



# CHILTON

## SAINT JAMES SCHOOL

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

### From the Principal, Dr Jillian de Araugo

#### Music at Chilton

Music is one vital element in a holistic education. It connects and sharpens our higher thinking skills, emotional awareness, spiritual aspirations and kinaesthetic activity in unique ways. The range of musical experience provided through the Chilton Music Programme enlivens, offers fun and gives joy to the human spirit as we work individually and in groups to produce beautiful music!

Choirs and orchestras at every level complement the curriculum programme and all students are encouraged to join. At secondary level, *I See Red* and *Seraphim* are multi-award winning choirs enjoying a national and international reputation. Our orchestras are working hard to match them and many of our top instrumentalists are leaders in their chosen instrument.

Regular performance opportunities develop presentation skills and confidence. Tutor recitals offer the first step. Our music teachers model the learning they encourage and inspire. *Rising Stars* concerts for Years 7 & 8 students lead to Young Musicians concerts for Years 9 - 11 and a Music Academy Programme for students displaying particular talent in Years 12 and 13.

The world of music is continually expanding and career opportunities involving music in some way continue to expand with them. The Music Department is committed to offering relevant programmes to launch students into this world. As Music Technology becomes established at Chilton, Rosa Swanepoel has already moved on to study Media, Composition and Sonic Arts at Victoria University this year. Another Old Girl, Rhiannon Beavan, currently scripting and composing for radio, has blended music into her career, while recent Music Performance graduate Katie Scott has taken her Tenor Horn to complete postgraduate studies in Spain.

The world of music is continually expanding and many talented musicians make enduring contributions as they develop their careers. This year Olivia Bascand is a member of the National Secondary Students' Choir for a second time. Eustacia Hughes, a member of the Wellington School of Rock, has her own rock band, and Femke van Schoonhoven's band is a regional finalist in the Smokefree Rockquest. Reflecting the breadth and depth of the serious musician, she is also a violinist with the Wellington Youth Orchestra. In the meantime, the Senior Chilton Drum Corps will again be special guest performers at Artsplash this year.

Reflecting the extent and continuing impact of a Chilton musical education, past student Fiona McCabe has joined the Music staff to teach voice and piano after a distinguished career as repetiteur and vocal coach for the Australian Opera. Fiona is a current accompanist for the New Zealand School of Music.

#### 2010 Term Dates

These can be found on the website at Chilton, Preschool – Year 13 / About Chilton

#### Winter Health Tips

See page 2

#### Forthcoming Events

##### Thursday 4 June

- Regional Choral Festival Gala Concert, Wellington Town Hall 7.00pm

##### Monday 8, Tuesday 9, Wednesday 10 June

- Preschool Parent / Teacher Interviews 4.00pm - 7.45pm

##### Tuesday 9 June

- Sign up for Years 7 – 10 production

##### Thursday 11 June

- Secondary School Swimming Sports Years 7 - 13 Naenae Pool All day

##### Tuesday 16 June

- Study Skills Evening Students Years 9 – 13, siblings, parents Jubilee Centre 7.30pm

##### Thursday 18 June

- Annabelle Cheetham Pupil Recital Years 7 - 13 School House 7.00pm

##### Wednesday 24 June &

##### Thursday 25 June

- Celebration Concert Preschool - Year 6 6.30pm Jubilee Centre



The social event of the year  
Formal fundraising dinner dance

A wonderful dinner with food provided  
by Simply Food and a great band  
"Supermodel" (used at School Ball)  
Get a group together now!

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## SCHOOL NEWS

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### Winter Health

Please remember this advice from the Ministry of Health about how to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus:

- Build resistance with healthy habits: get plenty of sleep, be physically active, drink lots of water, eat nutritious foods
- Bring your own supply of tissues to school
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Put used tissues into a rubbish bin
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth – germs spread that way
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water then dry them thoroughly – **hand hygiene is critical**. Keep the 20/20 rule – 20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying
- Keep surfaces clean
- **Most important of all - Stay at home** if you are sick and provide adequate time for a full recovery.

### Study Skills Evening

#### Students from Years 9 - 13

#### Siblings at other schools

#### All parents

The Parents' Association will host a *Study Skills for Success*, a coaching session on study skills from 7.30pm - 9.00pm on Tuesday 16 June in the Jubilee Centre.

