



Wellington High School Newsletter

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Nga Korero o te tumuaki

What a fabulous time I had in London and Paris with the Food and Fashion students. We had very real learning experiences provided by food and fashion experts, touristy experiences and a few examples of the dangers inherent in living big cities i.e. the gun bearing French police in the metro spraying mace on offenders and it drifting to affect us as we scurried past trying to remain inconspicuous. The students took everything in their stride, learned heaps and always did as they were asked. I don't think I would have been so good at their age.

We are approaching the business end of the school year for all seniors. School exams start in two weeks time. All your students should have by now started their study programmes. Do not let your students tell you these are only the mocks and they do not have to worry about study. These exams are important. They give you and them an indicator of how they will fare in their NCEA written assessments later in the year. Students need to develop a revision timetable and be spending a couple of hours each school night and some time in the weekend to revise. They need to take notes, learn their notes and test themselves for recall; rewriting what they have learned or by writing trial answers or practice examples. It is important that they have the time and space to do these things and I believe they do not need their iPods or TV while they do it. Focussed attention will achieve heaps.

In my time here there is only one thing that has consistently disappointed me and I really do not know why. That is our national examination results on average. I always expect them to be better than what they are; in fact all of us here expect better and work to make sure students are well prepared. We need all the students to take their jobs seriously too. Their jobs are to do as well as they are able in the exams for themselves and for WHS. You will get your student's exam results posted home at the end of the term. This is so you can get them studying over the holidays. National examinations NCEA leave starts Week 5 of term 4 so there are only 10 school weeks, 40 teaching periods, until NCEA starts. So please make sure your student is at school every day and studying every school night and WHS will do well this year.

Thank you all for your support for the WHS instigated march to express our opposition to the Adult Community Education cuts a fortnight ago. It was a powerful force and message despite weather that did its best to wreck the whole thing. It is not something we take lightly, juggling the school day to accommodate such action, and can only do it with your tolerance. I believe it is doubly important that we make our opposition heard as we are a school that will be able to continue to offer night classes – not as many and they will cost a little more – but our programme will continue to serve the needs of the many of the people of Wellington. We will apply for priority funding for our ESOL and other classes that fit the category but I fear we have made ourselves unpopular and this government's tolerance for dissenting voices seems to be diminishing.

You are all invited to a community meeting in the Riley Centre – our Hall – this Sunday evening at 7pm. Come and hear express your concern about the loss of learning opportunities for all life-long learners.

Ka kite ano
Prue Kelly



Success in the ICAS

Students from Wellington High School achieved outstanding results when they participated in the ICAS tests this year. These tests provide extensive independent evaluations of students' skills, knowledge and understanding in science and provide important indicators of success in school and beyond.

Congratulations to all those students gaining **merit** certificates. These students received their awards at a year level assembly recently.

We are very proud of our **distinction certificate** winners. **Yr 9 – Maia Ireland Blake, Dylan Guja, Gareth Jones, Leo Langridge, Ben Moskovitz and Adam Sutton. Yr 10 – Fabian Barrett, Taylor Darroch, Kelsey Jack, Tyler Kelly, Chora Luz Carleton and Oska Rego.**

This year we received two **High Distinction certificates**. These science students are among the top one per cent of their year group in New Zealand. A fantastic achievement by **Aidan Sheehy** in year 10 and **Maia Holder-Monk** in Year 9. Congratulations.

An awesome effort from both of you.

Rosa Polaschek (Yr 13) was one of the last speakers at the Government 2020 emissions target consultation meeting on Monday 6 July - the first night of a fortnight of public consultation meetings around the country over the school holidays.

She said she hadn't come to the meeting intending to speak, but felt she had to speak in support of an emissions target and the enviroschools programme in her little sister's school. Rosa spoke well and got strong applause from the 400-strong audience. Rosa was the only speaker currently at a secondary school and probably the youngest speaker. Well done Rosa you did us proud!

