

Issue 2021/5

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# SPECIAL CHARACTER

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# **ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

This has been a challenging term and year for everyone due to the COVID lockdowns we have endured and the implications it has placed on everyone involved with Wesley College.

I have been very proud of the response of our school staff, students, and families/caregiver. You put your trust in us to ensure engagement and learning (online and onsite) was able to continue throughout the two lockdowns through to when we returned in Term 4 for senior students who were preparing for their external NZQA exams.

# POINTS OF INTEREST

- Acting Principal's Message
- BOT Meeting Dates
- Senior Prize Giving
- Year 9 Induction
- Stationery Lists
- 2022 Term dates
- Schoolsport NZ

The unexpected event grades (UEG) took some of the pressure off our senior students with regard to their NZQA exams. The uptake of students who did sit the NZQA exams was pleasing and reinforced our focus on academic achievement.

Last week we celebrated Senior Prize Giving online. It was a wonderful way to acknowledge student successes in the areas of academia, sport, and service.

Congratulations to our top academic student Fili Fono who was awarded Dux and our runner up Renee Blake who is our Proxime Accessit.

Congratulations to Leititia Vaka who was awarded the Dux Ludorum for the second year in a row as our most outstanding sports person.

From January 2022 only vaccinated school staff will have contact with your child. This breadth of coverage is intended to provide the greatest protection to our students, school staff and community.

School Sport NZ have confirmed that all School Sport NZ sanctioned events in Term 1 2022 (including term 1 holidays) will be restricted to fully vaccinated participants, aged 12 and over, only. Where practical, this mandate extends to spectators attending also. Further detail follows and is on our school website.

CNI Rugby has also confirmed that participants must be fully vaccinated to play in the 2022 competition. This means our 1st XV Rugby team must be vaccinated.

Therefore, for sport and safety purposes we will continue to maintain a student COVID-19 vaccination register for 2022.

Please note that a student's vaccine status does not deny them having access to an education at Wesley College.

If you could, please provide a copy of your son/daughter's vaccination status to <a href="mailto:admin@wesley.school.nz">admin@wesley.school.nz</a>. Thank you if you have already provided us a copy.

Sadly, we farewell the following staff members: Mr Robert Short (HOD Health and PE), Mr David Ryan (English), Mr Gavin Sheppard (HOD Technology Hard

#### **2021 THEME**

Toku manaaki tōku toi ora Tōku toi ora tōku manaaki

'When service is my well-being, my well-being is served.'

Respect

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE continued

Materials), Ms Elisa Tufala (HOD Life and Faith), Mr David Faitala (Health and PE), Ms Kauri Walker (Digital) Teach 1st, Ms Sharron McCowatt (Chef Manager), Mr Grant Keen (Groundsman).

We welcome the following new staff: Mr Siaosi Vaili (HOD Health and PE), Mr Robert Cooper (English), Mrs Joanne Ah-Sam (HOD Technology), Ms Saimealafo Tapaleao (Life and Faith), Mr Hamish Birkbeck (Health and PE), Ms Katie Mitchell (LTR), Mr Phillip Ma'aelopa (Teacher), Mrs Sharon Ledua (House Parent), Mr Henrik Jensen (Chef Manager).

I want to wish everyone a wonderful summer break and enjoy your time with family and friends over the Christmas and New Year celebrations. Take care and see you all in 2022.

#### SCHOOLSPORT NZ NZSSSC

The board of School Sport NZ have confirmed that all School Sport NZ sanctioned events in Term 1 2022 (including the term 1 holidays) will be restricted to fully vaccinated participants, aged 12 and over, only. Where practicable, this mandate extends to spectators attending also. This decision will be reviewed post Summer Tournament Week 2022 and taking into account the latest Government advice.

The Covid Protection Framework comes into effect on Friday 3rd December. In preparation for the changes to how sport will be delivered under the Framework, School Sport NZ consulted with member Principals and its Sport partners.

