



Whanganui High School

NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 2018 FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Tēnā koutou katoa,

On Thursday, 14 June, we held our Open Day afternoon and evening. It was a great opportunity for us to meet together with prospective students and family members intending to be part of our school community next year.

Our two sessions began in the school hall at 4pm and then 7pm. I welcomed our visitors into our school during my opening address, and then our Head Girl and Head Boy – Saskia Knight and Josiah Kirk – continued speaking with assembled students, parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents about the wide range of educational opportunities at Whanganui High School.

After our brief presentations, our visitors were escorted by our student guides around 20 learning and teaching stations within the school – ranging all the way from Automotive to Te Atawhai.

We encouraged people to ask questions of the students and teachers at each station and through their journey around the school – as is our style, honest and open answers were always given in response.

Please note that we welcome applications from throughout Whanganui to attend our school next year. Ideally, enrolment applications should be returned to the school by the end of this term – Friday, 6 July. I am always happy to meet with families to discuss any matters about education at Whanganui High School now or in the future.

Ngā mihi nui

Martin McAllen - Principal

MEd Leadership with First Class Honours,

PGDipEd Leadership, BA, Dip Tchg

Performing Arts Update 2018

Whanganui High School Arts students continue to feature heavily in the media with reports of their on-going successes on stage, in exhibitions, both locally and in the North Island.

We hit the year running and 90 junior students rehearsed all of Term One to produce the musical: "Once on this Island". This coincided wonderfully with the Broadway show receiving this year's Tony Award for Best Revival of a Musical. Of note: lighting, sound, set and stage management were all taken care of by Senior students. We are incredibly proud of what the cast and crew achieved and it will be a positive experience that will stay with the students forever and prepare the Juniors for our school-wide productions.

Junior and Senior students put their Shakespearean talents to the test; entering and hosting the Otago University Sheilah Winn Regional Shakespeare Festival in April. Congratulations to Simone Sarup, Timara Wallace, Jayden Grant and Lachlan Baxter who won the Regional Competition and were selected to perform at The National Festival in June. They performed a self-directed, 5 minute piece from 'Midsummer Night's Dream' and gained invaluable experience being part of a National Competition.

During the recent Regional Smokefree Rockquest competitions, WHS proved that we really can rock the city and took away a massive 10 out of the possible 12 awards! 1st place Best Band AND Smokefree Tangata Beats Award AND Smokefree Best Vocals: 'The Remnant' Cypress Kani -Hurinui, Wiremu Rogan, Toka Poa, Joshua Waitai, Chester Nevil 2nd place: 'Pantheon' Daniel Hubers, Daniel Goodwin, Kahu Miller, Sebastian Alcaiyaga Rojas 3rd place: '3 White Guys & Caleb' - Jack McCoubrie, Ethan Mancer, Jonathan Stolk, Noah Belchambers 2nd place soloist: Maia Falkner, MAINZ Musicianship Award: Imogen Maguire, Best Song: 'The Zodiacs' Georgia Morris, Alex Paika. Fatboy Style Award: 'Spicey' Markus Lawrence, Casey Scott, Ethan Coffey, Konrad Shaw, Freya Battersby, APRA Lyric Writers Award: Imogen Maguire and Victoria Whibley. Rock on WHS!! WHS's final claim to fame is having the highest amount of entries second to Timaru in NZ!

From rock to Chamber Music, a record 12 ensembles took to the Wanganui Collegiate stage entering the NZCT Chamber Music Regional Contest that was held on Friday 8th June. Another record was set and WHS won 8 of the possible 12 awards. Highly Commended: 'No Strings Attached' brass ensemble: Caleb Squire, Luke Squire, Sarah Wright, Ethan Mancer, Isaac Paterson. Ethan and Sarah have also, recently gained a place in the NZ Secondary Schools Brass band AND the NZ Youth Brass Band. Congratulations to you both! '2 Crotchets and a Quaver': Abby Squire, Ahimsha Saravanapavan and Anna Zhang. 'Triple A' a combined Collegiate and WHS group featuring Allyssa Pram-Vocalist. Allyssa also won The Wanganui Music Society award for the Best Ensemble featuring a vocalist and her ensemble were selected to go through

to the National quarter finals. Original Composition Performance Award: 'Classical Modes #3'. Composer Ben Power (we await news of his standing in the National Composition Competition) Ben Power, Ginny Thomson and Xavier Gregory from St Anthony's.

