



The Wellington College COLLEGIAN

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

Some weeks ago, Wellington College hosted its second 'Big Blokes' breakfast, a very happy occasion attended by many fathers/uncles/grandfathers/friends and young men of the College. Many big 'Big Breakfasts' were consumed and we were entertained by a superb address from Mr **Tony Robinson**, our new Development Manager. The relationship between fathers and sons is at the core of any society. As a young teacher, I used to teach Arthur Miller's definitive play, *Death of a Salesman*. It tells the tragic tale of a breakdown in relationship between Willy Loman, an ambitious but incompetent travelling salesman, and his idle and directionless sons, Biff and Happy. All have aspirations but these good intentions disappear in the midst of anger, bitterness, disappointment and sorrow. When I taught the play in my twenties and thirties, I viewed the action from the perspective of the sons. Now in my fifties and both a father and a grandfather, I rather see it from Willy's perspective. In an age where so much pressure

is foisted upon young people, it has never been more important to scrutinise our own family structures and to work hard at those fundamental relationships. Like so many men of my own age, I feel in retrospect that I have put too much into building a career rather than building relationships with my own children. It is a mistake I am determined not to make with my granddaughter, Brooke, and my grandson, Harrison.

Undoubtedly one of the most inspiring speakers at the International Boys' Schools Conference last year in Philadelphia was John Badalament, an author, filmmaker, educator, international speaker and recognised leader in the fatherhood field. His recent book, *The Modern Dad's Dilemma: How to stay connected with your kids in a rapidly changing world* has made a major impact in the United States. We have been lucky enough to bring John out to New Zealand on a tour of boys' schools. He will be speaking at Wellington College on Thursday,



18 August to College Mothers, the staff, and a major function in the evening for fathers and sons. College Mothers are very kindly helping with the organisation of the day and we really hope that this will provide an opportunity for the Wellington College community to experience something a little different. There are many websites profiling John Badalament and I would encourage parents and caregivers to do some research of their own. It is a coup to bring him to New Zealand, and I hope that it will be of real benefit to Wellington College families.

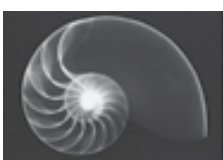
Roger Moses ONZM, Headmaster

WELLINGTON COLLEGE CALENDAR • 30 JULY - 9 SEPTEMBER

Saturday, 30 July	Rugby: CSW Prem 1 Semi-Finals	Thursday, 18 August	John Badalament Presentations
Monday, 1 August	Term Three starts @ 8.50am	Saturday, 20 August	CSW Rugby Finals
Wednesday, 3 August	College Mothers' Forum @ 12.30pm	Sunday, 21 August	WCOBA/WCRFC Dinner in conjunction with Quad
Thursday, 4 August	Y9 - Y12 Course Selection Programme @ 4.00pm	Monday, 22 August	85th Quadrangular Tournament [to 24 August]
	Australasian Maths Competition		Winter Sports Tournament Week
Sunday, 7 August	Rugby: CSW Prem 1 Final @ Petone Rec.	Monday, 29 August	Big Sing Nationals [to 31 August]
Monday, 8 August	Cultural Fortnight [to 19 August]	Tuesday, 30 August	Winter Extra Curricular Photos
Thursday, 11 August	Pasifika Achievers' Evening III	Wednesday, 31 August	Senior Drama Production [to 2 September]
Monday, 15 August	BOT Meeting @ 6.00pm	Friday, 2 September	Y11 - Y13 Interim Reports issued
	Public Speaking Finals	Monday, 5 September	Rugby Awards Function
Wednesday, 17 August	CSW Senior Basketball Final	Tuesday, 6 September	Hockey Awards Function
	CSW Premier Football Final	Wednesday, 7 Sept.	Football Awards Function
Thursday, 18 August	1st XV Caps Assembly	Thursday, 8 September	Basketball Awards Function

85TH QUADRANGULAR TOURNAMENT • WELLINGTON COLLEGE

Monday, 22 August	Nelson College v Wanganui Collegiate @ 12.00pm • Wellington College v Christ's College @ 1.30pm. Afternoon Tea in Hall
Tuesday, 23 August	Rest Day
Wednesday, 24 August	First Final @ 12.00pm • Second Final @ 1.30pm. Afternoon Tea in College Hall



Pacific Radiology
Limited

2011 TERM DATES

TERM	FROM	TO
3	Monday, 1 August	Friday, 7 October
4	Tuesday, 25 October	Thursday, 8 December

TO THE STUDENTS OF WELLINGTON COLLEGE

In this month's message from the Board, the Trustees ask you to consider the following scenario.

Today at school, you'll be asked to complete a set of ten simple maths exercises. The test will be marked and handed back to you by 3.15pm.

Tomorrow, and the next day, you'll be asked to repeat the same set of exercises, whether you get the answers right or wrong. In fact, you'll be required to complete exactly the same set of exercises every day of every week of every year you attend Wellington College.

Does it sound like an insulting waste of your time? Sadly, it's exactly the scenario being faced by our Property Manager Mr **Kelwyn D'Souza** and his hardworking team every day.

Every day this year, they've been asked to repeat the same work, cleaning and tidying up College property in the face of petty damage and vandalism.

