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## The Selwyn Ball 2011 was AMAZING!

Last Saturday evening, many Year 12 & 13 students and a large number of staff attended the annual Selwyn College Ball which was held at the Auckland Museum. It was an amazing occasion with many saying that it was the best Selwyn ball ever.

Wherever you looked, there were beautiful dresses and very smart suits. The students took a huge amount of care with their appearance and their behaviour matched that perfectly. Most danced the whole night through to the fantastic music of DJ Mars, which meant that by the end of the evening, students and staff left with smiles on their faces and high heels in their hands.

The winners of the other awards on the night were:

King	Jack Barnard
Queen	Carmela Hughes
Prince	Chevez Tafunai
Princess	Ruth Maea
Best Dressed—Formal	Brooke Service
Best Dressed—Formal	Ardit Hoxha
Best Dressed—Theme	Kevin Matsuoka
Best Dance Moves	Callum Blackmore
Cutest Couple	Tahana Tippett & his partner
Top Skux	Josef Arnet

Thank you to the Social Council, led by Shazaea Salim and Harold Goh, for their enthusiasm and hard work, along side Hospitality teacher Diana Davidson. Many hours were spent planning and fundraising for this event, with Rose Day and Bake sales.

Students and their parents can view the photos taken on the night at [www.fotonz.com](http://www.fotonz.com) and follow the links School Ball - Photographs - Selwyn College.



Staff members, Bernadette Bhej, Whaea Whi (who won the Best Dressed Teacher Award) and Michal Horton



## Young Selwyn Scientists on Show

Last week the scientific and creative talent of Selwyn College students was on show during our inaugural Science exhibition attended by a large number of parents and caregivers. The student in 9/5, 9/6 and 10/5, were challenged to show off their originality, initiative and skills by choosing a project and carrying out a two week investigation. They were urged to express their creativity, both in the design of the experiment and the project display. This included information about their question and all of the steps they took to come up with your findings, as well as their interpretations and conclusions.

In addition, students were required to have a working version of the practical aspects of their investigation so they could demonstrate how their experiments worked. As a result, the laboratories were full of exciting activities – from huge smoke rings billowing across the room to an experiment about how to transport your library books in the rain.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in this wonderful event.





## Level 3 Physical Education

### Triathlon

On Wednesday 13 July several of our keen students completed a triathlon as part of the NCEA Level 3 Physical Education course. The triathlon began in the YMCA Lagoon Leisure and Fitness Centre for the swim leg, and took in the Panmure Basin for the bike and run legs.

It was certainly a major success with all of the students completing the Triathlon, with the help of our Year 10 Sports Academy class as marshalls. The students braved the conditions and navigated the tricky terrain of the course, to complete a successful and enjoyable unit of work.

The triathlon will continue to play a big part on the Level 3 Physical Education course and is a highlight of the year for many of the students. Staff member, Karl McGregor, worked hard to give his students a range of opportunities to increase their, swim, bike and running skills so that they could complete the course in a very competitive time.



### Gateway Student of the Week

Rafael Mendoza has been working one day a week for all of Term 2 at **Dr Diesel** in Mount Wellington. The staff there have been extremely helpful and have encouraged Rafael throughout his experience in automotive servicing. His mentors (Simon and Israel) gave Rafael opportunities to work on many different aspects of servicing a vehicle. He has also gained valuable credits with the Motor Industry Training Organisation Start-Up course that go towards his Level 2 NCEA. Rafael summed it up best by saying, "It was really cool!"

We thank all the staff at Dr Diesel for their strong and friendly support of our Gateway programme.



## Health Notice

Please check your child's hair for Head Lice on a regular basis, **prevention** is as simple as combing (using a very fine tooth comb available at the chemist) wet hair once a week. Also a light spray of water and few drops of tea tree oil daily helps. **Treatment** requires wet combing every 3 days for 3 weeks. Also the use of a head lice shampoo is optional or else a rinse of ½ water and ½ vinegar solution followed by wet combing. For more info, please contact the school nurse, Vicki Raynor, ext 662".

### Selwyn's Own Opera Star

School students are taking over the Opera Factory these school holidays with a slick youth adaption of Mozart's masterful opera, "The Magic Flute".

Join the carefree bird catcher Papageno (our very own Callum Blackmore) on his adventures through a fantastical world filled with myth, magic and mystery.

There will only be six shows, on Wednesday 20 to Friday 22 July, at 11:00am and 2:00pm.

Adults \$20  
Students \$10  
Under 5s Free

It will be great show!



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