



CHILTON

SAINT JAMES SCHOOL

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

From the Principal, Dr Jillian de Araugo

Academic Achievement

The Academic Colours assembly held this week was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the success of students in their academic endeavours from 2008. It was a delight to welcome back many of our immediate past scholars to receive awards and we thank them for taking the time to attend this function.

To earn an Academic, Sports or Cultural Button, a student must have been awarded three Gold Colours in that area. This is a meritorious achievement, as it requires a student to maintain a superior level of performance across a number of years or across a number of different disciplines within one of these areas.

Chilton Pins are awarded to students who have gained Buttons in at least two of the Academic, Sports and Cultural categories. Given the difficulty of gaining a single Button, the Chilton Pin is a very prestigious award and is achieved only rarely.

Leading the Class of 2008, Grace Liang earned her Chilton Pin through the course of last year. Grace has now been joined by Mary Furniss and Megan Nelson. Megan and Mary were presented with Gold Academic Colours on Monday to earn their Academic Buttons and as a result, also received Chilton Pins.

The 2009 Academic Captain Jasmin Moran reported in the Colours Assembly that, "Here at Chilton, a core principle we pride ourselves on is academic success. Students are encouraged to set goals encompassing what we want to achieve and we are actively supported by our teachers to achieve these goals. This is complemented by a wide range of subjects available to us and a vertical timetable that allows us to specialise in the subjects in which we show talent.

"Last year saw the introduction of several new NCEA courses. Level 3 Design, Level 2 Drama and Spanish, Scholarship or Level 4 English and a Level 4 Economics course which included Massey University papers. This year a similar course in Geography has been launched.

"The collective result of these factors was high academic achievement across all NCEA Levels. The pass rate for students sitting NCEA Level 1, 2 or 3 was at least 95%. Beyond this, 60% of students earned endorsements of their certificate with either Merit or Excellence. These results are proof of the hard work that students and teachers alike put in to teaching and learning throughout the course of last year. They are results of which, as a school, we are rightly proud."

The names of Academic Button winners and Academic Colours awardees are published on page three of this Bulletin.

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 22 February

- Year 13 Meet the Team
6.30pm The Loaves and Fishes, Wellington
- Commissioning Service
7.30pm St Paul's Cathedral, Wellington

Thursday 26 February

- Preschool Picnic
5.30pm Vogel Lawn

Friday 27 February

- School Open Morning
8.45am - 11.30am

Monday 2 March, Tuesday 3 March, Wednesday 4 March

- Preschool Parent / Teacher Interviews
4.00pm - 8.00pm

Tuesday 3 March

- Swimming Sports for Years 3 – 6
10.30am - 1.00pm. Please note earlier time.
- NCEA for Beginners – Information Evening
7.30pm in School House – parents and students at any year level invited to attend. Contact Valerie Dobson to register on 570-4020 or email vdobson@chilton.school.nz

Friday 6 March

- Year 13 IWD Mentors' Breakfast
7.00am Hutt Golf Club
- Reitaku Mizunami School arrives from Japan

Commissioning Service

Attendance is compulsory for all students from Year 7 to 13, and parents are warmly invited to attend. The service will begin promptly at 7.30pm and will finish at about 8.45pm. Please arrange your Sunday afternoon so that you arrive in plenty of time to find a car park in the surrounding streets, walk to the cathedral and be seated before 7.30pm. Musicians in I See Red, Seraphim and Senior Orchestra will need to arrive earlier as per page four of this Bulletin.

Please note that there will be a collection taken and proceeds will go to support victims of the Victorian bushfires.

SCHOOL NEWS

Baptism at St James Church

Baptism or Christening is the sacrament of entry into the Christian faith. Anyone who has been baptised is welcome to receive communion in the Anglican Church. If you or your daughter have not been baptised, you may wish to consider this possibility. Baptism will take place on Easter Sunday. Group preparation meeting times can be arranged to suit during the six weeks prior.

