

Tena Koutou Katoa

Congratulations Coco Lance **Nga Manu Kōrero Nationals 2019**



Earlier this year, our Year 13 student Coco Lance represented Selwyn College in the Nga Manu Kōrero regional speech competition held at Ōrakei marae where she came first in the Korimako Senior English section. This gave Coco a place in the nationals representing Tāmaki Makaurau ki Waitematā.

Two weeks ago, Coco travelled to Palmerston North accompanied by an enthusiastic roopu tautoko, support group from the school, to compete against students from all over the country in what is the penultimate whaikōrero competition for Maori youth in Aotearoa. Nga Manu Kōrero ran over two days in the Regent Theatre with the kaupapa promoting excellence in oratory in both Maori and English. Speakers gave a 3 minute impromptu and a 6 minute prepared speech. Topics related to Te Ao Maori and the speeches reflected the issues of most concern to our rangatahi. This year Coco's prepared topic was "I tried to keep quiet but my ancestors wouldn't let me", which challenged the stereotypes often associated with being a Maori woman in today's society.

The trip was a fantastic opportunity for Selwyn College students to participate in and experience an event that celebrates excellence in rangatahi Maori. For our Year 13 students it was a great way to finish their time at Selwyn, and for our junior students it was inspirational. As expected, our taura, students, behaved impeccably and were a credit to themselves and the school.

Sixty students representing 15 regions competed in the two-day event in both the te reo Māori and English categories, covering both prepared and impromptu speaking. It is described as a stepping stone for the country's future leaders. Hence we are thrilled and proud to let our community know that Coco placed 6th in her prepared speech and 9th overall which is a great result, and we are very proud of her.

A big thank you to Whaea Fiona Smith and assistant principal Milton Henry for their guidance, Rochelle Ulrich for her organisation, and our wonderful akonga: Waimarie Rewiri Beck, Alicia Murgatroyd, Icic Talbot, Maia Royal, Rawiri Collins, Alica Kahi, Te Raurangiorua Hawke, Sariha Pihema, Lulu Lance, Tineka Gate, Destiny Norman Lavea, Lauren Raraka Howell, and Te Ao Katoa Bah - Tawhi for their awhina, manaaki and aroha.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa





Coco with her enthusiastic roopu tautoko



Another Outstanding Selwyn College Premiere

THE THEORY OF RELATIVITY

Congratulations to the Year 13 Drama class and their teacher Duncan Allan on their outstanding production of 'The Theory of Relativity' – a New Zealand premiere. This musical was developed for college-age actors and our students put on an enchanting and first-class performance that the show's writers Neil Bartram and Brian Hill would be proud of – as we are. It is wonderful to see so many students of Drama graduating from Selwyn College with such high-level skills. Well done to the whole cast!



The Cast of 'The Theory of Relativity' (left to right) Tavish Read, Alex Moore, Icís Talbot, Art Hoxha, Matthew Fatai, Caitlin Harbrow, Celia Iosefa, Sylvia Comelli, Hannah Hill-Marks, Sam Francks, Shyamal Singh, Isabelle Reid, Alice Russo, Anna Ferrero, Anna Brignolo, Theo Shakes, Emma Montgomery and Aidan Johnson



Congratulations Rosa Elliot

Rosa Elliot who is in the U18A Blue Lacrosse Team played at National Tournament last weekend. They came in 2nd place after a very close game, final score being (10-9). Well done Rosa.

Thank you to the Environmental Council

A huge thank you to the 2019 Environmental Council lead by Year 13 student Sarah Gatland for fundraising Around \$350 which they chose to spend on purchasing beautiful new trees for the grass area in front of our new Mathematics Learning Area. As the photos show, council members recently gathered together to plant the new trees. They can be very proud of their wonderful contribution to our school.



