



## FROM THE HEADMASTER

T S Eliot is regarded by many as one of the finest poets of the Twentieth Century.

As a student, I struggled with the vagaries of 'The Wasteland', that bleak portrayal of post World War One London. The imagery is powerful but the narrative difficult to comprehend. Far more accessible, in my view, is Eliot's later poem, The Four Quartets, and it is to one of those quartets, Little Gidding, that I wish to refer at the beginning of the school year. It was the last of the quartets, written in 1942 when Eliot's health was declining and London was being bombed by the Luftwaffe. In referring to the power of renewal, Eliot writes the following words:

*For last year's words belong to last year's language*

*And next year's words await another voice.  
 And to make an end is to make a beginning.*

The new year is a chance for us to put behind the disappointments and problems of last year and to refocus on new aspirations for

the coming year. Everyone in the College community, Headmaster, staff, students and parents, should grasp the opportunity to reflect on what has gone before and to set new goals for 2011. Earl Nightingale, the legendary American motivational speaker, made the following pertinent comment:

*People with goals succeed because they know where they are going. It's as simple as that.*

I strongly encourage every student, whether he be in Y13 or Y9, to spend at least an hour, clarifying academic goals for the year, and perhaps extracurricular goals as well. Mark Hansen, another well-known motivational speaker makes the following observation:

*You control your future, your destiny.  
 What you think about comes about. By recording your dreams and goals on paper, you set in motion the process of becoming the person you most want to be. Put the future in good hands – your own.*



It has been a particularly positive start to 2011. I look forward to a highly successful year, whether it be in the World Vision Runathon, Stage Challenge, the multitude of sporting activities or, most importantly, in the classroom. To those families who are forming an association with Wellington College for the first time, I extend a warm welcome. Please make yourselves known to me and the senior staff.

**Roger Moses ONZM, Headmaster**

### WELLINGTON COLLEGE CALENDAR • 23 February - 25 March 2011

<b>Wednesday, 23 February</b>	Annual v PNBHS (Home) [1st XI, 2nd XI, Y9 Cricket] • College Mothers Welcome Lunch for Parents of New Students - 12.30pm Firth Hall Paid PPTA Union Meeting [School closed from 12.30pm] (Buses run as normal)
<b>Thursday, 24 February</b>	CSW Senior Touch Champs
<b>Saturday, 26 February</b>	Rowing: Karapiro Age-Group Regatta [to 27th]
<b>Monday, 28 February</b>	Tennis Quadrangular @ AGS [to 1 March]
<b>Tuesday, 1 March</b>	McEvedy Shield @ Newtown Park
<b>Wednesday, 2 March</b>	College Mothers' Lunchtime Forum - 12.30pm in the Pavilion • Y12 Technology Field Trip • CSW Yachting Champs
<b>Thursday, 3 March</b>	Y11 Economics SELL Programme [to 4th]
<b>Sunday, 6 March</b>	1st XI Cricket v Wanganui Collegiate (Away) [to 7th]
<b>Wednesday, 9 March</b>	Y13 Geography Field Trip • CSW Senior Tennis Champs
<b>Thursday, 10 March</b>	Pasifika Academic Achievers' Evening (1) • CSW Triathlon Champs
<b>Friday, 11 March</b>	Rowing: NISS Champs [to 13th] • CSW Senior Volleyball Champs [to 12th] • World Vision 40-Hour Runathon [to 12th]
<b>Sunday, 13 March</b>	Annual v Napier BHS (Home) [1st XI, Y9/10 Cricket] [to 14th]
<b>Monday, 14 March</b>	BOT Meeting @ 6.00pm • Y12 PE Tramp [to 16th] • International Students' Week [to 18th]
<b>Thursday, 17 March</b>	Waterpolo: NISS Champs (Auckland) [to 20th]
<b>Saturday, 19 March</b>	Rugby: 1st XV v OBU (Away) • Regional Dragon Boating Champs [to 20th]
<b>Monday, 21 March</b>	Y12 PE Trip [to 23rd]
<b>Wednesday, 23 March</b>	College Mothers' AGM @ 12.30pm in Firth Hall
<b>Friday, 25 March</b>	WCOBA Class of 1961 50 Years On Reunion



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### INSIDE THIS ISSUE...

