

Pathways Newsletter



Our Pathways & Gateway Team

Wellington High School careers team are available to meet with students to help with subject choice selection, enrolling for tertiary study, applying for scholarships, STAR & Trades Academy choices, CV preparation, applying for jobs, and more. Wellington High School has a dedicated team that provides guidance and assistance throughout this process.

Please contact the team below for any pathway-related advice.



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What's Coming Up?

- **Youth Impact** – Community Volunteering Opportunities 🧑‍🌾
- **University of Otago Information Evening** – 28th May @ 6 PM 💡
- **NZMA National Open Day!** — 29th May @ 10 AM 📅
- **GirlBoss Edge: Sustainability Programme** 🌱
- **Yoobee Colleges 2025 Short Courses** – Enrol today! 🍪
- **Future Leaders Academy 2025** – Applications open! 💪
- **Connexis - Upskill New Zealand's Infrastructure Workforce** 🚧
- **Evolve Wellington Youth Service - Learner Licence Workshops** 🚗
- **Girls in Infrastructure 2025** – Applications open! 👷‍♀️
- **University School Visits Timetable - Term 1, 2025** 🏫
- **Whitireia & WelTec Term 1 & 2 Taster Schedule 2025** 📅

👉 For more details on any of these, keep reading!



Youth Impact is a dynamic initiative powered by Volunteer Wellington, designed to engage and empower young people through meaningful volunteer opportunities.

Our Goals:

Empower youth with **life skills and work experience**.

Foster a strong sense of **community and belonging**.

Create **accessible and inclusive** volunteer opportunities.

BE PART OF THE IMPACT TODAY! Check out Youth Impact’s website to find out more about their current volunteer opportunities.



University of Otago Information Evening

At one of our information evenings for students and parents, you'll learn all about:

- Otago overview – What the University of Otago can offer you
- Accommodation – Life in a residential college, admission, scholarships, costs, support
- Study options – Arts, Law, Business, Sciences and Health Sciences

LOCATION	DATE	VENUE
Wellington (Central)	Wednesday 28 May, 6pm	Sky Stadium Function Centre, 105 Waterloo Quay, Pipitea, Wellington
Wellington (Hutt Valley)	Thursday 29 May, 6pm	The Dowse Art Museum, 45 Laings Road, Hutt Central, Lower Hutt



Join us for our NZMA National Open Day and see what student life is like at NZMA, New Zealand Institute of Sport and The Culinary Collective!

NZMA (Porirua)

- Education
- Early Childhood Education - L4 - (Half Year) & L5 (full year)
- Health
- Health Foundation (FREE) L2 - half year
- Health and Wellbeing (FREE) L3
- Full Year L4 courses
- Aged care and Complex Needs
- Nursing Prep
- Social Community Health
- Mental Health and Addiction
- Disability Support

NZIS (NZ Institute of Sports) - Wellington

- Sports - FREE - Foundation L2
- Certificate in Exercise and Sport (FREE) - L3 - half year
- Health and Fitness Personal Trainer - L4 - half year
- Advanced Health and Fitness Coach - L5 - half year
- Diploma in Sports Exercise and Recreation - L5 - full year
- Diploma in Human Performance - L6 - Full year

Other

- Certificate in Pre Police and Uniformed Services (FREE) L3 - half year.

If you are interested in attending the NZMA National Open day, please contact Chuni Bhikha, Pathways Advisor at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502 to register your interest.



Applications are **now open** for GirlBoss Edge: Sustainability - a FREE 10-day online career accelerator for young women ready to step up, stand out, and change the world.

Who is it for?

If you're passionate about Sustainability, Climate Change, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths), Policy, Social Impact, and Decarbonisation of Leadership, then GirlBoss Edge: Sustainability is perfect for you!

Here's what you'll gain:

- 1:1 Mentoring with career professionals in sustainability
- A CV-worthy challenge
- For women aged 15 yrs - 21 yrs
- April 11th - 20th 2025 (Starting at 5:00 PM on April 11th)

This self-paced program runs during the April School Holidays and is designed to fit around your busy schedule, requiring just 1-2 hrs a day to help you unlock your full potential.