If you would like further information, please contact the School Chaplain, Reverend Peter Bengé (telephone: 569 6737 work; 569 7685 home).

PRESCHOOL

Habits established during early childhood lay a foundation for healthy adulthood. We must seed and nurture habits that support health. Children will develop a zest for life if parents nourish them daily with wholesome meals and snacks, reasonable amounts of developmentally-appropriate physical activity and adequate hours of sleep.

Most of our preschool parents are already providing their children with healthy school snacks such as nuts, raisins, raw vegetables, wholemeal sandwiches and water and ensuring that their children have a good night's sleep. It is noticeable in their children's concentration and enthusiasm for learning throughout the school day.

Children need daily playful activity that engages both large and small muscles. Large and small muscle movement will build mind, body and self-esteem as they discover all the marvellous things their body can do. They need space to move their body – twisting, turning, balancing, moving around over and through objects, curling, swinging, swaying, stretching and dodging.

Young children also need active play that requires them to simultaneously use visual perception and their large and small muscles. This allows children to master the abilities needed for many social games. There are two reliable ways to put children into action: daily play time and daily responsibility for some household chores. Provide opportunities for leisure fun too!

Reminder!

Signed stationery slips are due. Please place these in the red box in Preschool.

PRIMARY

Learner Profile: Risk-taker

Everywhere we look in the Primary, we see girls taking risks as they try new things or try to do things better. Last week was EOTC with the fun and the challenge of outside activities and sleeping away from home for those in Years 4 to 6. Swimming Sports is coming up and girls are trying hard to improve their performance. A new class level is demanding a high level of performance, and choir, orchestra, touch and tennis provide challenges of their own. Persistence will be the key to the girls achieving the goals that they set for themselves at the goal-setting interviews today because, just like New Year's resolutions, writing them down is the easy bit. It takes daily determination to bring about the desired change, to transform dreams into reality.

Congratulations

Jaime Belsham has been selected for the second year in a row for the Hutt Valley Representative U9 T-Ball team which will be playing in a one-day tournament on Sunday 22 February. This is a commendable achievement by a fine young sportswoman and we warmly congratulate Jaime.

School Patrol

The following girls are on the School Patrol for 2009: Mia Bailey, Renée Crawford-Palenapa, Niamey Izzett, Lucia Kelly, Maddie Kruger, Olivia McCormack, Jessicca McLatchie, Beanie Palmer, Freya Parker, Lauren Reid, Emily Roberts, Abbey-May Wakefield, Tamara Warmerdam, Courtney West and Nicole Wester. This is a very important position of responsibility that continues throughout the year in rain and shine; not to mention wind, sleet and hail. Thank you girls for your commitment to keeping our students safe as they cross the road.

Primary House Captains

The following girls have been voted House Captains for 2009:
Benbow – Jessie Boyack
Hansell – Abbey-May Wakefield
Lewis – Jessicca McLatchie
Stowe – Ilesha Reti

Goal Setting Interviews

Thank you to all the families who will be attending the goal-setting interviews this afternoon and evening. As a school we are a community and so it is important that we regularly strengthen our connections by coming together. It is also important to establish an ongoing dialogue between home and school to scaffold your daughter's educational journey.

Looking Ahead

Year 6 'Ships and Chips' trip on Wednesday 25 February

This field trip is an integral part of the current unit of inquiry on migration and settlement. As per the letter home, parents are asked to drop their daughters at the Museum of City and Sea by 8.45am and the girls will return to school after both ferry and train trips by 3.30pm. They will visit the Wellington Museum of City and Sea, Somes Island and the Petone Settlers' Museum. The cost of \$35.00 will be charged to your Incidentals account.

Invitation to View our Memories of EOTC on Friday 27 February

You are invited to visit your daughter's classroom between 9.00am -10.30am on Friday 27 February to share the memories and experiences of EOTC through viewing the girls' art, photographs and written work. This is an informal time so please feel free to pop in whenever you have a moment during this time slot before morning tea. We look forward to seeing you.