86% of Principals who responded agreed that School Sport NZ sanctioned events must be restricted to fully vaccinated participants only. Similarly, sport partner feedback was 81% in favour. We are actively working with our sport partners for term 1 events to ensure that compliance is manageable and that Health and Safety plans and guidance is updated to reflect the Covid Protection Framework.

Sport NZ has published its advice in accordance with the Covid Protection Framework (<a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>). Quite simply, the events on the School Sport NZ Calendar will not be able to proceed if Covid Vaccination Certificates are not being checked. The gathering limits at Orange and Red in particular become too restrictive for viable sports events to take place. Many public venues and facilities where sanctioned events take place are requiring Covid Vaccine Passes for entry. National and Regional Sports Organisations are also considering their options. This mandate will provide clarity for all stakeholders to plan with confidence that events on the School Sport NZ Calendar will be able to continue.

Sport NZ will shortly be publishing school sport specific advice in relation to opportunities for sport, active recreation, and play. The intent of the document is to provide a single source of information for the provision of school sport. The document will be updated regularly, and school sport staff are encouraged to provide specific questions and scenarios through your Regional Sports Director for clarification, or directly covid19response@sportnz.org.nz

The board of School Sport NZ is acutely aware that this mandate will result in some students being unable to participate in School Sport NZ sanctioned events, in some cases through no fault of their own. School Sport NZ will support its regional school sport partners where appropriate to shape alternative regional or intra-school options.

# 2022 SERVICE OF BEGINNINGS



The Service of Beginnings will be held Thursday, 3 February 2022 in te Whare Angitu commencing with a powhiri at 11.00 am.

Please note this event is Covid Alert Level dependant.

The President, Rev Andrew Doubleday and the Vice-President, Edwin Talakai of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa will participate in the service.

All parents, caregivers, guardians and friends of Wesley are invited to attend the 2022 Service of Beginnings, the official opening of the Wesley College academic year.

Respect

#### **SENIOR PRIZE GIVING LISTS 2021**

#### **LEVEL 1 ACADEMIC AWARDS**

First in Level 1 English
First in Level 1 Science
First in Level 1 Maori
First in Level 1 History
First in Level 1 Geography
First in Level 1 Visual Art
First in Level 1 Accounting
First in Level 1 Music

First in Level 1 Technology
First in Level 1 Dance and Drama

First in Level 1 Lea-Faka

First in Level 1 Digital Technology

First in Level 1 Life & Faith

First in Level 1 Financial Capability

First in Level 1 Economics

• First in Level 1 Transition

#### **TOP LEVEL 1 STUDENT**

- First in Level 1 Mathematics
- First in Level 1 Physical Education
- Third in Level 1 Music

#### **LEVEL 2 ACADEMIC AWARDS**

First in Level 2 English
First in Level 2 Mathematics Core
First Equal in Level 2 Biology
First in Level 2 Chemistry
First in Level 2 Visual Art
First in Level 2 History
First in Level 2 Health
First in Level 2 Dance
First in Level 2 Life & Faith
First in Level 2 Transition
First in Level 2 Maori
First in Level 2 Geography
First in Level 2 Sport Leadership

First in Level 2 Technology

First in Level 2 Digital Technology

First in Level 2 Media StudiesFirst in Level 2 Drama

First in Level 2 Economics

First in Level 2 AccountingFirst in Level 2 Financial Capability

First in Level 2 Physical Education

Kevin Tavir Xen Ashby

Karangarua Tauhara-Clark

Junior Utupo George Taeiloa Ngaio Kirkwood Falo Fifita

Kelepi Falekaono

Seru Buke

Apai Ma'u Hinkes

Tonga Makatongiahetau Laiseni

Adi Ratu

Melenaite Taupaki

**Ned Williams** 

## Kalisi-Pakiamala Fisiiahi

## D'Artagnan Faitala

Christopher Lo Tam Selwyn Heta Reon Bidmead Pauliasi Bauleka Romatt Wichman-Rairoa Florence Taia

