



Hutt Valley High School News

Te Kura Tuarua O Te Awakairangi

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Last week saw the last day of scheduled classes for Years 11 and 12, and the end of tutorial week for Year 13. This week senior students are on study leave, and on Thursday, NCEA and Scholarship examinations begin. Students have been given examination entry slips and full NZQA instructions. If for any reason a student has missed out on these, they should come in to the student office, who will be able to supply a copy. The admission slips are just that; students must have them to enter the examination room for any subject. It is preferable that students come in this week to sort any such issues; on the day of the examination having that extra step under time pressure simply causes stress.

This is already a time of stress for many students, and I remind both students and families that help here at school continues in a variety of forms. Students who need clarification of academic points can still access their teachers for help. For a few students who have sudden changes in their own circumstances or those of their families, help from guidance remains available throughout the examination period. Families seeking support from the school can continue to do so. Staff are here for the single purpose of helping students to succeed and that continues.

For those in Year 9 and 10 who have school as usual, there is the reappearance of the seasonal health and safety risk that is sunburn. In recent sunny days, I've asked many students reclining in splendour in the open whether they are carrying or using sunblock and I am yet to hear a "yes". On the basis that there are further sunny days to come, I remind all on site of the risk of sunburn, and of the fact that whether your skin is fair or not, burns are possible and even likely at this time of year. Please take the sensible precautions that are all about looking after ourselves.

On Friday, as is our tradition on the last day of scheduled classes for Year 12, we posted the names of the next year's school leaders exactly fifteen minutes after school finishes. The time gap was to allow Year 12 students to mill around here and share the public moment if they wished, or to head away to privacy if they prefer that. Inevitably, for some there is joy and for some disappointment and a few tears. We try to allow students to retain their dignity and to choose how they

want to hear the news. For those who are successful, congratulations. To those whose hopes were raised but not fulfilled, thank you for volunteering and please understand that in a very large year group not all, irrespective of talent, can have the main roles. However, there are many, many opportunities to take on leadership as Year 13s, including creating new aspects of school life. I would love to see each Year 13 set a personal goal to contribute as a leader, and to explore the capacity of HVHS to do good in its community. Ideas that contribute to the wellness goals of the school are particularly welcome, as we work to build resilience and mutual assistance throughout the school. 2018 will have a strong student leadership group, and the names of those appointed to the core roles are posted in this newsletter. Congratulations to you all.

Last night the College Sport Wellington Sportsperson of the Year Awards were held at Te Rauparaha Stadium in Porirua. These awards cover the competitions that the 44 local secondary schools take part in, and recognise three male, three female and three finalists in each code, with a female and a male winner announced in each case. We had 12 finalists last night and five individuals were chosen as the Sportsperson of the Year in their 2017 competitions.

They were:

Charlotte Galloway 11KL Squash
 Ken Jiang 12NI Badminton
 Phoebe McKnight 11BE Cross Country - Road Racing
 Tane Rolfe 13KN Ultimate Frisbee
 Nick Smith 13KN Athletics

Congratulations to all the finalists, listed elsewhere in the newsletter, and to the individual winners.

To Year 11, 12 and 13 best wishes with your external assessments. We look forward to hearing of the success you will create in the next weeks.

Ross Sinclair
 Principal

Congratulations to:

★ Congratulations to the following students who competed in the Australian Mathematics Competition 2017:

Year 9

Sakura Gregory 9HUGU - High Distinction

Joseph Sime 9HUGU - Distinction

Caleb Genet 9BVFY - Distinction

Shameena Jagu 9GELY - Distinction

Ashwini Sukumaran 9BVFY - Distinction

Year 10

William Berry 10HRRI - High Distinction

Charlotte Coulson 10HRRI - Distinction

Aidan Robins 10HRRI - Distinction

Kevin Zeng 10HRRI - Distinction

Kieran Smtih 10HRRI - Distinction

Shunhua Ding 10LANV - Distinction

Year 11

Ethan Maxwell 11OA - Distinction

★ **Alexandra Hanaray** 13CV, **Annabel Fisher** 11OA and **Neev Mackenzie** 10MXTM competed at the National Cheerleading competition at the weekend. Their senior level 3 team finished first and also awarded top tumbling team out of all teams competing all levels, and won a bid to compete in Queensland next year. Alex also competed as an individual at level 5 and came 4th.