MOODLE

What is moodle? It is the schools intranet which contains information relevant to members of the school community

What sort of information does it contain? It has links to:

- the daily notices
- NCEA information (internal assessment calendars, 'StudyIt' website and the NZQA website)
- information about all your subjects
- WHS homepage
- other interesting stuff

What is the URL? <http://moodle.whs.school.nz/>

How do I log on? You can use your school username and password or log in as a guest (useful for parents). Have a look today!

Notices for Whanau



Science Roadshow

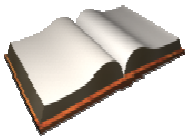
Wellington High School is hosting the 2009 Science Roadshow in the final week of term 3. Students from year 9 and 10 will visit the roadshow on **Friday 25 September** as part of their science studies.

A 50% reduction in the cost of this visit has been negotiated as part of our hosting the Roadshow. Students will pay \$3.

The Science Roadshow reminds students that Science is about discovery, and that it is fun and practical. The Roadshow reaches students at a stage when attitudes to ongoing science learning are formed and gives them an opportunity to get involved with Science outside the normal classroom environment.



Library Week



Last week was national Library Week and the library was busy. On Tuesday we had a Living Library lunchtime when small groups of students came and talked to people who had come in from the community to act as **Living Books**. We had six **Living Books**, three of whom were ex students. Over seventy students managed to spend time with the Books and everyone

seemed to enjoy themselves and learn something. The Books were impressed at the level of the questions they were asked and the openness of the students.

Living Libraries were started in Scandinavia a few years ago to break down stereotypes and increase tolerance in society. The Books are usually people who have had to overcome prejudice and challenges in their lives.

On Thursday numbers of teachers participated in a 10 minute **Read-in** at 12.50 pm in the library or in other parts of the school. It felt like being part of an art installation. Students seemed bemused by it.

On Friday we had **Library Lovers' Day**. There were red heart-shaped helium balloons and quizzes for the students with prizes of mud cake slices, Hersheys Kisses and red glow heart lollies. We had **Blind Date with a Book** where students came in and took out books wrapped in brown paper so they didn't know what they were getting. There were some surprising matches between students and books.

It was a great week and now we all need a rest.

Year 11 Drama presents
"The Arabian Nights" by Mary Zimmerman
 Directed by Paul Sullivan
Tues 1st - Fri 4th Sept, 7pm
 Wellington High Riley Centre
 Tickets: Students \$5, Adults \$8
 Book at Student Services
 Ph (04) 385 8911

WHS BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2009

Next Board meeting will be held on Monday 28 September at 6pm

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Fees

Friday 28 August is the last day that all NCEA fees are accepted. **These fees can be paid by automatic payment or added to your existing AP.** If you wish to do this you must advise the school now by either phoning Linda Tarsa on 3858911 extension 872 or email her on linda.tarsa@whs.school.nz. Please note that the payment is for all internally assessed and externally assessed standards. If your child is only doing internally assessed standards you still need to pay their NCEA fee to have those credits registered with NZQA. If you wish to apply for financial assistance this can be done through student services. Late payment will incur a \$50 late fee.

Certificate Endorsement

Students will require 50 credits at Excellence to gain an NCEA endorsed with Excellence, and 50 credits at Merit (or Merit and Excellence), to gain an NCEA endorsed with Merit.

Credits counting towards endorsement may be gained over more than one year and more than one level but must be gained at the level of the certificate or above. For example, Level 2 credits will count towards endorsement of a Level 1 NCEA, but Level 1 credits will not count towards endorsement of a Level 2 NCEA.

Scholarship

Scholarship Awards recognise excellence for secondary school students

Scholarship candidates need to be enrolled full-time at a New Zealand secondary school or wharekura in the year of examination, undertaking a course in the applicable areas of learning. There are 5 classes or levels of monetary awards. These range in value from \$500 per subject to \$10,000 each year for three years.

