



Issue 2023/4

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## SPECIAL CHARACTER

Wesley College has a direct affiliation with the Methodist Church and, with the support of the Church provides education based on the beliefs of Methodism

## POINTS OF INTEREST

- Principal's Message
- Board of Trustees
- Important Dates/Events Calendar
- 2024 Enrolments Open
- Kairangi Points

## STOP THE PRESS

The school board is consulting on Board Policies.

These can be viewed on the school Website  
Feedback to

[barbaran@wesley.school.nz](mailto:barbaran@wesley.school.nz)

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have had a terrific start to the school term. It is so good being in Chapel every morning to remind us that we are at a Methodist school, and that every day we should be aspiring to live to the bible the best we can.

Official NCEA and UE results for 2022 were recently released. Our results weren't as high as previous years, but they are still good enough to provide inspiration that we can get back to the highest levels! It is now our duty and challenge to ensure we continue to raise the expectation that every student at Wesley will succeed.

The one thing we learned over the past few years is the importance of students getting NCEA credits built up at the start and during the year, rather than waiting to really push themselves from around August on. This just didn't happen last year for many students when they were caught short in the end. So the message is clear do not delay and get the work done now!

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV have had an excellent start to the season, drawing with the Auckland 1A Champion of the past two years, and beating Rotorua Boys to win the Grinter Cup. We look forward to the rest of the season and also all our boys' and girls' sports teams getting their respective seasons underway.

Thank you for ensuring your children are back in the hostels by Sunday 5pm ready for school Monday morning. Thank you to all parents/caregivers who are contacting me when they have genuine reasons why their children have to be away from school. Attendance at school is a crucial aspect of student academic achievement. We are working together to ensure our students have every chance of success!

Day students also need to be on time every day. Our current attendance for this term is around 85% therefore, with some extra work we can get that well over 90%.

### Whanau feedback – and our continued responses

We asked for feedback on 4 different aspects of your expectations, the key points of each are summarised below.

### YOUR EXPECTATIONS OF...

#### You as a Parent/Whanau

Provide a supportive and secure basis for their children; supporting them as good as they can.

#### The School/Teachers/Hostel Parents

Parents want to know their children are in a safe and supportive environment with staff bringing out the best in them.

#### Your Son/Daughter

Strive to be the best self they can be. Behave and mature into grown adults. **Learn** as much as they can (not only academically).

## KAIRANGI VALUES

Family

Respect

Responsibility

Excellence

## Principals Message continued:

### Faith (Our special Character)

To be consistent and respect our faith.

Work continues on actions relating to the Jan Hill Health and Safety review recommendations from a few years ago. There have been a range of activities that continue to develop a safe environment.

Just some of the continued action taking place from the school's point of view:

- Stymie App
- Anti-Bullying focus, including guest speakers and posters
- Student's coaching students' course (peer mentoring. Several courses starting this term)
- Taurira Rangatira – developing our student service and leadership model
- Full overnight supervision of dorms

## STUDENT ABSENCES DURING SCHOOL TIME































There are times when a student is sick and cannot attend school. Please supply a medical certificate to support the absence.

There are also times when an urgent family matter arises, such as a funeral of a close family member where a student may not attend school.

If students are to reach their full potential it is absolutely crucial they are at school every day. They just can't be absent without good reason.

It is important that you as parents and caregivers are aware and supportive of the school's vision and drive to be a top performing academic institution.

Please contact the Principal, Dr Evans for urgent special leave requests should you need to withdraw your son/daughter for a period of time.

%	Per 2 weeks	Per term	Year	Total lessons missed (hours)	Total lessons missed (per subject)
100					
95	½ day 	2 ½ days 	2 weeks 	50 hours 	10hrs (2 days) 
90	1 day 	1 week 	1 month 	100 hours 	20 hrs (4 days) 
80	2 days 	2 weeks 	2 months 	200 hours 	40 hrs (almost 2 weeks) 
70	3 days 	3 weeks 	3 months 	300 hours 	60 hours 
50	5 days 	5 weeks 	5 months 	500 hours 	100 hrs (3 ½ weeks) 

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### *Appointed Proprietors Trustees*

Mr David McGeorge	095355092
Mrs T Rountree	
Mrs P Tala'imanu	
Ms Gillian Laird	021577631
Dr Shane Edwards	LSM
Mr Brian Evans	Principal

### *Elected Parent Trustees*

Mrs Fifita Viria	
Mrs Carla Makiha	
Mr Sakeo Buke	
Rev Kuli Fisi'iahi	
Mr Jean Paul Eason	Staff Trustee
Miss Lauraly Taia	Student Trustee

## 2023 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.

25 May, 27 July, 24 August, 21 September, 16 November (via Zoom)

## SPORTS UPDATE

**RUGBY:** As the winter sports season rolls into full swing in the coming weeks, the 1st XV rugby team enjoyed an excellent pre-season in which managed a narrow 13-12 win over Tauranga Boys. The team then held on for a noteworthy 19-19 draw with Auckland 1A champions Kelston Boys High School.

