



Wellington High School Newsletter

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Kia ora kura whanau

I am honoured to writing to the school community for the first time as Principal of Wellington High School, and I would like to take this opportunity to say that I am excited to be here.

Changing schools, whether as a student, a teacher, a subject leader or as a member of the senior team is not easy and I would like to thank the Wellington High community for making my transition to the school as smooth as it has been. I would like to register my thanks to the Board, staff and students of the school for their welcome. I have been warmly greeted and have enjoyed starting the process of connecting with sectors of our school community. I have visited a number of classes and faculties, have sat in on learning conversations and have attended year level assemblies. As a result I am beginning to gain some real understanding of the school culture and how the uniqueness of the school is manifested.

High has a well deserved reputation for innovation and student centred learning and I can see evidence of this everywhere I go in the school. I see passionate teachers who are delivering high quality programmes that I believe really do meet the students' needs and interests. I have seen hundreds of students who are well engaged in learning and are deriving full benefit from their courses of instruction. There is a purposeful and energetic atmosphere throughout the school.

My first weeks at the school were not without sadness. The sudden passing of Lorena Henriquez was a shock to the whole school and the way the school responded was a testament to the caring culture that is also a strong characteristic of the school. The staff and students responded well in supporting one another at a very difficult time. Our thoughts remain with the Henriquez family.

My first few weeks at the school also coincide with changes in the senior team that will have a significant impact on the future of the school. Deputy Principals Karen Goodall and Denise Johnson are both leaving us to take up the challenge of the next phase of their professional careers, Karen to return to the Wairarapa, and the primary sector, as a primary school principal, and

Denise to Hutt Valley High School as Associate Principal. Both of these fine educators have contributed enormously to the success of High, and move to leadership roles in their respective schools. On behalf of the school community I wish them both well and thank them for their contribution to this school. The process of finding replacements is well advanced and we expect to announce new team members soon.

I would also like to publicly thank Dominic Killalea for his leadership in the interim period between Prue Kelly's departure and my taking up the appointment. The school has been in very safe and able hands.

The landscape of education is changing rapidly both nationally and internationally. There are significant challenges in meeting the needs of learners in a 21st century environment, where technology dominates young people's lives. How schools respond to this and develop authentic and relevant learning is something we ignore at our peril if we want students to develop important transferable skills that allow them to connect with the global village that is our world. Alongside this there is the equally significant challenge of meeting the needs of all learners, and we know that throughout New Zealand Maori and Pasifika students are not flourishing in many schools. Wellington High School is very well placed to respond to the changing conditions as we are already occupying a very technology rich environment and particularly our Maori students are doing extremely well. But the future challenge remains and as a school we are debating these issues vigorously as we shape the next steps for our school.

For us the future looks extremely bright, and the school is looking forward to maintaining its innovative, creative and vigorous response to educational challenges that ultimately benefit the young people who choose to engage and connect with us here at High.

No reira

Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa

Nigel Hanton
PRINCIPAL

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Tēnā koutou katoa, greetings

Fundraising and voluntary family contributions

At our April meeting the Board of Trustees (BOT) approved a letter to go home to ask all families who have not yet paid the family contribution to make this payment. Only half of High's families paid this last year and it means a serious income shortfall for us; in fact, if all families paid this donation we would not have to work with a deficit budget which we are doing this year.

We recognise that some families cannot afford to pay this and that for others it can be very difficult at the start of the school year. There are ways to spread the payments over the year and we would also be grateful for partial payments.

Families and whānau new to the school may not realise that we do not ask you to get involved in any school-wide fundraising. The contribution is the way we bridge the gap between what the government provides and what you would like your students to receive at school. Please help us with this.

Board of Trustees by-election

We will shortly be holding a by-election to fill two casual vacancies for elected parent representatives on the Board. Nominations will be called for in the next few weeks.

We warmly thank Eryl Jones who has resigned from the Board as an elected parent representative.