Totara Learning Centre Students Enjoy a Wonderful Rotorua Experience

The TLC have just returned from an amazing four day camp in Rotorua which started with a stop at the Hamilton Gardens. The students explored and transported themselves through time and admired the garden design concepts of countries across the world. At Keswick Camp which was their base in Rotorua, everyone completed the daily chores as a part of their life skills programme before adventuring out to different fun locations. The itinerary included exploring Lake Okareka, a ride on “Sophie” the boat that took them across Lake Tarawera to Hot Water Beach and a swim in a natural sandy bottom pool which was in the midst of the most serene and idyllic surroundings. The fun carried on with rail cruising on the self-drive rail cars and zipping down in the Luge on the sweeping bends of the scenic track.

It was a great experience for all and especially for the large group of Year 9’s who had never left home for that long. It some of the parents were a little anxious about how their children would manage on their own, they would have felt so proud to see the brilliant sportsmanship, friendships, teamwork and learning that took place on the entire trip.



IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM 4

Thursday 17 October - Sports Awards 6.30pm - Barfoot & Thompson Stadium

Tuesday 22 October - Arts Awards 7.00pm - Selwyn Theatre

Friday 25 October - Year 13 Graduation Dinner 6.30pm - Eden Park

Thursday 31 October - Last day of school for Year 13 students and
Senior Prizegiving 7.00pm - Selwyn Theatre

Friday 1 November—Last day of school for Year 11 and Year 12 students

Monday 9 December - Last day of school for Year 9 and Year 10 students and
Junior Prizegiving - 9.15am



Selwyn Community Education Courses

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLASSES

Start Date

Aspiring Young Cooks - Course One	30 Sept
Creating Your Own Cartoons (7-12 year olds)	3 Oct
Drawing REAL Animals with Sandra Morris	1 Oct
Flight and Rocketry (8-11 year olds)	9 Oct
Fundamentals of Filmmaking for 11-14 Year Olds	7 Oct
Get Real: Art for a Cause	9 Oct
Get Real: Cooking for a Cause	8 Oct
Get Real: Crafting for a Cause	7 Oct
Get Real: Drama for a Cause	11 Oct
Get Real: Growing for a Cause	10 Oct
Make a Beeswax Wrap (7-12 year olds)	2 Oct
Sewing for Children (9-12 year olds)	8 Oct
Sewing Workshop for Teens (13-17 year olds)	1 Oct
Wearable Art - Animals and Flowers (6-12 year olds)	11 Oct
Zen Calligraphy and Paper Lanterns (6-12 year olds)	4 Oct

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

MEASLES OUTBREAK

It is likely that you have heard on the news about the outbreak of measles in the Auckland area.

In view of this outbreak we strongly recommend that you check your child's immunization status to prevent this disease spreading.

For more information about measles, contact Healthline on 0800 611 116 or visit:

www.arphs.health.nz/measles

Whistle Down The Wind

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

Lyrics by Jim Steinman

9–13 October, Selwyn Theatre

Bookings: www.iticket.co.nz



ONLY
\$80
PER DAY

GETREAL

A UNIQUE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Providing fun ways for kids to understand relevant social topics and enjoy making positive changes in the world and in the lives of others.

Sign up for 1 day or the whole week

October 7 – 11, 9am – 4.30pm

Crafting for a Cause

Monday 7 October

Today the children will create hand loom knitted beanies and machine sewn fabric marble maze games to donate to Foster Hope, who will give them to children going into foster care placements around Aotearoa.

Cooking for a Cause

Tuesday 8 October

Today the children will cook healthy meals for people in need – the meals will be collected at the end of the day by the charity.

Art for a Cause

Wednesday 9 October

Today the children will spend the day at St Andrews Retirement Village in Glendowie meeting some of the residents and creating works of art for them based on their life stories.

Growing for a Cause

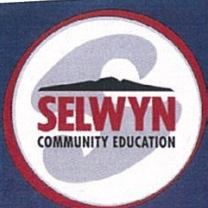
Thursday 10 October

Today the children will have fun collecting and learning about the traditional uses of plants flax weaving and making beeswax wraps to give to friends and family.

Drama for a Cause

Friday 11 October

While having fun the children will play drama games, experience improvisations and work as a group to create a presentation that is grounded in values of empathy, compassion and kindness with an understanding of diversity.



To enrol, phone **09 521 9623** or go to:
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or **www.getreal.org.nz**