Maria Inoke Lonise Amituanai Christine Koroi Viena Toia Ocean Purua

Margaret Lolohea Saiti

Christian Paea



#### Maria Aholelei

### Luteru Luteru Faalogo



Kalisi-Pakiamala Fisiiahi



D'Artagnan Faitala



Oscar 'Aloua



Maria Aholelei



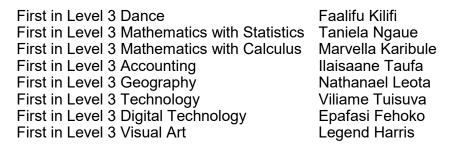
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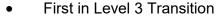
#### **SENIOR PRIZE GIVING Continued**

#### BIDRO CUP FOR TOP ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AT LEVEL 2

- First in Level 2 Mathematics Advance
- First in Level 2 Music
- First in Level 2 Physics
- First Equal in Level 2 Biology <u>Troy Wigley</u>

#### **LEVEL 3 ACADEMIC AWARDS**





• First in Level 3 MIT Police Academy Programme

**Keana-Marie Carson-Walker** 

- First in Level 3 Media Studies
- First in Level 3 Drama

  <u>Luke Lentner</u>
- First in Level 3 Health
- First in Level 3 Physical Education
- First in Level 3 Sport Leadership
- First in Level 3 Music
- First in Level 3 Financial Capability
   Billy Tomu
- First in Level 3 English
- First in Level 3 Economics
- First in Level 3 History
- First in Level 3 Life & Faith
- ⇒ PROXIME ACCESSIT: Renee Blake
- First in Level 3 Biology
- The NZIP Prize for First in Level 3 Physics
- First in Level 3 Chemistry
- Third in Level 3 Music
- Third in Level 3 Mathematics with Statistics

⇒ DUX: Fili Fono

Congratulations to all our students and best wishes to our Year 13 graduates who finish their time with us this year.

You have a bright future ahead of you.



**Troy Wigley** 



Keana-Marie Carson-Walker



Luke Lentner



Billy Tomu



Renee Blake



Fili Fono

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## **Proprietors Representatives**

Elected Parent Representatives

Mr David McGeorge 095355092 Mrs T Rountree

Mrs P Tala'imanu

Ms Gillian Laird 021577631

Mr Jean Paul Eason Staff Trustee

Dr Nasili Vaka'uta Mrs Nashua Morrison 0272321023 Mr Sifa Pole

Mr Jeff Johansson

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Mr Joeli Bogitini Mr Brian Evans

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**Principal** 

2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEES - MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held at 5pm in the meeting room beside the dining room.

Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend the open section of the Board meeting.

24 February

26 May

25 August

10 November

#### **2022 YEAR 9 INDUCTION**

Date: Wednesday, 2 February 2022

9am - Y9 boarders and Y13 Leadership group to Chapel Time:

> 11am - Y9 day students to Chapel 11.30 - Students and whanau to Chapel

12.30pm Lunch te whare Rourounui (Dining Room)

# Year 9 afternoon programme:

1.30pm Y9 Induction and Orientation (with Prefects) 3.20pm Day students depart for home with parents

Everyday school uniform to be worn.



### **2022 TERM DATES**

2022	School Term Begins	Boarders Return	Day Students Return	School Term Ends
	2 February	Year 9, 9am	Year 9, 10am	14 April
1		Year 10-13 between 3-5pm		
	3 February	Full School Commences 8.20am		
2	2 May	1 May	2 May	8 July
3	25 July	24 July	25 July	30 September
4	17 October	16 October	17 October	9 December

#### WESLEY COLLEGE OFFICE HOURS



The school office is **open** during the school holidays:

Term Time: 8am - 4pm, Monday to Friday **HOLIDAY TIME: Monday to Friday** 9am - 3pm,

college Phone Number: (09) 2370224

**Email Address:** admin@wesley.school.nz

OFFICE CLOSED: 20 December 2021 - 17 January 2022

**KAIRANGI VALUES** Respect Responsibility