Mitzi Austin – Chairperson



Mitzi, Nigel Hanton, our new Principal, and WHS Kapa Haka Group at Nigel's Powhiri on 5 March

DON'T FORGET: should you lose this newsletter, go to our website www.whs.school.nz

Whanau Notices



STUDENT GUIDELINES FOR NCEA INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

Enclosed with this newsletter are revised student guidelines for internal NCEA assessment. Please go through these carefully with your student so that you are all aware of the conditions around meeting deadlines, missed assessments, breaches of assessment rules, further assessment opportunities, appeals, attendance, and special assessment conditions.

PARENT & CAREGIVERS EVENING - THURSDAY 26 APRIL

A parent evening will be held on the Thursday of the first week back next term where you can meet with subject teachers to discuss your student's learning. Bookings can be made by visiting <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz> - there is also a link to this site through our moodle home page <http://moodle.whs.school.nz>. On the School Interviews home page enter the school code **TDN9U**. Follow the steps to book your interviews with your student's teachers. Note that teachers are grouped in faculties.

If you do not have internet access, please get in touch with Jude at reception (385 8911) or your student's roopu teacher and they will organise interviews for you.

PARENT PORTAL

Logins for the parent portal were given out at learning conversation meetings or have been posted home with the end of term reports. Please note that this is NOT a log in for moodle. There is a link to the portal under the Parents and Caregivers menu on moodle (<http://moodle.whs.school.nz/>).

I urge you to log in to the portal where you will be able to access information about your student's attendance and progress. In addition, you can view learning conversations goals (years 9-12), view an NCEA overview for your student, access electronic copies of reports and pay school fees through a secure facility called Flo2cash.

SCHOOL FEES PAYABLE THROUGH THE PARENT PORTAL

Did you know that you can pay your school fees directly through the portal? When you login, there are two tabs associated with fees - 'Fees' and 'Fees With Flo2cash' - if you choose the Flo2cash option, you can determine the amount of payment and it will take you to a secure facility that will handle credit card payment.

TIPS TO HELP PROMOTE EMOTIONAL WELLBEING IN STUDENTS

- Communication is the foundation of the relationship between students and parents.
- Be fair and consistent. Families that encourage realistic demands promote good mental health.
- The WINK model of conflict resolution should be taught to all students to lessen stress associated with conflict. Adolescents learn that conflict can have a positive outcome.
Wait, allow think time before reacting
I message, express how YOU are feeling
Negotiate, listen and discuss the situation
Keep calm
- Encourage young people to feel confident about taking responsibility to manage their health and wellbeing. This includes help to establish good habits for sleep, diet, exercise, stress management, social contribution and avoiding substance misuse.
- Keep their life balanced with adequate daily rest. Aim for seven to eight hours. Adolescents who are sleep deprived are more prone to feelings of sadness and hopelessness. In short, they feel awful.
- Encourage them to take time for some simple, natural pleasures, daily. Fun social activities, sports and taking a little time for themselves can keep a busy life balanced and are healing to the mind.
- Encourage them to be active in the sunlight daily. Both sunlight and exercise release endorphins, which are the body's natural "feel good" chemicals.
- Persuade your child to stay away from alcohol and drugs. They can cause real havoc in a student's life.
- Encourage outside interests. Adolescents who learn to have fun and cope with stress in a healthy way through sports, drama or other group involvement or community programs, will be less likely to turn to alcohol and drugs or get depressed. Contributing to family and society brings fulfilment

and purpose and increases wellbeing.

- Get help for depression – hear how John Kirwan and others have got through their depression.
www.depression.org.nz or www.thelowdown.co.nz

Faculty Notices



STUDENT SERVICES

ID Cards: Students can either pay \$10 for a standard school ID or \$20 for a snapper school ID. You need to pay first, at Student Services, for your card to be ordered.

Simply Dental: This is a free service, providing dental care for the adolescents of Wellington's secondary schools. For information on this service, contact Simply Dental on freephone 0800 123 343, email info@simplydental.co.nz or visit their website www.simplydental.co.nz

Lockers: Lockers are available for hire - \$10 payable to student services.