To be eligible for a monetary award a candidate must

- be either a New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident
- be enrolled in tertiary study in New Zealand in the years they receive monetary awards
- maintain a 'B' grade average during their tertiary study in order for them to receive one of the monetary awards over a three year period.

International fee paying candidates are not eligible for the Scholarship monetary awards. However, they will have their Scholarship success recorded on their Record of Learning.

All Scholarship awards will be recorded on the candidate's Record of Learning.

Understanding NCEA DVD

The school library has copies of a DVD put out by the NZ Qualifications Authority called Understanding NCEA. It explains NCEA from the perspective of parents, teachers and students. Students can borrow the DVD to take home so parents and caregivers can find out more about the exams their students are going to be sitting.

Please view our website www.whs.school.nz for current news and coming events

GENERAL POINTS RELATING TO STUDY LEAVE

- All students in years 11 – 13 have examination leave from Monday 7 September until Friday 11 September. Some students will be required to attend workshops for subjects that are internally assessed, Your subject teacher will talk to you about this. *Normal classes start again on Monday 14 September.*
- Examination leave is to allow you to prepare for examinations, so you should be at home studying when not at school.
- Students who abuse this privilege may have their exam leave cancelled and will be required to attend school each day.
- Students who fail to attend examinations, without medical or compassionate excuse, will be required to make up missed time outside of normal school hours.
- The school library is available for those who wish to study here at school.

EXAM RULES

- Report to the Riley Centre at 8.45am for all morning exams.
- Report to the Riley Centre at 1.05pm for afternoon exams.
- Each exam will have minimum time requirements written on the whiteboard at the front of the room.
- You may not leave any examination until the minimum time is up, nor during the last 15 minutes of the examination.
- The maximum time for all exams, except those in which internal assessment is being done, is 3 hours.
- There is to be no food (water bottles are allowed) taken into the examination room.
- There is to be no copying of other students' work.
- No student is to make any undue noise that might disturb other candidates.
- Cell phones are to be turned off and remain in your bag, out of sight, throughout the entire exam.
- No student is allowed to leave the examination room unless in an emergency and then only with a supervisor.
- No equipment is to be shared.
- All exam answers are to be in blue or black pen, unless you are directed to use pencil.
- No twink or correction fluid is to be used on any answer papers, and pencil may only be used where directed.

You must not take into the examination room any blank paper or written or printed material (including information stored on programmable calculators) unless told to by your subject teacher.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS

School exams will be held in week 8 (September 7 to September 11)

Parents and caregivers, you can help your students be exam-ready by:

- making sure that they have a quiet place with a good light to study, either at home, or time to spend at the school or public library
- encouraging students to balance study with exercise, home chores and some leisure, and to encourage good eating habits
- asking to see their study timetable, praising them when they stick to it, and encouraging them to try again if they haven't managed at first
- expecting that students will be studying for 2-3 hours per day before exams
- being aware that students may use a variety of learning styles – see below
- being aware of the dates and times of each exam (students should arrive at least 10 minutes early for each exam), and the equipment students need to bring

LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Pre-study activities for students:

- sort out your study space – table, chair, light, quiet
- make a study timetable (allocate the time evenly for the subjects you have to sit exams in, with the last study time for each subject being as close to the exam as possible.)
- include exercise breaks in your study time
- turn off the music – you will have to do without it in the exam, and you need to practise concentrating without it
- study one subject at a time; have all the material for that subject ready
- check you have all the notes needed for each subject
- arrange to photocopy notes you are missing
- make sure your notes are arranged in a suitable order for each subject and each standard

Visual learning activities:

- colour each subject and activity a different colour
- put a tick for each segment accomplished
- read your notes and highlight main points, with subheadings a different colour; use post-its to identify points you need to find out more about
- put all your notes onto computer – copying them out is a good memorising exercise
- make summary sheets for each topic

Auditory learning activities:

- go and tell someone else in your house all about it
- ask them to check up on you every day or so
- get some music by Mozart or another baroque composer (from the Wellington Public Library if you haven't got any) and play it quietly as background to study – this is the only kind of music that is considered to help study, but you won't be able to use it in the exams
- read your notes aloud, and tape them so you can listen to them again
- work out a theme tune of your own choice to signify this year's study goals, and play it at the start and end of each study session you have

Kinaesthetic learning activities:

Work out a physical exercise that you can use to start and finish each study time, or one for each subject

- put the work for each subject in a separate file box
- make and use flash-cards
- have scissors and coloured pens so you can make boxes or constructions for each topic

SQ3R (a good technique for thorough revision):

- S = Survey – read through the material you want to learn/remember
- Q = Questions – make up questions about the topic you've just read
- R = Read through the material to see what's useful to answer the questions
- R = Recite – answer your questions, aloud or in writing, without looking at your notes
- R = Review – go through the process again to check you've learned thoroughly

EXAM KAUPAPA

- Eat a healthy meal beforehand
- Remember that last minute study is a waste of your time
- Keep calm (and remember that it's normal to be nervous)
- Arrive at least 15 minutes early – it takes time to organise students into the hall
- Bring the correct equipment – check what it is for each subject. Always have a spare pen
- You may have water if you wish, but no other drinks, or food
- You may not have any electronic equipment other than what is authorised for that exam
- Check your chair and table are steady
- In practice exams, sit in a place where you can see the time and where you feel comfortable (In NCEA, you will have allocated seats)

IN THE EXAM

- Organise the papers in the order in which you wish to do them
- Read each paper carefully
- Make sure you know what you have to do for each question
- Write question numbers clearly (but not the actual question)
- Plan long answers – a couple of minutes spent on a plan will help you keep to the point
- Use the full time allowed for each question
- Fill up the spaces – a guess may be right, but a blank will always be wrong!
- If you finish early, use the time to check for small errors, and that you have provided enough examples
- You may not communicate in any way with any other student
- You may not leave your seat unless given permission by a supervisor
- If you wish to ask a supervisor a question, or seek permission to use the toilet, you must put up your hand and wait patiently till a supervisor comes to you

NCEA Holiday Revision Programme

Advance notice of this popular yearly event. In the first week of the coming September holidays Knowledgeshop NZ will once again run the external exam focused NCEA Holiday Revision Programme at WHS. Denis Wright is the school representative and will have brochures outlining subjects offered and costs from week six of this term. Subjects offered are likely to be the same as previous three years, ie all externally assessed achievement standards in Level 1 English, maths and science and level 2 English and maths. Level 3 offered only if there is sufficient demand.

Email: denis.wright@whs.school.nz

Senior Exam Timetable – Week 8
(7 September – 11 September)

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1		ENG112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	SCI112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	MAT112 <i>Hall – 1½ hrs</i>	HME112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	DRA112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>
	9.00 -12.00	FEN111 <i>M105 – 2 hrs</i>	PHY223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	ADM223 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>	JAP112 <i>M104 – 3 hrs</i>	CHE223 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>
		DRA223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	ASC335 <i>Art 2 – 3 hrs</i>	CLS335 <i>Hall – 3hrs?</i>	BIO223 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>	CTE323 <i>L2 – 2 hrs</i>
		ECO223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	CHI335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	DRA335 <i>Dra rm – 3 hrs</i>	MAO223 <i>Hall – 2 hrs</i>	ECO335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>
		ARD335 <i>Art 1 – 3 hrs</i>	HIS335 <i>Hall – 3hrs</i>	MAC335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	ENG335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	FRE335 <i>M104 – 3 hrs</i>
		GEO335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	MUS335 <i>Mus Rm – 3 hrs</i>			JAP335 <i>M102 – 3 hrs</i>
Session 2		ART112 <i>Art rooms – 3 hrs</i>	HED112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	ADM112 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>	DTF112 <i>E211 – 2 hrs</i>	MAO112 <i>Hall – 2 hrs</i>
	1.20 – 4.20	FEN221 <i>M105 – 2 hrs</i>	ECO112 <i>Hall – 1½ hrs</i>	FRE223 <i>M104 - 3 hrs</i>	FRE112 <i>M104 – 3 hrs</i>	MUS112 <i>Mus rm – 3 hrs</i>
		ENG223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	PEH112 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	PHO223 <i>Art 3 – 3 hrs</i>	CTE212 <i>L2 – 2 hrs</i>	FTV223 <i>Hall – 2 hrs</i>
		BIO335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	CLS223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	AGH335 <i>Hall – 1½ hrs</i>	HIS223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	MAS335 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>
		MAO335 <i>Hall – 2½ hrs</i>	ENV223 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	APT335 <i>Art 1 – 3 hrs</i>	FTV335 <i>Hall – 2 hrs</i>	PHO335 <i>Art 3 – 3 hrs</i>
			JAP223 <i>M102 – 3 hrs</i>	ESL <i>Hall – 2 hrs</i>	PHY335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>	
			ARH335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>			
	CHE335 <i>Hall – 3 hrs</i>					