Led by highly regarded educator Karen Boyes, this interactive session will benefit parents and students alike. Siblings who may attend other schools are also welcome. Mark this date in your diary now.

### School Bus Cards

**Valley Flyer buses** will upgrade to the new Snapper system (like the Go-Wellington buses) this month. If your daughter has been noted as using Valley Flyer buses she will have brought home an information and registration form yesterday. This registration form needs to be back in the school office on Monday 8 June as soon as the girls arrive at school.

**On Wednesday 10 June the girls are to bring their old card into the school office as soon as they arrive and their new cards and available credit balance will be changed over and returned to the school before the end of the day. The girls will receive their new bus cards at form time at day's end.**

This is the **ONLY** day the students are able to do this through the school. If they are absent on this day they will need to do it through one of the public stands as advertised in the information brochure.

## Library

### Shop the world of books at Wheeler's online and our school library benefits!

Wheeler's Bookworm is now online with the complete range of best selling books for all ages – that's over 2.9 million titles for children, teens and adults. Visit [www.wheelers.co.nz](http://www.wheelers.co.nz) to view popular new releases, best selling series and specials with discounts of 25 - 50% off RRP. They also deliver books directly to you at home. Simply select our school as you go through check out and Wheelers will credit 10% of your order value back to our school library! If you have any queries you can call them on 0800 890 333.

Thank you for supporting our school library.

### Enviro Tip

500 pages of paper uses 6% of a tree!

Thanks to all who participated in the gladwrap train event. We managed to collect around 80 metres of gladwrap. So stop using gladwrap and buy containers instead!

## PRESCHOOL

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The ability to meet challenges is a by-product of creative intelligence. As children become resourceful, they learn to trust their instincts and unique abilities. They acquire a positive attitude toward problem solving. Resourceful children mature into confident and industrious adults, tapping into the multitude of joys life has to offer.

Creativity comes from a well-nourished brain. It requires a partnership between genetic inheritance and responsive adults willing to nurture and stimulate.

Applying the following tips, seed your child's imagination:

- Value varying ideas and opinions, encourage brainstorming
- Encourage curiosity, exploration, experiment and trial and error
- Stimulate imaginative, independent thought by posing questions
- Show respect for creative effort
- Facilitate play without directing it
- Play games that could have different answers or make-believe games
- Change the endings of well-known stories
- Avoid too many manufactured toys
- Resist perfectionism

If we raise children brave enough to be creative, we bestow a gift money can't buy.

### Reminder!

Policy Review – We are still happy to accept parent feedback with regard to the Preschool Policies sent home on 14 May. Parents have up until 13 June to review the policies.

## PRIMARY

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### **Chilton Student Profile: Reflective**

Asking the right question and reflecting on past events to extract the essential truths and lessons come together for many girls during the winter terms because netball, hockey and soccer practices and games are wonderful learning opportunities. Rehashing games during the car trip home or over dinner can transform the game from a routine sporting event into a life lesson from which you can learn much about your daughter and from which she can extract valuable lessons.

“Who won?” has only one answer which doesn’t lead anywhere. Try to ask questions which are open ended and encourage thought, reflection, debate and the possibility of many, equally valid answers.

One suggestion is to talk about ability and how this affects preparation and performance. The girls know that whilst some find a particular sport effortless, others struggle and, depending on which camp they fall into, this affects how hard they have to train and how much they will shine. This can lead to a discussion about whether this is fair. Is it fair if you have trained and trained, practised goal shooting or dribbling and you still don’t perform as well as someone else?

This is not a straightforward question. Your daughter may surprise you. She may dismiss the question of fairness as unimportant and want to discuss her experience of playing as a member of a team; which position she prefers and why. She may have thoughts on what makes a good team player; what constitutes fair play and what makes for a good game. It might not be about winning.

Questions like these lead to discussions; discussions lead to reflections; and reflections on events such as sport matches lead to extracting lessons that can be applied to other areas of life. Life is not a level playing field. Just as we are not all equally talented as sportswomen, so do we vary in our musical, academic and social abilities.