Year 11 Drama Production

Grace is getting married. It's nearly time to walk down the aisle. But her Dad seems to have disappeared... And in a world that relies more and more on electronic gadgets, can we expect to remember anything by ourselves? *NZ Lamb* and *Amnesia* - two short plays by Angie Farrow

In the Riley Centre, 8-11 May at 7pm Tickets \$5/8 from Student Services

RUGBY 2012

The competition starts in Term 2. We are training already and are trying to build a large squad that we can develop two teams from. We need more players still and are very happy to train new players. All players that are interested need to see Mr Gibbs in the PE department. I would also like to hear from any parents interested in helping to manage or coach teams. Tim.gibbs@whs.school.nz

Dragonboating

Another season of dragon boating has been and gone and the weather was not as nice and calm as we had hoped it would be. Regardless of the weather the atmosphere was more than pumping like it does every year. Cold windy swells featured, just like one of their training nights.

On race day, the MC and Race starter announced that there is a minute silence in honour of Ms Lorena Henriquez, one of our teachers and fellow

Staff Dragon boaters, who suddenly passed away at the beginning of the week.

In the last heat, after two previous battles, they paddled in 1.21.47. It was such a close race the judges had to look at the photo finish four times before they finally made a decision. Just edged out of 3rd place by 0.00.33 we came 4th BUT the team improved their last time by nearly two seconds again.

Every one of those students was smiling, glowing and full of pride at the end of the last race and just the look on those faces was better than winning any gold, silver or bronze medal. All the hard training through the wet wild winds, the cold southerlies and the northerly swells, plus the events of that last week showed me how dedicated and close the students had become not only as a team but also as whanau unit.

A big thanks to all my wonderful students **Frankie Berge, Jake Chadwick, Yannick Dorsman, Tevita Elesoni, Maia Holder-Monk, Findlay Izzett, Tegan Jennings, Emma Kapica, Alice Lahatte, Adam Levine, Callum Marshall, Akeyla Merrifield, Josh Metcalfe, Ryan-Lee Moiri, Luke Murphy, Angus Ogilvie, Hazel Osborne, Amanda Raizis, Amy Terry and Dennis Voeste**, for picking their paddles up every Monday and Wednesday afternoon, then jogging down to Frank Kitts Park to get to training on time at 4pm. Then going out on the boat in the cold wind and chilly rain for a whole hour to come back in shivering, wet and purple lipped.

A very special thanks to Pania Bennett and Di Jordan, who came to Frank Kitts Park Sunday morning and stayed for the whole day knowing we had been involved in our Staff Dragon Boating Team the day before and to all the staff, parents, students and ex-students who gave up Sunday morning to come and support our students.

Last but not least a warm and humbling thanks to Ben Frean (Coach) and Peter Whitting (Sweep) who started work at the crack of dawn so they could finish work early enough just to be at Frank Kitts Park to Coach and Sweep for our team. All their time that they gave to train our students was voluntary. They also coached the Welly High Warriors which was the staff dragon boating team.

Kia ora koutou
Charlene Aramoana (Manager)

Huge thanks to our amazing **Charlene** for her continued dedication to dragon boating at Wellington High. She always has the students foremost in her thoughts and planning. Charlene was there for the kids at all their trainings and on

regatta day. The truth is without her it wouldn't happen.



WHS Dragonboating Team

Staff Dragonboat Team

This is the first year we have entered an adult Dragon Boat team in the Wellington Dragon Boat Festival. Every year the students enter a team and they train hard, work hard on the day and have a great time, so a couple of us on staff decided "Why should the students have all the fun?"

Our team was made up of teachers, support staff and adult children of staff members. Some of the team had been on a Dragon Boat before and knew what they were doing but the majority of us were Dragon Boat virgins without any paddling experience at all but keen as mustard to give it a go!

We all worked really hard and had a lot of fun along the way. There were days when we thought surely training will be cancelled (horizontal rain, gale force winds, general all round bad hair day) but no! In the true spirit of Dragon Boating, come rain, hail or snow, training goes on!

We worked extra hard when we lost our team member Lorena. Lorena was full to the brim with life, love and mischief and whenever the team was

on the Harbour, you could hear Lorena calling out encouragement to those paddling if she wasn't, or generally cheering the team to paddle harder, go faster, push deeper! On race day, we could all hear her telling us to do our very best and so we did just that. We had a minute silence before our first race, to acknowledge the passing of our team mate. We miss Lorena every day.

