

Tena Koutou Katoa

Honouring Selwyn's Auckland Champion

We are proud to honour our Year 11 student **Ellen Carter** who last week became Auckland Champion when she won both the U17 Girls' 100m hurdles and 100m sprint. This is an outstanding performance and our very best wishes go with Ellen when she competes at the Nationals next weekend in Christchurch.



Ellen Carter (left) on her way to winning the 100m hurdles

3 Way Goal-setting Meetings - An Important Notice

On Thursday 7th March we are holding our 3-way Goal-setting meetings between each student, their parent(s) and their Mentor Teacher.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and confirm the student's academic and SILver (*Service Involvement Leadership*) goals for the year.

All parents/caregivers and all students have been emailed or in a few cases, posted an appointment time. In order for the school to manage a major event like this for well-over a thousand students, we are unable to offer alternative appointment times and there will be no classes running that day.

We would appreciate if you could arrive with your student on time at their Mentor Teacher's classroom. The meeting will take approximately 15-20 minutes.

If for some unfortunate reason you are unable to attend **your student must still attend.**

Selwyn's Equestrian Team Soars

We are thrilled to report that **Caitlin Harbrow** riding *Illawarra Magnum* and **Ella Ryan** riding *Talisker* placed 2nd overall in the A/B grade and 3rd in the dressage phase of the A/B grade the Auckland Secondary Schools Horse Trial last weekend at Clevedon. This is a wonderful achievement for our Selwyn Equestrian Team!

The day was run in three phases - a dressage test to test the skill and technical ability of the horse and rider, show jumping requiring precision and accuracy, and cross country jumping phase requiring confidence and determination. We have been told that the girls represented Selwyn College with professionalism and positivity and we are very proud of them.



*Ella Ryan (left)
with Illawarra
Magnum*



*Caitlin Harbrow
(right) with
Talisker*



Use of Photos of Selwyn Students

From time to time students will be photographed as they are engaged in school activities. The photographs identifying your son or daughter may be used in publications for audiences both within the college and the wider community. If for any reason you do not wish your son or daughter's photograph to appear in these publications or on the college website, please send your instructions in writing to: arnoldj@selwyn.school.nz to arrive no later than **Friday 8th March**.

An Amazing Work Experience for Yassin Khudair at Ventia

Selwyn College works in partnership with Ventia – a company that provides long-term operation, maintenance and management of public and private assets and infrastructure – to provide work experience for students.

One of those is Year 14 student Yassin Khudair who goes out on the trucks twice a week and is learning an amazing number of new skills.

Welcoming Our Wonderful Homestay Parents

On Wednesday evening, Selwyn hosted a BBQ for all our wonderful Homestay parents who do such a marvellous job looking after our international students.

The families and our international students were given a special welcome by our International Team leaders, Emma Liu and Dan Trang. See below.



Dan and Emma



Tomorrow's Schools Review

Ngā Kura mō Āpōpō: He Arotake

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EAST AUCKLAND - Tomorrow's Schools Review: Consultation Meetings

by Tomorrow's Schools Review
Independent Taskforce

You are invited to attend "Tomorrow's Schools Review: Consultation Meeting" by the Independent Taskforce

About this Event

The report by the Tomorrow's Schools Independent Taskforce is now available and consultation is taking place around the country for families and whānau, teachers/kaiako, principals/tumuaki, the education sector and wider community. Come along to hear more about the proposals from the Independent Taskforce, ask questions and give your feedback.

Location

Ormiston Junior College

285 Ormiston Road

East Auckland, Auckland 2016

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/east-auckland-tomorrows-schools-review-consultation-meetings-tickets-56765674661>



Introducing Evan Backhouse-Smith - Teacher of Digital Technology

Kia Ora, I am joining the Technology Department as Digital Technology Teacher and look forward to teaching the bright and wonderful students of Selwyn College, working alongside whanau to achieve this. This is my second year of teaching and I will help students achieve in web application and game development.



Introducing Aimee Brookes - Leader of English Learning Area

I have joined Selwyn College following seven years at Rangitoto College. I love English as a subject and am passionate about literacy development. Outside of the classroom I enjoy reading, hiking and spending time with my family. I am really looking forward to working with the staff and students here at Selwyn College.



Selwyn Community Education Courses

A Taste of Things to Come: One Night of Japanese Cuisine	4 March
A Taste of Things to Come: One Night of Thai Cuisine	11 Mar
Little Chefs Cooking Club: After School for Children	12 Mar
A Taste of Things to Come: One Night of Korean Cuisine	18 Mar
Introduction to Flower Photography	18 Mar
Microsoft Excel - Intermediate	18 Mar
Authentic Thai Cooking	19 Mar
Creating a Calmer You	19 Mar
Think Talk: Secrets of a Neuroscientist (Free Talk)	19 Mar
A Mexican Cooking Experience	20 Mar
Lunch with Peta Mathias	24 Mar
Plant Based Cooking	25 Mar
A Taste of Things to Come	25 Mar
Continental Cakes	26 Mar

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

Upcoming Events in Term 1

Destination Dreaming Seniors	6 March
Parent Evening - Library: 7.00pm	
Student/Mentor/Parents Goal Setting Meetings - all day - NO CLASSES RUNNING	7 March
Kapa Haka Camp - Orakei Marae	11-16 March
ASB Polyfest	13-16 March
Parents NCEA Evening - 7.00pm—Library	14 March
Lumino Dentist on site	25 Mar - 11 Apr
Open Evening: 6.45pm start in the School Theatre	28 March
Hair Musical	30 Mar- 6 Apr
Enrolment Days for 2020	1-3 April
Last Day of Term 1	12 April

'Hair' - the American Tribal Love-Rock Musical follows a young group of hippies fighting the establishment, dodging the drafts, getting high, living and loving in New York City. It's 1967: the Vietnam War is raging and the Age of Aquarius is dawning. Claude, his best friend Berger, their roommate Sheila, and their Tribe of friends struggle to balance the demands of the harsh and violent world with their dream for a more beautiful and peaceful world. When Claude receives his draft notice, he must decide whether to join his friends in resisting the draft, or bow to the pressures of society and his conservative parents, thereby sacrificing his ideals and, possibly, his life. *Hair* was a sensation when it premiered in 1967, as it brought the counterculture movement into the theatre and the national spotlight. The issues the show brings up -- alienation, civil disobedience, youthful defiance -- continue to timelessly resonate today.

"Come with an open mind, and an open heart, and be ready to have a lot of fun."