Three teams travelled to Rotorua in Week 2, for the final pre-season fixtures. The Under 14s and 2nd XV teams struggled with the lift and intensity but took a lot of learnings from the weekend and as they move into their seasons.

The 1st XV game is a traditional clash for the Grinter Challenge Cup between both teams, Rotorua Boys started quickly adapting to the conditions well racing off to a 17-0 lead. In the second half the 1st XV team started to fall into their game plan more efficiently and were able to start chipping away at the score line.

With some quality possession and territory, we were able to secure an impressive 27-17 win to bring the Grinter Challenge Cup back to Paerata.

Our teams will be participating in the following competitions.

1st XV :	Central North Island Competition
1st XV Girls:	Auckland Girls Competition
2nd XV:	Auckland 2A Competition
3rd XV:	Counties Manukau 1st XV Competition
U15 Black:	Auckland 15A Competition
U14 Black:	Auckland 14A Competition



**BASKETBALL:** Basketball season kicked off last week with Wesley fielding three teams in the senior boys, senior girls, and junior boys' grades. Junior boys started their season off with a win against Hauraki Plains in a close 40-35 contest.

Senior girls had some last-minute changes to their team due to other commitments, otherwise, it was a great effort going down 29-62.

Senior Boys starting their season with an impressive 56-32 win over Pukekohe High School. We wish all the players and management well this season.

Keep up to date with sports notices and results via our facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/wesleycollegesports>



## PINK SHIRT DAY 2023 - Friday 19th of May



Speaking Up, Standing Together, Stop Bullying"! On Friday the 19th of May the Kairangi student committee led the fight against bullying at Wesley College!

The kaupapa behind pink shirt day is Celebrated annually around the globe, Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against homophobic bullying, after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. In Aotearoa, Pink Shirt Day works to create schools, workplaces, communities and whānau where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.

The Kairangi committee organised a series of lunch time events for the whole school. Even though the weather wasn't great it was a great day! All proceeds went to the mental health foundation and we raised more money than we did last year. We would like to thank the Wesley College community for supporting us in our fight against bullying! Also special mention to the Kairangi student body for organising the events.

Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

## Music Department Term 2

The music department has had a very busy term 2 with the extra-curricular events and competitions happening in the Tamaki Makaurau region!

Tangata Beats: On Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>, Tribe 801 2023, competed in the regional heats. This year we combined with Selwyn College. Our core rhythm section returned after a triumphant and successful campaign in 2022 (Alex, Kelepi and Jacob) along with the following band line up:

- Velolini Puamau (year 9), Brooke Tilton-Mist and Catherine Anitoni (year 10) vocalists
- Alex Alefosio year 13 (bass guitar)
- Sekove Tuisuva year 13 (keyboard)
- Kelepi Falekaono year 13 (drums)
- Jacob Saki year 13 (rap)
- Christopher Paea year 13 (guitarist)
- Elvis Bilitaki (Selwyn College) year 11 lead guitarist



The pressure was on this year after making national finals in 2022 and coming second at regional finals 2022. Our song "Brown Vision" was composed by our senior band members. The students will progress through to the Regional finals.

Well done to all involved.



## HEALTH CLINIC PROCEDURE FOR UNWELL STUDENTS

If you receive a text from your child saying they are unwell please ....

- Ask your child to go **directly** to the College Health Clinic **before you come to the school**
- The nurse will assess your child
- The nurse will contact you if your child needs to go home

The College Health Clinic has systems in place to best manage your child's health and safety.



## ARRIVING LATE/LEAVING EARLY DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

If you are collecting your son/daughter during the school day please come to the office to sign them out.

If your son/daughter is going to be late to or absent from school please ensure you contact the office on (09) 2370224. Please also ensure you have let the hostel know if they are boarders.

Extra ordinary leave requests must be made to the Principal.