Our goal for race day was to beat our time at training and come in under 1.30. There were a few hiccups along the way and with 5 races in one day, we were a little beat when it came to the last race but that turned out to be our best time for the day and we came in at 1.28. Yes! We had accomplished what we had set out to do and we had lots of laughter, some tears, and massive amounts of sore, tired bodies along the way!!

Thank you to Ben Freaan who gave up his time and huge amount of knowledge willingly and happily to coach us. Thank you to Pete Whiting for keeping us safe and on the straight and narrow on the Harbour and for being an amazing, supportive, encouraging Sweep. Thank you to Whaea Charlene for sharing her knowledge and for bringing the paddles to training and letting the team use her car as a mobile changing room and safe for all our valuables while we trained. Thank you to Di Jordan for subsidizing the very cool team T-Shirts. Thank you Welly High Warriors for being an awesome team who worked so hard and had to dig very deep at times to find the strength to keep paddling. **YOU ALL ROCK!!!**



Staff Dragonboat team in action

Kiryu Minami High School visit

10 students and 2 teachers from Kiryu Minami High School in Japan visited High on exchange for 10 days from March 18th to 27th. Kiryu Minami High School is in Gunma Prefecture 2 hours north west of Tokyo by train. During the day the students studied English in the morning before visiting a variety of Wellington sites in the afternoon. The students had a great time being homestayd by our

students and we hope to visit them in Japan when we go there next year.



Kiryu Minami High School Students at the zoo

Congratulations

New Zealand Young Physicists' Tournament

We have a massive success to celebrate this week following the national final of the NZYPT on Saturday March 31st. Wellington High School finished second, beating Onslow for the second time and narrowly missing out on the title to a team from Auckland Grammar School. The team that competed comprised **Oska Rego**, **Lily Mason-Mackay** and **Oscar Battell-Wallace**. **Richy Brown** was a valuable member of the team, helping to prepare the team's solutions. The team qualified for the national final by winning the Wellington regional tournament on March 17th, beating Onslow College (for the first time), Nelson College and Wellington East Girls' College.

Lily presented her solution to the problem Granular Splash: "If a steel ball is dropped onto a bed of dry sand, a "splash" will be observed that may be followed by the ejection of a vertical column of sand. Reproduce and explain this phenomenon." Lily also opposed Auckland Grammar's solution to the problem Cutting the Air: "When a piece of thread (e.g. nylon) is whirled around with a small mass attached to its free end, a distinct noise is emitted. Study the origin of this noise and the relevant parameters." Oscar opposed Auckland Grammar's solution to Gaussian cannon: "A sequence of identical steel balls includes a strong magnet and lies in a nonmagnetic channel. Another steel ball is rolled towards them and collides with the end ball. The ball at the opposite end of the sequence is ejected at a surprisingly high velocity. Optimize the magnet's position for the greatest effect." Oska presented his solution to the problem Woodpecker toy: "A woodpecker toy (see picture) exhibits an oscillatory motion. Investigate and explain the motion of the toy."

Oska, Lily and Oscar were all selected in a squad of nine students to prepare for the IYPT in Germany in July. The final New Zealand team of five will be chosen from the squad on April 27th.



Oska Rego, Oscar Battell-Wallace and Lily Mason-Mackay

Congratulations to Qona Christie, Y9 Bradwell. Last weekend she competed in the East Coast Open Judo Championship, gaining 3 gold medals. One was uncontested gold as there was no-one in her weight range, however Qona also competed two weight ranges up (each weight range is for 5 kg) and gained gold in both. She also won the Senior Girls open competition.

Congratulations to Year 12 students Conor Ivory and Rennie Pearson, who have been selected to represent New Zealand at the World Junior Ultimate Frisbee Championships in Dublin later this year in August.

Conor and Rennie are looking for sponsorship from local businesses to help defray the estimated costs of \$6250 each. If anyone is interested in helping these students, can they please contact the Principal's PA. The students will also be fund raising next term.