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**FUNDING WELLINGTON COLLEGE**

The Board of Trustees extends a warm welcome to the families of all new and returning students at Wellington College for the 2011 academic year. The Board, the Headmaster and the staff of the College work hard to maintain a culture of high achievement across all areas of the curriculum and co-curricular activities, and to effectively blend our heritage and tradition with innovative teaching and learning. We hope that your association with the College will be enjoyable and rewarding.

A huge community effort goes into making Wellington College the school that it is. Parents and Old Boys are involved in many aspects of the school, voluntarily devoting hours of their time to assist with sport and cultural activities as well as providing a large portion of the funding required.

In a few weeks, the College will be sending out its request for fees and donations. Since there has been significant media coverage of the donations requested by schools in recent years, the Board of Trustees thought it might be helpful to provide our perspective on this issue.

It is true that there is no legal obligation on families to pay the donation requested. Further, it would be possible to run a basic educational facility on the funding provided by the Ministry of Education. But parents of students at Wellington College must understand that a school funded only by grants from the Ministry of Education would not look remotely like Wellington College. Neither would it offer anything like the range of subjects, co-curricular activities and facilities

that Wellington College provides. In short, state funding cannot support the pursuit of excellence at the level that has become the standard expectation for Wellington College, and what has attracted so many families to purchase homes within our zone or seek entry to the College on the ballot for students who live out of zone.

The College places a great deal of emphasis on fundraising. During 2010, we received confirmation of two outstandingly generous contributions to the current fundraising efforts of the College from Old Boys Alan Gibbs and Sir Ron Brierley. Their willingness to provide this form of leadership to support the current fundraising campaign is much appreciated by the Headmaster and Board of Trustees. Further, I am sure that most readers of the *Collegian* will be aware that the support provided by Sir Ron Brierley over several decades has had a huge impact on the facilities of the College in the past, and his willingness to continue to support us in this way sets an outstanding example for the future.

Whether they come from such benefactors or from current families, the impact of donations can be seen everywhere around the College. In 2009, the new languages block was opened for use, including four classrooms built with College funds. Early in 2010, we completed a major renovation of our Girvan Library which has increased its capacity to cope with modern learning needs and improved its attractiveness as a place of study. At the end of 2010, the Board approved funding raised as part of our current campaign for an upgrade of the Terraces that will be completed early in 2011. This upgrade will improve safety and increase the capacity to accommodate

spectators at major sporting events. We are at present exploring the feasibility of funding an all-weather artificial turf pitch that will allow our sports teams to practice and our physical education programmes to continue even when Wellington's winter rains have closed the regular fields. In addition, our ability to purchase new musical instruments and computers, our ability to offer professional development scholarships for teachers, and a number of College-funded teaching positions, all depend on fundraising.

Education is increasingly expensive, but it is not nearly as expensive as the alternative – an inadequate education which limits the contribution that our children make to our society and economy. We know that for many families, the donation that we request represents a substantial amount of money, and we accept that some families will not be able to make the donation. But please remember, that the funds provided by the donation are required to maintain staffing and/or facilities at their current level. And for those families with professional incomes, we ask you to consider the costs of private school education (which in many cases would not be superior to that offered by Wellington College) when you are considering the level of financial support that you are willing to provide to the College.

The Board of Trustees thanks all members of the College community for their work, their support, and their wide ranging contributions to making Wellington College the outstanding school that it is. We wish you well for the 2011 school year.

**Neil Quigley**  
**Chair, Board of Trustees**

FROM THE BOT STUDENT REP.

Well, here we are back at College! The holidays whizzed by, finishing all too soon, and 2011 is upon us. Already the year is shaping up to be fantastic, with McEvedy just around the corner, preparations for Stage Challenge underway, and a vast selection of sporting and cultural activities starting up across the College.

Of course, with all these opportunities there is a lot of administration involved to ensure everything runs smoothly. As the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees, it is my job to assist the students in having a say in these administrative processes. In the upcoming weeks I hope to establish the Student Council, where I will be able to hear the wants and the needs of the student body face-to-face. The most significant issues will be brought in front of the Board, and dealt with appropriately.

I hope the year will be a prosperous one, bringing many success stories to the College. I look forward to contributing as best I can to these successes.

