

# Te Panui

TERM 4 WEEK 4 2019

FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2019

#### TERM 4 DATES

EOTC Week 11—15 Nov

Celebration Assembly 2 Dec at 9 a.m.

**Regional Athletics 3 Dec** 

Leavers' Dinner 12 Dec

Picnic Day 16 Dec

Prize giving 16 Dec

Last day of school 17 Dec at 12:30 p.m.

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# Message from the Principals

We signed off last newsletter predicting a celebration after the All Blacks played England. While we didn't have much to celebrate in the rugby, the start of term 4 has been a celebration here at SWIS.

Already we have had our chess team perform admirably at the National Chess Tournament in Christchurch, students achieving great things at the World Hip Hop Championships and successful EPro8 teams demonstrating their technological thinking.

Then to cap it all off we held our first Celebration Assembly where we handed out 32 Principal's Awards to students whose positive attitudes, hard work and cheerful dispositions make them an asset to SWIS and the community we belong to. This attitude of celebrating the big and little things is something Rauru and I are committed to building at SWIS this term. As a school we are always striving to make improvements whether it's to the buildings, the grounds, teaching and learning or other aspects of school life, but the one thing we have always been immensely proud of is the students who make up our school. Last week it filled us with pride to hand out those Principal's Awards many in front of their whanau, in week 9 we will repeat this with another Celebration Assembly, but it's important we recognise the great contributions the students and staff of SWIS make every single day.

Next week is EOTC Week. For many students this week represents the highlight of the year with all students engaging in activities it simply isn't possible to offer at school alone. We would like to take the time here to wish the students all the best as they tackle challenges, try new things, make new friends and create a life long memory. We'd also like to publically acknowledge the hard work and organisation of the staff. We know we have asked a lot of you in preparing these activities but once again you have provided the students of SWIS with a wide range of engaging activities which are the envy of students and staff of other intermediates around the region.

We ask all students and staff to take every opportunity that comes your way next week while remembering that you are ambassadors for the school so please support one another, respect the public and keeping each other safe.

Rauru Walker & Howard Young

**SWIS values are to be Safe, Respectful, Responsible** 

## **Badminton**

Isn't it great looking at these photos and not only do we see SWIS kids rocking the badminton world but also keeping score. Well done to all involved, helping out and having fun!



Māuritau, Whakamana & Takohatanga

# **Principal's Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received Principal's Awards this week. They received them for a wide range of reasons and should be very proud of themselves.

Room 1: Amber Singleton and Leo Gregory

Room 2: Kyle Cooke and Javi Velasco—Cordovez

Room 3: Rosa Martalletti and Rohit Medarametla

Room 4: Madison Kooiman -Vili and Arun Jeram-Inglin

Room 5: Nico Halasz and Luna Lopez

Room 6: Hein Jooste and Lorcan Gibbs

Room 8: Florence Carter and Isla Steinmetz

Room 9: Theo Robertson and Izabella Fitzsimmons

Room 10: Millie Crowe and Fern Hills

Room 11: Crystal Sharma and Ritesh Ravji

Room 12: Hiba Albazazi and Jack Rickard

Room 13: Skye Dalzell and Danni Tamavia

Room 14: Angel Avia and Yannick Sternagel-Silao

Room 15: Xavior Sola and Helena Reddell

Room 16: Austin Butters and Tessa George

Room 17: Qlevedon Taotua and Tyra Tuiavii



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## **ICAS** and FPS

The title here sounds a little like alphabet soup, but represents some amazing academic achievement by some of our pupils.

ICAS stands for International Competitions and Assessments for Schools and every year it is popular with the many students here at SWIS.

This year we had the following students earn distinctions and high distinctions in Science, Writing and/or digital technology: Lias Morris, Jack Maxwell, Ruby Nicholson, Archer Page and Otene Ngatai. Congratulations to them and all the other students who sat ICAS exams. You all did yourselves proud.

FPS stands for Future Problem Solving and again is an international competition. Under the tutelage of Christine Sangster students participating in this have worked hard all year long and the team of Zach Buyck, Lias Morris and Harry Shallcrass were rewarded with a second place in the local round. Well done to all who participated.





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#### **EOTC Week**

EOTC Week is always such a busy time. It can also be a challenge to get hold of students and teachers if you should need to. In an effort to make it easier you can contact Howard directly on 027 488 1202 or howard.young@swis.school.nz

Howard is coordinating the week and as a result he will be the person best equipped to reach teachers on activities. If you are unable to reach him please try the school office on 04 939 9872.

Please be aware the Resolution Bay and Whanganui River trips will be out of contact for much of their trips so please be patient if trying to contact them.

All students will be departing from and arriving back at SWIS each day within the usual school hours of 8:45 and 3 p.m. unless otherwise notified by the trip leader. No students will be dismissed from a non school location without prior permission from parents.

Finally, the three camps all return on Friday at various times. Please refer to the school Facebook page for updates.

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Updates will be posted from 1 p.m. onwards as information becomes available to us from the traveling groups. To avoid frustrations for yourself please do not contact the office, contact Howard as the office will likely not have any information to share with you.

### **German Interns**

We are pleased to welcome three German interns to the SWIS community next year. All three are trained as teachers and are completing overseas internships prior to becoming teachers in Germany. Two male interns will be arriving at the end of February for a 1 month stay, while a female intern will be arriving in May for a similar time period. During their stay they will require homestay accommodation . Families will be compensated for providing this accommodation. Please contact Howard on howard.young@swis.school.nz if you would like further information regarding being a homestay for one of these interns.

## **Uniform Prizes**

Congratulations to the following three students who were drawn out of all students who had enrolled to start SWIS in 2020 by the close of the school day on 1 November. Each student receives a \$50 voucher from NZ Uniforms to help with their school uniform purchase. Thanks NZ Uniforms for providing this support.

The prize winners are:

Potiki Haturini - Island Bay School Faizaan Saiyad - Newtown School

Sofia Woodill - Ridgeway School

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