Sports News

KAREN GOODALL leaves us

The Sports Department of Wellington High School would like to acknowledge Karen's extraordinary commitment to sport at this school during her years here. We say a monumentally huge thank you to Karen for all she has done and all she has given to sport at Wellington High. Karen has always had the students' interest and the betterment of Wellington High sport foremost in her planning. She has always backed and supported our students in their endeavours. She has found ways to make things

happen. Karen is an insightful thinker and the sports programme has benefitted from this. The greatest testimony to Karen's contribution is the large number of students who left school enthused and inspired about sport. Many of these students continue to play sport and to enjoy the rewards this brings.

Karen we wish you well in your new and very exciting role. It is brilliant to know that there will be a few years of kids coming out of the Wairarapa who will be able to swim, run, jump, catch and throw and all with massive smiles. Your dedication to sport at Wellington High is second to none, you will be seriously missed. Go well and enjoy. Thank you sincerely from the Welly High community.



Karen Goodall in action

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES - ULTIMATE

Congratulations to three of our students who have been named in New Zealand U19 Ultimate teams - **Lily Mason Mackay, Rennie Pearson, Conor Ivory**. This is an outstanding achievement. Conor and Rennie head to Ireland in August to compete in the Junior World Championships. Lily will travel to Australia to compete against the Australian U19 team. Special acknowledgement must go to the Wellington High coach **Cedric Horner** who started and supports the full ultimate programme. Cedric has coached and assisted these students to their successes.

BASKETBALL REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations to **Ana Uluinayau** who has been named in the Wellington U19 rep basketball team.

ATHLETICS

Following the successes of our own athletics day and Western Zones a number of our students were selected to compete in the Regional Athletics Champs.

Jnr Girls 200

Elise Forman

Jnr Girls Javelin
Jnr Girls Javelin
Int Boys High Jump
Int Boys Shot Put
Int Girls Javelin
Int Girls Javelin

Malysan Qioyal
Lucy Edwards
Sam Forman
Kulantai Mani Vannan
Lily Smitheman
Salote Tu'itupou

Based on performances at Regionals 3 of these athletes were then invited to attend the North Island Champs. Lily and Kulantai will be travelling to Tauranga to represent Wellington.

Qualified for North Island Champs

Kulantai Mani-Vannan	U16 Boys	Shot put
Lily Smitheman	U16 Girls	Javelin
Sam Forman	U16 Boys	High Jump



Kulantai Mani Vannan



Lily Smitheman

FUTSAL – a growing sport Wellington High has had 9 teams (5 boys, 4 girls) competing in the term one CSW intercollege competition played in the new ASB Sports Centre. A number of these teams have performed very well and have made the final or 3rd/4th playoffs. The Premier boys team recently competed in the Wellington Regional Champs and then on March 26/27 they competed in the National Futsal Championships. Futsal has taken off around the country and the level of play was of a very high

standard this year. Wellington High finished in 7th place.

Special congratulations to **SAM FORMAN**, Welly High goal keeper who was awarded the tournament **Golden Gloves**. This is a huge achievement and Sam definitely deserved this award with his consistency and outstanding saves.



Sam Forman in action



Wellington High Nationals Futsal Team

FLOORBALL

Wellington High has a new sport available. Floorball is a type of floor hockey played indoors. We have a group of junior students who have competed in a competition during term one and train once a week in the new gym. Huge thanks to **Sven Sundin**, a school parent who is coaching and administering floorball. More students are welcome to join. Term 2 details are: Games: Monday 6.30-8.00pm in the Wellington High old gym
Practice: Tuesday lunchtime in the Tindill gym

CYCLING - Zac Blakely

Congratulations to Zac who returned from the Nationals track cycling Champs in Invercargill with three personal best times. Zac took 13 seconds off his 2000m individual pursuits time. He is now preparing for road racing and will be competing in three of the national junior points series races. The next two will be over the school holidays in Te Awamutu and Rotorua.