Year 5 Trip to Te Papa on Friday 27 February

At present Year 5 is investigating the natural features of the world, how they have formed over time and how they are changing. As part of their research, they will visit Te Papa on 27 February, departing from school by train at 10.30am and arriving back at school by 3.10pm. The cost of \$9.00 per student will be charged to your Incidentals account.

Year 3 Trip to Battle Hill on Friday 6 March

The Year 3 unit of inquiry on water as a finite resource for which there is infinite demand will be enriched by a field trip on 6 March to Battle Hill Park in Pauatahanui. The girls will leave school at 8.45am and return by 12.30pm. There is no cost for this trip as parents will be helping with transport. We thank all our wonderful parents who have put up their hands to help us. We couldn't manage without you!

Years 1 - 3 Trip to Capital E, 12 March Years 4 - 6 Trip to Capital E, 18 March

'The 2009 Capital E National Arts Festival presents an exhilarating line-up of performers from all around the world with a wealth of theatre, dance and music that promises to inspire and entertain. Newly created work ranges from dance performances for very young to a new theatrical music experience in the Opera House, Kia Ora Khalid. Since our inaugural programme in 2003, the Capital E National Arts Festival has gone from strength to strength, solidifying its position as the biggest cultural event for children in New Zealand.'

As part of the Capital E National Arts Festival, Years 1 - 3 will attend three shows on 12 March. These are: *Pigs, Bears and Billy Goats Gruff* at the Soundings Theatre at Te Papa, *Suitcase and Ziggy Swift* at the Downstage Theatre and *Rat Trap Snap* at the Paramount Theatre. On 18 March, Years 4 - 6 will also attend three shows: *Luminous Edge* at the Paramount Theatre, *Strange Resting Places* at Downstage Theatre and *Kia Ora Khalid* at the Opera House. As you can see from the press release above, this promises to be a most rewarding experience. To learn more, please visit the Capital E website on capitalefestival@wmt.org.nz. The cost of \$18.00 per student will be charged to your Incidentals account.

PRIMARY SPORT

Change of Dates and Times

The Primary Swimming Carnival will be held at an earlier time of 10.30am - 1.00pm on Tuesday 3 March.

The Year 6 T-Ball Exchange with Marsden has been brought forward to Tuesday 10 March.

Please note these two changes on your Term Card.

Touch

Thank you to Mr George Clay who has kindly offered to coach the Under 10 Arrows team. The Arrows practice time is still to be confirmed. The first games start tomorrow, Friday 20th. As soon as the draw is known, the managers will be advised and they will contact team members to let them know when they will need to meet at the Petone Recreation ground. The competition runs for six weeks. Draws and results can be found on www.totaltouch.org.nz.

Chilton Chase

Thank you to the parents who transported girls and the parents who came and supported the team of 40 girls involved in the Chilton Chase relay. The girls represented their Houses with colourful uniform, speed and enthusiasm. The final result for the relay was 1st Benbow, 2nd Hansell, 3rd Stowe, 4th Lewis. Lewis won the overall House Competition on the day.

Tennis Coaching

If your daughter has registered for tennis, coaching days are as follows:
Monday – Year 4 and a Year 4/5 group
Tuesday – Year 5 groups
Friday – Year 3 and Year 6 groups.

SECONDARY NEWS

Academic Achievements

Gold Colours and Academic Buttons

Year 13 2008

Jessie Baxter, Gemma Donald, Vanessa Ellingham, Stephanie Woodrow, Tina Xu

Year 13 2009

Anna Forsyth, Jasmin Moran, Jodie O'Neill, Amy Wilson, Grace Wolyncewicz

Gold Colours

Year 13 2008

Lucy Gloag, Grace Liang, Elizabeth Prasad, Terry Ung, Tania Vercoelen

Year 13 2009

Veemi-Risha Bhagat, Madison Guppy, Jessica Kusel, Lauren Oakes, Madeline Sherwood King, Yukti Vyas