In June alone, Mr D'Souza and his crew spent 20 hours painting toilets tagged by students.

The paint cost the school \$300. In at least one instance, one set of toilets had to be repainted twice in a single day.

And the list goes on... also in June, the College spent a further \$2,100.00 on broken windows and doors around our property.

Frustrating though that damage is, it is the student lockers installed for your benefit which are suffering the most. The lockers are continually being kicked, twisted and bashed. Some students tell staff they're not even aware of doing the damage while they're waiting for a class, or hanging around indoors during wet weather. But whatever the excuse, the damage is undeniable. Over the past month alone, the team have replaced 30 locker doors at a cost of just over \$2,000.00. They've also repaired a further 120 badly damaged units.

As Mr D'Souza says *unfortunately it only takes a few people to waste a lot of time and money.*

We couldn't agree more and it is for this reason that the College is seriously considering dismantling the lockers because we cannot

afford to continue the time and money spent repairing them.

The lockers were installed to help you. They're there so you don't have to carry heavy bags around all day and they're also supposed to be a safe place to leave your gear. However if they're not treated with more respect, it seems likely the lockers will be withdrawn from service before the end of the year.

Naturally, we hope it doesn't come to that and in the meantime, security monitoring of damage-prone areas will continue.

In the end though we may be left with little choice. That's why we urge you to please consider the school environment as a place to both learn and work and treat it – and the staff with respect.

And finally, just imagine the benefits which could flow directly to students if we were not having to spend so much money on repairs.

We thank you for your consideration.

Charlotte Gendall, BoT Communications

FROM THE HEAD PREFECT

It seems like we're on a bit of a roll this year. A few weeks ago we had our Traditional against St Patrick's (Town), and while the Golf and Football lost, the Rugby and the Hockey teams recorded good wins. We then hosted St Patrick's (Silverstream) a week later but unfortunately lost in both Rugby and Football. However, we chanted ourselves hoarse and, in a rare turn of events, most of the chants were good natured. However we couldn't resist reminding our friends from Kilbirnie and Silverstream about the events at Newtown Park in February. It should be noted that the 1st XI Hockey team won 4 - 2, the same score that Town's 1st XI beat them by in the school holidays.

Thursday, 26 May was the moment that about 100 boys had been preparing for since early in Term One - Stage Challenge. We produced an incredible show; one which drew almost as much praise from parents as it did screams from the girls in the crowd. We couldn't quite reach the same heights of 2009 and finished a commendable second, going down to Wellington Girls' College's outstanding dance spectacle. We all knew it was going to be a close competition and congratulated our sister school with a resounding Haka after the awards had been distributed.

An event which is particularly close to my heart took place earlier this term - the New Zealand



Secondary Schools' Debating Tournament. Held in Wellington (at Victoria University Law School), this was an event which four of us (**Eddie Foley, Thomas Leggat, Nick Fenton** and myself) had been *training* for since March. While our practices may have been fairly different to the average 1st XV gym session, the hard work paid off with both Wellington teams performing well.

By the time you read this, I will be one of the 69 boys and ten teachers who will be in Europe for the French and History Study Tour. This is an event for which some of my classmates have

been literally counting the seconds. During our three weeks in Europe, we will visit five different countries. We start in Turkey, where we visit Chunuk Bair, the site where many Old Boys of the College lost their lives while fighting for New Zealand. After Turkey, we move to Belgium and then Germany. We will spend a few days in Paris before concluding the trip in London. It promises to be a great time and one which I hope the teachers will enjoy as much as we are bound to do!

It struck me that we are just over halfway through the school year. I don't know where the time has gone but we've reached that time of year when we begin getting talks from members of Senior Management about study techniques and the inevitable end-of-year-exams. These arouse as much trepidation in me as they do in anyone, so it's timely that many of the year's major events are finishing so we have more time to study. At least, that's what I tell my mother to keep her happy.

Have a great holiday and see you in Term Three.

Rayhan Langdana

Editor's Note: Congratulations to Rayhan and Ed Foley who were both selected for the NZSS Debating Team and head to Scotland in August for the World Champs. Best of luck guys!

FROM THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Recently the Board of Wellington East Girls' College was placed in the difficult position of having to close their historical main building due to serious concerns about the structural integrity of this facility in the event of a moderate earthquake. The safety of their staff and the students were of course their main priority.

With the Headmaster overseas at the International Boys' School Conference, I approached the WEGC Principal to offer any assistance we could, considering the very difficult situation they found themselves in with nine classrooms down and the loss of their Assembly Hall.

After discussing the urgent needs with our neighbours, we have offered the use of our Pavilion, Firth Hall and Brierley Theatre for a three-week period at the beginning of Term Three while negotiations continue with the

Ministry of Education for prefabs to be set up on the WEGC site. Allowing access to WEGC in class time will have very minimal impact on classes for our boys. There is no intention to have joint classes. The girls will continue to be taught by their regular WEGC staff but in our buildings. The real crunch time for them is Week 3 where they have school-wide examinations, so we have also offered the use of our Assembly Hall in addition to the other facilities. For a minimum of inconvenience to us, we are able to offer them large teaching spaces without compromising our teaching programme. The girls would use our facilities during school time only. The boys will have a formal assembly on the first day of term to explain the situation. It will not have much impact on their daily routines with the WEGC students using our Paterson Street driveway to and from their school. It is intended that WEGC staff would base themselves at College and the girls would

walk down to have their lessons with these staff as per their regular timetable. There is no intention to allow any other interaction between the two student bodies.