Zac racing on the wooden floor velodrome

TABLOID DAY

On March 22 the Sports Captains ran a hugely enjoyable Tabloid Day for all junior students. The weather was not great but as there was a wet weather alternative planned it made little difference. There were 6 activities located around the school and the students competed in their Tukutahi groups. Congratulations to the Sports Captains for planning and running such a great morning. The winner of Tabloids was – **CLARKE 1**.



GIRLS' CRICKET

Girls' cricket is back at Wellington High. We have had a team competing in the Wellington Secondary 8aside competition. Currently the team sits on the top of the points table. They will feature again in term 4 when the competition continues.

Huge thanks to **Jo Leary** who has coached the team and to **Sharon Smith** who has been Manager/Scorer. It is only due to the efforts and commitment of these parents that the team was able to be established and to compete.



WHS Girls' Cricket Team 2012



Lucy Edwards & Jayde Leary

SUMMER SPORT

Term one summer competition has now ended. Well done to all of the Welly High teams who consistently played their games with great pride and privilege. The weather made it difficult for the outdoor sports however we still managed some successes.

Particular thanks to all of the staff, parents and community who supported the term one summer competitions. Your contribution is vital and we are very appreciative of your time and dedication to Wellington High sports.

WINTER SPORTS

All trials are now complete and team lists have been completed for our winter sports.

It is important that students take note of information such as what team you are in, when is your practice, when do your games start. If you are unsure see Di in the Sports Office, M101.

The main sports noticeboard for team information and draws is on **LEVEL ONE, MAIN BUILDING**.

If you have missed out but still have an interest in playing a winter sport, don't wait, go and see Di and she will try and get you organised to play in a team.

SPORT FEES

Please make sure you have either paid your sport fees or made arrangements for an automatic payment.

SPORT UNIFORMS

- All summer sport shirts must be returned immediately. These are urgently needed for winter sports.
- All students playing winter sports **MUST** wear a sports playing shirt, this includes badminton. Some teams are allocated sports shirts. All others are required to purchase a sport shirt from student services. The cost is \$40.00 and you will own the shirt.
- Well High sport socks are available at Student Services at \$12.00 a pair

DRAWS & RESULTS

For draws, results, cancellations and other sport information check the College Sport Wellington website - www.collegesport.org.nz

Contact Information

For any further information or to tell me any news about your out of school activities or successes I can be contacted by any of the following:

Office 8027677

Cell 027 2106087

Email sport@whs.school.nz

Di Jordan - Sports Coordinator

Community News

Entertainment Books Are Coming To Wellington High School

Wellington High School is pleased to be offering the new edition of The Wellington Entertainment Book to parents as part of our fundraising campaign for this year.

Entertainment Books contain hundreds of 25-50% off and two-for-one offers from popular restaurants, cinemas, hotels, the arts, and leisure activities. There truly is something for everyone with high value offers from Logan Brown, Boulcott St Bistro, Zibibbo, St John's Heineken Hotel, Dockside, Wagamama, Ernesto, Red Ginger, St Pierre's Sushi, The Hurricanes, Wellington Phoenix, Zealandia, Avis, Hamilton Island.....and many more!

The new and exciting Wellington Entertainment Book is only \$60 and the sale of each book will raise \$12 for the school and contribute much needed funds to our fundraising targets for this year. The books are available from Student Services and can be paid for by cheque, eftpos and good old fashioned cash.

Community Education at Wellington High

Night classes and weekend courses for adults.

With well over 2,000 enrolments to date, the year of community education courses for adults at Wellington High has begun with a real bang! Why not plan a recreational education course for yourself in this coming term?

Consider a choice from

A Travellers Language course (French, Spanish, Chinese and others)

Harmony Singing

Photography

Wine Tasting

Yoga

Cooking (many types and flavours!)

Ukulele (plus guitar)

Jewellery Making

These as well as over 600 courses are yet to start this year and **can be viewed directly at** www.cecwellington.ac.nz. Enrolment on-line is easy. Alternatively **phone us for help. (Ph 385 8919).**



CEC Ukulele Class hard at work



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Courses For Adults Start Soon!

A new set of adult courses start Sat 5 May.