Community Education continues in 2010

Wellington High School is to have a programme! The Board of Trustees have agreed to 'run courses for adults in 2010 that are both self funded and TEC funded'.

You will be aware of the large community 'voice' calling for a reversal of what so many see as a both hasty and ill-considered funding decision. Should, however, there be no return of present funding, we will continue to offer those courses which will most likely meet required minimum numbers as well as providing quality learning opportunities for our community.

The 2010 year will certainly be a new way ahead for Community Education. Do continue to join us for courses in the present year, but also look forward to enjoying learning as adults through into the next year and beyond!

Colin Wharton
Director
Adult Community Education
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Men in the kitchen

Wellington High student **Melby Ruarus** has just returned from representing New Zealand at the 21st International Olympiad in Informatics, where New Zealand secured 2 bronze medals. The ceremony was held in the remains of a Roman amphitheatre, in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. Team members are Melby Ruarus (WHS), Boris, Simon Welsh and Jamie. Melby came close to achieving a medal and found the whole experience an exciting challenge.



Melby Ruarus far left with his NZ team

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to ...

- **WHS Futsal team** who competed in and **WON** the **Inaugural NZ Futsal National Junior Tournament 2009**, played in Napier, July 11 & 12. The team won the final 6-1 beating a Hawkes Bay team. The players were:
Kevin Duindam, Jono Nicholson, Izaac O'Hara, Nick Davies and Bryn Hickson Rowden. Fantastic result, well done team.
- The following WHS students have been selected in Wellington Representative football teams.

13th Grade Azalia Cowlin Petra Parker-Price	15th Grade Boys Kevin Duindam
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- **Izaac O'Hara** for his invitation and naming in the **NZ U16 Invitation Football team.** This team is travelling to the London in September to play a number of games against UK Academy teams. This will be a fantastic opportunity for Izaac. Good luck.
- **2nd XI Football team** - the full team successfully completed the Shoe Clinic 10km run.
- **Eme Fiso** recently trialled for Centrals to compete in the Inter Regionals canoe polo tournament. Eme has also been playing National League canoe polo.
- The following students represented Wellington High School on Atiawa Toa FM's sports programme recently. Each student was interviewed by the presenter Pat Knox and all students spoke very well.

Sam Keller Stephanie Bennington	Ben Evans Eme Fiso
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- **Vinny Willcock** competed in the CSW Junior Badminton Championship singles. Vinny made it through to the quarter finals in Plate
- **Boys' 15th Grade Gold Football team** are currently top on the points table in the Junior Division 2 Championships. This team has performed very well this season under coaches **Poasa Senibuli and Ben Jobson.**
- **Boys 2nd XI football team** is 2nd on their points table and are looking good for finals on 29 August. Well done **Rene Duindam** (coach).