## 2023 EVENTS CALENDAR

To access the full events calendar please click on the following link

<https://www.wesley.school.nz/students/current-students/calendar>

## 2023 TERM DATES

2023	School Term Begins	Boarders Return	Day Students Return	School Term Ends
2	26 April	25 April Sign in between 3-5pm	26 April	30 June
3	17 July	16 July Sign in between 3-5pm	17 July	22 September
4	9 October	8 October Sign in between 3-5pm	9 October	7 December

### 2024 ENROLMENT

Wesley College is an integrated Christian multi-cultural school with a Methodist character.

Located at Paerata 7 Km North of Pukekohe.

Boarding girls and boys are enrolled from Year 9

An application can be downloaded from [www.wesley.school.nz](http://www.wesley.school.nz) or alternatively contact the school office on:

Ph (09) 2370224

Email: [barbaran@wesley.school.nz](mailto:barbaran@wesley.school.nz)



### SCHOOL MOTTO

**“Fide, Litteris, Labore”  
“by Faith, by Learning, by Hard Work”**

The Christian faith, learning and academic attainment, and hard work are our core values.

- Our recent academic results have been outstanding, achievement is above the national average'
- Our school boarding life, sports and culture offer a unique opportunity to students
- Scholarships may be available for suitable candidates

### KAIRANGI VALUES

**Family**

**Respect**

**Responsibility**

**Excellence**

## KAIRANGI VALUES TERM 2, 2023

Kia ora whanau the Kairangi committee present to you the points for week 5 Term 2 Kairangi points are given out to students who display our 4 values: Family, Respect, Responsibility and Excellence. We have just finished our punctuality focus week and here are our totals for the term.

## SCHOOL

## Year 9:

Brittney Ale	9AN 104
Rene French-Ruahe	9AN 97
Chrissy Leaatoa	9AN 91
Tehio Ruapuna Samuelsz	9AN 84
Charlie Wolfgramm	9AN 81

## Year 10:

Solomon Togatama	10JR 304
Samantha Wilson	WGMM 283
Catherine Anitoni	10JR 274
Vaasa Fagu	10JR 258
Joseph Ah-Lam	10BM 245

## Year 11:

Conner Smith	WGMM 534
Jacob Jones	WGMM 484
Byron Pearce	11AM 470
Sini Asitomani	11IS 468
Byron Pearce	11AM 470
Jahmayne New-Edwards	11AL 438

## Year 12:

Ofa Nanovo	12JP 355
Savati Rokodi	12HB 314
Tausisi Amituanai	12SN 301
Alana Edmonds	12JP 298
Roko Rabici	12SN 279
Suana Bourne	12HB 279

## Year 13:

Anisi Ale	13SD 380
Lauraly Taia	13CP 331
Kalisi Fisiiahi	12CP 289
Usaia Aria	13CP 288

## HOSTEL:

## Taina

Lavaka Kailea	9DL 34
Oscar Busst	9PM 24
Pasa Ah-Lam	9BV 23
Lucas Pulman	9DL 22
Kepueli Ta'ufuou	9LI 22
Taylor Wells	9IH 21

## Maia

Save Cakaunivalu	10AS 107
Sione Fono	13SD 39
Thomas Setitaia	13CW 39
Viliani Aholelei	13NF 37
Joseph Ah-Lam	10BM 23
JJ Callon	10DT 21
Gideon Tuinayau	10DT 21

## Denton

Eti Taulanga	11IS 27
Sire Ngawhika	WGMM 12
Cedrick Laveti-Waqa	11AM 8
Victor Field	12SM 8
Pablo Likiafu	11DP 8
Doran Spark-Tatimu	WGMM 8

## Pakeke

JJ Sloan	13VT 16
Warren-Tui Togatama	13NF 14
Mesa Bognitini	13SD 12
Rupeni Nakiyoyo	13NF 12
Bo Poland	13RU 12
Sekove Tuisuva	13VT 12

## Family

Whanaungatanga  
Famili  
Aiga  
Matavuvale  
Magafaoa

## Respect

Whakaute  
Faka'apa'apa  
Fa'aaloalo  
Vakarokoroko  
Fakalilifu

## Responsibility

Haepapa  
Fai-Fatongia  
Fa'amaoni  
Itavi  
Kavega

## Excellence

Rawe  
Lelei Taha  
Silisili ona Lelei  
Vakasakiti  
Homo ue atu