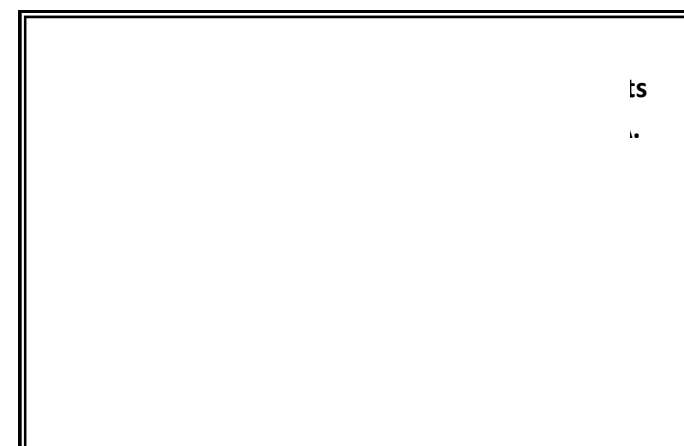
Plan to join us!!

Phone, visit or go to our website.

www.cecwellington.ac.nz



Phone **385 8919** or email **cec@whs.school.nz** for more information



INTERNATIONAL DANCE DAY

Sunday 29 April 2012, 10.30am - 4.30pm
Whitireia Performing Arts Centre
25 Vivian Street, Wellington

Come and celebrate the diversity of dance in Wellington with a day of FREE workshops and performances suitable for the whole family. Including: African, Ballet, Belly dance, Capoeira, Chinese, Contemporary, Cuban Fusion, Folk dance, Hip Hop, Indonesian, Jazz, Hapa Haka, Salsa, Swing, Tango & Zouk. Plus live music, food stalls & coloring in competition. For more information and updates visit: <http://www.facebook.com/InternationalDanceDayWellington>

School Holidays at the New Zealand Police Museum

It's going to be a fun two weeks at the New Zealand Police Museum these holidays. Grab a clipboard and follow trails of 'evidence' in our *Operation* series, unravel our latest *Junior Detective Mystery* or join us for our *Fingerprinting Fun Workshops*! Plus we have all the usual favourites including police uniform dress ups and the M.O.T. motorbike; they make a great photo opportunity for the young and the young at heart! With so much on offer we're sure we'll see you at the New Zealand Police Museum these school holidays.

We are open 10am to 5pm Wednesday to Saturday and general admission is FREE.



Fingerprint Fun Workshops

Come along to the New Zealand Police Museum and learn how to identify, dust and lift fingerprints like a Scene of Crime Officer! In this half hour workshop our newest recruits will learn the tricks of the trade using real police equipment.

- Wednesday to Saturday in the school holidays, 2pm.
- \$2 per child.
- Suitable for children aged 5 to 13 years, adult supervision required.

New Zealand Police Museum
Royal New Zealand Police College
Papakowhai Road, Porirua, Wellington.
e: museum@police.govt.nz
t: (04) 238 3141

HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

SHORT TERM INDONESIAN STUDENTS

SUNDAY, 17 JUNE - SATURDAY, 30 JUNE

WHS needs caring and inclusive homestay families

to host these students.

An accommodation fee of \$500 will be paid.

Please contact Pamela Braddell, 385 8911 x871
Or 021 02063860

Fast Forward Theatre Company present:

Youth Theatre Classes: You'll gain confidence, through experiencing practical theatre skills, voice development and expression, developing the art of acting. You'll have fun and be creative in the company of others creating mini theatrical performances.

Suitable 12-15 years of age. \$15 a session or \$30 for three weeks or \$120 a term. Classes at EBIS in the Studio (front of the hall), 14 Kemp Street Kilbirnie 4.00-5.00pm Mondays of Term Two

New term starts: 23rd of April-18th June

Theatre is action: Improvisation and work based on Playback Theatre, this work is about developing theatrical skills in company life and performing from our stories, this work invites musicians and actors.

