

Tena Koutou Katoa

Selwyn Soars at the 2018 Showdown Awards



It was a huge night for Selwyn College at the 2018 Showdown Awards at the Mercury Theatre, especially for everyone associated with our 2018 musical 'Dusty' and our Year 13 Drama Production 'Revenge of the Amazons'. The evening began with a brilliant rendition of Dusty Springfield's hit 'Quiet Please - There's a Lady on the Stage' by our very own Ruby Wills. This was the first time Selwyn has performed at the awards and Ruby did a magnificent job!

From there, Selwyn staff and students went on to win award after award, including the most prestigious: **The iTicket Award for Outstanding Musical**. It was a particularly poignant moment for Director **Duncan Allan** who, year after year, produces musicals of an exceptional professional standard, giving our students the experiences of a lifetime.

Also for the last few years, Duncan has been supported in his triumphs by our talented Director of Co-curricular Music **Rachel Larcombe**. It was wonderful to witness Rachel receiving the **Best Musical Director** Award for the third time.

The awards are primarily targeted toward student roles and our students completely soared! Indeed, they won most of the important awards for a Musical, which is testament to their remarkable talent and effort:

Ruby Wills - **Best Female in a Leading Role**: for her performance as Dusty Springfield

Sam Francks - **Best Male in a Leading Role**: for his performance as Rodney

Sidney Kennedy - **Best Sound Design in a Musical**

The Cast of Dusty - **Best Choreography Performance**

The Cast of Dusty - **Best Choral Performance**

It was also fantastic to see our Year 13 production 'Revenge of the Amazons' honoured for excellence. A huge congratulations to:

Josh Gordon - **Best Set Design in a Play**

Elma Avdovich, Brenya Beale, Taylor Park, Sawyer Paul - **Best Costume Design in a Play**

Congratulations to everyone!



Ruby Wills on stage at the Mercury Theatre as 'Dusty'



Congratulations to Angelene Lloyd-Bryant – 2018 Winner of the Simon Chan Science Scholarship

The Simon Chan Science Scholarship has been established in memory of one of Selwyn's most accomplished world-leading science alumni, Simon Chan, and his achievements. Simon was an Associate Professor of Plant Biology at the University of California Davis. His laboratory work led to breakthroughs in plant breeding.

The scholarship pays \$8000 towards the costs of study of a selected top Year 13 student who is commencing a university science degree. The student must excel academically and also be very well rounded. Angelene – who is also this year's Dux – certainly deserves to be the winner of this scholarship.

*Angelene Lloyd-Bryant and Cyrus Richardson
Chairman of the Selwyn Foundation*



A Masterpiece by Our Totara Learning Centre Students



We are extremely proud of our students in TLC who, under the guidance of teacher Gurjeet Toor, have produced this amazing masterpiece which is featured on the wall outside their classroom! The students have been learning about recycling this year and they put in a huge effort to collect the bottle caps needed to produce this beautiful mural. Well done to you all!

Congratulations to Year 10 Student Hugo Landman



Hugo recently competed in the Northern Area Cadet Skill at Arms Competition as a member of the City of Auckland Cadet Unit Team. This competition tests the ability of teams in a range of skills taught in Army Cadet Units across the country. The competition includes marksmanship, drill, fitness testing, navigation, radio communication, leadership, and observation. Hugo's team placed first in casualty evacuation, general service knowledge, field-craft, and firearms training. Receiving the highest overall score, the team was presented with the Specialist Units Anti-Tank Trophy for the Overall Competition Winner. This is a fantastic achievement Hugo!

Attention Fellow Parents!!

On **Tuesday 27 November** we are putting on a special morning tea for Selwyn College staff to express how much we parents appreciate and value what the teachers and staff do for Selwyn pupils.

Please help the PTA by making a contribution.

On Tuesday 27 November either:

Send a plate of morning tea (sandwiches or savoury for girls and sweets for boys) along with your student to drop into the front office before school:

OR

Pop into the staffroom to deliver your plate before 10.30am.

Please contact Michelle Cook michelle.cooky@gmail.com if you are able to assist on the day **9am-11.30am**.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Regards

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Privacy and Information Security

As parents, we are most concerned about the effect of the online world on our children's emotional and physical wellbeing. Children are susceptible to information security threats that can cause financial harm. There are a number of ways that hackers and thieves can get information out of our children. Free downloadable games, movies or even ringtones that market themselves to children can place viruses onto your computer and steal your information.



Hackers posing as legitimate companies like Google send emails purporting to ask for your child's password. Or, they may pose as one of your children's friends.

What should you communicate with your child?

- Have a discussion with your kids about the big threats online today. Make sure they know what a phishing attack and a disreputable games website look like, so they know not to fall for these scams.
- Make sure they keep all of their information private and that they never publish their full name, phone number, address, or school they attend in a public place.
- Tell your kids to avoid using public wifi—this is an easy way for hackers to get into their devices.

What you can do to create a safe environment:

- Install a strong antivirus program on your home computer and the devices of all family members.
- Install an ad blocker so your children won't have to face deceptive advertising that encourages them to download malicious programs onto your computer.
- If your kids have smartphones, make sure that their security settings are set to maximum.

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Selwyn Community Education Courses

Course Name

English—Improve Your Pronunciation Skills—for people with English as a second language	17 Nov 9.30am
Hissing and Sizzling—Barbeque Brilliance	20 Nov 7.00pm
Introduction to Flower Photography	21 Nov 7.00pm
Microsoft Excel—Intermediate	28 Nov 7.00pm

See our website www.selwyncomed.school.nz for details and enrolling or phone 521 9623

SELWYN COLLEGE 2018 JPA PRESENTS

SLICE OF BROADWAY

Thursday:
29th Nov.
7.00pm

Friday:
30th Nov.
7.00pm

Saturday:
1st Dec.
Matinee
2.00pm,
7.00pm

BOOKINGS THROUGH iTICKET



Second Hand Uniforms Required

Does your current school uniform fit you?

Do you still need your current uniform after your NCEA exams are over?

If you would like to donate your school uniform back to the school, please drop to the Student Office. We are open Monday to Friday 8.30am - 3.30pm. The Student Office will close for the year on Wednesday 12 December 2018 and will reopen on Wednesday 23 January 2019. Thank you for your support.

