



Tena Koutou Katoa

## CALENDAR

**MON 1 JUN**

School closed for Queen's Birthday

**TUES 2 JUN—FRI 5 JUN**

Exam Week

### A Wonderful Evening with Pasifika Families

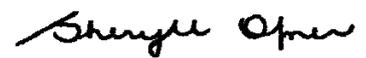
Last night more than 140 Pasifika students and their families attended a wonderful evening at the college!

Early this year the Ministry of Education invited us to participate in a 'Home-School Partnership' initiative designed to foster the engagement of one particular community with the school. We selected our Pasifika community.



The initiative got underway with several ex students organising holiday workshops for our Pasifika students where they viewed the documentary 'Children of the Migration' and began to consider what Pasifika migrants in the past regarded as 'success stories' and what they hoped for their children today. The ex students also trained a group of current Year 12 & 13 leaders to facilitate student workshops around producing intergenerational success stories on DVD.

Last night the students and their families viewed the DVDs and various items from our students. Families celebrated the talents of their children and several Pasifika parents spoke of their hopes for them. The fact that our NCEA Level 2 Pasifika students achieved 17.8% above the National results and 25.9% higher than schools of the same decile at NCEA Level 2 was hugely applauded. This was followed by a shared meal of delicious food brought in by the families who also talked about how the network of enthusiasm and support they are building for the college can be continued. Once again, our Hospitality students excelled in their role in the kitchen and with serving the food.



Sheryll Ofner, Principal



### Senior Exam Week

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June is senior exam week. Teachers have been asked to ensure students know what will be covered in their exams so that students know what to prepare for. Some of these examinations will count towards final NCEA Standards. Others will be practice for the NCEA external exams in November. Either way, students should take them seriously and ensure full mastery of their work so they achieve as well as possible.

### Homestay Families Wanted

Host families are sought to take an international student for one to two terms in Semester 2. They must live in close proximity to the college. The students are coming from Italy and Germany and all speak good English. Families with one or more teenage children are preferred but this is by no means essential. Selwyn College pays host families \$210.00 per week for full board and lodging.

If you can help, please contact Julia Cornthwaite

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# Winter Sports Results

## Football

Snrs vs Rutherford College won 4—1  
 Senior Boys remain unbeaten and top of the table in the A4 league, **Paul Benei** and **Vion Slinger** scoring 2 goals each.

## Netball

Yr9A vs Diocesan won 21—6  
 Yr9B vs Marcellin College lost 23—14  
 SnrA vs Baradene won 25—21  
 SnrB vs Glendowie College won 28—8

## Rugby

1<sup>st</sup> XV vs Auckland Grammar lost 33—10  
 U15 boys vs Hillary College lost 28—5  
 Girls Snr game postponed to Wednesday 3/6/09

## Basketball

U17 boys vs Auckland Grammar won 44—26  
 U15 girls vs Epsom Girls Grammar won 28—22  
 U19 boys vs One Tree Hill College won 53—42

## Hockey

Girls 1st X1 vs Santa Maria lost 3—0

## Duathlon

Congratulations to **Timothy Burrell** for finishing in a highly credible 8th place at the Auckland Secondary School duathlon championships held at St Kentigerns College. Well done Tim!

## Newsflash

Congratulations to **Paul Benei** on his call up to trial for the New Zealand Under 17 Boys Football Team. This is thoroughly deserved with his outstanding talent and commitment.



Paul Benei (left) taking on a Whangaparoa defender



**SELWYN COMMUNITY EDUCATION**  
 Enrol NOW for Saturday courses on 6th June.

Life Drawing Workshop with Mary Ferguson	10am-4pm
Flowers for Entertaining	9am-1pm
MYOB Accounting	9am- 5pm
Illustrator –Adobe—fun &easy	9am-4pm
Trade Me—all you need to know	9.30am– 1.30pm
Dealing with Difficult People	9.30am-12.30pm
Sustainable Building	9am—4pm
Paint Finish Techniques	9am -5pm
Vegetarian and Gluten Free Cooking (for two Saturdays)	9.30am-2.30pm
Handmade Books with Ailie Snow (for two Saturdays)	9.30am—4pm
Qi Gong (for two Saturdays)	9am -1pm

There are also courses on Saturday 13th June

Painting Mixed Media VHF Marine Radio  
 Family History Paella Soft Stone Sculpture  
 See our website for details Phone: 521 9623  
 or visit [www.selwyncomed.school.nz](http://www.selwyncomed.school.nz) to enrol

**Reminder**  
**Selwyn Park Tree Planting**  
**Sunday 31st May**

**9am—12pm**

Meet at the ASB car park behind the stadium.

All help is most welcome.



## American Field Scholarships

AFS is one of the world's largest community-based volunteer organizations dedicated to building a more just and peaceful world through international student exchange. More than 13,000 students, young adults and teachers participate in AFS programs each year.



Year 13 student **Guido Turnock-Chambers** has been selected to take part in an AFS exchange program to Mexico. Guido sees this as a great opportunity to gain many new experiences, such as going to another country, joining a new family for a whole year and learning the language (Spanish). Mexico has a population of near 120 million, so this will definitely be a culture shock.



Year 13 student **Fallon Simchowit** has been selected to take part in an AFS exchange program to Kansas at the start of term three this year, for one year. She will be attending Kansas School for the Deaf. Fallon is really looking forward to this great experience and exciting challenge.



Year 13 student **Grayson Goffe** has been selected to take part in an AFS exchange program to Egypt. Grayson will be landing in the mystical land of Egypt on 3rd September. Egypt's population is around forty-million and extremely dense. The food, and being in a heavily populated area, will be a culture shock. Grayson says, "There's nothing a little McDonald's cannot cure!" The roads in Egypt are shared by donkeys and BMW's. Egypt is rarely selected as a

country for AFS, however Grayson will be going with another student who lives in Tauranga. Grayson was lucky enough to get the Auckland Regional Council scholarship worth \$6,500 to assist him. He hope to learn the two main language, Egyptian and French, and expects that this once-in-a-life time experience will be an eye-opener.

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