



Hutt Valley High School News

Te Kura Tuarua O Te Awakairangi

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Yesterday we had our annual exchange with Whanganui High School. This is year three of the exchange, which we instituted because theirs is a school of similar size to us, within a one day travel and compete window and able to offer strong competition. That was certainly the case yesterday, where over the various sports we won four, drew one and lost six. Despite coming away without the result we sought, it was a great day where the experience of being hosted elsewhere and playing away is part of a wider education that provides the memorable moments in students' school lives. It poured with rain at times, but that comes with the territory in winter sports and mild temperatures meant we didn't suffer too much either as players or spectators. The WHS people had a system whereby they picked Most Valuable Players in our teams, as we did for theirs. That added a lovely touch.

I have had messages about other positive events in the school over the last week and want to pass those on. Kate Eggleton is the International Team Manager for the St John Youth New Zealand Team who competed at the St John International Cadet Camp and Competitions. Michaela Judson 12PL was a member of that group and her team excelled, taking out the title of Champion Team. Michaela also won her pairs and individual test. Congratulations to Michaela.

This Sunday 26th at the Notre Dame Performing Arts Centre 65 Laings Road (2.00 pm to 4.00 pm; admission free) a group of our students will be performing in the 24th Lower Hutt Community Concert. The dance groups involve students from both the Year 10 dance classes, the cheerleading team, a duet by two senior dancers and a performance by the Year 11 dance class. Our dancers have a terrific recent record in terms of regional and national competition, and this will be a chance for them to show their talent to a local audience.

On a slightly more unusual note, one of our ex-students Tijana Selak (left in 2009) has been selected for the finals of the Miss Universe New Zealand competition and would appreciate any support for the competition website page where people can vote for her. That both supports

her and the children's charity at the centre of the event, Variety.

This is certainly a week of mixed experiences for me. It's great to see our students past and present doing well. The other part of my job is trying to make the finances work. I'm off this afternoon to a Ministry of Education Principals' Reference Group meeting where the Ministry's new thoughts on funding models will be discussed. The material has real challenges for schools, as is beginning to be debated in the media. Already this year the Ministry has announced a zero increase for school bulk grants this year, a step that will mean a \$25,000 funding shortfall for us. Alongside that, we are facing continuing huge pressure in local funds – donations in other words. We are currently \$45,000 behind where we were last year for this income, and the double impact of reduced state and donations income is squeezing us hard. Last year 40% of New Zealand schools ran at a deficit and these new pressures can only make that worse. While the MOE trumpets budget increases for 2017, these are really only increases to cater for an increased population. The reality is that schools are being required to work with less income, and in a context where schools' social and equity services are ever increasing. It's a perfect storm of financial pressure.

Put bluntly, we need your help. For every family that pays the school donation there is an immediate and distinct gain for your children. Those funds allow us to do what we do. To those who have donated already, thank you. We work hard to offer a huge array of opportunities at this school; many of them outside the core classroom experience. It all costs, and it's all fundamental to providing a rounded education that is all about the whole individual. Please help us to continue doing that.

Ross Sinclair
Principal



Congratulations to:

★ Congratulations to the four HVHS Underwater hockey teams who participated in the Central Zone Championships last weekend. Two teams got 2nd in their grade. Several students were also selected as U18 trialists to compete in Australia.

★ Congratulations to our rugby players - **Peter Allot** 12EE, **Tai Misa-Bryce** 11KE and **Ollie Wrigley** 11KE who have been invited to attend the 2016 "Mick Williment coaching Week" in the July Holidays.

★ Well done to our runners who completed in the NZ Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships over the weekend.

Individual Results:

Jonathon Roberts 9HAML - 15th in the Year 9 Boys 3km

Phoebe McKnight 10BEPA - 7th Junior Girls Under 16 3km

Jayne Maxwell 11CR - 14th Senior Girls Under 20 4km

Peter Roberts 11KG - 56th Senior Boys Under 20 6km

Matthew Roberts 13DE - 205th Senior Boys Under 20 6km

Wellington Relay Team results:

Jayne Maxwell (Wellington Senior Girls Relay team) won Silver and

Jonathon Roberts (Wellington Year 9 Boys team) who were placed 3rd in the relays on Sunday. Great work!

Looking Ahead

June

24 Rockquest Finals
 27-29 **Year 13 Sport Trip 1**
 29-1 July Year 13 Sport Trip 2
 30 **Year 11 German Trip**

July

1 **Year 10 Pasifica Business Trip**
 4-8 Year 9 Eye Testing
 8 **Last Day of Term 2**
 9-24 School Holidays
 25 **First Day of Term 3**
 25-29 Year 11 Eye Testing
 28 **Australian Mathematics Competition**

August

1 Closing date for Year 9 2017 out of zone enrolment applications
 1-5 **Careers Week**
 3 Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.30 pm
 4 **Winter Sports Photos**
 5 Year 13 Sport Mud Run
 8-12 **Year 12 Drama Production**
 10 Young Enterprise Exam

Whanganui Sport Exchange Results

Below are the results of the yesterday's sports exchange. Whanganui High School selected the Most Valuable Player (MVP) from each of our teams:

A1 Netball - loss - MVP **Jaimee Beal** 10GEKL
 A2 Netball - lost - MVP **Paris Nicholson** 12DN
 Boys Hockey - loss - MVP **Mandev Maan** 11IC
 Girls Hockey - loss - MVP **Jessie Manning** 12PL
 Boys Football - win - **Manyumow Achol** 12EE
 Girls Football - draw - MVP **Macey Caughley** 9HLYN
 Boys Basketball - loss - **Dillon Nickel** 11NI
 Girls Basketball - win - MVP **Leah Mafua** 11KE
 First XV Rugby - loss - MVP **Alex Starbuck** 13LY
 Boys Badminton - win - MVP **Sam Zhang** 12HF
 Girls Badminton - win - MVP **Dreamy Yang** 12RO

Youth Survey

My name is Grace Holmes and I am the Youth MP for Hutt South. I am taking part in the Youth Parliament being held in July of this year and during my time as Youth MP, I am working on a project that will hopefully help out many of my peers, the students at your school.

I wanted to do something that could give a helping hand to the youth of our city. The issues facing youth that I identified could all be categorised into either: employment, mental health, sexual health or engagement in the voting process. Through my research, I have found there are a number of support options available to students but that these are necessarily the places young people turn to when they are in need. To better understand where our young people are accessing information I decided to put out a survey. My hope is that by identifying where our young people are currently going for help, we can look to better target the services available to them and ultimately give them the support when and where they need it.

A link to my survey can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V2VZPM9> The survey will be live until Wednesday 13 July.

Finals of the Co-Ed Cup

Congratulations to the First XV Rugby Team for making it to the finals of the Co-ed Cup.

They are playing Wainuiomata High School on Wednesday 29 June at 6.00 pm under the floodlights at Hutt Park.

This is an awesome achievement and if you are able to come down and support the team that would be great!



Scholarship Exam Fees

If there are financial barriers that stop you from paying the entry fee please see Mr Larkin ASAP for assistance.

If you are sitting more than 3 scholarship exams the school will pay for these additional exams e.g HVHS will pay for the 4th, and/or 5th and/or 6th scholarship exam.

Girl Up Leadership Summit

On July 31 Girl Up is hosting their second Leadership Summit in Wellington. We are inviting inspired young people from around the region to join us for an amazing day with inspiring speakers and engaging skills-based workshops. Girl Up is a campaign of the United Nations Foundation that empowers girls both here and in developing countries to inspire change in their communities.

There are spots for 100 high school students to attend the Leadership Summit. We will be celebrating the empowerment of girls everywhere and the day will be based around our theme "Connect, Lead, Learn". Delegates will hear from inspiring speakers and be able to closely interact with them in more intimate workshops. Some of our notable speakers include Jan Logie, a Green party MP, Ethan Donnell, a human rights journalist and member of TedX Wellington's core team, and Sarah Gibbs, co-founder of Trilogy skincare.

Date: Sunday 31 July

Time: 9.30am – 4pm

Location: Queen Margaret College (53 Hobson St, Thorndon), Wellington

Price: \$25NZD

If your students are interested in registering they can do so through this link <http://goo.gl/forms/jARttIqXXufdfDay2> They can also find out more details on our Facebook page — Girl Up Kāpiti College. Registrations close on Friday 8 July.

Driving Licence Credits

NZQA are offering Unit Standard credits for Learner, Restricted and Full NZ Driving Licences gained after 27 Feb 2012. This is part of a recognition of prior learning initiative.

The Learner Licence is worth 2 level 1 credits, the Restricted is worth 4 level 2 credits, and the Full is worth 2 level 2 credits. If you have your Full Licence you can get 8 credits in total.

A one page application sheet is available from the Deans' Secretary. Students yet to complete level 1 and 2 NCEA should apply. If you have level 2 already you can still apply if you want to.

You must complete the application sheet and return it with a photocopy of your licence to the Deans' Secretary. You MUST also bring in the original licence to be sighted by the Deans' Secretary.

The appropriate credits will then be added to your NCEA record ASAP.

Note: Each time you gain a licence at Learner, Restricted or Full you may apply. You do not have to wait until you have your full licence to apply. However, if you have your Full Licence now, you only need to supply that and you will get ALL the credits, likewise if you supply the Restricted Licence you will get the Learner credits automatically as well.

HVHS Karakia

Kia piki te mauri
Kia kake te mauri
Ko te mauri o tēnei huinga
Ko te mauri o tēnei kura
Mauri oho,
Mauri tū,
Mauri ora ki a tatou

Loosely translated it means,
Let us lift up the mauri - (energy/ vital essence/ special character)

Let the mauri ascend.

The mauri of our gathering together, the mauri of our school

May it awaken, may it stand/ be established and give life and well being to us all.

Loose translation!

Below is the Moorfield definition of Mauri.
maurilay

1. (noun) life principle, vital essence, special nature, a material symbol of a life principle, source of emotions - the essential quality and vitality of a being or entity. Also used for a physical object, individual, ecosystem or social group in which this essence is located.