Term 2 Interclass Sports Competition

Year 10 Basketball **10MYR**

Coch/Manager and Team of the Week

Congratulations to the following recipients. Well done to all the teams and big thanks to all of our managers, coaches and administrators for your tireless voluntary efforts.

Date	Team of the Week	Coch/Manager of the Week
Week 10 Term 2	Boys 2 nd XI Football	Rene Duindam <i>Coach Boys 2nd XI Football</i>
Week 1 Term 3	WHS Futsal	Richard Boyd <i>14th Grade Football</i>
Week 2	Junior Boys Basketball	Claudia Henison <i>Coach Senior A Netball</i>
Week 3	Girls 1 st XI Football	Jozie Fitzsimmons <i>Girls 1st XI Football</i>
Week 4	Boys Senior A Basketball	Steven Young <i>Boys 1st XI Hockey</i>

Staff vs students

The first game in the annual staff v student battle for the Wakefield Boot has been played. The sport was netball and the victorious team was **The Staff** winning 21-12.

Basketball and football games will be played before the end of term 3.

Staff v student netball



WHS High Performance Group

This is a new development at Wellington High. A number of students have been nominated for the HP Group and they will be interviewed over the next week. The HP Group mission statement is *“to identify, support and strengthen the development of elite sportspeople and athletes within Wellington High School.”* A number of workshops will be held throughout the year covering a range of topics such as speed/power, psychological sport skills, injury prevention, nutrition, strength, and more. In addition plans are to develop a mentoring system to provide students with support in time management, goal setting and maintaining balance in all aspects of their life.

Student Sports Council

A Student Sports Council is to be established at Wellington High. This will be made up of representatives from year 9, 10 & 11 plus the 3 Sports Captains from years 12 & 13.

The Student Sport Council role will be to inform, excite and inspire WHS students about sport, taking every opportunity to promote and motivate students to participate in sport.

Being involved in making sport happen!

Students who have a keen interest and enthusiasm for sport at WHS will be invited through their roopu to be nominated for the Sports Council.

Girls 1st XI Football Semi-Final

This game vs Wgtn Girls 2 was played on our school field. It was a great game of football and incredibly exciting. The full time score was 1-1 which meant a penalty shoot out had to be played. Alex McKee made 5 spectacular saves and Petra Parker-Price finally slotted in the winning penalty shot. The team went on to play QMC in the final. This was a very competitive game with the result being a win to QMC 4-0.



Alex McKee ready to save another shot

Winter Sports Tournaments

Wellington High has 4 teams travelling away to compete in tournaments during the New Zealand Secondary Schools winter sports tournament week (Aug 31-4 Sept).

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- Boys 1st XI Football** - Competing in Jim Wishart Tournament, Palmerston North
 - 1st XI Hockey** - Competing in Olympic Stick Tournament, Claireville
 - Senior A Netball** - Competing in Lower North Island Secondary Schools Tournament (LNISS), Gisborne
 - Underwater Hockey Championships** - Competing in the NZ Secondary Schools Underwater Hockey Christchurch

Players are busy fundraising for these tournaments. Sincere thanks to all of you who have supported these teams fundraising efforts.

Good luck to each team for your games. We look forward to the new game skills and development you will bring back from your tournaments. We know you will represent WHS with pride and privilege.

Winter Sports Season

This season looked to match 2008 in terms of appalling weather and ground conditions however it is pleasing that the past weeks have seen the sun shine and fields drying out. Thank you to all players, coaches and managers for your patience and cooperation during this disrupted winter season.

Some winter sport competitions are now complete and other are drawing to an end as teams approach semi-finals and finals. Good luck to all teams that will be competing in semis and finals.

Summer Sport Season

Summer sport will recommence in Term 4. It is important for students to keep listening to notices for information to avoid missing out on registration. If you have any queries visit the Sports Office in the gym foyer for information.