As adults we realise that these differences extend to areas such as our financial, entrepreneurial and business abilities, how fast we climb the corporate ladder. In areas of talent we will shine; in other areas we will have to put in tremendous effort. If we use the lessons we’ve learnt through events such as games and matches, we will be prepared. We will also know how to approach future challenges; how to ask the right questions in order to extract meaning and how to look reflectively at what has passed to make sense of our experience. In this way we can construct a life of grace and meaning.

### **Looking Back**

Year 2 students have been on several field trips to support their unit of inquiry about the historical significance of places in our local environment. Most recently the girls visited the Museum of City and Sea, St Paul’s Cathedral, Old St Paul’s and Colonial Cottage. Thank you to all the parents who have helped out on these trips, transporting and supervising. We really appreciate your help.

### **Looking Ahead**

Year 5 is looking at world faiths and how our faith affects our culture and daily life. Starting tomorrow, the girls will visit St James Church, the Hindu temple in Newlands, the Buddhist monastery in Stokes Valley and Moriah School where they will spend the day with the students. Thank you in advance to the parents who have offered to help. Anyone who can contribute to this unit by offering the girls expert knowledge will be welcomed with open arms.

## PRIMARY SPORT

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### **Central Zone School Cross Country Results**

The cross country team competed in the Central Zone Cross Country held on the Melling Riverbank. All the girls were great representatives for our school.

The following girls placed in the top 10:

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|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Jenna McKenzie   | Year 4 girls |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Ruby Heath       | Year 5 girls |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Olivia McCormack | Year 6 girls |

These three girls will represent the Central Zone at the Inter Zone Cross Country Championships on Tuesday 16 June.

Thank you to the parents who assisted with transport and marshalling at the event.

### **Chilton Primary Cross Country House Points**

|                 |         |            |
|-----------------|---------|------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Benbow  | 129 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Stowe   | 89 points  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Lewis   | 85 points  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Hansell | 84 points  |

### **Sports Results**

Chilton Fantails played in a Year 7 Netball Tournament over Queens Birthday Weekend. They lost to Kelburn, Maidstone Intermediate and Fergusson Intermediate teams but gained valuable experience as they move into the Primary 1 grade for the first round of the Primary Netball Competition.

## SECONDARY NEWS

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### **Civil Defence Team**

The Chilton team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 10 teams at the Civil Defence Training and Competition Day held Friday 15 May. The students did the school proud with their outstanding performance and immaculate appearance on the day.

The team comprises – Julie Cook, Lucy Grenfell, Alex Johanson, Vanessa Johanson, Aleisha Langdale, Madeline McNeil, Kathryn Reid, Georgina Skeet (team leader), Yukti Vyas (deputy team leader) and Sarah Young

### **Senior Enterprise**

The “teamDream” is through to the Regional Oral Business Plan presentations next Monday. Team members are: Lily Crombie, Ashleigh Dyer, Nakita Patel, Kendall Hawes and Rosie Milloy.

The teamDream is producing ‘The Ultimate Bag’ – a handbag organiser which will transfer from one handbag to another. Still in the prototype stage, they are currently looking for a manufacturer. Their email address is: [TeamDREAM 5@hotmail.com](mailto:TeamDREAM5@hotmail.com)

### **Excursions/Incursions**

#### **Year 9, Levels 1, 2 and 3 Drama**

Students will attend a performance of *She’ll be Write* from 1.20pm - 2.20pm in the Chilton Little Theatre on Friday 5 June. This performance is by Ensemble Impact Theatre Company and will cost each student \$13.00. This amount will be charged to Incidentals accounts.

#### **Level 4 English**

Students who attended the performance of *Othello Polynesia* at Downstage Theatre on 2 June will be charged \$15.00 to their Incidentals account to cover the ticket cost.

## SECONDARY SPORT

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### **Swimming Sports**

The Years 7 - 13 House Swimming Sports is on Thursday 11 June at the Naenae Pool.

Information with regard to transport, reporting times are in the programme distributed to all girls today. Those who receive their Weekly Bulletin by email will also receive this programme by email. Parents are warmly invited to join us at Naenae Pool for this occasion.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Team Games**

The schedule for our top Netball, Hockey, Soccer and Basketball teams will be published each week so that any interested families can go along in support.