KBB Music Awards to: 'No Strings Attached' and 'The Buzz Rolls' - Harvey Hughes, Chester Nevil, Jonathan Stolk. Adjudicator's Award-'Guitarsafire' Cameron Walker, David Dale, Jack Fawthorpe, Noah Payne. My special thanks to the incredible Itinerant teachers who have worked so hard for the Department and students: Michael Franklin-Browne, Fred Loveridge, Marie Brooks, Liz Newton, Bruce Jellyman.

In the Visual Arts scene, we congratulate Mikayla Baldwin for a successful exhibition in response to The Fine Arts Whanganui Young Artists Scholarship and to Lily Claypole for winning The WDC Youth Committee Youth Recognition Award at the Whanganui Arts Revue.

The International Cultural Concert was again a huge success with all international students providing national food, dance and music. This event is highly enjoyed by the school wide community and streamed to parents and friends worldwide!

The Kapa Haka group, Kia Whaiora, have just returned from Waitara performing at the annual Pae Rangatahi Secondary Schools Kapa Haka Festival and whilst it was non-competitive year for the Kapa Haka group congratulations to Sophia 'Unga-Cribb' winning 'The Sir Turi Carroll Award' Junior Maori English speech competition. We wish the Pasifika group well as they compete in the Regional Pasifika Festival in the last week of the term.

And, if that's not enough....students have been performing at the Outdoor Open Mic concerts during break times and the Cultural Prefects ran a Cultural week including Chalk Paint Art down the Centre Court, Hip Hop classes and Rockquest performances. Looking ahead....WHS is entering SHOWQUEST 2018 (the newly named Stage Challenge, taken over by Rockquest promotions) where we will be aiming to defend our National title. Keep an eye on the news about when and where our performance will be during August.

Finally, in September at the Royal Wanganui Opera House, you can have a chance to witness first hand all of the above talented students at Whanganui High School on stage in the Annual Performing Arts Concert. It will be show not to be missed!!

Our academic success profile is enviable throughout the country and this success is enriched by the extracurricular experiences that make connection with Wanganui High School so fulfilling for our students.

Jeanette Jones
TIC Music/Performing Arts Coordinator



2019 Enrolments

Applications should ideally be received
by the school no later than
4:00pm on Friday 6th July, 2018

Important Dates

Friday 6 July End of Term 2
Monday 23 July Term 3 Begins

ACHIEVERS LIST 2018

(Updates up to 28 June)

