results. Part of NZQA's package to support learners was the reintroduction of Learning Recognition Credits (LRCs). These have essentially lowered the number of credits required for students to pass each level of NCEA.

- To achieve Level 1 NCEA students now need to earn 64 credits and the LRCs will make up the other 16 required to pass.
- To achieve Level 2 and Level 3 NCEA students now need to earn 48 credits and the LRCs will make up the other 12 required to pass.
- To achieve University Entrance students now require 12 credits in 3 or more approved subjects (no longer 14).
- Numeracy and literacy requirements remain the same. 10 L1 Numeracy credits, UE literacy 5 L2 Reading and 5 L2 Writing credits.

Any questions about your son or daughters qualification, please contact their learning coach or myself at cwood@wesley.school.nz

Warm regards,

Chris Wood - Deputy Principal