Handball

Wellington High School is competing in a newly established handball secondary school league. Members of the Vic Uni handball club are supporting this competition by providing coaches and running the competition. **Pat Whatman** a past WHS student is coaching our team. The students involved are really enjoying this fast and exciting game.



Darren O'Neill vs Well Coll

Chess Champs

The Wellington Chess Champs are to be held on 24 August at Scots College. Wellington High has two teams entered under the guidance of Bharat Pancha.

Smallbore Rifle Shooting

The WHS Target Shooting team are competing in the Wellington & Hutt Valley Smallbore Rifle Associations Annual Secondary Schools Smallbore Rifle Match. The team is made up of Darren O'Neil, Conor Stewart, Eme Fiso and Kelly McManamon. The team's score after the first round is in the middle of 14 school teams participating.

The team is new to target shooting. Conor, Eme and Kelly took part in a weekend training camp run in Palmerston North earlier in the year.

Good luck for the second round of the competition on Sunday 23rd August. The WHS Target Shooting Club is supported by the South Wellington Small bore Rifle Club. Students have received great coaching from club members **particularly Geoff Holmes.**



Smallbore Rifle Shooting team
Darren O'Neill, Conor Stewart, Eme Fiso,
Kelly McManamon

Boys' 1st XI Hockey Team Raffle Results

(Drawn by Prue Kelly, Thurs 13 August)

Hamper	Won by	Ticket sold by
Pamper 1	Paul Manin	Steven Young
Pamper 2	A Prasad	Prashant Prasad
Food	Drew Mcglashan	Jackson Miller
Entertainment	Sam Pruden	Terry Binding
Home	Monique Hodgkinson	Toby Dykes

Huge thanks to the following sponsors for their very generous donations:

New World	Super Café	Dulux Paints
Island Bay Butcher	Whitcoulls	L'Affare
Empire Cinema	Choice Hotel Group	Hells Pizza

HUGE THANKS TO THE EASTERN SUBURBS SPORTS TRUST

The Eastern Suburbs Sports Trust have very generously granted \$900.00 to the Wellington High School Boys' 1st XI hockey team to assist in their tournament costs. This is a significant grant and greatly appreciated. I am sure the Trust will be rewarded by receiving your custom. Thanks to Steven Young for his efforts in submitting this application

CSW Secondary School Table Tennis Championships



Wellington High has two teams competing in this event. Results at the time of printing are not known. Players have been preparing for this event for the past few weeks.

Plans are in place for an inter secondary schools competition to be held in term 4 at the Wellington Table Tennis Stadium in Alexandra Rd. Information will be in the daily notices when details are available..

Cameron Kopua competes in his singles match

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:

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Di Jordan Sports Coordinator





Measles outbreaks

There has been a rapid rise in the number of measles cases reported around the country, with the number of notified cases so far this year already seven times higher than the total number of cases last year. There have been more than 100 cases in Canterbury, including 11 who have been hospitalised. The number of cases in Auckland is growing, and there are isolated cases in other regions. Measles is a highly infectious notifiable disease with serious complications. Case fatalities are around one per 1000. It is important to stop the spread of measles by keeping infected children at home. Immunisation is free, and is the best way to prevent measles. Doctors have begun recalling unimmunised patients to increase immunisation coverage.

Immunisation is free. Once immunised, 90 to 95 per cent of people are protected from measles.

What to do if measles occurs in early childhood education centres (ECE) and schools

Once a notification of measles is received by the local public health service, the early childhood centre or school the child attends will be contacted urgently by public health staff who will provide information and advice to the manager or principal.

Under the Health (Infectious and Notifiable Diseases) Regulations 1966 (Section 14), a student or teacher with measles must stay away from school for seven days from the appearance of the rash. Unimmunised students, or those with no immunity to measles, who have been close contacts of a measles case during the infectious stages will be excluded from school for 14 days from their last contact. This exclusion also applies to students taking part in sporting events.

