



# Te Pānui

TERM 1 WEEK 11, 2019

FRIDAY 12 APRIL, 2019

## TERM 2 DATES

End of Term 1, 12 April

Start of Term 2, 29 April

Beyond Water  
Sustainability  
Presentation 1 May

Sports exchange with  
EBIS 6 May

Paid Union Meeting  
12:55, 6 May

School Photos 13 May

WRISSA Girls Football  
15 May

WRISSA Boys Football  
16 May

Pink Shirt Day 17 May

Wellington High School  
Open Day 22 May



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## Message from the Principal:

Whew, term 1 is in the bag, and what a busy term it has been.

The last fortnight has been exciting as it has seen us developing relationships with two schools from the lower North Island.

On the 5th of April a group of 50 students travelled to Ōtaki College for a sports exchange. Over the previous two years we have worked with staff from their school, but this year the relationship has been extended to include the students. The sports was great, but the interaction between these two groups of students was equally rewarding.

Then on 10 April we welcomed student leaders from Hastings Intermediate School. They were in Wellington for a school trip and used this opportunity to come together with some of our class reps and share their

thoughts about what makes a great intermediate school. This was particularly useful from the point of view of collecting some student voice (both from SWIS students and our visitors) relating to our upcoming building refurbishment.

As a principal I am constantly in awe of some of the achievements of our students. Recently Ms Shuker changed the art displays around the school. The clay work produced by our students is of a very high standard, the food produced in the foods room is both nutritious and delicious and the creativity demonstrated by Room 2 in the well being movie they created in conjunction with Skylight and Film 4 Change Aotearoa was wonderful to see. These are just some of the examples of what has been achieved at SWIS during term 1 and I look forward to sharing more with you next term.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the students and staff of SWIS for a great term 1. It has been a long and tiring term. You all deserve a break over the holidays to recharge the batteries before coming back for what promises to be an exciting term 2.

Nga mihi,

Traci Liddall



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# Ōtaki College Sports Exchange



Photos by  
**Fred Pilgrim**



**Māuritau, Whakamana & Takohatanga**



# Ōtaki College Sports Exchange

On Friday 5th of March, SWIS took the bus to Ōtaki College to play against their year 7 & 8 students in football, basketball, and netball. When we got there, we had a quick practice of He Honore, and then were welcomed into the hall by a rousing haka powhiri. Both schools spoke and sang a waiata each before the powhiri was closed with a hongi.

The day was very successful for SWIS, winning girls basketball, netball, girls football and boys football. Unfortunately, we were outplayed by their boy's basketball team.



| Scores:      | SWIS | ŌTAKI COLLEGE |
|--------------|------|---------------|
| B Basketball | 27   | 45            |
| G Basketball | 34   | 10            |
| G Football   | 8    | 0             |
| B Football   | 10   | 0             |
| Netball      | 28   | 2             |

After the different sports, there were mini pies, spaghetti on bread and other food the Ōtaki College chefs had made for us as a 'thank you' gift for coming and joining their school in a sports exchange. Overall the day was really epic and it was really good to see everyone getting along well.

The plan is for this to become an annual event and next year they'll be travelling to SWIS for round 2.

Report by travelling reporter, Fred Pilgrim (Room 17)

## Māuritau, Whakamana & Takohatanga

# Wellington Schools Sailing Championship 2019

Ollie Bond of Room 10 recently competed at the Wellington Schools Sailing Championship. It was a tough sailing day with blustery winds that left many boats upside down and sideways. But following a great days racing and after gaining heaps of experience Ollie found himself in a respectable 5th place.

It was a great experience for Ollie and great to have SWIS represented in a sport we have not traditionally been involved in.



## Water Polo

Every Monday evening (between 4-7) the SWIS water polo teams competed in the local competition. SWIS had three teams, A, B and the C. We all trained on a Saturday night between 7 - 8p.m. I've got to say that this was about the worst time ever for training, but thanks to our coaches the trainings were fun as we played a lot of games as part of it. Thanks to Big Dean and Small Dean for all their efforts this season. It was a successful season with the C team coming 2nd, the B team 4th and the A team finished 3rd.

