



Tena Koutou Katoa

# NEWSLETTER

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## 2011 Selwyn College Quiz Night - an Enjoyable Occasion!

The staffroom was abuzz last Friday evening as Quiz Master George Burrell put nine teams through their paces. A tough panel of senior students marked the answers. Halftime leaders the Comfortably Numbs and the Waifs & Strays teams were overtaken, with the Chinese Gooseberries repeating their winning style of 2009. Hot on their heels were the Good luck Johnsons, with the glamorous Elton Gagas coming in at third place. Luckily next year we may be a few gooseberries short so the rest of us will stand a sporting chance.



Te Whanau Awhi would like to thank each and every person who participated. We were particularly delighted to see parents of new Year 9 students attend. Money raised totalled approximately \$1200. This money is being used to underwrite the initial bulk order for House T-shirts that students can purchase at cost to show their house spirit at events throughout the year.

Thanks to personal donors of prizes, including Julie Brookes, Lisa Rudolphe and Andrea Blackmore and her son Callum. A huge thank you also to the businesses which so generously donated vouchers and quality products as prizes. They are all local – so we would appreciate if our Selwyn community could reciprocate their support.

### Please Support Our Quiz Evening Sponsors:

- Kelly Tarlton's Underwater World & Antarctic Encounter
- Bettjemans Hair Salon and Spa, Orakei
- Londonaire Hair Design Orakei
- Health2000 Eastridge Shopping Centre
- Foto Fiddlers Eastridge Shopping Centre
- Eastridge Flowers Eastridge Shopping Centre
- Hell Pizza Kapa Rd, Kapa
- Fine Wines Kapa Rd
- Genki Japanese Cuisine Allum St Shops
- Freddino Café and Yakitori Bar Allum St Shops
- Nortons Fashions and Lingerie Meadowbank Mall
- Meadowbank Bakery St John's Rd
- St John's Dairy St John's Rd

### Important Notice to All Families

#### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July will be a teacher-only day

This week, the Minister of Education Hon. Anne Tolley granted all secondary schools two teacher-only days for staff to work on developing assessment materials for the new achievement standards that are being introduced from the start of 2012. The instructions we received are that one of these days must be taken in July. The other is to be taken in Term 4.

### Enrolment for 2012 Underway

Next week from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June we are doing enrolment interviews for prospective students for 2012.

If you know of any student who intends to come to Selwyn next year, we would appreciate if you could encourage them to enrol on one of these days. A parent/caregiver must also attend the interview.

Enrolment packs with the enrolment forms and a list of other documents needed at the interview are available from our main office – phone 521 9610.

### Synthetic Drugs Unwelcome At School

We would like to draw to the attention of all Selwyn students and families that synthetic drugs such as Kronic, which are currently being discussed in the media, are NOT to be brought into the school. These drugs are R18. Should a student be found at school in the possession of synthetic drugs they can expect the same serious consequences that would be incurred for possession and use of other drugs and alcohol at school.

### Two New Uniform Items from 2012

From 2012, all students in Years 9 – 12 will have the option of wearing black Roman sandals during Terms 1 and 4.

Also from 2012 on, students who are in Year 12 will have the option to wear a white Selwyn College shirt embroidered with the school logo. The rest of their uniform will remain the same. This shirt will be available at the School Uniform Centre in Remuera. We will provide families with more details later in the year.



## Selwyn Hockey on the Rise!

2011 has seen a surge into Hockey with the addition of Senior Girls and Senior Boys teams, accompanying the Mixed 8 a-side which started in 2010.

The stand out team for Hockey is the Senior Boys team currently placed 2nd in the Eastern pool. Good luck to the teams for the remainder of the season.

A special thanks to parent Richard Ward who has worked hard with the students for several years, both coaching and driving.



### New Zealand Blood Donor Day

**Tuesday 5th July**

A notice with general information about donating blood will be going home with students 16 years and over next week. Any enquiries please phone the School Nurse, Vicki Rayner 521 9610 ext 662.

### Second Hand Uniforms

**Urgently Required**

If you are interested in selling any second hand uniform items to the school, please bring these into the Student Office or phone us on 5219610 and ask for ext 637.



### Ian Scott

Selwyn College staff have been deeply saddened by the untimely death of our much loved and very highly regarded colleague from the Science Department.

Ian passed away very peacefully, after a short illness, at his seaside home in Leigh on 27 May, 2011. His wife Jan and their extended family have our deepest sympathy as they begin to cope without this special person.

He will also be fondly remembered for his interesting lessons, keen wit, intellect and humanity, by a great number of students who were fortunate enough to have had Ian as a teacher or a Dean at some time in the last 12 years. Ian taught Science and Physics although he was a very capable mathematician and an avid marine biologist and underwater photographer.

## International Dress Day

Selwyn has a strong history of events that celebrate cultural diversity and last week our staff and students had the opportunity to dress up in ethnic clothing. This was a fundraiser towards next term's Multi-Cultural concert on Thursday 11 August. Students were encouraged to have "studio" photos taken during Break 1 and these will collated into a booklet.

Thank you to the Multicultural Council for organising this special event.



Year 13 student, Dawn Sacayan (pictured third from right) is one of the leaders of this Council along with Shakila Maqsoodi.



**SELWYN COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

### Courses starting this week

- Chinese Yum Char
- Life Drawing workshop
- Dayskippers for Ladies
- Digital Video Movie Editing
- Eco-design – water collection and conservation
- Reflexology
- Meditation

see our website [www.selwyncomed.school.nz](http://www.selwyncomed.school.nz) or phone 09 521 9623 to enrol

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