You can get more information on measles and controlling infectious diseases from <http://www.moh.govt.nz/immunisation>
<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/1966/0087/latest/DLM24238.html>

You can also call the Immunisation Advisory Centre toll-free line 0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863) or going to the IMAC website <http://www.immune.org.nz>

If you would like to discuss these issues, please contact the local public health service.
<http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/indexmh/contact-us-public-health-services>

Entertainment books - fundraising

Here is your chance to buy one of these really useful and money-saving entertainment books. For **\$55** you get a whole heap of reduced prices and other great deals (2-for-1-price tickets to the movies, 2-for-1-price meals at many restaurants including top venues, great massage, bowling, hotel deals and many more). These books are available during school term from Student Services or if you would like to order over the phone and pay with your credit card, then either email linda.tarsa@whs.school.nz or phone her on 385 8911 ext 872



FROM THE SCIENCE FACULTY

Andrew Harrison was farewelled by his year 13 biology classmates before leaving on his student exchange to Germany. Eve Masters baked two delicious cakes -one artfully adorned with a map of New Zealand in honour of the tattoo Andrew had inscribed somewhere on his torso least he ever forget where home is. Travel well, Andrew. Bring us back some good stories.



ADVERTISEMENTS

Houghton Valley Playcentre presents The Thirteenth Annual Great Debate "The road to hell is paved with good intentions!" Speakers: Pinky Agnew, Darren Hughes, Annette King, Grant Walker, David Townsend, Brent Edwards and Chairperson Duncan Garner.

Thursday 27 August 'The Pines' 50 The Esplanade,
Houghton Bay, Doors open 7pm - light supper provided.

Tickets only \$20. Available from Debbie House ph 9744 172. All proceeds to Houghton Valley Playcentre. Lucky ticket prize and gold coin raffles on the night!

NCEA Holiday Revision Programme

Advance notice of this popular yearly event. In the first week of the coming September holidays Knowledgeshop NZ will once again run the external exam focused NCEA Holiday Revision Programme at WHS. Denis Wright is the school representative and will have brochures outlining subjects offered and costs from week six of this term. Subjects offered are likely to be the same as previous three years, ie all externally assessed achievement standards in Level 1 English, maths and science and level 2 English and maths. Level 3 offered only if there is sufficient demand. For more information contact denis.wright@whs.school.nz

HELL PIZZAS on Webb St are offering a special deal to WHS **senior** students who visit during lunchtime or after school. Just say that you are from Wellington High and you can buy any snack pizza for \$6 and any double sized pizza for \$12 (including the gourmet range).

Important dates to note for the remainder of Term Three

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Week 6	23 Aug 7pm CEC mtg in hall	24 August	25 August 8.30 – ICTPD BoT student rep election today	26 August	27 August	28 August Vic Uni open day Kawahaka Regionals Attitude Assembly P1 - Y10/P2 – Y9	6 June
Week 7	30 Aug	31 August	1 September 8.30 – ICTPD	2 September	3 September	4 September	5 Sept
Week 8	6 Sept	7 September	8 September 8.30 - ICTPD	9 September	10 September	11 September	12 Sept
Week 9	13 Sept	14 September 6.30 - L1/2/3 MUS group	15 September 8.30 - ICTPD	16 September	17 September	18 September LOUD SHIRT DAY	19 Sept ACE ends Term3
Week 10	20 Sept	21 September 6.00pm – BoT meeting	22 September 8.30 - ICTPD 1.20 - Toi Maori Aotearoa Performance 2.20 - Toi Maori Aotearoa Workshops	23 September	24 September 11.50 – Science Road show	25 September reports & newsletters posted home. End of Term 3	26 Sept
Italian Exchange (leaving 20 September and returning Sunday 11 October)							

Wellington Technical College and Wellington High School will celebrate 125 years over the Easter weekend 22-24 April 2011. If interested please go to our school website www.whs.school.nz and click on Reunion 2011 at the top of the home page