## PB4L (Positive Behaviour 4 Learning)

As we head into Term 2 we are shifting our PB4L focus towards having the correct equipment.

It is important for learning that time isn't lost looking for pens, returning to classes to collect books. It is equally important that students have the correct P.E. uniform for each P.E. or sports lesson.

Please support your child in making sure they bring the correct equipment to school to allow them to succeed as students.

## Paid Union Meeting

We have been notified of upcoming Paid Union Meetings following the recent vote to reject the governments latest offer regarding pay and conditions. This meeting will be taking place on Monday 6 May.

There will be staff remaining at school to supervise the students who remain at school, however if you would like your child to leave at the start of lunch (12:55) they can do so. Please indicate this by emailing your child's homeroom teacher as we will not be dismissing students without permission.

The sports exchange with Evans Bay Intermediate School will still take place on this morning, with it intended to be completed before lunch.

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# SWIS Youtube Channel

Please check out videos published by the SWIS Hub team on the SWIS Youtube channel. We will be constantly updating it with videos of learning, sports, events and podcasts . This is a great way to keep connected to the school and what is happening without being here.

Videos published in the last fortnight:

- **SWIS on What Now**  
*Check out SWIS students as they play Defend the Gunge with Silver Ferns defender, Katrina Rore on the popular TV show, What Now.*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-RR8DXwUUsg&t=12s>
- **The SWIS Hub—Generation Gap**  
*This podcast breaks down the 1989 classic “Bill and Ted’s Excellent Adventure”*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rG6q1DuEU0>
- **Ōtaki College sports exchange**  
A short highlight package from the recent exchange with Ōtaki College.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XcfViaNbU6Q>
- **The SWIS Hub—Generation Gap**  
A second time travel podcast. This time it’s 1985’s “Back to the Future”  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvUjsEQH8jc>



## Sevens Rugby

This week the seven-a-side rugby team participated in the WRISSA Sevens tournament. Team member and guest contributor Xavier Sola shares his account of the day.

In Trentham Memorial Park, Upper Hutt , SWIS boys went into action as they went and competed against all the rugby teams in the Wellington region. The boys tried their hardest and ran it straight up the guts. As team captains (Jayden Kennedy, Noah Duff) lead the boys and had loads of fun as we didn't come first but the team kept their heads held high and had a great time by having a good and rough game of rugby.

Our main highlight was when we played and won against Wainuiomata Intermediate School. It was a tight game of rugby and we had Jayden do his mean as stepping, Subeer running hard and Oscar who would always get into a tackle with the whole team backing them up.

At the end of the day the boys played hard, represented our school with pride, they enjoyed themselves, didn't play half hearted, in fact played 120% and a big thanks to the supporters and Mr Turnbull.



# Room 16/17 and Library Swap

By Ada Samuel, Leni Campbell & Madeleine Clapham

Some recent news we received at SWIS is that the library is switching over into the prefabs and Rooms 16 and 17 are moving to the library area. We found out they were switching about a week ago and everyone who didn't already know was very surprised. We went around and interviewed some people who it's really affecting for their opinions on the matter.



## Ms Liddall



When asked about the topic, Ms Liddall replied that they are making the change purely for the benefit of the kids. She stated that it's too noisy in the prefabs as the floor is hollow and that the library will be quieter because of the higher ceilings and carpet-like walls. She also said that she doesn't think it will be permanent, only until 2020 or 2021. She told us "We didn't want to move the library but we had no other option. We considered leaving a class in the prefabs and moving one to Room 7 but the prefabs are a 2 class space and they'd also lose Room 7 for meetings and other staff related things." She added "It was discussed by senior management before finalising the decision, and they were in agreement."