- Access to world-class speakers, including TIME magazine's most influential teen, Melati Wijsen and TED Speaker & Climate Activist, Clover Hogan
- A GirlBoss goodie bag delivered to your door and what I LOVE most: an inspiring sisterhood of like-minded young women across Aotearoa.
- 93% of our alumni describe GirlBoss Edge as "life-changing".
- This opportunity is fully funded, thanks to our amazing sponsors.
- Spots are limited.

Applications close APRIL 2ND 2025!

Learn More and Apply Now!
<https://www.girlbossedge.com/sustainability>

YOOBEE COLLEGES LTD

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yoobee.ac.nz



We're excited to announce that our 2025 Short Course Programmes across **Yoobee, NZST,**

Elite, and **Cut Above** are now open for enrolments! These hands-on courses offer students an incredible opportunity to experience campus life, explore their passions, and taste what studying in their chosen field would be like after kura.

[View Available Short Course Dates & Programmes Here: STAR and Gateway 2025](#)

These courses are a fantastic way for students to develop new skills, gain confidence in their chosen area, and immerse themselves in a creative and professional learning environment. Don't miss out—encourage your students to enrol today!

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need further details.
<https://www.yoobee.ac.nz/>



NEW ZEALAND | FIJI | COOK ISLANDS
SAMOA | VANUATU | AUSTRALIA

Experience leadership training on a whole new level! For senior high school students aged between 16-18. 40 spaces per course. Apply now.

2025 Course Dates:

- April - Cook Islands
- July - Samoa
- September - Fiji
- December - Vanuatu

- ✓ Advanced Leadership Skills
- ✓ Decision Making
- ✓ Planning and Goal Setting
- ✓ Practice Leading A Diverse Team
- ✓ Enhance Your Communication
- ✓ Improve Your Career Prospects
- ✓ Take Action On Real Issues
- ✓ Demonstrate Your Resilience
- ✓ Join Our Leaders Community
- ✓ Embrace Pasifika Culture
- ✓ Grow your confidence



SCAN ME FOR MORE DETAILS!



Visit www.flacademy.com for programme dates

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Upskill Connexis - New Zealand's Infrastructure Workforce

We work with industry to upskill the Infrastructure workforce for the [Civil](#), [Energy](#), [Telecommunications](#), and [Water](#) sectors. Our programmes are nationally recognised by the

New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) and are mostly delivered through on-the-job training with campus and online learning options.

Our industry Initiatives And Events

- Annual Connection
- Gateway
- Girls with Hi-Vis
- Ultimate - Women In Infrastructure

For further information visit:
<https://www.connexis.org>



Evolve Wellington Youth Service offers Learner Licence workshops to support young people in gaining their driver's licence. The workshops are open to anyone aged 15-24 years based in Wellington. They are free and cover all the content you will need to learn to pass your Theory Test and get on the road safely. The workshops are drop-in-based and are completely at your own pace. We will help you pay the test fee and to get the necessary I.D. (e.g. Birth Certificate) to sit the test.

If you are keen to get involved, please get in touch with us. You don't have to be registered with Evolve to join our groups.
<https://www.evolveyouth.org.nz/learner-licence>

WHEN & WHERE:

Thursdays: 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm @ Evolve Youth Service.

These times and locations may vary during school holidays. Please contact us, or check out our social media, to stay up-to-date.

CONTACT:

projects@evolveyouth.org.nz



Event Details:



Location: TBC



Date: Thursday 19th June 2025



Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Students will be able to explore the diverse career opportunities in the infrastructure sector, through hands-on experiences and expert guidance. Participants will be divided into four groups, each led by female industry professionals, rotating through a variety of interactive activities:

1. Industry Exhibitions – Meet leading infrastructure companies and education providers.
2. Heavy Machinery Showcase – Get up close with cranes, diggers, and more.
3. Site Visit #1 – *Details to be confirmed.*
4. Site Visit #2 – *Details to be confirmed.*

Important Information:

- This event is open to students aged 16 years and older.
- All attendees must wear fully closed shoes and long trousers. High-visibility vests will be provided on arrival.
- Lunch will be provided, thanks to the generous support of our industry sponsors.