**Michael Smol**



**WE NEED YOUR INPUT**

For many years, the *Collegian* has been posted on a monthly basis to all families of the College Community and emailed to a small number of parents and friends of the College who have elected to receive their news in this format.

In order to keep up with the times and to ensure we bring you up-to-date news and announcements, it is timely that we gain your input on what you would like to be kept informed on and in which method ie hard-copy or digital.

Accordingly, we invite you to complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to the College by the end of February. You can mail it (freepost) or have your son drop it off at the College's Reception.

Our thanks in anticipation for helping us.

I am honoured to be writing my first report as Head Prefect for 2011. This year holds enormous promise for great achievements, and I am confident that each of us will do our bit for the overall success of the College during the course of this year.

2011 will be a truly busy year. First on the school calendar is the McEvedy Shield Athletics competition. I know that the entire team of athletes have been training since the end of last year, and there is nothing I'd rather see than the shield being returned to our trophy cabinet - it has been sorely missed during its year of absence. For those new to the College, McEvedy is an overwhelming outpouring of school pride. After returning home from the event, all new students will know exactly what it means to be a 'Coll Boy'. This wave of school pride carries over to the World Vision Runathon, held the following week, where we aim to raise as much money as possible for the World Vision project in Tanzania. Some of the senior students recently visited the villages in which the money we raise is used, and were deeply moved by the difference our efforts for the communities there. In the weeks and months to come, we will begin the defence of our 2009 national title in *Stage Challenge*, and aim to continue our eight-year victory streak in the Quadrangular Rugby tournament, this year to be hosted at home.

I've already had the chance to meet many of the younger students as part of the World Vision Runathon fundraising effort and the Valentine's Day Roses which were on sale last week. Seeing the indecision, trepidation and eventual look of relief (or in some cases, horror) cross the faces of some of the new Y9 students as they sent messages to the objects of their affection was amusing and at the same time, saddening for us senior students. In all honesty, it really doesn't seem like four



(L-R): Callian Sculley, Kawharu Morehu, Nick Fenton and Rayhan Langdana

years since we were just beginning life at high school: it is difficult coming to grips with the fact that this is our last year here.

This feeling was nowhere more evident among my cohort than immediately after the Prefects' Assembly, at which we were presented our badges. To see the badge on my own chest and on those of my fellow Prefects is humbling: we've been given a fantastic opportunity. I know that all of us will do our very best to uphold the standard set by those who have gone before, and to set a high standard for those who will take over next year. The Prefect team will soon become very well known to all students of the College. This isn't so much due to our position as Prefects, but because between the 25 of us, we really are involved in every sphere of College life. Scholars, athletes, debaters,

musicians and performers comprise this year's Prefects. With this well rounded team, I'm sure that we will serve Wellington College well and aim to set the highest example. In particular, I'd like to introduce the Deputy Head Prefects for 2011: **Nick Fenton, Kawharu Morehu and Callian Sculley**. During the course of the year, I know that these three talented individuals will lead the College exceptionally in their own personal areas of expertise, along with the rest of the Prefect team.

The year will pick up speed rapidly and be over before we know it, so I urge you all to get involved and make the most of your remaining time at Wellington College. All the best for a great 2011.

**Rayhan Langdana**



**EARLY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ENS)**

In 2010, we introduced a system that notifies parents and caregivers of their son's non-attendance at school. This allows the College community to manage absenteeism and truancy levels. The system uses both text and email messages to alert parents and caregivers of those that are absent. We would encourage parents and caregivers to notify the school in advance whenever possible (preferably before 9.30am) of an impending absence by either phone on 802 2520 [follow the prompts] or via email at [absences@wellington-college.school.nz](mailto:absences@wellington-college.school.nz)

Other schools that use the system have commented that parents and caregivers find it comforting to know that if their child is absent from school they will most likely receive a text or email alert. As a parent, it allows increased child safety and reduced risk of unexplained absenteeism and truancy which studies have shown to be a significant factor in lower academic achievement.

**Darrell Harvey, Assistant Principal**

**WC LEARNER PROFILE**

*Within a context of traditional values and cultural awareness, Wellington College learners (students and staff) are...*

- Intellectually curious, creative and critical thinkers
- Motivated, self-managing, lifelong learners
- Adaptable and responsive to new ideas and experiences
- Confident and effective communicators
- Community focused and prepared to lead



**UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE IN NZ - THE GOAL POSTS HAVE SHIFTED AND CONTINUE TO SHIFT - BE WARNED!**

Parents and students need to be very aware that guaranteed entrance to University and Polytechnics in New Zealand has changed as of 2011.

