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From the Principal

I feel very fortunate that I had a sabbatical last term and it is great to once again see the staff and learners.

A sabbatical for a New Zealand principal requires a mix of learning, reflection and relaxation; and a balance of all three was achieved in Term Three. The first thing I did at the start of the term was to 'ditch' my school email account. I had confidence that our staff would continue doing a great job for the learners and that Graeme Williams would do a great job as Principal for the term. My confidence was well placed. It was very "freeing" not to receive 40-60 emails every day! This immediately gave me time to read, consider the views of others and reflect. I also enjoyed quite a few entertaining novels.

It was interesting to meet with folk in both education and non-education sectors and discuss aspects of leadership practice. I met with people in the mental health sector; the New Zealand Department of Corrections; retail leaders; universities; New Zealand Armed Forces; manufacturing and distribution sector; and the Merchant Navy. In addition, I was able to visit schools and universities; join a Master's programme at Edinburgh University on improvement planning and talk with many team leaders and principals.

The sabbatical provided the opportunity to wander and ponder. Mrs Thomas and I walked the last 120 kms of the Camino de Santiago de Compostela through historic and fascinating trials and hamlets in Northwest Spain. We had a special time and would recommend this to anyone.

I come back to a fine school that is calm, focused and has a good feel about it. It's hard to believe that our seniors have only six or seven days before their study leave. As you can imagine, we are very involved with planning for next year; enrolments are at record levels; careful planning is happening to further improve the outcomes for our learners and new appointments are being made to meet the needs of increased numbers.

All the best for a positive term.

Nga mihi nui

James Thomas
Principal

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Congratulations!

Sports Excellence Awards 2017

Year 7/8 Sports Boy of the Year - Lucas Day
Year 7/8 Sports Girl of the Year - Tanaia-Aroha Martin-Herniman
Junior Sportsman of the Year - Andre Van Dyk
Junior Sportswoman of the Year - Eden Peri
Senior Sportsman of the Year - Joshua Waretini
Senior Sportswoman of the Year - Amber Ferreira
Official of the Year - Kian Manilal
Sportsmanship - Matthew Ripley
Contribution to Sport - Ash Mowatt
Coach of the Year - Yolandi Verwey
Team of the Year - Netball Premier Girls
Overall Sporting Excellence - Monique Rousseau

Merits

Jennifer Mowat - Lacrosse
 Olivia Archer - Lacrosse
 Jasmine Butler - Lacrosse
 Jazmin Tufuga - Netball
 Monique Rousseau - Netball
 Levi Craig - Rugby League
 Dallas White - Rugby League
 Taine Te Kiri-Ryan - Rugby League
 Jaden Whear - Rugby League
 Ethan Barnes-McKelvey - Rugby League
 Holly Harris - Waterpolo
 Brooke Nicolson - Waterpolo
 Joel McMullen - Surf Life-Saving

Blues

Flynn Wilson - Taekwondo
 Liam De Lautour - Taekwondo
 Samantha Bright - Waterpolo
 Tarquin McKinley - MMA
 Kyran Hannah - Snowboard
 Jade Hughes - Surf Life Saving
 Emma Clarke - Surf Life saving
 Shanae Carter - Air Pistol

Performing Arts Excellence 2017

The annual Performing Arts Prizegiving is a highlight for learners involved in Performing Arts at Whangaparaoa College, as we celebrate the wonderful success and the highlights of the year. This year was no different, awards for Recognition, Commitment and Excellence were presented to learners involved in many extracurricular activities, such as J Rock, Stage Challenge, Jazz Band and the school production. It was so wonderful to listen to the Big Band and Concert Band play, see our Kapa Haka group perform and be entertained by our talented choreographers, dancers and actors.



Learners - thank you for another year of superb commitment, excellent effort and wonderful work - you do our school proud!

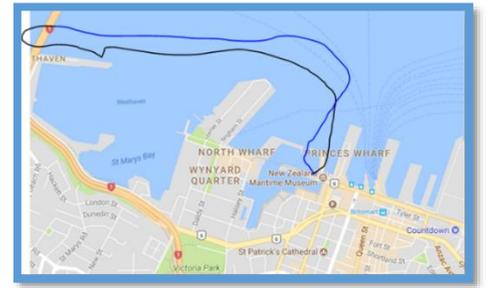
Ms Shannon Enright, HoL 'The Arts'



For major results from the night, click [here](#)

Year 7 Maritime Museum Trip

At some stage in Term 4, all Year 7 learners have been or will be going to the Maritime Museum. This is part of our Social Studies topic "Journeys". On Friday 20 October, 7BEZ and 7VLN got to sail under the Harbour Bridge on a boat called "The Ted Ashby". She took us out of Princess Wharf along the southern side of the Auckland Harbour, under the Bridge and back to the Museum.