These events offer an unparalleled opportunity for students to:

- ◆ Step onto live construction sites and experience real-world infrastructure projects
- ◆ Get up close with heavy machinery like diggers, cranes, dump trucks and more!
- ◆ Engage with leading infrastructure companies and education providers to discuss opportunities in the sector

For more details, visit our website:
www.girlsininfrastructure.org.nz

If you are interested in this event, please contact Chuni Bhikha at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S50

UNIVERSITY VISITS – TERM 1 (2025)

The purpose of these visits:

- To give some general info about the University
- A quick overview of the region
- An outline of the most well-known programmes of this university
- A brief intro about scholarships, accommodation/halls/hostels and applications
- Timeline of important dates
- An invitation to “sign up” for regular updates and reminders

UNIVERSITY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
University of Auckland	Tues 25 March	1.20 pm	M410
Lincoln University	Mon 31 March	11.00 pm	Library Seminar Room
University of Canterbury	Tues 1 April	1.20 pm	M410
University of Otago	Fri 23 May	1.20 pm	M410

For further information regarding these upcoming visits please contact Chuni Bhikha, Pathways Advisor at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502.

Whitireia & WelTec Term 1 (Yr11 - Yr13) - Taster Schedule 2025

Whitireia & WelTec offer Tasters to secondary school students that run half-days to full-days. These provide experiences for ākonga in a variety of programmes. If you are interested in attending these taster programmes please contact Chuni Bhikha (Pathways Advisor) at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502.

Programme	Campus	Term	Dates	Time
Site Safe Building Construction Passport	Porirua, J Block	1	Wednesday 26th March	10 am - 3 pm
Taster Introduction to Cookery	Petone Petone	1	Monday 24th March Monday 7 April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm 9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Hairdressing	Porirua	1	Monday 14th April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Hairdressing	Petone	1	Monday 7th April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Barbering	Porirua	1	Monday 14th April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Barbering	TKA, 65 Dixon Street, Te Aro	1	Monday 14th April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Makeup Basics	TKA, 65 Dixon Street, Te Aro	1	Monday 14th April	9.30 am - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Nursing & Paramedicine	Porirua	1	Friday 28th March FULLY BOOKED! Check out the Term 2 opportunities below.	Nursing 9.30 am - 12 pm Paramedicine 12.30 pm - 2.30 pm
Taster Introduction to Nursing	Porirua	1	Tuesday 1st April	9 am - 12 pm

Whitireia & WelTec Term 2 (Yr11 - Yr13) - Taster Schedule 2025

Programme	Campus	Term	Dates	Time
Taster Introduction to Cookery	Petone	2	Wednesday 21 May Monday 16 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Bakery	Petone	2	Monday 19 May Wednesday 18 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Beauty Therapy	Petone	2	Friday 16 May Friday 23 May	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Nursing	Porirua	2	Friday 23 May	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Taster Introduction to Paramedicine	Porirua	2	Wednesday 21 May	9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Carpentry	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 16 May Friday 13 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Painting & Decorating	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 16 May Friday 13 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Tiling & Plastering	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 16 May Friday 13 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Electrical	Petone	2	Friday 30 May	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Plumbing	Petone	2	Friday 13 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Automotive	Porirua	2	Wednesday 14 May Wednesday 18 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Youth Work	Porirua	2	Tuesday 20 May	9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Taster Introduction to IT Hardware Building & Game Development	Petone	2	Tuesday 3 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Architecture Technology & Quantity Surveying	Petone	2	Tuesday 3 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Commercial Dance	TKA, 65 Dixon Street	2	Tuesday 6 May Tuesday 10 June	8:45 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Musical Theatre	TKA, 65 Dixon Street	2	Tuesday 6 May Tuesday 10 June	8:45 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Drama	TKA, 65 Dixon Street	2	Wednesday 7 May Wednesday 11 June	9:00 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Music	TKA, 65 Dixon Street	2	Friday 2 May Friday 6 June	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Veterinary Nursing & Animal Care	Petone	2	Wednesday 7 May	9:30 am - 2:30 pm