College Sport Wellington Sportsperson of the Year Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have made the finalists for the 2017 College Sport Wellington Sportsperson of the Year Awards to be held on Sunday:

Emma Doile 13MZ - Ultimate Frisbee

Charlotte Galloway 11KL - Squash WINNER

Maya Hahn 12WH - Football

Ken Jiang 12NI - Badminton WINNER

Mikayla Lewin 13KN - Softball

Leah Mafua 12KE - Basketball

Jessie Manning 13PL - Hockey

Jayne Maxwell 12CR - Cross Country

Phoebe McKnight 11BE - Athletics/Cross Country
WINNER

Madison Nydam 13KN - Futsal

Tane Rolfe 13KN - Ultimate Frisbee WINNER

Nick Smith 13KN - Athletics WINNER

Jenny Rippon - our Badminton guru is also a finalist for the Volunteer of the Year award.

Looking Ahead

November

8	Year 10 Basketball Trip
9	NCEA Exams begin
10-11	Year 9 and 10 Volleyball Trip
12-18	Year 9 Camps
15	Year 9 and 10 AFL Competiton
15	Supporting Youth Wellbeing Evening
23	SLC Sports Exchange
23-28	Year 10 School Exams
29-30	Year 9 Water Safety Days
29	Board of Trustees Meeting, 5.30 pm

December

1	NCEA Exams end
4	Year 9 Water Safety Day
4	Year 13 Graduation Prizegiving, 7.00 pm
5	Year 11 and 12 Combined Prizegiving, 10.30 am
7	Maori Student Leadership Day
8	Year 9 and 10 Learning Conversations
12	Year 10 Prizegiving, 9.00 am
12	Year 9 Prizegiving, 10.30 am

HVHS Sports Awards Evening

Congratulations to all our nominations and winners from last night's awards!

MAJOR AWARDS:

Volunteer of the Year - **Jenny Rippon**

Team of the Year - **Badminton Premier Boys**

Sports Person of the Year - **Maya Hahn** 12WH

Full results are on our facebook page: [HVHS Sport](#)

Football Coaching Positions for 2018

We are seeking applications for Football coaches for our 1st XI Boys, 2nd XI Boys, 3rd XI Boys and Junior 1st XI Boys teams for the 2018 season.

More information visit is one our website. Applications close on Friday 3 November 2017 and can be sent to the Director of Sport, Private Bag 31 909, Lower Hutt or sport@hvhs.school.nz

SUMMERTIME SWING

Jazz night in Lower Hutt organised
by students with students performing
for the people of Lower Hutt to enjoy.



FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER
THE DOWSE JAMES
COE CENTRE 6-9PM

Sacred Heart Jazz Band
HVHS Jazz Band
Saint Orans Jazz Band

Koha Entry
Suggested: Student - Gold Coin, Adult - \$5

All ages welcome
Food & drink available from Bellbird Eatery

Te Hotuwaipara Maori Awards Evening

Hakinakina Sports person of the Year:

Mikayla Lewin 13KN and **Leah Mafua** 12KE

Highly Successful in Te Reo:

NCEA Level 3 in Year 10 - **Aidan Edward** 10GLTS
NCEA Level 3 in Year 10 - **Nanaia Himona** 10GLTS
Studying at Victoria University - **Safari Hynes** 12SR

Excellence in Service:

Safari Hynes 12SR, **Paris Nicholson** 13JD, **Mikayla Lewin** 13KN and **Tane Rolfe** 13KN

Outstanding Maori Student Awards:

Junior - **Nanaia Himona** 10GLTS and **Oliver Pickering** 10BLMS
Senior - **Paris Nicholson** 13JD and **Tane Rolfe** 13KN

Top Academic Students:

Year 9 - **Joel Tetava** 9CLAE and **Olivia Poynter** 9ROBC
Year 10 - **Billie Ihaka** 10HRRI and **Matiu Inwood** 10HRRI
Year 11 - **Ariana Ruck** 11BE and **Sebastien Ford** 11ST
Year 12 - **Matariki Kapea** 12NI and **Safari Hynes** 12SR
Year 13 - **Mikayla Lewin** 13KN and **Tashi Hogan** 13RS

Toi Whakaari Performing Arts person of the Year:

Paris Nicholson 13JD and **Tane Rolfe** 13KN

Term 4 Learning Conversations - 8 December for all Year 9 and 10 students

Term 4 Learning Conversations will be led by the student, with support from their mentor teacher. Students will begin preparation for their learning conversation shortly. Students will share with you the progress that they have made towards achieving their goals, they will showcase some of their work, and share their profile on the Career Central site. This is a new programme that the school is using to guide students towards an eventual career choice. There will be no normal classes on Learning Conversation Day. Our aim is to have a learning conversation with every Year 9 and 10 student.