I can assure the Parent community that any arrangements will not compromise the educational opportunities offered to our boys. We have as a school, a chance to offer some of our wonderful facilities to our state school neighbours who are experiencing a very difficult time in their history.

As regards to our history, Deputy Principal, Mr **Rob Anderson** reminded me that during WWII, many of our classes were taught up at WEGC due to a number of our male staff being absent, serving in the war.

David J Ashby, Associate Principal



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QUADRANGULAR PROGRAMME
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WELLINGTON COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION,
WELLINGTON COLLEGE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB and our 2011 1st XV
invite you to join them at our **RUGBY DINNER & AUCTION**
in conjunction with the 85th Quadrangular Tournament
and the unveiling of the Wellington College Rugby Honours Board.

Brierley Theatre, Wellington College on **Sunday, 21 August**
6.00pm for 6.30pm.

Guest Speakers:

Old Boy, Author and Rugby Commentator KEITH QUINN

Old Boy, Hurricane and All Black NEEMIA TIALATA

Wellington College Headmaster, ROGER MOSES

Master of Ceremonies: Old Boy and Commentator BRYAN WADDLE

Cost: 55.00pp or Table of 10: \$500.00 • Cash • Cheque • Credit (Visa/M'card)

(includes complimentary welcome drink). Thereafter, Cash Bar.

\$5.00 from each ticket sale will be donated to the Wellington College Rugby Club.

COLLEGIAN MAILOUT

If there is a parent or caregiver residing at a separate address who would like to receive a copy of *The Collegian*, please contact Stephanie Kane (Editor) to be included on the mailing list. Email: s.kane@wellington-college.school.nz or Tel: 802 2537. Copies can be posted or emailed.

KEEPING YOUR CONTACT DETAILS UP-TO-DATE

A REMINDER TO ALL FAMILIES - Please remember to advise the College if you move home or change your email or phone number. **It is essential** we have your current and correct contact details in the event of an emergency.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS HOMESTAYS REQUIRED

We are looking for caring Wellington families to provide a warm Kiwi experience for secondary school students (boys) from overseas for the Academic year.

For further information, please contact Sue Mackay on 802 2520 ext 821 or 021 717 449 or s.mackay@wellington-college.school.nz

AFS HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

Invite a boy from overseas into your home next year, to go to College with your son!

All the family will enjoy this 'window on the world', and the enduring family ties it brings.

AFS supports you all the way. Please contact Clive Thorp, 972-8063 or clive.thorp@paradise.net.nz

TOGETHER AS BROTHERS (TAB).

This year, the Pasifika Parents Support Group (PPSG) have hosted three successful TAB Academic Achievement Evening's with each evening providing valuable information that enhances academic achievement, encourages personal growth and develops good study habits and techniques. These evenings are open to all interested students and their parents, not just Pasifika and Māori students and have received some very positive feedback.

In March, Assistant Principal Mr **Darrell Harvey** presented a series of statistics on Maori and Pacific Island academic achievement levels comparing Wellington College students with national levels. In May, Headmaster, Mr **Roger Moses's** presentation continued on a similar theme identifying the path of achievement of Pasifika and Maori students and the significant increase of academic levels over the past three years. The Headmaster encouraged and challenged students to make good use of their time at College in completing their NCEA qualifications. Mr **Martyn Reynolds**, with a specific responsibility for the Professional Learning Group also briefed parents on the

work being done by the group in understanding Pasifika and Māori students and their culture, and how those elements can further promote achievement.

In June, Ms **Luci Lendrum**, Teacher with Library Responsibility, provided an insight on the noticeable slump in reading levels after the long

summer holiday period and the benefits and importance of regular reading, even during the school holidays. Latu To'omaga, Director of the Hutt Valley Activity Centre, gave a very entertaining and practical guide on speaking to an audience that included ways to engage your audience by being well prepared, professional and well presented.

The next TAB Academic Achievement Evening *Life after Coll* is on Thursday, 11 August, at 6.00pm in the Girvan Library with a focus on informing and encouraging students and parents about career pathways and transition after secondary education. The evening will be facilitated by Mr **Ernie Rosenthal**, Wellington College's Careers Adviser. Although is subject to change it may feature representatives from the following institutions, each of which will provide a short presentation on the career opportunities their organisation can offer: Weltec, Whitireia Polytechnic, Trade Academies, NZ Police, Youth Guarantee Scheme, NZ Armed Forces, NZ Institute of Sport, Victoria University (specific focus on Science, Humanities and Architecture), Massey University (specific focus on Arts and Design).