### Senior 1 Netball

Monday 8 June, 5.00pm, St Orans

### Senior 1 Basketball

Friday 5 June, 5.30pm, Chilton

### 1<sup>st</sup> XI Hockey

Friday 5 June, 6.40pm, Kapiti

### 1<sup>st</sup> XI Football

Draw not available

### Years 7 & 8 Sports Exchange

Our teams had a successful day in the Wairarapa last week playing in our annual fixture with St Matthew's Collegiate. Results were as follows

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Netball Year 8(A) | won 37-3 |
| Netball Year 8(B) | won 43-3 |
| Football          | won 7-2  |
| Hockey            | lost 0-2 |

### Cross Country

Team placings at the College Sport Wellington Cross Country Championships last week were as follows:

#### Year 9 girls

2<sup>nd</sup> in the 3-person team

2<sup>nd</sup> in the 6-person team

#### U16 girls

1<sup>st</sup> in the 3-person team

#### U19 girls

3<sup>rd</sup> in the 3-person team

### Huia Cup Swim Relay Finals

The Chilton swimming team of: Zoe Anderson (Year 13), Sophie Burley, Olivia Bascand, Natasha Smith (Year 12), Lucy Grenfell, Emily McGill (Year 11), Katie Burley (Year 10), Tyler Rollo, Bryony Thorne, Rachel Vance (Year 8), Dina Clark (Year 7) performed very well at the CSW Relay finals at Huia Pool last Thursday.

Chilton was placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the Girls' Schools event. The best results of the night were the 3<sup>rd</sup> placings in the Junior Breaststroke and the Open Butterfly. The Butterfly result was an outstanding swim with Dina Clark of Year 7 joining three senior swimmers – Zoe Anderson, Olivia Bascand and Emily McGill.

### Student achievements

**Lucy Garner** (Year 8) was selected in the Hutt Valley representative tennis team in the Hopman Cup, a tournament for the central North Island. The team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> behind Wellington and Wanganui.

## PERFORMING ARTS

### Drama

Announcing auditions for the 2009 Years 7 - 10 production *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Those interested in being part of this production should come to School House on Tuesday 9 June at interval to collect a copy of the rehearsal schedule with required availability and the audition pieces. Expressions of interest in backstage, orchestra or chorus are also welcome.

#### Audition dates are:

Week 9 Thursday 25 and Friday 26 June at lunchtimes in V6 and School House.

Call backs Monday 29 June.

### Chamber Music Competition

#### Sunday 14 June

#### Adams Concert Room, NZ School of Music (Victoria University)

The following groups will represent Chilton:

*Hodge Trio* – Femke van Schoonhoven, (Violin), Charlotte Kerr (Flute), Cammy Lam (Piano)

*Faure Trio* – Gemma McIlroy (Flute), Olivia Bascand (Voice/Cello), Johanna Thomas (Piano)

*Schubert Trio* – Selina Reichert (Oboe), Juliette Maurer (Cello), Emma McBeth (Piano)

## DANCE CENTRE

Students from the Dance Centre performed at the Wellington Regional Dance Teachers Competitions over the weekend. The level of dancing and the results achieved by the students were outstanding, with the dancers consistently placed in the top three places of the classes in which they performed.

Championship, Variations classes and Special Awards were as follows:  
Intermediate Championship -  
1<sup>st</sup> Megan Wright  
Junior Variation - 1<sup>st</sup> Megan Wright  
Senior Variation -  
1<sup>st</sup> Katie Burley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Allegra Canton,  
3<sup>rd</sup> Emma McBeth, 4<sup>th</sup> Grace Cabauatan.

Special Awards:  
Most Versatile Dancer - Allegra Canton;  
Most Promising Dancer over 14 years -  
Grace Cabauatan.

The Dance Centre entered the group ballet *Circle of Life* which was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place ahead of twenty other groups from Dance Schools throughout the Wellington area.

### \$20,000 in prizes up for grabs for students and schools!

If you would like a chance in the spotlight and can entertain a live crowd, register now for **5 Minutes of Fame** at Westfield. You could win a share of \$20,000 in prizes including the chance to launch your career at Westfield Style Pasifika. See [www.westfield.co.nz](http://www.westfield.co.nz) for more information. Entries close 14 June.