

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

POINTS OF INTEREST

- Principal's Comment
- 2016 Board of Trustees
- Term 4 Māori Consultation Meeting
- NZQA Fees Now Due
- Public Bus Transport Ends
- Student Leave
- Senior Ball
- Senior / Junior Prize Giving



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

We recently acknowledged a group of students at assembly who have already achieved NCEA. Year 11 students Taane Beach, Diego Rangi, Ocean Tierney and State Kaneri have earned Level One NCEA. Year 12 student Ngarimu Lewer and Year 13 students Kahu Edmonds and Mone Setefano have earned Level Three NCEA. This is a remarkable achievement for this stage of the year.

The Deputy Principal, Mr Warrick Sanson has recently announced his retirement. Mr Sanson has been on the staff at Wesley College for 37 years, a large portion of this time in the senior management of the school. As well as his teaching Mr Sanson has made a contribution to nearly every aspect of school life having lived on-site, supervised in the hostel, taken prep and coached numerous sports teams. His experience will be missed and we wish him all the very best in retirement.

Mr Aaron Scorrige will join the staff next term as Deputy Principal. Mr Scorrige is currently working for Team Solutions at Auckland University as an advisor in several schools. Prior to that he was a Head of Department at Tangaroa College and also worked at Aorere College.

We currently have three exchange students in the school. On the AFS programme we have Ander Azurmendi from Spain and Baptiste Oudon from France. On a rugby exchange from Queens College in Taunton, England we have Dan Wilde. We also have three Gap students, Felix Dellori and Torben Hartmann from Germany and Greg Thompson from Wales.

The 1st XIII Rugby League Team played the Grand Final of the Auckland Secondary School competition at Mount Smart Stadium on Wednesday night. It was a great game and the boys showed great talent, team work and composure. Unfortunately the game ended with the score 10 - 23 to Saint Pauls. This is still a remarkable achievement. Our first year in the competition and we made it to the grand final. Well done boys and coaches Rob Short and Lawrence Lawrence.

It is pleasing to see a steady flow of enrolments for 2017. There will be pressure on boarding places for girls in particular, so we would appreciate an early application for enrolment to be submitted. Forms may be downloaded from the website or picked up from the school office. Scholarships and financial assistance are available.

Senior school examinations will take place in weeks eight and nine of this term. Students are encouraged to begin early preparation for these important examinations.

It was a pleasure to host the All Blacks as they prepared for their match against Counties Manukau and Northland. The players made use of our Recreation Centre and Dining Room throughout Friday afternoon before leaving to play at Ecolight Stadium, Pukekohe.



2016 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 Uinise 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
Mr Akapei Tau'fo'ou	<i>Student Rep</i>
Mr Imraz Sahib	<i>Staff 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.

September 15

October 20

November 17

December 15 tbc

MĀORI CONSULTATION MEETING

Thank you to those parents and caregivers who attended the Māori Consultation meeting held Sunday, 24 July 2016. It was a very constructive and informative meeting with staff and families sharing their views.

As requested by those present a further meeting has been scheduled for:

Date: Sunday, 9 October 2016

Time: 4pm

Venue: Te Whare Runanga

The consultation is not solely for students who take te reo Māori as a subject; it is open to all whānau who have a vested interest in Māori student achievement across the school curriculum. The Board of Trustees welcomes input from its community.

Please bring a plate to share.

STUDENT LEAVE WHEN TRAVELLING OVERSEAS

Families wishing to take/send their children overseas during school time should make a written request for leave from the Principal. Where possible it would be appreciated that these trips are restricted to school holiday time only as it interrupts the education of your son/daughter.

It would also be appreciated where a student is overseas during the school holidays that they return in time and ready to commence school on the first day of the school term.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

Thank you to those parents and caregivers who attended the parent interviews held Friday, 5 August 2016. There was a total of 84 parents who made 353 bookings to meet with individual teaching staff.

If you were unable to attend the parent interviews and you have any concerns about your son/daughters progress I encourage you to contact the school to make an appointment to meet with the subject teachers concerned or the Dean.

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 now due 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.



PUBLIC BUS TRANSPORT FROM PAPAURA ENDS

The public bus from Papakura to Wesley College will end in October this year. This means there will be no further public service available for students travelling from Papakura to Wesley College.



When the public service ends the Ministry of Education (MOE) will provide a bus everyday, morning and afternoon, to and from Wesley College. This means students will have to be **on time** to catch the bus at Papakura. If they miss the bus students will have to board the train and travel to Pukekohe to catch a public bus back to the College. Please note that this public bus service will also be reduced and **will not** run every hour.

MOE TRANSPORT CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE / DAY STUDENTS

The Ministry of Education provides a Transport Conveyance Allowance to those students who qualify. The Allowance can assist day student families to pay for bus/transport related costs. As Wesley College is a State Integrated school you may be eligible to apply for the assistance.

Enclosed with this Newsletter is an application for day student use. If you require assistance filling the application please contact Whaea Paewhenua Nathan on (09) 2370224.

SENIOR PRIZE GIVING / LEAVER'S DINNER / JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING

SENIOR PRIZE GIVING:

Date: Friday, 18 November 2016
Time: 7pm.
Venue: Te Whare Angitu / Recreation Centre

Parents, caregivers and guardians are cordially invited to attend Senior Prize Giving.



SENIOR LEAVER'S DINNER:

Date: Saturday, 19 November 2016
Time: 7pm
Venue: Te Whare Rourounui / Dining Room

Parents, caregivers and guardians of senior students are cordially invited to attend Leaver's Dinner. Leavers Dinner is preceded by a Chapel Service which you are also invited to attend.

The Chapel Service will be held in the Chapel commencing at 6pm.

JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING:

Date: Thursday, 8 December 2016
Time: 5pm
Venue: Te Whare Rourounui / Dining Room

Parents, caregivers and guardians are cordially invited to attend Junior Prize Giving. At the end of Prize Giving families are invited to dinner before departing for Christmas holidays



SENIOR BALL



DATE: Friday, 23 September 2016
VENUE: Crowne Plaza, 128 Albert St, Auckland
TIME: 7pm - 12 midnight
TICKET: \$90 per person
CONTACT: Mrs Annie Sio-Tema

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.



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.

Your support in this would be much appreciated.



COLLEGE HEALTH CLINIC

Health Clinic Contact: Senior Nurse Sue Fryer suef@wesley.school.nz ext 741

Clinic Hours during the School Term: Mon-Fri, 7:30am - 6pm

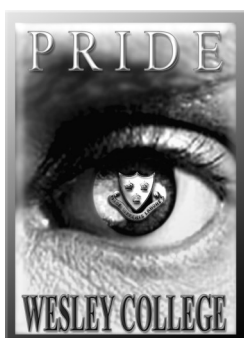
A Rheumatic Fever Prevention programme is running in school any students who identify having a sore throat are checked by clinic staff and are routinely swabbed

2017 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



2017 INTERVIEWS

Applications for Admission are currently being taken for 2017.

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

