



Whanganui High School

NEWSLETTER FOR OCTOBER 2016 FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of the School,

As the final term is drawing to a close for our Senior School it is a time to reflect on the achievements of our students. Over the past two weeks we have celebrated the outstanding successes experienced by our sportsmen and sportswomen at our Sports Awards. Seventeen of these fine young people have achieved National titles.

Then we applauded the efforts of those students who have excelled in the Arts fields, and especially acknowledging the National honours won by Stage Challenge, '29 Below'. We still have the Māori Awards and then the Academic prizegivings to come.

The students at our School perform at an exceptional standard and together they help make our School outstanding. They do this with the support and guidance of both our staff and the students' families, who each encourage the students to strive for personal excellence. Here at WHS we develop the whole person in each of our students as they reflect our LIFE values: Learning, Integrity, Fellowship and Excellence.

I would like to wish our Years 11, 12 and 13 students well for their external NCEA examinations - for most, the year is not quite over yet!

Academic success at the highest level opens doors to greater things.

Ross Brown
PRINCIPAL

Confucius Classroom

The Confucius classroom at Whanganui High School offers various interesting activities. Students can participate in fun Chinese cultural activities, but they also have the opportunity to sit the academic Youth Chinese Test (YCT). The Youth Chinese Test is an international standardised Chinese language test which is directed at examining non-native primary and secondary school students' ability to apply Chinese language in their studies and daily lives. Recent YCT results at Whanganui High School are impressive. As Confucius said 'Learning Chinese is cool, you should learn at Whanganui High School'.



Technology Expo

(For Year 9 2017 Parents/Caregivers)

Our school is embarking on a Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) initiative and the 2017 Year 9 students will be required to bring a device to school. There are many options available for suitable devices, therefore we would like to invite you to an Expo Evening at Whanganui High School to answer any concerns you may have.

The expo will be in our School Hall on **Tuesday 8th November**, we will be offering 2 sessions: **5:00pm - 6:00pm** or **7:00pm - 8:00pm**

The evening will consist of a short presentation from the Whanganui High School Digital Leadership Team, followed by an opportunity for an informal question and answer session with some of the teaching staff. There will also be a number of local suppliers at the event demonstrating a range of devices that would be suitable.

Y9 Enrolments 2017

Enrolments for Year 9 for 2017 are being received by the School.

For further information and enrolment packs please phone the School on 06 349 0178

SPORTS AWARDS

DUX LUDORUM



Kahurangi Sturmey and Blair Osborne

*Mr Smellie's Cup - Girls
Mrs Robinson's Cup - Boys*

PRINCIPAL'S CUP

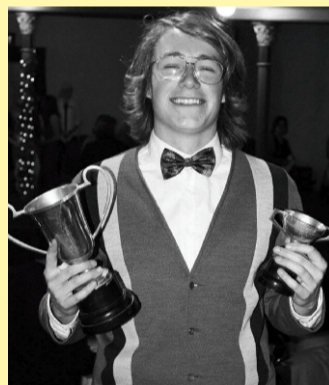


Jessica Watkin and Emma Rainey

For the Most Outstanding Sporting Performance

CULTURAL AWARDS

DUX ARTIUM



Te Paerata Tichbon

DUX ARTIUM



Shaila-Anne Hawkins

PRINCIPAL'S CUP



'29 Below' Stage Challenge 2016

Times for Prizgivings

Year 11 Wed 2 Nov 1.30pm
Year 12 Thur 3 Nov 1.30pm
Year 13 Thur 3 Nov 7.00pm

} All in the School Hall

(with supper afterwards, in the Library for Year 13)

Parents are asked to be seated 10 minutes before the functions begin. On each of these days, we will be running Period 1, 2 and 3 as usual. On Wednesday 2 November, all year groups other than Year 11 will be sent home at 12.50pm. This will be the last day for Year 11 and they will be issued with their reports and examination slips at the conclusion of the Prizgiving.

Similarly, on Thursday 3 November, Year 9 and 10 will be sent home, at 12.50pm. Year 13 will be having an informal farewell function in the Gym courtyard. Year 12 and 13 students will be issued with their reports and examination slips at the conclusion of their respective Prizgivings.

The Library will be open on both days and buses will run as usual.

Junior Examinations

Monday 7 and Tuesday 8 November.

The school will run on an altered time schedule for these two days.

Form time 9.00 – 9.20am

Morning exam 9.30 – 11.30am

Lunch break 11.30 – 12.30pm

Afternoon exam 12.40 – 2.40pm

Students will be dismissed at 2.40pm.

The Library will be open for study and buses will run as usual.

Junior Examination Timetable 2016

	Mon 7 Nov		Tues 8 Nov	
	AM	PM	AM	PM
Year 9	Social Studies	English	Science	Maths
Year 10	Maths	Science	English	Social Studies