

Dear Parent/ Caregiver



My name is Mrs Ninni Smyth. I am year 9 dean this year. I'm originally from Sweden and have lived in NZ since 1987. I started teaching at Bay of Islands College in 1993 and have enjoyed every moment of it. This year I teach clothing and textiles in years 12 &13

Year 9 is a year of big changes for the new students. They will be an essential part of the BOIC school community. They will move between classrooms in order to get to our well equipped specialist classrooms and work with our highly qualified specialist teachers. They will be mixing with

students from other communities and make a lot of new friends.

There is a lot of opportunities for extra curricular activities such as music, performing arts, culture and a wide variety of sports at bay of Islands College.

This year we have streamed our year 9 classes. This will be reviewed half way through term 1 and some class changes may occur if necessary.

We have a training pathways system in place to help the students stay on track and make the right choices.

Please note that mobile phones, MP3 players, I-pods etc are NOT allowed at school at any time or for any reason.

All students may wear a plain white T-shirt under their uniform shirt if they choose to. No other colours are allowed. They may wear 1 set of stud ear rings, 1 taonga and a wrist watch, no other jewellery.

Please feel free to contact me at the College either by letter, by phone or by making an appointment at the main office. I have a full teaching load as well as the guidance counsellor's and Senior Dean's jobs so I might not be able to see you if you show up without an appointment.

I'm looking forward to working with you and your child this year.

Yours sincerely

N.Smyth Year 9 Dean