



School Newsletter

Week 7 Term 4

November 30th 2017

Sports This week we hosted Tawa Intermediate for our annual sporting and cultural exchange. Netball, basketball, rugby 7s, Ki-o-Rahi, BP Technology Challenge and a "Cook-Off" were among the events on offer.

The result was a win to Tawa this year. While we did well in some areas we had a few weak areas – football, hockey and volleyball. Things to work on for next year!

2017 Year Book On the last day of term we will distribute our 2017 Year Book. These books are largely a photographic souvenir of the year. Students also use them to gather signatures and messages from friends and teachers. The school subsidises the book in a small way to keep the cost to \$15 a book. An order form will be sent home both on paper and digitally on Friday. There is a limited number – just 200 this year.

EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) Last week groups of students were out and about visiting the university, Government House and Matiu-Somes Island. We also had visits from the police, the fire service and St Johns. These events were part of our community and careers focus.

Starting this week we have our 3 day EOTC experience for all our students. We will use a lot of the money raised from Run for Us but the "top up" cost for this experience is \$5 per day per student, so \$15. The days include a trip to the ASB stadium, the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre, Laser Force, the Cable Car and a day of sports activities locally.

Some students will also have an opportunity to try their hand at sailing.

Every family should have the information and permission slip note by now. If you have not responded with the money or permission slip please contact the office as soon as possible. Students who do not have permission and have not paid will not be participating. An alternative programme of classroom learning will be provided by our DPs.

Citizenship Awards Last night we celebrated the outstanding students from schools in the Northern Suburbs area. This is a Wellington City Council annual event. Aurora Riley-Ngatai and Lachlan Auelua were the recipients of the award from our school. Both these young students have been outstanding role models and leaders, displaying citizenship in many areas of school life.

Speech Night Tonight we are hosting the annual Newlands Speech Festival. Two students from each of our contributing schools will present a speech along with our 2 successful speech winners from term 3.

Year 8 Dinner and Dance On Thursday December 14th we will hold our annual year 8 Dinner and Dance. This is a wonderful event where our year 8s gather to celebrate their 2 years with us with dancing, a photo booth and a dinner prepared by the teachers. The cost this year is \$25 per person. The dress code is **not** casual with

many students enjoying the opportunity to dress up. An email with the information about the ticket sales will be sent this Friday.

Canteen and Mufti Day Thank you for supporting our canteen and mufti day this week. We are very pleased to be able to donate \$1000 to the Newlands Food Bank.

Digital Technology This week Marianne Malmstrom and her team of student coders and game designers have celebrated their achievements with 2 events supported by designers and experts from around Wellington. This is how we think the new Digital Technology Curriculum should look like.

Final Assembly Please note that the final assembly of the year will be held on Wednesday December 13th at 1.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Angela Lowe

Principal

Calendar of Events

Newlands Cluster Speech Festival	Thursday November 30th
EOTC Day 1	Friday December 1st
EOTC Day 2	Tuesday December 5th
EOTC Day 3	Wednesday December 6th
BOT	Thursday December 7th 7pm
Celebration Assembly	Wednesday December 13th 1.30pm
Year 8 Leavers Dinner and Dance	Thursday December 14th 6.30 – 9.00pm
Last Day	Friday December 15th 12.20

Community Notices

Check out our website for more details about these events and groups.

