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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 15 Oct
Term 4 Begins

Thurs 18 Oct
Sports Awards

Thurs 25 Oct
Arts Awards

Thurs 1 Nov
Maori & Pasifika Awards

Mon 5 Nov
Y11 finish & reports issued
Y11 Prizegiving at 1.30pm in the Hall
Juniors, Y12 & Y13 released at 12.50pm

Tue 6 Nov
Y12 finish & reports issued
Y12 Prizegiving at 1.30pm in the Hall
Juniors and Y13 released at 12.50pm

Tue 6 Nov
Y13 finish & reports issued
Y13 Prizegiving at 7.00pm in the Hall
Followed by supper in the Library

Wed 7 Nov to Fri 30 Nov
NCEA External Examinations

Fri 9 Nov to Fri 16 Nov
Junior Examination Week

Thu 6 Dec
Y9 & Y10 finish & reports issued
Y9 & Y10 Prizegiving at 11.00am in the Hall

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Our Senior School examinations finished on Friday, 21 September. These examinations, coupled with invaluable written feedback from subject teachers, prepare our students well for the requirements of the national external examinations beginning in early November. It is essential that all students, with the assistance of teachers and whanau, prepare a balanced and realistic individual revision programme from now onwards.

Winter Tournament Week was hugely successful for 140 students competing in our various teams across the North Island. Congratulations also to our 100 student-strong Stage Art team in winning the Manawatu and Whanganui regional competition with 'Uncovering Alice' in Palmerston North. Thank you to students, parents and staff members for your deep commitment and dedication to the ongoing success of our students and our school.

On Saturday, 22 September I farewelled 28 students and three staff members as they flew out of Whanganui airport on the first stage of their journey to our sister school in Xuzhou, China. We look forward to hearing about their experiences of international education and real life in their Chinese homestay families when they return to Whanganui on 9 October.

We currently have some very limited spaces available for enrolment at Whanganui High School for 2019. Please enrol your son or daughter as quickly as possible if you are still intending to do so.

I am always pleased to meet with caregivers and parents to discuss education at Whanganui High School.

Ngā mihi nui

Martin McAllen - Principal

MEd Leadership with First Class Honours,
PGDipEd Leadership, BA, Dip Tchg

WHS ACHIEVERS

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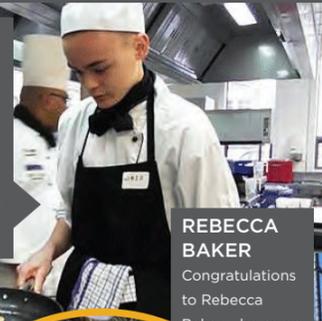


STAGE ART REGIONAL COMPETITION

Whanganui High School were winners of the first Stage Art Regional Competition (formally known as Stage Challenge). Congratulations!

ARAGORN CAVANAGH

Aragorn Cavanagh took out 'Overall Winner' of the recent UCOL Secondary Schools Hospitality Competition.



REBECCA BAKER

Congratulations to Rebecca Baker who came 4th at the Australian Cross Country Champs and first with her team in the 6 to Score for NZ.



ENROLMENTS 2019

Enrolments for 2019 are still being received by the School.
For further information and enrolment packs please phone the School on **06 349 0178**

LILY CLAYPOLE

Congratulations to Lily Claypole for getting her "Portrait of a Young Artist" accepted as a finalist for the Wallace Secondary School Art Awards. This is the second year in a row Lily has been accepted and last year she took out the People's Choice Award!



BRITNEY WALSH & CAITLYN BUTLIN

placed 3rd at the National Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge Final. Well done to our chefs!



FOR MORE PHOTOS PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

A big thank you to staff, coaches, managers and parents/caregivers who took the time to be with our teams during tournament week. WHS appreciates the dedication you give to sports and our students. Well done to all our students who represented WHS with pride on and off the field, court, track and turf.

SPORTS TOURNAMENT WEEK

BOYS HOCKEY - Our 1st XI Hockey Boys won the Founders Cup 2018. Great work throughout the week from the whole team. They now have a year to prepare for Rankin Cup - Division 1. Thanks to Darrell Hoskin (Manager) and Andrew Spence (Coach) for all your work for the season.

BOYS FOOTBALL - Our 1st XI Football Boys finished 3rd at the Winter Tournament in Palmerston North. They had a great week away, with the majority of the team in their last year at school. Thanks to Steve Kerfoot (Coach) and Peter Czerwonka (Manager).

1ST XV RUGBY - Our team hosted the Central 6 Tournament in Whanganui, finishing 3rd at the tournament. Thanks to Bryn Parry, Mark Cosford (Coaches), Greg Hoobin (Manager/Medic) and staff - Tonia Hoobin, Kent Rivers and Sean Brown for helping run the tournament.

MOTOCROSS - Our Motocross team were the overall winners of the North Island Secondary School Champs in Whanganui. James Rountree won both the 250cc & 125cc class, Troy Bullock came 3rd in the 85cc class and Ajah Sullivan came 3rd in the women's grade. Thanks to our parents for supporting the & girls at the track.

POOL 8 BALL - Our team travelled to Hamilton to play in the NZSS Pool 8 Ball championships. Both teams finished 1st & 2nd in the plate final. Thanks to Nick Staples for taking the boys!



NEW TRIPLE BAY GARAGE WITH HOIST

AUTOMOTIVE DEPARTMENT

In Term Three the Automotive department commissioned a new triple bay garage with a vehicle hoist installed. This addition to our teaching and learning resource allows us to keep up with modern Automotive practises and gives our students real-life experience before they head into the work force. The garage supplements our existing Automotive theory and practical facilities. We can safely give our students hands-on experience in suspension, transmission, brakes, exhaust and under-body repairs and maintenance.