Hosted by the PPSG (Pacific Parents Support Group)

Life After Coll

Wellington College students love their school. So much so, that perhaps, the idea of leaving is almost overwhelming for the die-hard Coll Boy. But what if he knew that school is only the beginning of an exhilarating adventure? This TAB Achievers Evening is an opportunity for Wellington College students and their families to get a preview of opportunities that await, and to get the information you need to seize and take advantage of these opportunities. **You don't want to miss this!**

- THURSDAY 11 AUGUST
- GIRVAN LIBRARY, 6-8.30PM
- FACILITATED BY MR ERNIE ROSENTHAL (TRANSITION & TOURISM)
- ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS VERY WELCOME (TAB COMPULSORY)
- PLEASE BRING A SMALL PLATE TO SHARE FOR SUPPER
- RSVP TO LIZ SIDLER BY FRIDAY 5 AUGUST Sidler_family@clear.net.nz

Meet reps from the following career and study options:

Trade Academies · Youth Guarantee Scheme · Weltec · Universities: Victoria (with a specific focus on Science/ Humanities/ Architecture) and Massey (with specific focus on Arts/Design) · Whitireia · Police · Armed Forces · NZIS

GATEWAY PROGRAMME

The 2011 Gateway Programme is yet again proving to be a success with the students of Wellington College and the wider business community.

Students attend work one day a week. This allows them the opportunity to experience first-hand the jobs they are considering for their future and significantly enhances their probability of employment when they leave College. While at school, they continue with their subjects choices as well as working on specific qualifications targeted at their chosen career.

The Gateway programme is quite adaptable and students can choose to attend the placement for the whole year, a term or even during the holidays.

If the academic load is quite high, some students opt for the alternative 'floating' system where they do not have Gateway as a subject choice but just complete the work placement. This works well for those students aiming for University, who wish to ensure they are making the right choice in their chosen career.

Please contact Mrs **Dawn Hall**, Gateway Coordinator on 803 0325 or 027 455 3855 for applications or queries regarding the programme, or if you are able to help regarding a placement for a student.

We would like to thank the following businesses that are supporting the Wellington College Gateway Programme this year:

J D Construction. Elliot Chung - Building
Amora Hotel. Elliot Chung - Chef
Capital City Flooring. Ryan Cox - Flooring and Business

Daniel Brass Builders. Ashton Dawber-Ashley - Building
G J W Builders Ltd. Coran Duckworth - Building
National Bank & Westpac Bank. Andrew Ellis - Banking
Freyberg Fitness Centre. Jamin Gaunt-Siaosi - Personal Trainer
M & M Plumbing. Carne Green - Plumbing
City Fitness Thorndon. Carne Green - Personal Trainer
Stewart & Rogers Electrical. Hiso Hassen - Electrical
Charity Builders. Yousuf Hassen - Building
YHA Wellington. Gavriilo Kudric - Hospitality
Atech Computers. Sunjiv Lal - IT
Ray Piper Panel Beaters. James McMeekin - Panel Beating and Fabrication
HumanFM Radio. Patrick Miller - Communication
BPM Fitness. Sam Natta - Personal Trainer
Stewart & Rogers Electrical. Michael Papanicolaou - Electrical
JD Barber Construction. Andrew Pearce - Building
City Fitness Masterton. Tdee Sami - Personal Trainer
Stonewood Holmes. Simeona Seumanufagai - Builder
GT Gazley. Jack Sharp - Automotive Engineering
Absolute Plumbing. Cameron Stephens - Plumbing
Downtown Backpackers. Robert Tairea - Hospitality
Base Wellington. Sione Latu Toili - Hospitality
InSight Graphic Design. Joshua Ward - Graphic Design
Coucou . Teague Warren - Chef
Plumbers Supreme. Lane Watene-Dumbrell - Plumbing

DEBATING

Regional Impromptu Championships

The Regional Impromptu Debating Championships were held at the College in mid-June. There were 20 teams in the senior competition, two of which were ours, and ten in the junior competition.

Our Junior team of Y10 students **Hector Ensor** and **Alex Wierzbicki** were undefeated in the round-robin debates and met Samuel Marsden Collegiate in the final, affirming the moot that *New Zealand needs a new flag*. This came down to a debate between substance and style and our students definitely had the substance along with good humour and in a unanimous decision from the three adjudicators, they won.

Our A team of **Rayhan Langdana** and **Nick Fenton** was unfortunate to lose their first debate and in spite of winning the subsequent round-robin debates, they did not progress to the semi-finals. The B team of Y12 students **Edward Foley** and **Tom Leggat**, on the other hand, went through undefeated and met a strong Sacred Heart College team in the finals. They were negating the moot that *political parties should be able to receive private funding for elections* and, also in a unanimous decision, they won.

So in an excellent result for the College, we equalled our 2010 success and retained both the junior and senior titles.

PNBHS Debating Exchange

Continuing on from the impromptu debating success, both our junior and senior teams were successful in the annual PNBHS exchange debates. The Junior team of Alex Wierzbicki, Hector Ensor and **Jonny Barnes** negated the moot that *cosmetic surgery should be banned* and the senior team of Rayhan Langdana, Nick Fenton and Edward Foley affirmed that *Te Reo Māori should be compulsory in NZ schools*. Both Wellington College teams won their debates convincingly.

