

Tena Koutou Katoa

### Zara Cornwell is Soaring



Huge congratulations to our Year 13 student **Zara Cornwell** who has just won first place in the Student Category of the New Zealand-wide D-Photo **Amateur Photo of the Year** competition. This meant she earned \$900 worth of store credit from the Auckland Camera Centre. Zara is a passionate photographer so the prize is ideal! Fittingly, she is leader of our 2019 C Team which is responsible for capturing images of events at Selwyn and displaying them for celebration. This is her photo:



STUDENT CATEGORY, FIRST PLACE

ZARA CORNWELL  
GIRL IN RED



D-Photo

## Year 9 Speakers Soar

Congratulations to **George Cooper** who this week won the 2019 Year 9 Speech competition. He spoke on the importance of knowing our family history. Second and third place went to **Maria Sanders** and **Michaela Tudor** respectively.

The whole of Year 9 had the privilege of attending this year's competition. A representative from each class presented on a variety of topics linking to the main topic 'what from the past is relevant to me' and these range from Stan Lee to the telephone. The speeches were at an exceptionally high standard and the judges had a very difficult job choosing three winners.

The judges were our Year 13 Speaking Star Coco Lance and guest judge Abby Damen, an actor and voice-over artist from the film and television industry; with Sam Francks as our excellent time-keeper.

We look forward to hearing more fantastic speeches next year!



## Year 11 Maori Students are Empowered at KATTI 2019

Last week, a group of Selwyn's Māori students were invited to participate in the 'Kei ā Tātou te Ihi' (KATTI) Programme – Rapuara (Careers) held at Auckland University.

The students were introduced to the processes that enable them to make informed decisions about their educational futures and pathways and develop an awareness of key contacts for future assistance. This involved considering the journey, the destination and the preparation.

As part of this, the students learnt how to make appropriate subject choices in relation to their preferred pathways, and the breadth of options available with each choice. Year 11 student Maia Royal says it also helped her manage her time as the year gets busier and busier.

This programme has been developed to support pathways initiatives in schools and is delivered within ahuatanga Māori.



Left to right: Destiny Norman-Lavea, Alyssa Kahi, Lauren Howell, Maia Royal, Sophie Tamihere and Finau Pese-Uhi

## A Strong 'Girls in STEM' Group at Selwyn

**STEM** involves educating students to pursue four disciplines — science, technology, engineering and mathematics group. Our **Girls in STEM** group lead by Year 12 student Pagan Klein aims to provide a place for Selwyn girls to network with each other and have support with their studies, and find careers advice and mentorship from women working in the STEM field.

This week, Girls in STEM were proud to invite **Rana Alsadat**, a final year medical student at the University of Auckland, to speak with them. Rana gave insight into what subjects are suggested at NCEA Level 2 and 3 to best prepare them for applying to enter the pre-medical program. She explained the two possible pathways (Biomedical Science or Health Science), the application process into the second year, alternative professions in the health care professions and scholarships. It was a very worthwhile session.



## Selwyn's Cricket Academy 2019 Is Underway

We are thrilled to report that our first ever cricket academy is underway. 12 students are being coached by Coaches Shane Goonasekara and Ryan Pryor. Both coaches have Level 2 qualifications. We are particularly delighted that two St Thomas's students are part of the squad.





"Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results."



Following on from the successful launch of our Football & Cricket academies we are now very excited to announce that we will be launching the very first Selwyn College Basketball academy in early September.

The academy will be run in association with BOYD Basketball and there will be a range of experienced coaches working with the students. The academy is open to both Boys & Girls Y9, 10, 11, 12.

Details about the academy and how you sign up will be emailed out to families soon.

## Term 3 Mid Term Break and Senior Exams are Coming Up

All Selwyn whanau and families are reminded that Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August is mid-term break and that the Senior School Exams are running from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August to Thursday 29th August.

## Key Term 3 Dates

Friday 9 Aug - Multicultural Concert - Selwyn Theatre - 7.00pm	Wed 11 & Thurs 12 Sept - Level 2 Drama Production - 7.00pm
Thursday 15 Aug - Open Evening - Selwyn Theatre - 6.45pm	Thursday 12 September - Year 10 Media Evening - 7.00pm
Mon 19 - Wed 21 August - Enrolment Days	Friday 13 Sept - Music Showcase - Selwyn Theatre - 7.00pm
Friday 23 August - Mid Term Break	Tuesday 24 September - BOT Meeting - 7.00pm
Tuesday 3 September - BOT Meeting - 7.00pm	Friday 27 September - Last day of Term 3
Wednesday 4 September - The Great Debate - 7.00pm	



## Selwyn Community Education Courses

### WEEKEND COURSES COMING UP

### Start Date

A Visit to Pah Homestead	17 August
Beach Sunset Photography	17 August
Cake Decorating - The Basics	17 August
Calligraphy Continuation	17 August
Craft, Coffee and Conversation	18 August
Creative Writing—The Writer's Toolkit	17 August
Essentials of Essential Oils Weekend Workshop	17 August
Fantastic Fish Feast - Choosing, Cooking and Presenting	17 August
Floral Design: Accessorise with Flowers	18 August
Genealogy: Finding Your Family History on the Internet	18 August
How to Review and Critique a Book	17 August
How to Write a Romance Novel	17 August
Introduction to Illustrator	17 August
Japanese Tea Appreciation	17 August
Lampshade Making	17 August
Learn Texas Hold'em Poker	18 August
Let's Make a Bokashi Compost Bin	17 August
Mindset for Weight Loss and Wellbeing	17 August
Moments, Memories and Milestones - How to write them	18 August
Mosaics: Create a Mosaic Art Masterpiece	17 August
Painting with Acrylics for Beginners Workshop	17 August
Poetry for Everyone	18 August
The Art of Conversation	17 August
The Art of Paper Quilling	18 August
The Joy of Watercolour	18 August
The Perfect Roast - Every Time	18 August
The Playwright's Toolbox	18 August
Travel Writing with Yvonne van Dongen	17 August
Upholster Your Own Footstool	17 August
Using Social Media to Sky Rocket Your Business - Continuation	18 August
Wardrobe Planning and Style Personality Workshop	17 August
What's On in the Auckland City Galleries	17 August

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