Year 12 2009

Charlotte Kerr, Arahia Kirikiri, Radhika Palepu, Brigitte Ravera, Leanne Soo, Hayley Stevenson, Natalia Waiker

Year 11 2009

Aleisha Langdale, Johanna Thomas

Silver Colours

Year 10 2009

Ruth Benitez, Karen Zhang

Year 11 2009

Michaela Ashford, Julie Cook, Sophie Gandhi, Alexandra Johanson, Melanie Jonassen, Ashleigh Lauder, Emma McBeth, Wen Qian Ni, Lavanya Palanimalai, Georgia Taggart

Year 12 2009

Olivia Bascand, Hannah Dellow, Bridget Hayman, Caitlin Hildyard, Dani-Ella Larimer, Mikayla McGregor, Katrina Lees, Tejal Panchal, Hemali Prema, Elisabeth Pointon, Mary Quigg, Anisha Sankar, Emma Tuohy

Year 12 2008

Courtney Allen-Anderson, Courtney Grenfell, Jessica Hargreaves, Olivia Hughes, Tania Jacob, Shannon Lindsay, Kate Washer, Chenice Whearty, Nicola Wilcox

Bronze Colours

Year 10 2009

Shweta Barapatre, Kate Evans, Rose Hu, Anita Jacob, Anna Van Dissen, Gabrielle Young

Year 11 2009

Jessica Cummins, Natasha Ingram, Sarah Jolly, Michal Milloy

Diary Changes

Level 2 Geography Assessment

Please note these dates are not on the term card. The assessment for AS 90336 will be 2 March, spell 1 and 3 March, spell 5.

Level Two History internal assessment due date has been extended by one week – hand in now Week 6, Monday 2 March.

Excursions / Incursions

Senior Enterprise

Enterprise day (E-Day) is on Friday 27 February at Rutherford House, Victoria University (Bunny Street, next to the railway station) in Wellington. All Enterprise students will attend as part of their course requirement.

The students will travel by train leaving Waterloo Station at 8.25am and will return on the 3.45pm train. If students are using alternative transport from areas other than Lower Hutt, they will need to inform Mrs Sewell.

Requirements: Train fare, lunch.

Formal Uniform is to be worn.

Any queries please contact Mrs Ngaira Sewell 566 4089 extension 815.

Incidental Charges

Students taking any of the following subjects

Accounting - Level 1

Economics Level 1 or 3

Level 3 Economics

French Year 9, 10, Level 1, 2 or 3

German Year 9, 10 Level 1, 2, 3

Spanish Year 9, 10 Level 1, 2

The workbooks and/or magazines advertised in the 2009 Curriculum Booklet have been issued. The costs are as previously notified and will be charged to your daughter's Incidentals account.

SECONDARY SPORT

Thanks to Sue Colson and her team for organising the very successful secondary athletics sports. We were blessed with perfect conditions and there were some very impressive performances.

Results were as follows:

Senior Championship

1 st	Elise Mclroy	13 points
2 nd	Laura Robertson	10 points
3 rd	Mikie Milloy	8 points

Intermediate Championship

1 st	Sara Massam	13 points
2 nd	= Katie Burley	10 points
2 nd	= Ashley Kitchingham	10 points

Junior Championship

1 st	Kate Plimmer	21 points
2 nd	Tyler Rollo	19 points
3 rd	Lucy Garner	15 points

Fastest 100m Elise Mclroy 13.22secs

New School Records

Tyler Rollo, Junior Long Jump - 4.40m

Tyler Rollo, Junior Shotput - 8.36m

Kate Plimmer, Junior 200m - 29.10s

(The previous record was set in 1993 by Venetia Scruton)

House Points

1 st	Lewis	509 points
2 nd	Hansell	488 ½
3 rd	Benbow	484
4 th	Stowe	428 ½

Wellington Secondary School

Yachting Championships

Students can enter at the Plimmerton Boating Club from 8.30am on Tuesday 31 March. Girls entering need to advise the School in writing of their intention to enter. Due to the nature of the event it is assumed parents will be in supervision at the event.

