

Te Pānui

TERM 3 WEEK 10 2019

EDIDAY 27 SERTEMBER 2010

TERM 3 DATES

Term 4 starts 14 October

Disco 23 October

WRISSA Touch Rugby 6 Nov

EOTC Week 11—15 Nov

Regional Athletics 3 Dec

Year 8 Leavers Dinner 12 Dec

Prizegiving 16 Dec

Message from the Principal

And so that's it. 4 years and 3 terms and my time at

SWIS is done.

While I am filled with sadness at the thought of leaving, I know that I leave a school which is much more ready for the challenges ahead than when I arrived. Some of the visible successes have been

Convincing the council to put in a pedestrian crossing on Russell Tce

The Art Show – from very humble beginnings this has become a major fundraiser and social event.

Market Day – one of the most successful and anticipated events each year. A true example of the strength of rich integrated topic based learning.

The new logo – a collaboration between Wellington High School graphics students and SWIS student leaders. Please check out the story on our website if you haven't already.



Picnic evening – a relaxed way to meet teachers at the start of the year in an informal way

And the less visible but no less important

Digging SWIS out of significant debt

Installing robust appraisal and attestation systems

Developing policies and procedures

Working alongside other schools in our community to set up our Kahui Ako (Community of Learning)

Getting a commitment by government of significant funding to rebuild our old and failing infrastructure.

However above all else I will miss the people. SWIS is a motley bunch of remarkably talented educators who constantly give of themselves for our tamariki. Widely different but remarkably complimentary to make a team of supportive and fun professionals. I am unsure I will ever work with such an awesome bunch again. I will miss the conversations, the collegiality and the laughter.

And the people in green. You are the hundred reasons why I laugh, cry, wake in the middle of the night, swell with pride and continue to do what I do. Keep being awesome!

Nga mihi Traci Liddall

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SWIS values are to be Safe, Respectful, Responsible

Open Letter to Ms Liddall

Sadly, this week we say goodbye to Ms Liddall.

Traci Liddall has been the principal of SWIS for the better part of 5 years. Her work has been astounding and she has made SWIS a better place for us all to enjoy. Ms Liddall claims that her biggest accomplishment here has been putting the crossing in just across from the school. This achievement has helped make this school a safer, happier place. Ms Liddall has made a huge impact in the SWIS community, and the school roll has increased by about 130 since she got here!

At the end of this term, Ms Liddall will be moving to a secondary school which will be a big change. Traci says that she likes change and that it's a fun challenge to overcome. In her final assembly on Wednesday, the school kapa haka group performed a beautiful waiata to send Ms Liddall off with many students giving her cards as well.

We will all miss Ms Liddall tremendously and hope she comes back to visit in the near future.

By Fern Hills

Principal Appointment Process

Kia ora ki te hāpori o tō tātou kura nei,

The new Board at South Wellington Intermediate would like to thank the school community for their patience while the Board have been becoming familiar with the running of South Wellington Intermediate. It has been a busy time with the resignation of Traci Liddall our principal and also the resignation of deputy principal Rauru Walker. The Board is very thankful for all the hard work that both Traci and Rauru have done over their tenure at the school. They leave SWIS in a much better position than when they joined us and we are extremely thankful to them both. Systems have been set up that will allow the school to continue to function seamlessly when they leave. With both of these resignations comes a period of change which also presents us with new opportunities for the School. With this in mind the Board would like to review what we are currently doing well here at SWIS and of course looking forward to what we could be doing better. The Board are very aware that the recruitment of a new principal will be one of the most important jobs that we do for our tamariki. As such the Board would like to seek parental and community input into the interview questions that we might pose to the successful shortlisted candidates. We want to know what attributes you would like to see in the successful applicant and are hoping that the questions you give us will guide us through the selection process to ensure we meet the needs of our entire school community. Please feel free to email your questions and suggestions to the Board at arlene.smyth@swis.school.nz, or write to us here at SWIS. We look forward to some rigorous and challenging questions.

Nga mihi

Arlene Smyth

Māuritau, Whakamana & Takohatanga

SWIS Basketball



Well done, SWIS Clockwork. Division 4 champions.

Karate offer to SWIS families

Shihan Tony Gaeta (Rocky's father) is the founder of the World Marudào Karate Organisation located in Berhampore. Tony went to SWIS along with his brother and sister when they were kids.

We are pleased to announce that Tony has made a very generous offer to

all students, staff, parents and family members. If you can show your association to SWIS then you will receive one month's free membership at the dojo (located at 469 Adelaide Road, Berhampore). This offer willlast until May 2020.

Beginner classes are:

4-6 year olds (Tuesdays & Thursdays) 3.30pm - 4pm

7-15 year olds (Tuesdays & Thursdays) 4pm - 4.45pm, along with Sundays 11am - midday

Adults 16 years and over (Tuesdays & Thursdays) 6pm - 7pm, along with Saturdays 11am - midday

Padder Tennis

Padder Tennis is a fun, fast and exciting form of tennis which is easy to learn.

The students feel comfortable and confident when playing with familiar faces and will walk away knowing the big picture of what our sport is - and will want to come back for more!

Padder Tennis is played on shorter tennis courts, with shorter, funkier carbon fiber bats, lower compression green dot tennis balls, the same scoring as table tennis and similar strokes to tennis - except for one underhand serve.

All equipment is provided and our qualified coaches travel to your school to provide you with the ultimate experience in padder tennis!

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Baseball Registration

Want to give Baseball a go? Bring this form back to SWIS next term and we will pass it on to Wellington Baseball who will be in touch.