As a result of a change in Government spending on tertiary education via the TEC, the tertiary education commission, (for all University and Polytechnics) funding has been capped.

Each University and Polytechnic is being allocated finite funding and if they exceed this, they stand to make a loss. They want to ensure that those students they accept will achieve success and their future funding will be influenced by the rate of success of each of their courses, and, as part of this ongoing audit, drop out rates and failures will be taken into consideration. University is not for all students. There are many options including Polytechnics, private training providers, Gap Years, plus apprenticeships etc.

Future university students will be expected

to have performed at a good level in Level 3 in approved university entrance subjects and generally speaking they will need to achieve at a good level in their top 80 credits at level 3. Each level 3 University Entrance approved subject credit will be weighted with two points for an achieved, three for a merit and four for an excellence.

It is very important that students (and parents) research the minimum points score required for guaranteed entrance in to each course. The guaranteed entry criteria vary greatly. For example Victoria University has in 2011, set 120 points for guaranteed entry into all courses except Architecture (140 points) while Otago University has set 140 points as their bench mark. At the other end of the spectrum, Auckland University has set even higher points requirements for every degree course.

**Refer to the following:**

- <http://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/news/4246344/Plan-to-tighten-university-entrance>
- <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/awards/university-entrance/review-of-university-entrance/>

Accordingly, it is vital that students research each University and Polytechnic they are considering by going to their respective websites.

It is also VERY important that they meet the literacy and numeracy minimum requirements.

To assist and guide you further, the Wellington College MyColl website has an excellent careers section which you must explore.

**Go to MyColl>Student Services>Careers.**

Please feel free to call me for any matter related to tertiary entrance requirements or any career related issue. I urge you to encourage your son to make an appointment to see me about their goals and aspirations especially if they are in Y12 and Y13.

**Ernie Rosenthal, Careers' Adviser**  
**Tel: DDI 802 2536 or Mobile: 021 124 9439**  
**e.rosenthal@wellington-college.school.nz**

**CAN YOU HELP?**

**Gateway is a programme which opens pathways for students from school into work. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to combine school study with workplace experience and work-based NZQA qualifications.**

**If you believe you would be able to assist in this structured workplace learning programme by offering work experience to a student one day a week, please contact the Gateway Manager, Dawn Hall on 803 0325 or Ernie Rosenthal on 802 2536.**

**HE MIHI NŌ TE KURA MĀORI**

Greetings from the Māori Department. team. Kia rite!

**N**au piki mai! Nau kake mai! He mihi nui ki a koutou katoa ngā kanohi hou o te kura! Ka rere tonu te mihi ki a koutou i tae-ā-tinana mai ki te whakanui i tō tātou rā tuatahi mō tēnei tau! Tihei mauri ora!

**• START OF YEAR PŌWHIRI**

Greetings and welcome to all new staff, students and whānau. Thank you to all whānau who attended the start of year pōwhiri for our new staff, Y9 students and their whānau. The pōwhiri was a fantastic way to meet and greet you all. We look forward to seeing more of you all in the future!

**• WELLINGTON COLLEGE HAKA**

Our Y9 students have already had one learning session as they start to master our College Haka. With McEvedy fast approaching, they will need to be at their peak to support our McEvedy

**• TE PIRINGA**

(Wellington College Whānau)  
 Thanks to all of you who joined us at our hākari (feast) on Tuesday, 8 February. It was great to meet some new faces and feel the energy that you all brought. Look out for more event details here each month in the Collegian.

Te Piringa is the Wellington College Whānau, which supports Māori student achievement and kaupapa Māori at Wellington College. If you would like to become involved in Te Piringa or for more information on Te Piringa events, please contact Luanne Collier-Rēpia, collier-repia@xtra.co.nz or 027 472 6581.

