

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
- 2017 Board of Trustees.
- Senior School Ball
- 2018 Open Day, 14 June
- Choral, 4 July at 7pm

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

I welcome to the teaching staff Mrs Shazia Nisha as a fixed-term Science teacher and Mrs Sabina Rehman as a fixed-term, part-time ESOL teacher and to the Hostel staff Mr Mike Raos and Mr Mack Cammock as hostel parents and Mrs Tracy Thompson as head of the Health Clinic with the impending departure of Mrs Sue Fryer.

The outgoing Minister of Education (MOE), Hon Hekia Parata wrote to the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees to congratulate us on a second consecutive year of improved attainment. Wesley College also features on a poster released by the MOE that features 30 schools from around New Zealand that have had the largest increases in NCEA results. Wesley College was also featured in the New Zealand Herald for having the third highest pass rate at Level 2 out of all of the Decile One schools in New Zealand.

The winter sports season is well underway with rugby, league, netball, basketball and soccer in full swing. Students are busy rehearsing for the Gen X performance competition and preparations have begun for Choral night. Mid-year examinations are two weeks away and students will need to balance their co-curricular participation with academic work.

Three of our senior students, Peter Leaupepe, Xavier Faitala and Caitlyn Smythe have landed major roles in South Side Rise, a production by the well-known theatre group Black Friars. This is great recognition of their leadership as much as their ability to perform on stage and they are to be congratulated.

We have had a focus on lifting attendance at school and I am pleased to report that our average attendance rate for term one was 90.1%. This is in line with the Ministry of Education target. Regular attendance, and punctuality, are two of the keys to success at school and I encourage you to keep that in mind when planning other activities.

2018 INTERVIEWS

Applications for Admission are currently being taken for 2018.

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

Ph (09) 2370224
Fax (09) 2383582



2018 ENROLMENT

OPEN DAY

Wednesday, 14 June 2017, 11am

I encourage families and friends who are seeking a secondary school for their son/daughter in 2018 to attend the open day.



Principals Comment continued:

We have recently acknowledged the following students in chapel for their achievement of leading the NCEA credit totals for the year to date - Xavier Faitala, Elenoa Rass, Tai Taefu, Robert Tupu, Nicholas Leaupepe and Nathaneal Tu'uta. Congratulations.

I look forward to seeing you at the Choral competition on Tuesday 4 July, at 7pm in te Whare Angitu (Rec Centre).

SPORTS FEE REMINDER

A reminder that the Board of Trustees has decided to charge a fee for each student who participates in sport. The fee is \$20 per student and will go toward the costs of transport, team registrations and equipment. Funding the sports programme is a major financial commitment for the school. The sports fee is now due for payment.

Payment can be made through the school office or by direct credit through your bank account.

2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Elected Parent Representatives

Mr Jeff Johansson	0211364723
Mr David Denny	0293755171
Dr Nasili Vaka'uta	021570387
Mrs Rosa Tapuvae Papuni	021871544
Mrs Unise Smythe	0212334349
Mr Steven Hargreaves	<i>Principal</i>

Proprietors Appointed Representatives

Mr David McGeorge	095355092
Mr Norman Johnston	095757524
Mrs P Tala'imanu	092634484
Ms Gillian Laird	02108339847
Miss Bella Brewster	<i>Student Rep</i>
Mr Imraz Sahib	<i>Staff Rep</i>

2017 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 August

28 September

26 October

14 December

MAORI COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING

As requested by families the Board of Trustees continues to extend a warm invitation to its Māori community to attend a community consultation meeting being held on:

- ⇒ Date: 23 July 2017
- ⇒ Time: 2pm
- ⇒ Venue: Te Whare Runanga, Wesley College

The Board of Trustees welcomes input from its community.

Please bring a plate to share.



WESLEY COLLEGE SPECIAL CHAPEL SERVICES



I extend a warm invitation to families and friends of Wesley College to attend the Special Chapel Services scheduled for this year. Services are held in the College Chapel.

Term 3	Wesley Anniversary	Sunday, 24 September
Term 4	Senior Prize Giving	November (date tbc)
	Leaver's Chapel and Dinner	November (date tbc)

VISITING YOUR SON/DAUGHTER DURING THE 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.