Libby Abbott	AWAHB (12)	Mountain Biking - WSS Champs Y11-13 Girls 1st
Patrick Absolum	AWAMA (11)	Language Perfect World Chinese Champs - Credit
Toni Adams	WHEBG (9)	Readers' Cup Manawatu - Winner
Kara Adrole	MOAAE (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls Javelin Throw 500g 3rd, Netball - U15A Whanganui Rep Team
Javontae Alabaster-Wroe	MAUHD (13)	Athletics - WSS Champs Senior Boys Shot Put 5kg 2nd, Volleyball - Manawatu SS Champs Boys A Team 1st
Sebastian Alcaiyaga Rojas	AWAKN (11)	Rockquest - 'Pantheon' 2nd
Sophie Andrews	MOAAE (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls Shop Put 3kg 2nd, Discus Throw 1K 1st, Hammer Throw 3kg Open 1st, Athletics - NISS Champs Shot put 2nd
Charlotte Baker	MAUSL (9)	Athletics - WSS Champs Junior Girls 200m Dash 3rd, 300m Run 2nd, 4x100m Relay 2nd, Long Jump 3rd, 4x400m Relay Open 3rd, Athletics - NISS Champs 4x400m Relay 2nd, Cross Country - WHS Y9 Girls 1st, Cross Country - WSS Y9 Girls 3km 3rd, 6 to Score 1st
Rebecca Baker	MAULO (12)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls 1500m Run 1st, 3000m Open Run 1st, Athletics - NISS Champs Intermediate Girls 1500m 1st, 3000m 1st, Cross Country - WHS Snr Girls 1st, Cross Country - WSS Snr Girls 1st, Hockey - Girls Central U18 Rep Team, Cross Country - NZSS Senior Girls 4th, Mountain Biking - WSS Champs Y11-13 Girls 3rd, Tough Guy/Girl Comp 2nd = Overall (1st Open Womens)
Mikayla Baldwin	AWAKN (13)	The Fine Arts Whanganui Young Artists Scholarship (Exhibition)
Sophie Baldwin	AWAGH (11)	Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award - Bronze
Freya Battersby	MAUSL (11)	Rockquest - 'Spicey' Fatboy Style Award
Lachlan Baxter	AWATS (11)	SGCNZ University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival '5 Minute Category' - Regional Comp 1st; Nationa Comp - Youngest Self Directed Piece at National Level
Ryan Bayler	WHEHT (12)	Cross Country - WHS Jnr Boys 3rd, 6 to Score 1st
Travis Bayler	WHEHT (12)	Athletics - WSS Champs Senior Boys 400m 1st, 800m Run 2nd, 4x100m Relay 2nd, Open Boys 4x 400m Relay 2nd, Athletics - NISS Champs Senior Boys 4x400m Relay 2nd, Cross Country - WHS Snr Boys 1st, Hockey - Whanganui U18 Team, Tough Guy/Girl Comp 1st Overall
Noah Belchambers	MOAHU (12)	Rockquest - '3 White Guys & Caleb' 3rd
Rebecca Benge	AWAGW (13)	Mitre 10 Mega Future Champions Trust Recipient
Lucy Bennetts	AWAKN (11)	Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award - Bronze
Sara Bishop	MOAHS (10)	Netball - U15A Whanganui Rep Team
Sophie Black	MAUCT (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls 100m Dash 3rd, Long Jump 3rd, 4x100m Relay 2nd
Jimi Blinkhorne	WHEWA (13)	Roller Hockey - Trans-Tasman Cup Senior Mens and U17 Team; Most Valuable Player, Supreme Sportsmanship Award, Captain of U17 NZ Team
Callista Booth-Richards	WHEKR (11)	Language Perfect World Chinese Champs - Bronze
Dominic Benfell	MOAHU (9)	Debating - John Prestage Comp Junior 1st
Troy Brennan	MAUML (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Boys 400m Run 3rd, 4x400m Relay Open 3rd, Cross Country - WSS Junior Boys 6 to Score 1st
Jaimee Bridger	WHEKS (12)	Rowing - NISS Champs U17 Girls 3rd
Sophie Brooke	MAOBP (12)	Canoe Racing - Asia Pacific Regatta U16 NZ Rep, Mitre 10 Mega Future Champions Trust Recipient, Canoe Racing - 2018 Asia-Pacific Regatta Womens U16 K4 500m 3rd, K4 200m 1st
Charlie Brown	AWAGN (12)	Football Level 1 Junior Coaching Course, Futsal Refereeing Level 2 Qualification at NZSS Champs, Selected for NZF Stage 2 Futsal Referee Development Course (National Federation Tournament Referee)
Emelye Brown	AWATS (12)	Speech - Regional Lion's Speech Comp 1st
Phoebe Brown	MOAPR (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls 4x100m Relay 2nd
Caitlin Butlin	AWAKN (12)	NZ Chefs Regional Cooking Comp - 'Hot Kitchens' Bronze Medal 2nd Place, 'Statics' Creative Cupeake Ballet Days Silver Medal 1st Place