Kia pai ai te tau mō koutou katoa Mauri ora

**Matua Mark Bradley, HOD Māori**

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

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	Ms Arina Tulitua	DDI 802 2526
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Y10 Dean	Mr Rob Corliss	DDI 802 2532
Y9 Dean	Mr Guy Mance	DDI 802 2535
International Dean	Mrs Diane Smithson	DDI 802 2520
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Sports Director	Mr Dave Keat	DDI 802 2547
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Wellington College Attendance Officer		DDI 802 2520
Wellington College Bursary		DDI 802 2521

**INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME HOMESTAYS REQUIRED**

Our Homestay Manager wishes to increase the pool of homestay hosts. Except in the case of exchange students (AFS, EF and Rotary), a weekly payment of \$220 is made to the homestay family. If you are interested in our programme or know of others who might be, please contact Sue Mackay on 802 2520 ext. 821 for more information.

## WORLD VISION 40-HOUR RUNATHON

This year is Wellington College's 14th annual 40-Hour Runathon for World Vision. For those new to the school, every year since 1998 we have held the Runathon instead of the 40-Hour famine, to raise money for World Vision, and in particular for us, an area called Ibwera on the coast of the Victoria Lake in Tanzania. The decision was made on the principle that sport is much healthier and more enjoyable for boys than starving ourselves for a weekend! On the weekend of 11-12 March this year, starting at 6.00am on the Friday, students of the school will run laps of the 800 metre short-circuit around the College, raising money, and provide an awareness for our less fortunate friends in Tanzania. Students of the College are split into ten teams, named after corporate sponsors, all with three senior student team leaders. The teams compete for the Lendrum Shield, awarded to the team that runs the most laps, wins the most competitions and raises the most money. The event runs until 10.00pm on Saturday, 11 March.

Students are encouraged to find people like family members, friends and neighbours to sponsor them per number of laps they run, or just for taking part. Last year as a school, we raised over \$57,000, and in the history of the Runathon, we have raised well over \$550,000, a pretty awesome effort, that we hope to further advance this amount this year!

The Runathon has become a huge event on the College calendar in terms of showcasing school spirit, and having a lot of fun. There are heaps of events in the build up and during the Runathon including water races, milk sculls, tug of war, awesome haircuts and so on. The staff also get fully involved by running laps and helping out, and the boys always have a wicked weekend.

This year we are lucky enough to have a few boys amongst us who have travelled to Tanzania, and seen first-hand the work that World Vision is doing with the money that we

raise in Ibwera. Our money has given children and their community a brand new health centre in the last year, that they never had before, as well as desks, classrooms, access to clean drinkable water and many more things that have benefited the community, that are all helping to raise the standard of living for children in Ibwera, and helping to give them the kind of opportunities that they have never had before.

The Runathon isn't just a great weekend with all your mates. It's also important that we understand where our money that we work so hard to fundraise is going. We are doing awesome stuff for the children in Tanzania and if we remember that, and work really hard fundraising and running laps in the next month or so, we can make 2011 the best Runathon yet, and continue to give children in Tanzania the opportunities that they deserve.

**Nick Fenton, on behalf of the Super Six**

## WELLINGTON COLLEGE VISITS TANZANIA

In mid-January of this year, Angus Beattie, Harry Smith, Thomas Leggat, Matt Symonds, Paul Turner, Marcus Playle (2010 Head Prefect) and myself, along with Mr Ben Lau, and Old Boy Chris Jupp travelled to the village of Ibwera, central to the Ibwera ADP (Area Development Programme). The region's aid is entirely funded by World Vision New Zealand and in part by Wellington College's Runathon. It was our pleasure and absolute privilege to visit the places where these funds are used and see exactly what the money means for the many thousands of people in the area.



Our time was spent travelling the area visiting schools – primary and secondary, water sources, farms, and an orphanage. We also made a visit to a child headed home – a household of four run by a fourteen-year-old whose mother and father had died of HIV-AIDS.

Each of our visits were accompanied by World Vision staff who did their best to answer any questions we had, while having a few questions themselves. I will always remember the WV workers being shocked that HIV-AIDS was not a normal part of New Zealand society, and that in fact none of us had come into contact with it before. Through this interaction each one of us began to see how suffering and disease is unfortunately an everyday part of Tanzanian life and more poignantly see how much our help, as a school and a country, is both needed and utterly appreciated.

The generosity of the Tanzanian people who welcomed us into their schools and work places was astonishing. On several occasions we were promptly given baskets of pineapple, banana, and maize; all staple food that

was grown on subsistence level with any excess being sold at the local market. The fact that the people we visited had close to nothing, yet they welcomed us in with tables of food, put the Western world into stark contrast and proved to us that really, if they can give something why couldn't the financially stable people at home do the same?