Inter-Collegiate Debating

The different grades are at different stages of their competition but results are looking good for a number of our teams:

- Senior Premier A (coach: Mr **James Edgecombe**) is through to the quarter-finals.
- Senior Premier B (coach: Mr **Nic Gorman**) is undefeated and through to the quarter-finals.
- Senior Certificate 3 (coach: Mr **Thorsten Harms**) is undefeated and is through to quarter-finals.
- Junior Premier (coaches Rayhan Langdana and Nick Fenton) is undefeated in four from five round-robin debates.
- Junior Certificate 3 (coach: Mrs **Debbie House**) is undefeated in four from five round-robin debates.

In-house Competition

Both the senior and junior in-house competitions continue to be well-supported and are expanding as the year progresses – the reverse has happened in previous years. With 16 teams at both levels, the competitive spirit is flourishing.

National Shakespeare Schools' Production Week

As a result of his performance in the **George Niven** - directed excerpt from *Measure for Measure* in the regional Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival, **Tim Macdonald** (Y12), gained direct entry into the National Shakespeare Schools' Production Week. After his performance in the *Midsummer Nights' Dream* excerpt, directed by Mrs **Jan McLean**, in the national festival, **Sam Skoog** (Y12), was also selected. This is a wonderful reflection on the talent and strength of Drama in the College. The National Schools' Shakespeare Production Week is comprised of 45 students, selected from 5,500 participants in the nation-wide Sheilah Winn Festival.

Ms Kirsty Hazledine, Arts Director

COMBINED WELLINGTON COLLEGE – WELLINGTON GIRLS' COLLEGE CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Cultural Extravaganza this year was a great success. The Extravaganza happens every two years, 2009 being its first year, and is a show case event for Wellington College and Wellington Girls' College in a combined concert. The event, which was staged in the Town Hall, showcased all the cultural talent the combined schools have to offer.

The groups involved were the combined Choirs, Orchestras, Concert Bands and Jazz Bands, along with Kapa Haka, Poly Club, both Stage Challenges and a combined Ukulele Orchestra. It is a great night not only for the competitive groups such as Stage Challenge to be able to perform often, but also for those groups who don't get to perform often to a big audience in one of the best venues in Wellington.

The night started with Kapa Haka involving haka, dance and singing. This was then followed by Poly Club who again showcased a lot of different Polynesian styles finishing with a very entertaining version of *Teach me how to Dougie*. The combined Orchestras and Choirs performed *O Fortuna en masse*, followed by the Orchestra performing a waltz from *Swan Lake*. The Choirs from each school performed one song from both of their highly successful competition sets before joining to sing Eric Whitacre's *Animal Crackers*. The Concert Band, with help of soloist **Felix Sampson**, performed *Higher and Higher*, and the Jazz Band, showing their ability to perform with upmost professionalism, showcased *Blues in the Closet* and *Mercy, Mercy, Mercy*. This was all capped off with the two Stage Challenges, both of which achieved top placings on the night in the local competition. To end the show, Ukulele Orchestras from both schools combined to do *Slice of Heaven* and then as a big finale, with everyone from every group on stage, a rendition of *Don't Stop Believing*.

The night itself was a huge success but it would not have been possible without the help of Ms **Kirsty Hazledine**, Miss **Katie Macfarlane**, Mr **Ben Lau**, Ms **Sutherland**, Mr **Maskill** and Mrs **Penny Dustin**. Also, a big thanks to the Stage Manager, Ms **Coales**, who made sure everyone was in the

right place at the right time.

JUNIOR DRAMA • NETBALL DAD

This year's Junior Drama production was written and directed by **Nick Fenton** and **Paul Turner**, along with the help **Angus Beattie**. *Netball Dad* told a great moral-to-the-story comedy about a rugby-playing, bloke of a dad Bruce (**Arthur Crawford**), who takes on the role of netball coach for his daughter Meghan's (**Jonny Logan**) failing netball team. It's never uncommon to see a boy or two dressed up as a girl in Junior Drama, but this play featured most of the cast playing the role of a girl's netball team...brave and funny.

What was even more impressive was the way all the boys stepped up to playing the role of girls/women. Well done to Jonny Logan, **Emanuel Psathas**, **Sandy McLachlan**, **Riley Jennings**, **Curtis Mills**, **Umaiyen Haran**, and **Jamie Pollock** for their penchant in embracing their roles so well. Commendations should go to **Louis McDougall-Moore** for his backstage co-ordination and to **Quillam Janse** for the choreographed dance routine. Also to **Jamie Swanson** for his technical expertise with the lighting and AV. A huge applause to **Jack Crawford** for his role as Sue Silver, *Netball Dad's* antagonist. Jack not only embodied his role well (*Glee's* Sue Sylvester), he wore the pink ski-suit with ownership and conviction. Lastly, a huge round of applause to the exuberant and supportive mums and dads (**Mahdi Osman-Penrice**, **Louis Skoog**, **Henry Glogau**, **James Day**, **Jordan Clarke** and **Jimi Russell**). They cheered on their netball 'girls' through the thick and thin in their 'daughters' pursuit to win at least one game of netball.

Special thanks to Ms **Kirsty Hazledine** for on-going co-ordination of Arts events like Junior Drama. Thanks to Mrs **Penny Dustin** for her help with the finances and co-ordination of the post-play festivities. Also, special thanks to Mrs **Marilyn MacLennan** for all the rushed photocopying she did for the boys.

