

Kia ora caregivers and whanau,

At Nayland College we are committed to communicating regularly about student progress. This email is to share with you the ways we aim to keep you updated with your child's learning and achievements this year.

Student data can be accessed through the parent portal. Here you can view daily attendance, academic results along with feedback comments, student timetables and school notices. We recommend that parents check the portal weekly. Logon details have been emailed to you. Please contact the school if you have lost these. Students can access the same information by using their student portal login.

The table below outlines the formal communication mechanisms and the dates you can expect them. You will note that we are no longer printing and sending an annual report containing comments for all subjects. We are moving to real time reporting and this year you can expect to see an achievement grade along with a feedback comment once per term for all of the subjects your child takes. The aim is that you receive information that is relevant, timely and helpful.

A note on the achievement grades:

In the junior school (years 9 and 10) we are working towards the use of a standardised planning and assessment tool (SOLO). However while we implement this you may see different subjects use different measures for assessment. Subject teachers may contact you by email to explain the assessment and measure of achievement used or this may be done in the feedback comment.

In the senior school achievement grades will be based on the NCEA system of 'achieved', 'merit' or 'excellence'. Grades may be summative – after a formal internal assessment has been completed, or formative – when a student is working towards a final assessment.

Term 1		
Communication	When	What
Meet the Tutor evening (Year 9 only)	23/02/21	Parents and students meet year 9 tutors.
Traffic Light reports	Available on the portal in week 8	Colour coded report on learning dispositions and early progress.
Subject Interviews	30/03/21	Booked 5 minute appointments. Appointments with teachers can be booked online at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz using the code

Term 2		
Communication	When	What

Live reporting	Throughout term 2	One assessment grade and feedback comment per subject per term.
Achievement conferences	13 th (early finish) and 25 th May (whole day)	3 way conferences led by students. This is an important opportunity to discuss overall progress in all subject areas. Goals are set for the year and these are then reviewed regularly during Puna Ako.

Term 3		
Communication	When	What
Live reporting	Throughout term 3	One assessment grade and feedback comment per subject per term.
Senior Subject Selection Evening	12 th Aug	Information evening on senior courses.
Derived grade exam reports	Week 10	Results of derived grade NCEA exams.

Term 4		
Communication	When	What
Live reporting	Throughout term 4	One assessment grade and feedback comment per subject per term.
NCEA credit updates	Every 2 weeks	Attendance and credit total updates.
Traffic light reports (Junior students)	Published on the portal in week 8	Colour coded report on learning dispositions and progress.

In addition to the formal communications above you may hear from your child's teachers at other times of the year. They may keep you informed of assessment deadlines or be in touch to celebrate good work or if they have concerns about progress.

At Nayland College we are keen to celebrate success and your child may receive a 'Hua ticket' if they demonstrate our SOAR values (Success, Opportunity, Ako and Respect). These tickets are entered into a draw at assembly and prizes include cinema vouchers and even bluetooth speakers. They are also entered into students records and once a number have been obtained students are awarded a bronze, silver or gold SOAR badge. Teachers can also send 'praise postcards' home if they are particularly impressed with a piece of work or an outstanding achievement.

Parents can also contact staff at school with any questions or concerns about student progress. Subject and tutor teachers and house deans or members of the senior leadership team can be contacted by email via firstname.lastname@nayland.school.nz