On the final day in Ibwera, the group split up to visit the various children that some in our group had sponsored before the trip. This provided a personal connection for the trip, to place a name to a face out of the many hundreds of children that we came into contact with (many of who are now pulling the 'W's up'). I know that for those who met their sponsored child, it was a moment that made them realise the difference that just one person can make. While the gifts of balloons and footballs may not last, the memory for the sponsored children, their families and the sponsors themselves certainly will.

For many of us at Wellington College, the World Vision Runathon is a chance – for 40 hours of the

year – to have some fun around the College, to continue a sense of friendly competition, and hassle our parents for some money for a far off cause. It is one of the best traditions that the College has. Yet it should be an event that is a high point for a year of contribution and association with World Vision. This year, the organisation is pushing the idea that a collection of ripples can make a tidal wave. I hope that Wellington College can contribute one thousand five hundred and something ripples. I have no doubt that the Super Six along with Mr Lau will get all Wellington College students up for the event

and throughout the year. The money certainly goes where it is needed. The stencilled signs on the sides of classrooms and water tanks reading: 'World Vision New Zealand', are testament to that.

All of us, at one point or another, described the trip as life changing. Given the chance to experience the generosity, kindness and happiness of all those people we encountered in Ibwera will be forever etched in our memories. For that I wish to thank Mr Lau and the World Vision staff, who all devoted countless hours to ensure the trip would go ahead. Again to Blau and Doudi for sharing those experiences with us, and helping us deal with some intense days while dealing with those same feelings themselves.

If you see any of the boys around school that went on the trip, then I encourage you to ask them what it was like, you will get a different story from each of them and no doubt take something away from it, a lot like we did.

**Joe Morris, Y13 2010**

• **Y9 DRAMA FESTIVAL**

At the end of 2010, the Y9 students of 2010 threw themselves into the Drama Festival with great enthusiasm. Many new skills were acquired including scriptwriting, lighting, creating a soundtrack, creating a powerpoint backdrop, publicity, making props and of course, acting. Our five tutors, mainly recent graduates from Toi Whakaari, did a phenomenal job of moulding the classes of Y9 students into performances worthy of the Brierley Theatre stage. The students really enjoyed the tutors' energy and creativity and appreciated their expertise.

Performances included the highly original such as *Orcs on a Plane* and *Mexico: a Love Story*, adaptations such as *Sione's Wedding*, *The Labours of Hercules* and *It Used to Be Green Once*, Victorian masterpieces such as *The Picture of Dorian Gray* and the very whacky *Animals Unleashed* and *Bikers of the Round Table*.

Feedback from the students demonstrated to us what a worthwhile learning and team-building experience the festival was.

In a special awards assembly, presentations were made for outstanding performances and excellent technical contributions, including the four Oscars:

Best Overall Technical Contribution:

**Alistair Ford**

Best Actress: Joint award

**Jamon Peters** and **Jordan Clarke**

Best Actor: Joint award

**Rory Hammond** and **Jack Trevella**

Best Class Performance:

**Animals Unleashed (9BH)**

• **Y9 STRIKE PERFORMANCE**

As part of their Music curriculum studies, all Y9 students will be attending a performance by the world renowned percussion group *Strike* on Friday, 4 March. Please ensure that the \$5 entry fee, along with the permission slip, is returned to the Bursary by Monday, 21 February.

• **A NOTE FROM THE ARTS DIRECTOR**

The year has begun very well for the extra-curricular Arts programme with record numbers of students registering for Debating, Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival and Stage Challenge. We have been especially delighted with the enthusiasm of the Y9 students and look forward to their involvement over the next five years.

- Debating teams will be sorted over the next three weeks.
- Sheilah Winn performance groups will be arranged in Week Three.
- Stage Challenge team will be announced by 19 February. Please note we have had over 250 students auditioning for 100 places, so the competition has been significant.
- Lunchtime activities such as Theatresports, Warhammer and The Guild have begun. All interested students are welcome. Keep an eye on the Daily Notices for information.