Mr Matt Jarry, Convenor

MUSIC

National and Regional Recognition

Fletcher Mills has been selected for the 2011/2012 NZ Secondary Students' Choir. This is a huge honour and will see him perform in concerts around the country and overseas throughout the next two years. **Scott Rusbridge** has been awarded the title of U19 Champion at the recent Brass Bands District competition against some very tough opposition. **Daniel Kibblewhite**, **Mathew Majic** and **Craig Drummond-Nairn** have been selected for the NZ School of Music Academy – an exciting extension composition and performance programme for young musicians. **Craig Drummond-Nairn**, **Matt Cook**, **Beichen Yang** and **Rob Majic** have all been selected for the prestigious Wellington Youth Orchestra.

Chamber Music

In June, **Tim Hornabrook**, **Joshua Kibblewhite**,

James Simpson, Jonathan Lane, Jonathan Wanty, Rob Majic, Craig Drummond-Nairn and Matt Cook entered the NZ Chamber Music Contest in several different groups. It was great to see our students working with other students around Wellington to compete and participate in this long standing competition.

Rockquest

A number of students represented the school with distinction in the recent Smokefree Rockquest competition. Congratulations to **Marcus Lim, Jack Alexander, Jeremy Wilkinson, Rhys Humphrys, Jono Wood, Connor Burns and Sam Tattersfield.**

Chorale

On 8 June, the Wellington College Chorale competed in the annual *BIG SING* competition. Under the excellent leadership of **Callum McDougall**, they were awarded three major prizes: Best Performance of a Popular Work, Best Performance of a Classical Work and the trophy for the best performance of a piece accompanied by the Town Hall organ. This is a great achievement earning the Chorale its place in the top 24 choirs in the country. The Chorale has also sung at many school events such as Old Boys' reunions and ANZAC services this year. Combining with Wellington Girls' College choirs, they sang in the Commonwealth Observance Service in April, as well as the Cultural Extravaganza which was a great success. Highly sought after, they have also sung at events such as the Memorial Service for soldiers who fell in the Battle of Crete, as well as at Parliament for the launch of the Victoria Cross stamp issue. A small group of the boys also sang the national anthem at Government House for a Volunteer Organisations commemorative function. 2011 has so far been very successful and

the Chorale are looking forward to recording a CD later on in the year.

Jazz Band

The College Jazz Band has been incredibly dedicated and committed, with many extra morning and lunch time rehearsals, and several holiday rehearsals. Their hard work has definitely paid off with professional and highly energetic performances at the Tauranga and Manawatu National Jazz Festivals, coming away with a silver award in Tauranga over Easter. Also performing at the Manawatu Jazz Festival was the *Big Mac Combo* (named after our great HOD of Music Miss Macfarlane), a smaller Jazz ensemble which consists of members of the Jazz Band. *The Big Mac Combo* has also performed at the Music Quiz Night. Like the Jazz Band, the Combo have received a terrific reception from the audience at all their performances. The Jazz Band are looking forward to performing at the Wellington Jazz Festival in August. Congratulations must also go to their director, Mr Alistair Isdale who in June was invited, with his band, to perform at the highly prestigious Glastonbury Music Festival in London.

Orchestra

This year has so far been another successful year for the combined orchestra. The Orchestra is a massive force of 86 students from both Wellington College and Wellington Girls' College. The Orchestra has played numerous concerts so far this year, conducted by their inspiring new conductor, Mr Michael Joel. Our most successful and entertaining performance saw them joining forces with Epsom Girls' Grammar for a day to play a variety of music from *Puccini* to newly-commissioned New Zealand compositions. The Orchestra has also performed with distinction at

the Cultural Extravaganza and at a schools concert and workshop for contributing primary schools. The Orchestra are looking forward to performing at the annual Music Soiree in Term Three.

Concert Band

2011 has seen a number of new musicians join the Concert Band and a number of veterans return to form the largest concert band in many years. Combined with Wellington Girls' College, the Concert Band has performed a concert for contributing primary schools and at the Cultural Extravaganza. The Concert Band will perform in Terms Three and Four in the Music Soiree and Music Awards Dinner. It has been a great start for the concert band and they hope to give **Mr Ben Lau** a good farewell performance when he leaves at the end of Term Three.

Music Quiz Evening

The students and staff of the Music Department would like to thank to all those who contributed to our successful Quiz Evening which raised over \$8000 for musical equipment and trips. Special thanks to the organising committee: Margie Turner, Jeni O'Neale, Jennie McInnes, Kate Anderson, Ginny Abernethy, Sarah Hutchings, Mary Urquhart-Hay and Madeleine Sampson and also to all of our generous sponsors including Absolute Bliss Beauty Therapy, Alistair's Music, Chamber Music NZ, Circa Theatre, East by West Ferry, Eurovintage Wines, The Fruit Shop, Karori Garden Centre, Monsoon Poon Restaurant, Music Works, NZ Opera, Parson's Bookshop, Pilates Flow, Photo Warehouse, Port Nicholson Yacht Club, Royal NZ Ballet, Southern Cross Bar & Restaurant and The Village Goldsmith.

