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ACE STUDENT AND FAMILY NEWSLETTER

TERM THREE 2020

Greetings to the ACE community

We are all getting a lot of practice in 'keeping calm and carrying on' in 2020. Here at ACE, our centre is surviving and thriving, thanks to the support of our community and teachers. As a result of the lockdowns we're now able to offer ongoing online sessions using our 'lesson space' teaching platform, and most of our students are now confident using it with us. However, some learners prefer to work in-centre - thank you for your patience in waiting until we were able to reopen!

Our next focus is to see everyone through to the Christmas holidays feeling they have done their academic best and have been well supported through this unprecedented season.

NCEA and Cambridge exams begin mid-November - it's getting close!



Smiling with our eyes...the Tuesday teaching team

in-centre - Hedy, Yogis and

Katherine.

Holiday sessions and Term 4 for NCEA and Cambridge students Yes - we are running online maths, chemistry and biology sessions for NCEA and Cambridge students in the holidays - these can be arranged with Katherine (acetutornz@gmail.com) or directly with your teen's tutor.

We will have **5 weeks of high school tutoring in Term 4 - ending Friday 13 November**. Your teen can also arrange with their tutor extra lessons during the NCEA exam period, depending on their exam schedule and requirements.

Confirmation of place for Term 4 2020

Your child/young person's place is **automatically confirmed for Term 4 2020** for the same session time and day. This allows the best continuity and growth in your child's learning.

If you have a change of plans, please let us know before the start of Term 4 (12 October)

Email:

acetutornz@gmail.com

OR you can log in via our website to the student calendar and make the changes there!

- thank you

New student portal

ACE Tutoring now has an **online student calendar** which you can use to change your child's session or day. You can access it via our website: **acetutoring.co.nz** - click on 'login/enrol'. Alternatively, just email us :-)

Absences – What if my child cannot make it to a session?

Please let us know **the morning prior to a session, or earlier if possible**, if your child/young person will not be attending for a valid reason (e.g. illness, school camp or band commitment.) We'll arrange with you a **catch-up session at a future convenient time**.

If no, or late, notice is given, **that session is counted as paid for and attended**, as the tutor is paid to be there. Thank you for your help with this. You can phone, email or text us, **OR** log in via our website to the student calendar and switch your child/teen's day - our system will then notify us by email :-)

Important dates:

Last day of Term 3 2020:
Saturday 26th September

First day of Term 4 2020:
Monday 12th October

Payments

Term 4 2020 accounts will be sent before the start of Term 4. Thanks again for your great organisation with payments – it means I can spend less time on accounting and more time creating great lessons ☺ - Katherine

Car parking

To help other visitors, please keep your use of the carpark brief – this keeps our neighbours happy. Secondary school students who drive to ACE and parents who wish to stay and wait for their child are kindly requested to park on View Road or in nearby Merton Ave for the duration of the session.

Thank you

We are fortunate to receive a lot of positive verbal feedback and recommendations from both students and parents. We warmly invite you to share/like/review us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/AchieveCentresforEducation/

A big part of our success is the support that you all give your children by bringing them to ACE and encouraging them with their homework. We are in partnership with students, families and teachers to support happy, successful learners.

Virus-beaters:

1. To help us to beat COVID-19, if your child or teen has cold symptoms, particularly a cough, and you are in any doubt, **please keep them at home**.
2. To support this, in Term 3 and 4 **you can keep session credits for use later in the term at a time that suits you**. This allows you to keep your child at home until they are better, and be able to use the sessions you have paid for at a future convenient date. *Also, if COVID-19 has caused your family financial issues, please contact Katherine - we have some scholarships available :-)*
3. We're wearing masks in the centre when at Level 2, and have disposable masks available for children who would like to wear them. We're sanitising all surfaces between sessions as usual, and all workstations are distanced by 2 or more metres.
4. **We'll still need notice** if your child is unable to attend - thank you.

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from the team at ACE

- Katherine, Evan, Hedy, Adel, Rachel,
Jo, Yogis, Nicola-Mary and Gina.

