

31 July 2020

Dear Year 13 Students & Parents & Caregivers

College Ball 2020

It is my pleasure to invite Year 13 students to our annual ball.

The Saint Kentigern College Ball will be held on Sunday 27 September at Cordis Hotel, 83 Symonds Street, Auckland City from 7:30pm until 11:30pm.

Tickets will be available from Friday 7 August. You will receive a link to purchase tickets for the Year 13 Ball, using your parent log-ins.

Please note the following:

- 1. This year while we encourage students to attend with a partner, this is not mandatory.
- 2. Only 2020 Year 13 students may purchase tickets for themselves and partners.
- 3. No one will be admitted to the Ball after 8:15pm, nor able to leave before 11:30pm.
- 4. Alcohol and drugs are strictly forbidden. No students will be allowed to enter the ball venue if it is believed they are under any influence of alcohol or drugs. Security personnel will enforce this. All attendees are under College rules during the evening.
- 5. This is a smoking and vape free event and any smoking/vaping paraphernalia will be confiscated.
- 6. Pre-Balls must be registered by email with Mrs Maree Galland (PA to Mr Brooke) by Friday 28 August (maree.galland@saintkentigern.com). If you are hosting a Pre-Ball we request that you attend a Pre-Ball parent meeting on Wednesday 2 September at 7pm in the Goodfellow Centre.
- 7. Pick-up: No student will be permitted to be picked up from the Ball venue, including any outside partners. All attendees will be bused back to the Pakuranga Campus at the end of the night. There are no exceptions to this. It is the responsibility of Parents/Caregivers to ensure their son/daughter and partner have made arrangements for **collection from the College carpark**. Buses will arrive back between 11:45pm-12:15am.
- 8. The College discourages and has no involvement with Post-Ball gatherings. The College takes no responsibility for students or their partners after they leave the College carpark.

We recognise that some families will want to host a Pre-Ball function. While Pre-Ball functions are not within the school's responsibility it is important that we care for everyone in the Saint Kentigern Community. Therefore, we suggest contacting parents of invited students to support them knowing where their son/daughter will be, and that they know their child is at a gathering that is well-organised and under parental supervision.

Families who host Pre (or Post) Balls take on a responsibility and we suggest that they should make themselves aware of the legal position regarding the supply of alcohol to minors in their care. As the Ball is strictly alcohol free, we discourage hosts from serving any alcohol to students and suggest instead that plenty of food and non-alcoholic drinks are available.

Our intention is to provide a safe and enjoyable occasion for all those attending. I ask that we work together to enable a fantastic and memorable event for all our Year 13 students.

Yours sincerely

Russell Brooke

COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Rev David Smith

CHAPLAIN & BALL ORGANISER