**Kirsty Hazledine, Arts Director**  
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For more information or to order your book contact; Penny Dustin Tel: 04 802 2520 or email: [p.dustin@wellington-college.school.nz](mailto:p.dustin@wellington-college.school.nz)

### • SPORTS REGISTRATION

As you know, the development of MyColl has seen an increased useage of the site in the day-to-day running of Wellington College life. Sports administration is no different with the emphasis being on the use of this medium by all the sporting codes.

This year we have not progressed to the on-line payment of fees but the registration form is available for downloading should you need it.

Fees for the majority of sports that require them should have been paid by now through the Bursary. If this has not been the case please do so. If there is an issue with payment please contact the Sports Department to ensure that this does not affect trials and team selection as the College's policy is that payment must be made before playing unless arrangements have been made.

Some of the sports require more individual information and this is also being requested through MyColl. At the moment, Basketball, Football, Hockey, Rugby, Tennis and Underwater Hockey have links on the front page of MyColl where players are requested to enter and fill in details. These are vital for pre-season trials and organisation and should be done immediately.

### • COACHES, MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS

With Wellington College fielding nearly 200 teams in more than 30 different codes we need the support of the College community to

ensure that students can play. If you are keen please put your hand up to coach, manage or help run a team or sport. The front page of MyColl has a link in which parents or anyone interested in helping can register interest. A login password is not required. We will touch base with you shortly. Thanks in advance we are at a critical stage in the development of 'sport' because we have so many students wishing to take part.

### • RESULTS

#### Cricket - Young umpire making mark

**Amos Samson** (Y12) is now an umpire for Cricket Wellington Umpires and Scorers Inc. At 16, he has qualified as one of the youngest umpires in this organisation. Allowed to officially umpire club matches, Amos has already officiated at Hazlett Cup 20/20 level.

It is interesting to note that in recent times, Amos has umpired together with his father Joel – probably the first time that a father-son team have umpired a game and also teamed with 19-year-old Campbell Barry, to form the youngest team of umpires in the country.

#### Football

**Daniel Carbonatto-Bowkett** (Y11) represented New Zealand in the U15 team to Malaysia and Singapore over the holidays. Unfortunately Daniel ruptured a ligament in his heel in the third game after outstanding performances in the first two.

Thankfully he is well on the road to recovery as he is in the squad for both 1st XI Cricket and

Football this year.

#### Karate

**Anton Pagalilawan** (Y11) competed for New Zealand in the Oceania Championships in Tahiti and won gold medals in the Team Kata and Team Kumite. He also won bronze in the individual Kumite 14/15 age group.

#### Yachting

**Ken Tildesley** and **Joe Tildesley** (Y11) won the NZ Sunburst Association Secondary Schools' Trophy for Wellington College at the NZ Sunburst 2011 Nationals held at Pigeon Bay, Banks Peninsula. They were also placed fifth overall in the Senior Open.

#### Basketball

**Joe Webb** (Y13) has been selected for the U20 National Basketball Team which will be competing in Australia for their National Tournament later this month. This is a great achievement for Joe as he was only 16 when he attended the trial.

### • UPCOMING EVENTS

23 February:

Cricket Traditional versus PNBHS (H)  
1st XI, 2nd XI, Y9

1 March:

McEvedy Shield at Newtown Park

28 February - 1 March:

Tennis Quadrangular at AGS

**Dave Keat, Sports Director**

[d.keat@wellington-college.school.nz](mailto:d.keat@wellington-college.school.nz)



**Daniel Carbonatto-Bowkett**



**Amos Samson as Umpire**

## FROM WELLINGTON COLLEGE MOTHERS

Wellington College Mothers (WCM) welcomes new families to the College and wishes everybody a happy new year.

WCM started more than 50 years ago to bring a female perspective to the College and has evolved into a diverse group of people who work together for the benefit for the College community.

Its core business is the Uniform Room; this is a successful enterprise, returning all profits to the College. Projects in 2010 that benefited from those profits are: monetary contribution to the Girvan Library refurbishment, development of the play area at the top of entry drive and completion of the Firth Hall kitchen.

Another important role is the acknowledgement and support of various groups within Wellington College. This includes a welcome lunch to parents and caregivers of all new students; a lunch for staff; another for Prefects and students involved with Peer Support and the College Council as well as a lunch for the parents of College leavers. There is also the co-ordination of hospitality for visiting sports teams and supporters, plus

hospitality co-ordination for various evenings held at College.

