

Wesley College

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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 Comment
- 2016 Board of Trustees
- 2016 Prefects
- 2016 Board of Trustees Parent Representative Elections
- Fiafia Night / Polyfest
- College Sport App
- College Health Clinic
- Easter Break



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

We have had an excellent start to the year with our Service of Beginnings, prefect training, year 13 camp, swimming sports and getting classes, sports practices and Polyfest preparations well underway.

We had our first Year 9 Camp last week and it was a huge success. The students spent three nights at Camp Adair in the Hunua Ranges and experienced a number of fun and physical challenges, learned Wesley chants and songs, and bonded as a group. The Year 9 students were supported by a superb group of Year 12 leaders. A special thank you is given to the staff, led by Year 9 Dean David Faitala, who ran the camp, cared for the students and made for such a safe and enjoyable experience.

The school roll sits at 328, including 9 international students. There are 56 girls on the roll, including 20 juniors. This is a sizeable increase in our number of girls compared to previous years. Te Paea is full.

Year Level	Male	Female	Total
9	45	14	59
10	64	6	70
11	54	14	68
12	51	7	58
13	58	15	73
TOTAL	272	56	328

The NCEA results from 2015 were very pleasing with sizeable improvements in the pass rates at Level 1 and Level 2. The Level 1 pass rate was 70%, up from 59%. The Level 2 pass rate was 57%, up from 50%. The University Entrance pass rate also made a positive move. We also had two students earn an excellent endorsement for their NCEA certificate – Xavier Faitala at Level 1 and David Tupou at Level 2.

A table of our pass rates in previous years is given below. Please note that there were new University Entrance criteria introduced in 2014.

NCEA pass rates

Year	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	UE
2012	22	61	67	38
2013	26	50	54	28
2014	59	50	33	7
2015	70	57	33	14



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued:

Academic achievement remains our main focus at Wesley College. You are encouraged to speak with your sons and daughters about their progress, credits achieved and their assessments due. You are welcome to call the office at any time and ask for an update on your child's NCEA credit total.

The construction of five new classrooms between the Whare and Library is well under way. The roof has just gone on. The plan is to open the rooms for use on day one of term two. These rooms will allow us to move several classes into modern learning spaces.

Fiafia night is to be held on March 16 and I look forward to seeing you all there.

2016 PREFECT LEADERS

Congratulations to the following students who have been appointed the 2016 Prefect Leaders.

Senior Prefect: Tevita Tupou
 Head Boy: Ofaloto Talakai
 Head Girl: Kalolaine Ikavuka

Richie Bloomfield	Masima Sefesi	Talafekau Teisi	Savelina Vehikite	Suetena Asomua
Misaeli Manavahetau	Michaela Leaupepetele	Vesalua Fukofuka	Fuifatu Asomua	Joshua Talakai
Taine Denny	Wetere Pompey	Zuriel Togiata	Eric Vatau	Akapei Ta'ufo'ou

2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Elected Parent Representatives

Mrs Susan Easter	078254433
Mr Jeff Johansson	0211364723
Ms Ruby Schaumkel	
Mrs Unise Smythe	0212334349
Mr Steven Hargreaves	<i>Principal</i>
Mr Ben Hancock	<i>Staff Rep</i>

Proprietors Appointed Representatives

Mr David McGeorge	095355092
Mr Norman Johnston	095757524
Mrs P Tala'imanu	092634484
Ms Gillian Laird	02108339847
Mr Akapei Tau'fo'ou	<i>Student Rep</i>

2016 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.

March 17	May 19	June 16	August 18
September 15	October 20	November 17	December 15 tbc

2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES PARENT REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION TIMELINE

EVENT	TIMELINE
Returning Officer	Mr Murray Neale
Close main roll noon	Wednesday, 4 May 2016
Call for nominations by	Friday, 6 May 2016
Close supplementary roll noon	Wednesday, 18 May 2016
Nominations close noon	Friday, 20 May 2016
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday, 25 May 2016
Close poll election day noon	Friday, 3 June 2016
Count votes	Thursday, 9 June 2016
Board takes office	Friday, 10 June 2016



BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOMINATION FORMS

Nominations are invited for the election of five (5) parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters. Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday, 20 May 2016 (which is 14 days before the election date) and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on Friday, 3 June 2016.