Suitable 15-18 years of age. \$15 a session or \$30 for three weeks or \$120 a term

For register of interest or enquiries please contact: Claire 972 1017 or 0273420628

fastforwardtheatrecompany@gmail.com

Brain Injury Association

We need help with our Street Appeal on July 5th & 6th

- **Lower Hutt** Municipality and suburban areas **Thursday 5th July** at various locations.
- **Wellington**, plus Porirua, Kapiti, Masterton, Wairarapa & Upper Hutt districts **Friday 6th July** at various locations.



Lots of

needed

Please contact us

through our web site www.wellingtonbrain.org or phone and leave a message with your name, preferred location and best contact details on 04-4735004 or E-mail vision@inspire.net.nz

WHS Year Planner

Term 2 2012

94 Half days

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Week 1	22 April	23 April 3.30 - faculties meet	24 April 8.30 – Staff PD 3.30 – Deans meet	25 April Anzac day holiday	26 April 3.30-7pm – Report evening	27 April	28 April
Week 2	29 April Italy trip returns	30 April Winter sport starts 11.20 – Ensemble Impact theatre – DRA112 – DRA335 3.30 - HoFs meet -	1 May 8.30 – Staff PD	2 May 3.30 – faculty PD	3 May	4 May	5 May ACE starts T2
Week 3	6 May	7 May Y9C option starts 3.30 – faculties meet	8 May 8.30 – Staff PD 3.30 – Junior Deans & DPs meet. Senior Deans with GRA	9 May CSW X Ctry relays 3.30 – staff meeting	10 May	11 May 13HOS WGTN food show	12 May SmokefreeRockquest Wellington heats
			DRA112 production in Riley Centre				
Week 4	13 May	14 May Y9B data in KAMAR 3.30 - HoFs meet 6.00 – BOT meet	15 May 8.30 – Staff PD	16 May 3.30 – faculty PD	17 May CSW Netball premier	18 May 10.00 – newsletter items due	19 May
		GEO335 trip to Rotorua					
Week 5	20 May	21 May 3.30 – faculty admin	22 May 8.30 – Staff PD 3.30 – Deans meet 11.20 – School assembly	23 May 3.30 – TKT meeting	24 May Stage challenge	25 May Stage challenge Newsletter sent today Nga Manu Koreru regionals	26 May
		HIS335 trip to Wairarapa					
Week 6	27 May	28 May 3.30 - HoFs meet – subject choice booklet drafts handed out	29 May 8.30 – Staff PD	30 May CSW X Ctry champs 3.30 – faculty PD	31 May	1 June Teacher Only Day	2 June SmokefreeRockquest Wellington final
			Shakespeare Society Merry Wives of Windsor				
Week 7	3 June	4 June Queen’s birthday holiday	5 June 8.30 – Staff PD 3.30 – Deans meet	6 June 3.30 – staff meeting	7 June 7pm – Concert for Henriquez family	8 June	9 June
Week 8	10 June	11 June Y9D option starts 3.30 - HoFs meet	12 June 8.30 – Staff PD	13 June 3.30 – faculty admin (buddy report checks)	14 June 9.00 – Snr subject report grids to HoFs	15 June	16 June
				Y12 Shakespeare assessments			
Week 9	17 June	18 June Y9C data in KAMAR 9.00 – snr roopu comments due, editing team starts 3.30 – faculties meet 6.00 – BOT meet	19 June 8.30 – Staff PD 11.00 – Matariki roopu celebrations 3.30 – Deans meet All deans meet with DPs	20 June 3.30 – TKTmeeting	21 June 9.00 – Whiwhinga in Kmar (9B & 9C)	22 June 10.00 – newsletter items due 1 -3pm 13BIO zoo trip	23 June
Week 10	24 June	25 June 1-3pm Careers Expo Y12 /13 3.30 - HoFs meet (6.00 - Open evening	26 June	27 June CSW open badminton 3.30 – faculty PD 7pm – Music evening	28 June 11.20 school assembly	29 June KapaHaka Festival Y9A/B/C opts on portal Snr reports/ whiwhinga/ newsletter sent	30 June ACE ends T2
Holidays	1 July	2 July	3 July	4 July	5 July	6 July	7 July
	8 July	9 July	10 July	11 July	12 July	13 July	14 July