Parents and caregivers will be able to book online using 'School Interviews'. The site will be open from **Tuesday 7 November at 10.00 am**.

To book your Learning Conversation online you just need to:

- Go to <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>
- Enter the Event Code which is **cw4pu**
- Enter your name, your student's name and your email address
- Pick your student's mentor teacher from the list of teachers
- You will then see a timetable showing when your chosen mentor teacher is available
- Click on a time that suits you
- When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. You can return to the site and change your interviews whenever you want.

If you prefer you can book by calling or emailing Jill Wheeler the Dean's Secretary who will book the appointment for you - jill.wheeler@hvhs.school.nz or phone 566 4584 ext 8819.

Shift Your Stress Away

Don't let the stress of exams get you down. Shift your stress away with a wellness break! Join Shift, Shut Up & Dance and Yoga Rhapsody for 2 hours of fun movement, mindfulness and free Gelissimo gelato! Bliss!! FREE for all types of women aged 12 – 20 (+bring your mum!) Shift your body to Shift your mind on Saturday November 18th, 1-3pm in Civic Square, Wellington
Register www.shiftnz.org/whatson

Head Students 2018

We congratulate the following students selected as Year 13 leaders for 2018

Head Boy:	Safari Hynes
Head Girl:	Jemima Jansen
Deputy Head Boy:	Emerik Wallace
Deputy Head Girl:	Samantha Chapman
Cultural Captains:	Ben Hubmann and Lisa Philipsen
Sports Captains:	Matariki Kapea and Maya Hahn
Service Captains:	Sidamjit Dhaliwal and Bhaavya Mylavarpu
Junior School:	Russell Syder and Emma Kelly
House Captains	
<i>Pukeariki</i>	Quintyn Matagi and Mahinarangi Warbrick-Ellison
<i>Remutaka</i>	Reuben Neely and Olivia Thompson
<i>Pukeatua</i>	Altar Nua and Nicola Rudge
<i>Tararua</i>	Maxwell Watene and Nydia Salmon
<i>Matairangi</i>	Alexander Scott-Billing and Erin Monckton
<i>Orongorongo</i>	Kade Muru and Haylee Scoble

Liaison Students 2018:

Tom Blair	Angus Horan
Tai Misa-Bryce	Leilani Smith
Dorrie Brennan	Sophie Hughes
Harriet Mitchell	Lydia Smith
Luca Crampton	Alice Ihaka
Danyelle Nocete	Scott Syder
Saliya Dissanayake	Laura Kelly
Peter Roberts	Micah Tofilau
Benjamin Doornbos	Ryan Kelly
Trinity Rodger	Kamla Waila
Isabel Farrell	Josie Kroger
Hilary Sheridan	Eric Zhou
Rishabh Gandhi	Kathleen Laurence
Ahhash Sivasith	Louise Harkness
Kiera McKechnie	

School Office, Library and Resource Centre Closure

The School Office, Library and Resource Centre will be closed on Wednesday 8 November until 9.30 am due to professional development.

2017 NZQA Information

NCEA fee payment direct to NZQA

- Payment of NCEA fees via the school has closed
- NZQA will accept 2017 fees directly from candidates. Candidates can log in to the NZQA website and pay their 2017 fees online using the learner login.

Late fees and reminders

- Any NCEA and New Zealand Scholarship payments made after 1 December 2017 will incur a late fee of \$50
- NZQA will send a letter to all affected candidates by late October reminding them they have unpaid 2017 fees.

Admission Slips to the Nov-Dec NCEA Exams

- Students have received their NCEA Exam Admission Slips last week
- These slips will have the exams that students are entered into, the date and the time.
- Students who have been entered late into an external standard will need to get a new admission slip reprinted from the office in Week 3. If a slip is lost a new slip can be obtained from the student office as well.

Reminder - Year 9

Year 9 Camp and Activity Days - payment is due now to the Resource Centre. Gear list and health forms were handed out on Friday. Please return to the Deans asap.

Apps for NCEA

Twitter - @NCEAexams

The official NZQA Twitter profile, updating students on NCEA exams, and more.

Two App recommendations

1. *NCEAGuide*

NCEA Guide includes key content about the structure of NCEA, how the qualification is used after studying, how credits work, and how endorsements are earned. Users can also choose to view the content in English or Te Reo.

2. *NCEAstudent*

It complements the NCEA Guide App launched by NZQA last year to assist parents and employers to understand NCEA.

The free NCEA Student App has been developed to help students track their NCEA credit progress and set goals for further achievement.