Mr Murray Neale
Returning Officer



FIAFIA NIGHT

Parents, caregivers families and friends are invited to Fia Fia night. Fia Fia night provides the opportunity for the students to perform in front of our Wesley College community before performing at Polyfest.

Date: Wednesday, 16 March 2016

Time: 7pm

Venue: Te Whare Angitu, Rec Centre

POLYFEST PERFORMANCE TIMES

FRIDAY, 18 MARCH 2016

- Niuean Group 10am
- Māori Group 1.30pm

SATURDAY, 19 MARCH 2016

- Samoan Group 8.05am
- Tongan Group 9.18am and 12.36pm

VISITING DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Please do not visit your son / daughter during the school day 8:30 - 3:20pm.

Students will not be asked to come from their timetabled class unless it is urgent.

Parents who wish to drop off packages can leave these in the office for collection by the student after school.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / PHONE

In the case of an emergency it is important that the College has up-to-date contact details for parents and caregivers of students.

Please contact the College office to speak to Mrs Smith on (09) 2370224 to advise any changes to your contact details.

COLLEGE HEALTH CLINIC

Health Clinic Contact: Senior Nurse Sue Fryer suef@wesley.school.nz ext 811
Clinic Hours: Term 1 - Mon-Fri, 7:30am - 6pm

A Rheumatic Fever Prevention programme is running in school any students who identify having a sore throat are checked by clinic staff and are routinely swabbed



PARENT INTERVIEWS / EASTER BREAK

Parent interviews will be held Thursday, 24 March 2016 from 1pm in the Whare Angitu (Rec Centre).

Students may leave for Easter break after 1pm, Thursday, 24 March for Easter break. Boarders return Tuesday, 29 March before 5pm. Full school recommences Wednesday, 30 March 2016 at 8:20am.

WESLEY COLLEGE SPECIAL CHAPEL SERVICES

All students, staff, friends and families are invited to the Special Chapel Services, held in the College Chapel as timetabled below:

Term 2	Wesley Day	10am, Sunday May 22
Term 3	School Anniversary	10am, Sunday Sept 18
Term 4	Leaver's Chapel/Dinner	6pm, Saturday 12 November (tbc)

COLLEGE SPORT APP

College Sport has made massive improvements to the way they communicate with schools, parents and students this year by developing the College Sport App, which is free and available to download to any Apple or Android phone through the App store. We would like to encourage as many of our students, parents and coaches to download this App as soon as possible as it will provide direct updates for all sports provided by College Sport. The type of information that will be available in your pocket will be draws, venues (or venue changes), directions to the venues, cancellations, the bylaws for each sport and much more. This App will be helpful for everyone involved in sport and will be a great reference for parents and students to know where they need to be.

<http://newzealand.appsandnews.com/Android-College-Sport.html>

2016 TERM DATES

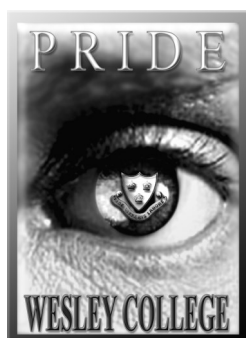
TERM	School Term Begins	Boarders Return	Day Students Return	School Term Ends
1	29 January 2 February 3 February	Subject changes/ confirmation for Y12 & 13 All Boarders Return Full School Commences	All Day Students Return	15 April
2	2 May	1 May	2 May	8 July
3	25 July	24 July	25 July	23 September
4	10 October	9 October	10 October	9 December

2016 ENROLMENT

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

Located at Paerata 7 Km North of Pukekohe.

Boys are enrolled in Years 9 - 13
Girls are enrolled in Years 9 - 13



2016 INTERVIEWS

Applications for Admission are currently being taken for 2016.

An application can be downloaded from www.wesley.school.nz or alternatively contact the school office on:

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Email barbaran@wesley.school.nz