College Sport Wellington Triathlon Championships

Girls need to complete an entry form and return it to Mrs Fowler by Friday. Girls will need to arrange their own transport to the event with their bikes.

Volleyball team managers needed

We are still short of team managers for the following Volleyball teams. Please contact Ann Fowler urgently if you are able to help. No experience is needed – we are just looking for an adult presence to look after the girls on game night only. That is Wednesday for juniors and Friday for seniors. We need managers for Junior 1, 2 and 3 teams and also Senior 2, 3, 4 teams.

Winter Coaches and Managers

We are short of coaches and managers for winter teams. Please email afowler@chilton.school.nz if you are able to help in coaching or managing a team for us this coming winter.

Netball Working Party (Years 7 - 13)

We are inviting parents to express an interest in being in a Netball Working Party to assist with the organisation of netball at secondary level. Parents with a passion for netball who are positive and excited about the future of netball in the school are invited to express an interest in working with this group. There would be a time commitment involved which will include:

- attending regular meetings (a timetable to be set but at least monthly for the duration of the netball season – it is hoped that we will be able to run the first meeting in the first week in March: Thursday 5 March)
- communicating with other parents to assist with the recruitment of coaches, managers and umpires
- assisting with the organisation of trials
- assisting on a roster to ensure the smooth weekly running of Netball on Saturday at Taita courts (Years 7 & 8) and Sacred Heart, HVHS and Naenae Colleges (Years 9 - 13).

We are very interested to hear from parents who have an interest and expertise in the following areas

- Coach development
- Umpire development
- Student coach mentoring
- Years 7 & 8 netball (2 - 3 parents)
- Years 9 & 10 netball (2 - 3 parents)
- Senior netball (2 - 3 parents)

The working party would also be assisted by some staff who may be involved in some of the responsibilities listed above. Parents are asked to express their interest by email to Ann Fowler (afowler@chilton.school.nz) by Friday 27 February.

Sports Directory

The Summer Sports Directory will be issued early next week. If you do not wish to have your name, address and home phone number in this directory, please email afowler@chilton.school.nz urgently and your listing will be removed.

Sports Achievements

Rachel Vance (Year 8) and **Briar Palmer** (Year 9) have been selected for the 2009 Soccer Federation Academy.

Scorching Bay Triathlon

Freya Hawes (Year 9) placed 1st in the short distance event.

Courtney Grenfell (Year 13) placed 2nd overall and 1st in her age in the in the medium distance event.

Lucy Grenfell (Year 11) placed 7th overall and 2nd in her age in the medium distance event.

PERFORMING ARTS

Year 9 Music Option Class

The Year 9 Option Class will record 12 songs for Artsplash 2009 for a CD to be distributed to participating schools in the greater Wellington region. The girls will be acknowledged on the CD cover. This is a great opportunity to experience a professional recording situation.

Recording dates:

Friday 27 February: 3.45pm - 6.00pm

Friday 5 March: 3.45pm - 6.00pm

Venue: Vogel Music Room

Itinerant Tutor Programme.

This year we have processed nearly 350 applications for lessons on an instrument or in speech and drama or voice. A regular practice schedule is vital to make the most of this opportunity. Parents and students must also consult the Term Card weekly and let the tutor know if they need to reschedule a lesson. For instance, assessments take priority over an itinerant lesson.

This year, all students learning privately will be expected to participate in a tutor recital, either solo or in a small group.

I See Red

The I See Red Choir has a special practice tomorrow morning, Friday, at 7.25am in the Chilton Theatre. This replaces the rehearsal missed on Tuesday (Athletics day). The choir will be performing at the Commissioning Service on Sunday.

Commissioning Service Sunday 22 February

The I See Red Choir, Seraphim Choir and Senior Orchestra are performing at the Commissioning Service this Sunday evening. Hair and uniform need to be immaculate. Musicians should arrive by: Senior Orchestra – 7.00pm.

I See Red and Seraphim – 7.10pm