



Hutt Valley High School News

Te Kura Tuarua O Te Awakairangi

Dear Parents and Caregivers

This last week of term has seen tired students and tired teachers looking forward to a break. The business of schools is a demanding one, and I thank all the students and staff for their efforts, as well as those who support us through the year by volunteering for a multitude of tasks ranging from reader-writers, archives, sports, clubs, activities, speaking to student groups, or by sponsoring groups or teams or making donations so that the entire enterprise is possible.

The connections built up by a school extend across time, as all well know. Next term in Week 2's Careers Week, Mrs House has arranged careers chats from a group of people who were the original liaison students for this year's Year 13 when they began as Year 9s in 2012. It's a great idea and emphasises the connections made at school.

Those connections are wider still, and people will be aware that next term will also see our 90th year passed. The original planning for the reunion, involving decade dinners and supporting activities ran into the hard reality of numbers too low for that to be viable, and we had to cancel bookings in order to release commercial premises to take outside bookings rather than hold spaces for our ex-students. At the point we made that decision we had just 19 bookings from a contact run of over 3000. The goodwill towards the school is out there; we know that, but the idea of a 90th clearly lacks the resonance of a 75th or 100th. Even so, there are several people who have told us they would be interested but had not made bookings, and the Past Pupils and Friends are running a gathering on the weekend of the 13 August that will be pitched at a level that works for the numbers interested. Details of that are on the website. The weekend will centre on the Music Department concert on the Saturday, and other supporting aspects that were in train for the original reunion concept will remain, including display of archives material that are being worked on.

The echoes of the past were seen in practice in last week's Wellington Gold Awards, where two ex-

students featured. Steve Tew received a Wellington Icon Award, and included an image of his old school in his introduction, while Malcolm Sanderson from Sanpro Industries (Global Gold – Exporter Award) also acknowledged HVHS in his speech. We often benefit from the warmth of ex-students as they look for ways to add to the school, and it's lovely to see that connection play out. One such event last week was a fundraiser run by our Whanau Group last Thursday which raised \$700 to buy two chromebooks for students whose families are not in a position to do that for their children. This continues the generosity of our community in donations made earlier in the year to help make a "bring your own device" environment one for all students. Thank you to all who have contributed to that this year and last. The need for such intervention will continue, of course. The reality of the fact is that some in our community are facing tough times, but we can and do help.

One of our current classes is also setting out to help. The Year 9 Deans have challenged classes to consider ways they might help others and 9BAPR have decided to run a can donations event in Week 2 of next term. They will do posters for display next term, and have addressed assemblies this week. They hope that the school will get in behind their project and donate cans and imperishables that they will then pass on to the Hutt City Food Bank, just in time for when winter power bills really hit families hard. It's an excellent project and the students are excited at the prospect of doing something meaningful and substantial to assist others.

As we end the term I wish all in our community a break that renews and energises, and which provides the chance to spend time with families and friends that can be so hard to find in term time.

Ross Sinclair
Principal



Congratulations to:

- ★ Congratulations to the team of **Rylee Tafa** 9TVDR, **Christianne Galuefa** 9TVDR, **Korban Gell** 10OABT and **Mason Pope** 10CHKA who placed 4th in the *Pasifika Bizninja* competition this week. The team impressed the judges with their ideas and presentation.
- ★ Results from the College Sport Wellington Individual Swimming Championships held on 23 June at Naenae Pool.
Alexander Unstead-Joss 9MXTM - 3rd 50m breaststroke, 100m breaststroke, 8th 100m individual medley
Phoebe McKnight 10BEPA - 8th 200m freestyle, 6th 100m butterfly
Anton Piters 12NS - 3rd= 100m breaststroke, 4th 50m breaststroke, 8th 100m individual medley.
- ★ Congratulations to **Nick Henderson** 13KN who has been selected in the NZ Team to compete in the Australian Cadet Championships in the foil and foil team fencing events.
- ★ Congratulations to these junior students who participated in the first round of the NZ Spelling Bee:
Charlotte Coulson 9HSHR
Amy Broeders 10BEPA
Thomas Baty 10VEDY
Imali De Silva 9TVDR
Special congratulations to Charlotte Coulson, who has qualified for the semi-final of the Spelling Bee, which will be held in August..
- ★ Congratulations to **Alex Hamilton** 9BKTS and **Ethan Cranefield** 9HSHR who won the College Sport Wellington Junior Doubles Badminton Championships last week.
- ★ Also congratulations to **Lik de Chun** 12EE who won the College Sport Wellington Senior

Term 2 School Reports

Term 2 reports have been emailed today. Please note if you are a Paradise or Clear customer some emails have been returned "undeliverable".

All reports will also be available on the Parent Portal next week.

Looking Ahead

July

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
29	Year 9 Sailing Experience

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
3	NCEA and Subject Choice Evening for Parents
4	Careers Expo
5	Year 13 Sport Mud Run
8-12	Year 12 Drama Production
9	Level 3 PE Cultural Sites Trip
9	Refugee Careers Evening
10	Young Enterprise Exam

Good Luck to:

- ★ **Mikayla Lewin** 12Cv as she travels to Hawaii as part of the NZ Junior White Sox Softball Squad.
- ★ **Caitlyn Lewin** 10GEKL who is currently playing in the Friendship Games in Sydney as a member of the NZ Emerging Sox.
- ★ **Moss Grenfell** who has been playing in the NZ Under 18 Underwater Hockey team in the Trans Tasman Underwater Hockey Championships in Hobart this week.
- ★ Good luck to HVHS students **Tane Rolfe** 12WL, **Hannah Taylor** 13DD and **Emma Doile** 12EE who are all heading to Poland for the Ultimate Frisbee World Championships during the school holidays. Ex-HVHS students Nick Bielby, Ryan Sheridan, Tyler Titov-Smith, Vincent McQueen and Tom Curtis are also attending. Thanks to Mike Sheridan who has coached these students while they attended HVHS and has had a significant impact on the development of all these players.

