



Dear Parents and Friends

Congratulations to next year's senior students

Congratulations to the Year 12 students who have been elected to the 2018 Student Council. This is an honour and a privilege and I'm sure they will do the school proud. Next year we have decided to have two Head Boys and two Head Girls, and after being interviewed by the senior leadership team, the following students have been chosen: **Duncan Cameron & Oban Hawkins** as Head Boys and **Payge Swanson and Hannah Milligan** as Head Girls. Well done to all.



*Duncan Cameron
Payge Swanson*



*Oban Hawkins
Hannah Milligan*



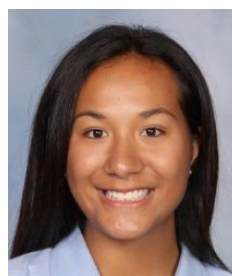
*Jayden Marsters
Gabrielle Collingwood*



*Reuben Tan
Rieko Tu 'inukuafu*



*Ezra Tan
Tyler Cassidy*



SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017

TERM 4

Week 3	Tue 31 Oct	Year 12/13 students finish
	Wed 1 Nov	Year 11 students finish
	Thur 2 Nov	SENIOR PRIZEGIVING
Week 4	Mon 6 Nov	Year 10 exams start
	Fri 10 Nov	Senior reports home
Week 5	Thur 16 Nov	Year 9 exams start
Week 8	Tue 5 Dec	Junior Activities Day
	Fri 8 Dec	Last day Term 4 / Junior Prize-giving / Junior reports home



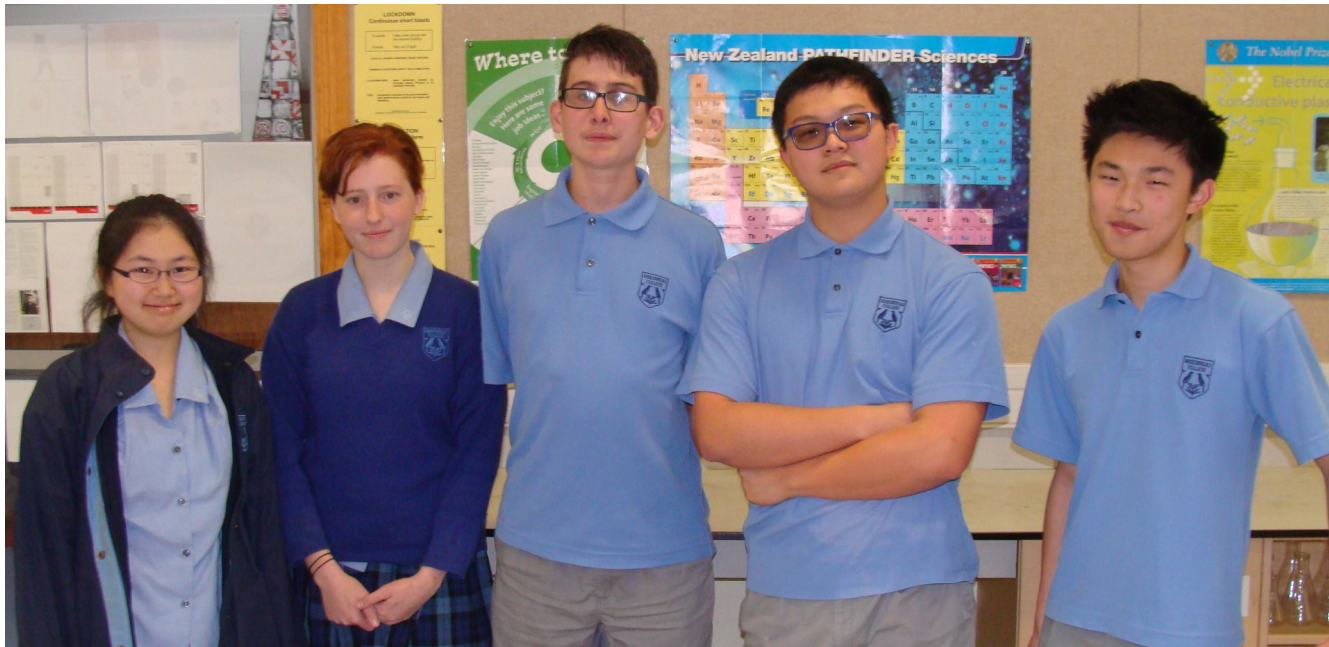
We had the pleasure of interviewing the Student Council for the roles of Head Girl and Head Boy. They all presented themselves very well and showed great passion and commitment to the school and are remarkably talented and capable young people. Congratulations to Hannah, Payge, Duncan and Oban who were successful. They will be great Head Students and representatives of our school.

Monday 30 October is Day 2

C Waller, Principal

Chemistry Olympiad

Five Year 12 students took part in this year's Chemistry Olympiad. This is an international competition run by the University of Canterbury in New Zealand. **Kenny Chou, Asumi Yamaguchi, Daniel Forster, Sophia Hutchinson** and **Heintje Xu** sat an incredibly challenging 2 hour paper at the end of Term 3, which covered some aspects of the Chemistry they have done at school. They were also required to think laterally and apply their knowledge in completely new situations in some of the questions.