NZQA / NCEA PAYMENT DUE

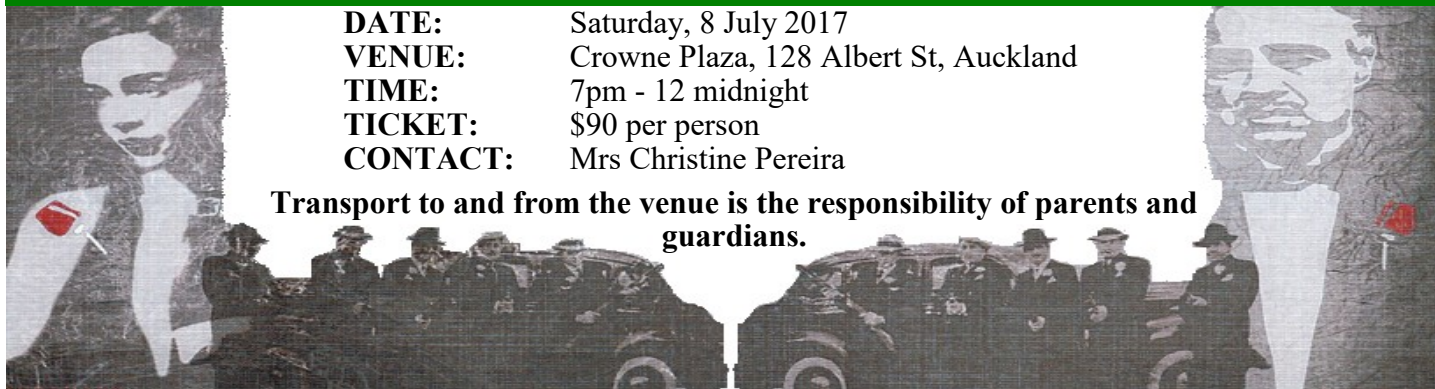
Invoices were posted in May to families of senior students who are sitting their NZQA/NCEA examinations at the end of the year. Payment is due Friday, 30 June to ensure your child/ren receive their results.

Please contact the College office if you have a Community Services card and advise what the number and expiry date is so that the fee can be reduced.

SENIOR BALL

DATE:	Saturday, 8 July 2017
VENUE:	Crowne Plaza, 128 Albert St, Auckland
TIME:	7pm - 12 midnight
TICKET:	\$90 per person
CONTACT:	Mrs Christine Pereira

Transport to and from the venue is the responsibility of parents and guardians.



PRE/AFTER BALL FUNCTIONS

Parents/guardians are advised that Wesley College does not promote any pre ball or after ball function.

Parents/caregivers should be aware of the legal issues associated with after ball functions and the supply of alcohol to minors.



STUDENT LEAVE DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Please ensure that you contact the school office if you require your son / daughter to leave school early to attend an appointment during the school day. Students will not be released from school unless the office has been notified.

Students must sign out before leaving the school.

LATE TO SCHOOL

Please ensure you contact the school office if your son/daughter is going to be late to school. Students who are late must sign in at the office.

COLLEGE SPORT APP

To stay up to date with all sports draws, results, cancellations and to receive notifications College Sports Auckland now have a fantastic new app for mobile phone users.

I recommend all parents as well as students have this app, to stay up to date with all the fixtures of their respective sports teams.

Please use the link below to see the new College Sports mobile phone app for Android phone users.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app.p7167EI&hl=en>

Apple Iphone users can view in ITunes app store

<https://itunes.apple.com/nz/app/college-sport/id1070066763?mt=8>



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.

A student's health can be compromised if a student waits for family to pick them up instead of going directly to the Health Clinic for assessment.



CHANGES IN THE COLLEGE HEALTH CLINIC

Our Senior Nurse, Sue Fryer will be leaving us to travel to China with her husband soon. Mrs Fryer leaves a big hole in our College community and we will miss her greatly. I wish her and her husband well as they take on a new direction in their lives.

I welcome to our community the new Senior Nurse, Tracy Thompson who commences Wednesday, 14 June 2017. Mrs Thompson can be contacted by phone (09) 2370224 ext 741 or by email tthompson@wesley.school.nz

Clinic Hours during the School Term: 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.

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL - WAREHOUSE STATIONERY

HELP US GET CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL.

Just mention our school by name when you shop at Warehouse Stationery & 5%* goes back to our school.

See supportyourschool.co.nz for details.

*Exclusions & Terms & Conditions apply.



2017 TERM DATES

TERM	School Term Begins	Boarders Return	Day Students Return	School Term Ends
3	24 July	23 July	24 July	29 September
4	16 October	15 October	16 October	7 December