Year 9 Enrolments for 2017

The closing date for out of zone applications for students in Year 9 in 2017 is Monday 1 August at 4.00 pm.

If you currently live out of zone and wish to enrol a student for next year, you must apply in the out of zone ballot (even if you have older siblings currently attending).

We would appreciate any in zone applications being made by this date also.

2016 NZQA Fees

NCEA Fees, including Scholarship fees are due by 31 August.

Level 1, 2 and 3 - \$76.50 per student (the money covers internal and external standards)
Scholarship - \$30.00 per exam

Students who are entering the Scholarship exams need to return the completed form (available at the Student Office) and return to Mr Larkin by 12 August.

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.

If there are financial barriers that stop you from paying the entry fee please see Mr Larkin ASAP for assistance. Financial Assistance forms are also available at the Resource Centre.

Uniform

The cold weather has struck. Please note that the only warm layers that students may wear are the following:

- Plain black tailored straight-legged trousers
- Long-sleeved blouse or shirt
- HVHS beanie
- HVHS black and white scarf
- White thermal undershirts

Black jeans, black ankle boots, black chinos, black hoodys, coloured hoodys, HVHS sports hoodys and coloured jackets are not part of our daily school uniform and we ask that you ensure your child does not wear these items to school. They may tell you that 'everyone' wears them, but we assure you they do not.

We encourage students to wear a school blazer or plain black jacket as their warm outer layer. Blazers have a high resale at the Resource Centre - so you will be able to recoup some of the purchase costs, especially if the blazer is in excellent condition.

Request from the Science Department

If anyone is having home insulation installed the Science department would like off cuts (minimum size of A4 paper) of polyester or wool batts for use in Year 11 heat experiments.

Please contact evan.sutherland@hvhs.school.nz if you are able to help.

Thank you in advance.

Office closed during holidays

Please note the school office and the Resource Centre will be closed from for the holidays.

Normal office hours will resume on Monday 25 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.

YEAR 9 AND 10 AWARDS - TERM 2

We enjoy acknowledging the successes of students as they strive to achieve their best. Each term we present awards to two students from each form class to reward them for aspects of their learning.

For Term 2 we were focusing on significant improvement in academic learning. Congratulations to the following students on receiving an award:

Year 9		Year 10	
9BAPR	Kingi Lewin Carolyn Morris	10BEPA	Peter Hazeldine Rashika Kunanayagam
9BKTS	Floyd Legaspi Donnelle Walker	10CHKA	Sheynaya Lafou Ruth Tonise
9GOFL	Renee Kingi Maneil Ravji	10EDVI	Tharshan Kajenthiran Alicia Mitchell-Barker
9HAML	Karina Dyer Oliver Pickering	10FEHD	Asia Ali Cameron Wash
9HSHR	Jack Burdan Alyssa Koo	10FRBV	Zoe Houston Elijah Schwamm
9HYGW	Bradley Durie Molly McNeillage	10GEKL	Caitlyn Lewin Shuriti Phartiyal
9LANV	Te Wai Adds Stephanie Roberts	10HURG	Sally Bird Tanaya Henderson
9MKHL	Elizabeth Cotton Jackson Taylor	10OABT	Olivia Hyett Alec Lun
9MRDM	Candria Andriatovoaritsoa Makaiya Milburn	10SKTJ	Faiz Ali Iverson Tarun
9MXTM	Olivia Lu Tamara Popov-Rackov	10VEDY	Gwen Clayton Esther Sopoaga
9SPPF	Alma Nua Andrew Wormald	10WDST	Abel Kajendrasselan Sarah O'Regan
9TANB	Bethany Baker Orla Longdon	10WSPN	Amelia Blain-Anderson Jack Standish
9TVDR	Tomas Pajo Grace Davidson		
LSU	Nicholas Baldwin Kimberly Murphy		

Kamar Parent Portal Logon

If you have lost or forgotten your username and password for the parent portal, please email principal@hvhs.school.nz.

Hockey Fundraisers

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 29 July - School Hall
Come and join us for a fun quiz night to help raise funds for our Hockey teams. 7.00-10.00 pm. Teams of up to 10 players, \$10 per ticket, baking, barista coffee available and raffle prizes.

VIVID PHOTOGRAPHY are offering a \$250 value photoshoot and 5x7 print for \$20! This is a fantastic offer, of which will contribute to the fundraising efforts for HVHS Hockey teams travelling to Auckland.

Please contact amanda.wilson@hvhs.school.nz if you would like to purchase quiz tickets, a photoshoot or for more information.

Scooter Survival Course

With the increase in the number of students riding scooters it is timely to draw attention to the following course. Four hours of on road training in groups of 6 maximum to boost skills and confidence of scooter riders in urban environments

<http://www.scootersurvival.co.nz/>

The course is ACC approved and subsidised so only costs \$20.

Term dates - 2017

- Term 1** Monday 30 January - Thursday 14 April
- Term 2** Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July
- Term 3** Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September
- Term 4** Monday 16 October - Tuesday 12 December