Kenny, Asumi, Heintje and **Daniel** gained bronze certificates meaning that they had gained a mark of between 53 and 69% which was an incredible achievement. Congratulations to our Olympiad Team!

Science for Hauora

Three of our Year 10 students, **Isobel Kamoto, Xavier Christiansen** and **Dakota Kahi** attended a day at Massey University which aims to encourage students to continue with sciences at senior level and to consider the wide range of health based careers. They took part in workshops in Psychology, Biology, Physics and Chemistry, one of the highlights of which was learning about aggression and mating in spiders followed by successful attempts to capture webs on a grid. Spiders webs are strong, flexible and contain anti-bacterial properties, so attempts are being made to harness this to make such things as tendons and mesh on which to grow skin cells.



Congratulations to our Gateway students.

It was wonderful to see so many of our Gateway students dressed up and enjoying the North Shore Schools Gateway end of year function at the Spencer on Byron Hotel on Tuesday evening.

This celebration is the culmination of the Gateway programme for 2017. It is an opportunity to thank employers for their essential role in guiding and mentoring our students and for parents and students to feel proud of their achievements. It requires commitment, courage, energy and perseverance to add Gateway on to an otherwise busy senior year. Students get an insight into an industry area as well as learning some critical life skills.

This year Josh Davies (WT) spoke eloquently on behalf of all the North Shore Gateway students about his placement at digital marketing company, Pure SEO. We were also lucky to have Melenaita Shaw (12MK) entertain us with her exquisite singing of "Just an Illusion" in Tongan and English. BC, you did us proud. Congratulations to you all.



SENIORS STUDY LEAVE

Tuesday 31 October 12:30
Year 12 and 13 final assembly

Wednesday 1 November 12:30
Year 11 final assembly

Students will be presented with their candidate information essential for sitting their NCEA exams.

Year 13 Leavers Dinner

Monday 6th November

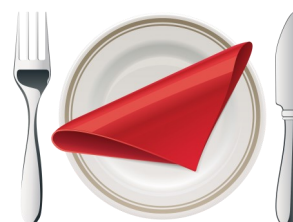
At school

From 6:30–9:30pm

**There will be a variety
of curries and dessert.**

Payment of \$20

**Must be paid to accounts by
3:15pm Tuesday 31st October**



2017 Examination Timetable

Day	Date/Time		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Day 1	Thurs 9 Nov	9.30am				Drama
		2.00pm	Drama	Japanese	Te Reo Rangatira	Chinese
Day 2	Fri 10 Nov	9.30am	Economics	Media Studies	Business Studies	Calculus
		2.00pm	Music	Health / Physics	Accounting	Te Reo Rangatira
Weekend						
Day 3	Mon 13 Nov	9.30am	English		French / Te Reo Māori	
		2.00pm		Business Studies	Health / Japanese	English
Day 4	Tues 14 Nov	9.30am	Chemistry	Dance / Latin	Making Music	Geography
		2.00pm	Japanese	History	English	
Day 5	Wed 15 Nov	9.30am	Science		Media Studies	Music
		2.00pm	Chinese	Geography	Chemistry	History
Day 6	Thurs 16 Nov	9.30am	Biology	Music	Biology	Art History
		2.00pm	Social Studies	Chemistry	Home Economics	Media Studies
Canterbury Anniversary Day						
Weekend						
Day 7	Mon 20 Nov	9.30am	Mathematics and Statistics			Biology
		2.00pm		Economics	Physics	Te Reo Māori
Day 8	Tues 21 Nov	9.30am	Accounting	Te Reo Māori	Music Studies	Economics
		2.00pm	Home Economics	English		Statistics
Day 9	Wed 22 Nov	9.30am	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Physics
		2.00pm	German	Biology	Geography	French
Day 10	Thurs 23 Nov	9.30am	Geography	Accounting / German	Calculus	
		2.00pm	Dance	Classical Studies	Spanish	Classical Studies
Day 11	Fri 24 Nov	9.30am	History	Education for Sustainability	History	Chemistry
		2.00pm	Business Studies	Mathematics and Statistics	Social Studies	Spanish
Weekend						
Day 12	Mon 27 Nov	9.30am	Sāmoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Drama	Statistics	
		2.00pm	French	Chinese	Earth and Space Science	Accounting
Day 13	Tues 28 Nov	9.30am	Physics	Art History	Drama	Agricultural and Horticultural Science
		2.00pm	Latin	Spanish	Art History	
Day 14	Wed 29 Nov	9.30am	Health	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Agricultural and Horticultural Science	Latin
		2.00pm	Art History	French	Economics	
Day 15	Thurs 30 Nov	9.30am	Te Reo Māori	Earth and Space Science	Sāmoan	Earth and Space Science
		2.00pm	Classical Studies	Social Studies	Chinese	Sāmoan
Day 16	Fri 1 Dec	9.30am	Media Studies	Sāmoan / Te Reo Rangatira	Dance / Latin	German
		2.00pm	Spanish		German	Japanese