The College directory, which will be distributed in the first term, is a practical WCM initiative which keeps parents, caregivers and students in touch with each other. A letter will be sent to all Y11 - Y13 students regarding the 2011 directory. WCM are also proud to contribute to the funding of the *Collegian*, as well as a number of other College pastoral care positions.

Another key feature of WCM is the lunchtime forums. All parents and caregivers are welcome at the forums which are usually held in the Cricket Pavilion on the first Wednesday of the month. The Pavilion is open at 12.30pm, with coffee, tea and biscuits available.

The forum starts at 12.30pm and finishes before 2.00pm. Various aspects of the College are featured including speeches, Kapa Haka, debating, Shakespeare and interesting speakers from the community. If you have suggestions for a Forum speaker, we are interested in hearing from you. The Headmaster or a member of the senior management team also addresses the forums. We are fortunate to have an informal but

direct link between parents and the College administration. The forums are also a great way of meeting other parents and developing your own parent networks within the College.

Wellington College Mothers look forward to another interesting and eventful year and hope to see you at one of the planned occasions.

### KEY DATES

A Welcome Lunch for new parents is on Wednesday, 23 February in Firth Hall at 12.30pm. If you would like to meet other parents in your son's class or are interested in being active in the College community in either a large or small way, please come along.

The first forum for the year is on Wednesday, 2 March and will feature Deputy Principals, **Gregor Fountain** and **Rob Anderson** who will discuss the Leadership Programme followed by an address from the Headmaster.

Our Wellington College Mothers AGM is scheduled for Wednesday, 23 March and our second Forum will be on Wednesday, 6 April.

**Mazz Scannell, President**  
[amazing.concepts@xtra.co.nz](mailto:amazing.concepts@xtra.co.nz)

## FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

Alas even though it feels as if summer has just started it is time to start thinking about uniform for those colder months. For those students that want to keep dry and warm we have the following:

<b>SHOES</b>	Black regulation lace ups	\$72.00
<b>POLYPROP VESTS</b>	<i>A range of v-neck vests that can be worn underneath School shirts for warmth in a variety of colours.</i>	
	Short-Sleeved	\$32.00
	Long-Sleeved	\$34.00
<b>SINGLET</b>	Jockey White	\$11.00
<b>ANORAKS</b>	Unlined but Fully Waterproof	\$67.00
	Fully Micro-fleece Lined	\$95.00
<b>SCARVES</b>	Wellington College Brand	\$29.00
<b>SOCKS</b>	Regulation Black Knee-High	\$12.00
<b>UMBRELLAS</b>	Golf and Fold-Up	\$23.00
	Hurricane Wind Resistant	\$40.00
<b>TRACKSUITS</b>	We still have a limited stock in various sizes	\$100.00
	New Stock	\$140.00
<b>RUGBY</b>	Shorts	\$33.00
	Socks	\$13.00
	Practice Jerseys: Long-Sleeved XL and 2XL	\$50.00
	Practice Jerseys: Long-Sleeved XS - L	\$45.00
<b>FOOTBALL</b>	Shorts	\$49.00
	Socks	\$13.00
<b>HOCKEY</b>	Shorts	\$32.00
	Socks	\$12.00
<b>DUFFLE BAGS</b>	Handy for PE and Sports Gear	\$20.00
<b>SPORTS BAGS</b>	Also handy for PE and Sports Gear	\$41.00
<b>TOWELS</b>		\$15.00
	Black with Wellington College Crest	\$22.00

**Hours:** Our opening hours are Mondays and Wednesdays 11.00am – 1.30pm. Our phone number is 801-5069. Please leave a message if you require help or information outside of these hours.

**Sonja Braddock, Manager**

## 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](mailto: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.

## SIX-DAY TIMETABLE

In 2010, Wellington College began operating a six-day timetable. This structure is one of the ways in which the College has implemented the New Zealand Curriculum. The new structure allows all students to study subjects in each of the Curriculum's eight learning areas until the end of Y10 without lengthening the school day or reducing the lunch break. In the senior school most students choose to study six subjects. They have classes for each subject on five days within the six day cycle. We still have assemblies on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Form Periods on Mondays and Wednesdays and a late start for students (9.25am) on a Friday to allow the staff to undertake professional learning together.