To our astonishment, a bungee jumper bravely made their jump just as we were passing under the Bridge. There were many cool travelling artifacts in the Museum. We listened to a story told by a museum staff member and then watched a short film on how Polynesians came to New Zealand. To top it all off, we had free time to explore the Museum in our small groups.

Overall the trip was a brilliant experience for us all.

Written by Kaylin Grobbelaar and Jacob Alexander.

For more photos, click [here](#)

Junior Exams - Science and English

Junior exams in Week 5 require a laptop/tablet that can operate the Education Perfect platform. The recommended browser to do this is Google Chrome or Firefox. The device must be able to be operated on battery for 2 hours, the duration of the exam.

Please contact Samantha Martin - samma@wgpcollege.school.nz if you require a loan device for these exams. First in, first served.

Stowaway Lockers for 2018

If you wish to reserve a locker for 2018 or keep your current locker, you will need to fill in an online order form at www.stowawaylockers.co.nz as soon as possible.

If you no longer require your locker in 2018, please let us know by email: info@stowawaylockers.co.nz

You will need to return your key at the end of the term, cellotaped to a piece of paper including your details, for your bond refund. Ensure the locker is left empty, as any remaining items will be disposed of at the end of the year. Keys will need to be received within one week of the end of Term 4 and can be posted to:

Stowaway Lockers, 220 Ngunguru Road, RD3, Whangarei 0173.

Refunds will be posted or direct credited to your bank account in January 2018.

NZ Uniforms Pop Up Shop 2018

NZ Uniforms will be opening a 2-day Pop Up Shop onsite at Whangaparaoa College in our Auditorium Foyer:

Monday 15 January 10.00 am - 7.00 pm
Tuesday 16 January 9.00 am - 3.00 pm



For any further details or to purchase uniforms online:

Phone: 09 477 6300

Email: albany@nzuniforms.com

Web: www.nzuniforms.com

Upcoming Events

October	26-29	Year 7/8 Waterpolo NI Champs
	27-29	Duke of Edinburgh Gold Practice Tramp, Waitakere
	28	Kaipara Festival Kapa Haka
	30	Year 10 Market Day
	31	Level 3 Art Board Displays
November	1	Full School Assembly
	2	Year 7 Goat Island Trip, 7HUN/7VLN EPro8 Challenge, Takapuna Normal Int. School
	3	Year 7 Goat Island Trip, 7STEE/7BEZ
	7	Last day for senior learners Year 7 Goat Island Trip, 7WLL/7TURK
	8	Year 7 & 8 Athletics Day
	9	NZQA exams begin
	10	Year 7 & 8 Athletics (saver day)
	14	Enrolment Night, 4.00 – 6.30 pm

For more information from our school calendar please see [Quick Links](#)

Noel Leeming Friends and Family Event

With support from Noel Leeming, the College is running a Friends & Family Fund Raising event for one week from Monday 30 October.

Proceeds from this event will be used to help Whangaparaoa College.

So, whether you've been dreaming of a flash new TV or a funky new phone cover, this is your chance to save big and support our school.

During this fundraising event our local Silverdale store will be discounting, to cost +10% with 2.5% of those sales going back to our School!

All you need to do to support the cause is click the link: **Noel Leeming Friends and Family Fund Raiser Flyer 2017**, save the flyer to your smart phone/device or print it out and bring it with you when you shop at Noel Leeming during the week, starting Monday 30 October.

To make this the most successful fund raiser ever, we encourage you share this flyer with your extended friends, family, business contacts and colleagues.



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Meet the Authors

Join well known NZ authors for an entertaining afternoon of storytelling and book readings. Delicious high tea, door prizes, books for sale and signings.

Sunday 29th October

2pm - 5pm

Whangaparaoa College Auditorium

Featured Authors:

Rod MacLeod, Karen Hay, Ann Glamuzina, Michael Corballis
Gordon McLauchlan, Jessica Pawley, Justin Brown & Louise Groarke

Tickets \$25.00 - available from Hibiscus Hospice
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