Miss Katie Macfarlane, HOD Music



Clockwise from top left: *The Cultural Extravaganza en masse*, *Te Haeata Awatea - combined Kapa Haka*, *Netball Dad - Arthur Crawford and James Day as Bruce and Sandra*, *Netball Dad - Quillam Janse leading the dance at the end of the production*, *Sam Skoog as Wall in A Midsummer Nights' Dream* [photo credit Amy Schulz] and *Tim Macdonald in Measure for Measure* [photo credit Amy Schulz].

• TRADITIONALS

V New Plymouth Boys' High School (Away)	
1st XI Hockey	Won 2 - 1
1st XI Football	Won 2 - 1
Senior A Basketball	Lost 51 - 84
V Christchurch Boys' High School (Away)	
1st XV Rugby	Lost 13 - 12
1st XI Football	Drew 2 - 2
1st XI Hockey	Won 2 - 1
V Palmerston North Boys' High School (Home)	
1st XI Hockey	Lost 3 - 2
U15 Hockey	Won 3 - 1
2nd XI Football	Won 5 - 1
U14 Football	Won 3 - 1
Senior A Basketball	Won 83 - 80
Junior A Basketball	Won 75 - 64
U15 Rugby	Won 10 - 8
Senior A Badminton	Lost 6 - 3

• UNDERWATER HOCKEY

Central Regional Championships – WRAC

Wellington College entered two senior and three junior teams into this competition with both the Junior A and Senior A teams qualifying for Nationals. The Juniors finished a very creditable third, beating HVHS 5 - 1 in the play-off. The Seniors took out the title beating national champions Scots College 3 - 2 in the final with a golden goal in overtime. This bodes well for NZSS Champs later in the year. The following players won MVP for their respective teams:

Senior A: **Tristan O'Neale**
 Senior B: **Nick Healy**
 Junior A: **Luke Kibblewhite**
 Junior B: **William Lines-Cleland**
 Junior C: **Ryan Cherry**

• SWIMMING

Inaugural CSW Individual Swimming Champs

Both the male and female competitions comprised two age-groups (U15, 15 and Over). Ten events were run in Junior and Senior age-groups for both male and female competitions. The Wellington College team won 12 of the 20 events to top the medal table with the Junior team particularly strong in winning nine of their events.

Cameron Jones as a Junior, was arguably the swimmer of the meet with four gold medals – all won by significant margins. All his times were faster than the corresponding Senior winning times, and he won the Pru Young Memorial Cup for the fastest 50m Freestyle. He won gold in the U15 100m Individual Medley, 50m Butterfly, 100m Butterfly and 50m Freestyle.

Hamish Trlin also impressed with three gold and one silver medal, winning the U15 50m Breaststroke, 100m Breaststroke and 200m Breaststroke.

Oliver Wyeth was dominant in his first year in the senior grade. He won three gold medals (the most medals won by any swimmer in the senior grade) winning the 50m Backstroke, 100m Backstroke and 100m Individual Medley.

Nicholas Crott won gold in the U15 200m Freestyle and **Jonathan Rogers** won gold in the U15 100m Backstroke.

Special mention must be made of **Ryan Cox** who did particularly well despite being unable to train for nearly a year due to illness. He won two silver and one bronze medal and nearly pulled off the boil-over of the meet in the Senior 50m Freestyle. He was just touched out in the last stoke of the race and won silver 50m Butterfly and 50m Freestyle.

CSW Regional Swimming Relay Championships

This fixture is an evening competition which ran at Naenae Pool. It incorporates backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, freestyle and medley relay events in U15 and Senior age-groups for all schools in the Wellington region.

Our swimmers did particularly well to starve off a very spirited challenge from a strong Tawa College team. Our team was led with distinction by Captain **Tom Cutler**, winning six of the ten events and retaining the Huia Cup as winners of the male competition.

Australian National Age-Grade Champs

Ted Taylor and **Cameron Jones** (Y11) both went to the Australian Age-Group Swimming Championships (their National Champs) in the first week of school holidays. It was held in Adelaide in the new aquatic complex.

Ted had the huge task of performing the 1500m Freestyle on the first day of the competition. He was in the final and came ninth, with a personal best time of 16:42.92. He also came 18th overall in the 200m Freestyle in a personal best time of 1:59.22. Ted made it into the finals for his 400m Freestyle. He came sixth in the final in a personal best time of 4:09.86. This is a fantastic result competing in Australia which is very strong in Freestyle events.

Cameron made the final of the 100m Butterfly. He came second in the final in a NZ Record Time of 57.80. Later that same day, he came 11th overall in the 200m in a time of 2:19.07. Cameron also made the final for the 200m Butterfly and came eighth in the final. His time of 2:13.96 was a Wellington Record. Later that same day he reached the final of the 100m Freestyle and came tenth in a new Wellington Record Time of 55.40. Cameron made the final, with a time of 24.99, in the 50m Freestyle and came eighth. In his last race, the 100m Backstroke, he came ninth overall, in a time of 1:03.24, but couldn't go into the final as the rule only allows for two visitors and he was the third ranked visitor. Congratulations and well done to you both!