## Room 16 & 17 kids

We interviewed some students from rooms 16 and 17 to see their views of the switch. We interviewed, from left to right, Marcus Locke, 17, Austin Butters, 16, Oscar Raethel, 17, Hannah Young, 16, Alexia Stanton-Barnett, 17, and Bella Sweet-Edgington, 16. We asked them some questions about the switch of their classroom.



The first question we asked was "How do you feel about switching round?" We got some mixed opinions: "Great, It will be warmer, it will be colder, I think it's better in the prefabs, it will be safer ,I have really grown to like the prefabs" and "I really don't mind".

"When did you find out?" we asked. We got a very straight answer "Last Thursday or Friday,

Another question we asked was "if you could, would you stay in the prefabs?" We got another very decisive answer to that question "Nope!".

"How do you think your class feels about it?" we asked. "Mr Sheehan is very excited," they



# Room 16/17 and Library Swap cont

The last question we asked was “Do you think moving to the library will be beneficial?” “Yes, definitely!” the students replied in unison.

## Mr Sheehan

We asked Mr Sheehan how he felt about the move and he said that he had mixed feelings about the switch. He didn't want Mrs Toseland to feel like she was being pushed out of the library. We asked him when he found out and he replied “I'd say about 2 weeks ago.” We asked him if he could stay, would he? And he said “I would if there was only one class in the prefabs, but not with two classes in here.”



As well as that he told us that he thinks that most of his students are excited but some of them are a bit anxious for the move. Lastly we asked him if he thought moving to the library would be beneficial for the students and he does think that it will be beneficial for them, however he is worried about setting up space for the students' belongings.

## Ms Toseland

Mrs Toseland had a lot to say as she loves the library and she's been in there for around 30 years. When Ms Liddall first told her about 1 ½ weeks ago, her initial reaction was shock, followed by sadness and a little bit of anger. She told us that she was not involved in the decision but did have the option of either moving to the prefabs or room 7.

When asked “What do you think the hardest part will be? And what will the benefits be?” she replied selflessly, “I think the hardest part will be physically moving everything. And the benefits? I don't think there are any benefits for me but there will be for the kids, and they're my priority”.

We also asked how long we thought it would take her to move all the books and she said “I only have until the first day of term 2 but I'm pretty organised and pretty stubborn so I'm sure I'll manage to get it done in time. Whether or not the new library will be up and running or ready for students to come in and issue books by that time I'm not sure.”

Mrs Toseland also told us that she was working on making it welcoming by putting up decorations and pushing through it with a smile. In the end, we all believe in her and think she can make whatever space she's got work just as well as her previous space. Go Mrs Toseland!



# What is SWIS Hub?

Swis Hub is one of this year's enrichments. Recently we have been working on improving the SWIS newsletter by writing interesting new articles and keeping the fortnightly Newsletter updated. SWIS HUB also records Podcasts. The podcast series we are currently working on is "THE GENERATION GAP". You can find them on the SWIS Youtube channel or in the latest newsletter. This year SWIS HUB will also be creating and designing the 2019 SWIS Yearbook.

By Izzy Wallace and Holly James

Here are this years SWIS HUB Members :

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Holly J       | Izzy W    |
| Maddie        | Mia M     |
| Kelly         | Madison   |
| Martin        | Ollie B   |
| Peter         | Ewan      |
| Saskia        | Ethan     |
| Ada           | Rhys H    |
| Leni          | Fred      |
| Bessie        | Jemima    |
| Luna          | Jana      |
| Fern          | Chelsea J |
| and Mr Young! |           |



*some of the SWIS hub members*

## Creative Writing Opportunity

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## Board of Trustees' Election

Nominations are invited for the election of **5 parent representatives** to the Board of Trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

**Nominations close at noon on FRIDAY 10th MAY 2019** and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names as they come to hand, for inspection at school.

Voting closes at noon on **FRIDAY 24th MAY 2019**.

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**Days:** Tuesday & Thursday

**Location:** South Wellington Intermediate, 30 Waripori St. Main Hall

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