Keisha Campbell	MOAAE (9)	Netball - Year 9 Whanganui Rep Team
Max Campbell	WHEWA (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Boys Triple Jump 3rd, Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award - Bronze, Hockey - Whanganui U18 Team
Levi Carroll	AWATS (13)	Rowing - Central RPC Camp, Rowing - Maadi Cup Boys Coxless Pair & Boys Double Sculls: Top Ten Badge
Jack Clifton	MOALW (12)	Canoe Racing - ICF Canoe Sprint Junior World Champs & Asia Pacific Regatta U18 NZ Rep, Mitre 10 Mega Future Champions Trust Recipient, Canoe Racing - 2018 Asia-Pacific Regatta Mens U18 K2 1000m 2nd, K4 1000m 1st, K2 500m 2nd, K4 500m 2nd
Ethan Coffey	MOAKH (11)	Rockquest - 'Spicey' Fatboy Style Award
Jordan Cohen	MOAPS (13)	Athletics - WSS Champs Senior Boys 100m Dash 1st, 200m Dash 2nd, 4x100m Relay 2nd, Open Boys 4x 400m Relay 2nd, Hockey - 'Pathway 2 Podium' Elite Athlete Squad, Hockey - Central U18 Boys Team
Nathan Cohen	MOAPR (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Boys 4x100m Relay 1st
Ethan Cox	WHEDS (11)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Boys 100m Dash 1st, 200m Dash 1st, 4x100m Relay 1st, Long Jump 1st, 4x400m Relay Open 3rd, Athletics - NISS Champs Intermediate Boys 4x400m Relay 3rd
Tyler Cox	WHEAS (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Junior Boys 4x100m Relay 1st, Long Jump 3rd
David Dale	MAUCO (11)	NZCT Chamber Music Regional Contest - 'Guitarsafire' Adjudicator's Award
Ella Dudley	MOAPS (12)	Rowing - NISS Champs Girls U16 Quad 2nd
Maia Falkner	MAUHL (12)	Vibe Summer Music Festival (Whanganui District Youth Council) - Solo Singing Performance, Fine Art- Sarjeant Gallery Arts Review 2018: Finalist and Recipient of UCOL 'Youth Artist Scholarship', Rockquest - Soloist 2nd
Jack Fawthorpe	MOASV (11)	NZCT Chamber Music Regional Contest - 'Guitarsafire' Adjudicator's Award
Aspen Fell	AWAGH (11)	Roller Skating - Central Areas Artistic Comp Pre Lim Solo Dance 1st, Freeskatte 2nd, Freedance 3rd
Kadyn Finn	WHEWA (11)	Basketball - Central Zones U17 Boys Whanganui Rep Team
Imogen Flower	MAULO (12)	Netball - U17A Whanganui Rep Team
Emma Forrester	MAUSM (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls High Jump 3rd
Georgia Forrester	MAUCY (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Intermediate Girls 100m Dash 2nd, 80m Hurdles 762mm 3rd, Triple Jump 2nd, 4x100m Relay 2nd
Molly Fothergill	WHEGL (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Junior Girls Javelin Throw 2nd, Junior Girls Discus 1kg 2nd
Hayley Gabriel	AWAHB (9)	Athletics - WSS Champs Open Girls 4x400m Relay 3rd
Jessica Gear	AWAMA (12)	Athletics - WSS Champs Senior Girls 100m Hurdles 762m 2nd, 4x100m Relay 3rd, Long Jump 3rd
Cemre Gifford	AWAHV (9)	Basketball - Central Zones Tournament Whanganui U15 Rep Team
Casie Glentworth	MAUSD (10)	Athletics - WSS Champs Junior Girls 200m Dash 2nd, 300m Run 3rd, 70m Hurdles 762mm 2nd, 4x100m Relay 2nd, Athletics - NISS Champs 70m Hurdles 2nd, 4x400m Relay 2nd
Daniel Goodwin	WHEBG (11)	Rockquest - 'Pantheon' 2nd
Blair Gowan	WHERI (10)	Cross Country - WHS Jnr Boys 1st, Cross Country - WSS Jnr Boys 2nd, 6 to Score 1st
Jayden Grant	MOAPR (11)	SGCNZ University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival '5 Minute Category' - Regional Comp 1st; National Comp - Youngest Self Directed Piece at National Level
Ashlea Hale	AWAKN (9)	Debating - John Prestage Comp Junior 1st, Mountain Biking - WSS Champs Y9-10 Girls 3rd
Mikayla Heka	WHEPAA (11)	Netball - U15A Whanganui Rep Team
Mia Henry	AWACV (9)	Netball - Year 9 Whanganui Rep Team
Trinity Herewini	MAUHN (9)	Basketball - Central Zones Tournament Whanganui U15 Rep Team
Tyrese Herewini-Lama	MOAAE (11)	Basketball - Central Zones U17 Boys Whanganui Rep Team
Baylie Hilbourne	MAUSL (10)	Badminton - NZ Central U17 Team (Australasian Tournament)