• NZSS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

This event (held in Ashburton) is second only to the Maadi Cup (Rowing) in terms of participants.

Under the supervision of Messrs **Neville Paul**, **Martyn Reynolds** and **Phil Bergin**, 30 boys took on the best in the country. There were three grades to the racing: Y9, U16 and Senior.

The trip proved eventful with the team having to overcome the issues of the volcanic dust and fog at Christchurch Airport but the course at Ashburton was fast and flat but we had prepared well for this, on the Number 1 field, over a number of weeks.

Individually, **Hamish Ware** gained third place in the Y9 event. His fantastic performance anchored the six-man team and helped them gain a bronze medal. The team included Hamish, **Thomas Cummack**, **Thomas Petersen**, **Harry Delany**, **Tom Boyd** and **Josh Breadmore**.

In the U16s, **Benson Oosterbaan** was the best performing athlete. He finished in a good 24th place at his first nationals. Overall, the team was fifth, the best result for a Wellington team.

In the senior race, there were 187 finishes, from the best Y11 - Y13 runners in the country. **Ryan Mahon** - the team captain - finished ninth, a performance which topped off his win at McEvedy, and his second place at the Wellington Regional Champs. The team was fourth, and the highest ranked team in Wellington. So overall, a 3rd, a 4th and a 5th - a pleasing and promising performance.

• QUADRANGULAR TOURNAMENT 2011

From 21 - 24 August, Wellington College will be hosting the 85th Quadrangular Rugby Tournament. Normally it would be held earlier in the season but due to the Rugby World Cup it is being held in Winter Tournament Week.

We look forward to what is always a great occasion as we play host to 1st XVs from Nelson College, Wanganui Collegiate and Christ's College.

The draw is on the front page of this *Collegian*.

• HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

Traditionally visiting teams are billeted within our College community. If you are able to help by hosting a player from Sunday through to Wednesday please contact **Dave Keat** - Sports Director on sport@wellington-college.school.nz

• HOCKEY

Wellington U18 A	Wellington U18 B
Trevor Garrett	Rajan Dahya
Oliver Logan	Simon Williams
Matt Symonds	Denzel Winter-Beard
Wellington U15 A	Wellington U15 B
Shakeel Dahya	Riley Jennings
Finn Mahon	Shaan Pama
Jamie Pollock	Ethan Richardson
Logen Stent	Giorgio Scott
Nick Tweed	

• GOLF

Congratulations to **Will Monnery** (Y12) who scored his first hole in one on the 10th hole at the Royal Wellington Golf Club last month.

Will, currently playing off a 1.5 handicap, is Wellington College's leading Golfer and a member of the Senior Golf Team.

FROM WELLINGTON COLLEGE MOTHERS

Half way through the year, we thought we'd share some of the activities in which College Mothers have been involved. They are a great team and I wish to acknowledge their commitment.

Sue Mahon and her team provided afternoon tea for the teachers each afternoon in early June as the Parent/Teacher interviews took place.

Emma Lawler does a fantastic job arranging the monthly forums and last week Emma co-ordinated the annual thank you lunch to Wellington College staff - an important acknowledgment to those who run our great school.

On 17 June, we were delighted to hold the Big Bloke's Breakfast where almost 250 men and boys enjoyed a delicious start to the day. Fathers, grandfathers, uncles and significant others all enjoyed the morning. A huge thank you to Sue Mahon and Caroline McGlynn Tran for pulling this event together.

Marguerite Beere again co-ordinated the refreshments [photos left] for the traditional sports tussles with Palmerston North Boys' High School. Your efforts and those of your volunteers are much appreciated.

Karen McGregor, President • robmcg@paradise.net.nz



FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

2011 YEAR 13 LEAVERS' JACKETS

The sketch below is the design for the 2011 Leavers' Jacket. Y13 students ONLY are invited to order their jacket from the Uniform Shop from Monday, 1 August at a cost of \$110.00. Orders cannot be made without payment.



SPORTS REPORT CONTINUED

• SOFTBALL

Congratulations to **Dante Matakatea** who has been selected for the NZ U16 Development Team currently playing Australia. This is the top NZ team at this level. Known as The Raw Sox, they are being prepared for the 2014 Junior World Championship. Dante, at just 14, is also in the Wellington U15, U17 and U19 Rep Teams. Playing for the College's Senior Softball Team at the NZSS Nationals earlier this year, Dante was selected for the Tournament Team. We look forward to following Dante's softball career.

• GOOD LUCK

Winter Tournament Week will also see a number of other teams involved in national competition and we wish luck to the following:

1st XI Football	NZSS Premier Cup in Napier
1st XI Hockey	NZSS Rankin Cup in Invercargill

2nd XI Hockey	Invitational Tournament in Auckland
U15 Hockey	Invitational Tournament in Hamilton
U15 Rugby	Invitational Tournament in Hamilton
U14 Rugby	Invitational Tournament in Palmerston North
Senior A Underwater Hockey	NZSS Championships in Rotorua
Junior A Underwater Hockey	NZSS Championships in Rotorua

Also good luck to Senior A Basketball team playing in the National Qualifying Tournament at Te Rauparaha Arena in the second week of the holidays. Their Nationals will be in Palmerston North.

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