Here is the agenda for the moment.

* Chris Berentson will talk about **STAR** courses.
* **STARS** reward scheme – ready to rumble! So what happens?  All students will receive the attached flyer.
* **Literacy, numeracy event day**. Attached is the list of students we put together. Event day the second week of the term. Invitations and venues will be arranged soon.
* From Bryce. Process for **applying for Professional Development courses**.

This is the current procedure for PD applications

* All applications are processed by Suellen Holcroft
* CL’s or teachers can identify a PD opportunity
* Teachers discuss this with CL
* Download PD form from Intranet
* Teacher sites
* Teacher Admin
* Professional Development Form

Form gets signed by TL, Application goes to CL

Please don’t register for conferences yourself, you may be personally liable for the costs!

* **NCEA from Cheryl**

Please keep chasing up students who have not registered or paid. Here is the situation re NCEA fees:

 • those students doing externals MUST have applied for FA & paid their fees before 11 Sept  otherwise they will NOT be eligible for FA & will have to pay late fee – this means their fee will be $125.

 • those doing internals only must also apply for FA & pay their fees by 11 September. IF they do not they will lose FA but will not have to pay late fee – their fee will be $75.

* Complete a Financial Assistance form on their behalf – you need their benefit number or community services card number.
* Tell the students to go to the bank and put the $20/$75 into our bank account.

If they have lost their white payment registration form and they are not entering for externals give them the number – 03 -0518 -0134660 -28 and tell them they must put their TCS ID as a reference on the payment.

* Email Jo Parmenter that you have done this with student details.
* If your student is entering for externals now and they need a replacement Payment and Registration form – email Phillipa Cowdry. They can still enter but they will not have personalised papers.
* **Mentoring.** From PeterMargaret Sullivan and Catherine Wylie talk to your teams about the Mentoring conference they attended recently.

We are looking at moving towards mentoring/internships/work based experiences over the next few years.

Bryce thinks it’s a good idea for teachers to start thinking about this!

Proposed date – **Thursday 22nd September**. We would need an hour for each team (9-10, 10-11, 11-12 and 1-2pm for TAH/Primary.

* **Electronic diaries.**
* **Bruce** (almost forgot!)
* **AOB**

Other notices, reminders

* **From Inka, educational networking sites** <http://www.educationalnetworking.com/List+of+Networks>
* **Writing competition**

Please steer your Learning group to this announcement on Blackboard regarding a writing competition. It is a great way of getting kids involved in writing.  
I have placed a link below; you will need to be logged onto Blackboard to view this. Click on the announcements link once you are in Blackboard.  
<http://bb.correspondence.school.nz/webapps/portal/frameset.jsp?tab=courses&url=/bin/common/course.pl?course_id=_338_1> <[http://bb.correspondence.school.nz/webapps/portal/frameset.jsp?tab=courses&amp;url=/bin/common/course.pl?course\_id=\_338\_1](http://bb.correspondence.school.nz/webapps/portal/frameset.jsp?tab=courses&url=/bin/common/course.pl?course_id=_338_1)>

* **Subject: FIXIT CHICKS - STUDENT FOR A DAY 29TH OCTOBER**  
  Just a heads up that we will be offering a Student for a Day Trades for Girls on Thursday 29th October 2009.  
   Your girls will be able to choose from the following workshops:  
  Build your first house  
  Auto experience  
  Boat building  
  Electrical  
  Brochures with registration form will be sent to you all soon.
* **If you have any students interested in a Trade they can attend a day at Northtec in Whangarei** and take part in three of the following workshops

Build your first house

Construct a truss roof

Auto experience

Electrical programming

Boat building

Or a career in sport and recreation

Sept 11

Oct 23

See notice board between toilet block for information

Regards

Dave C

