

HIBS Newsletter

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Term Dates

- Term 1 ends **Friday 12 April**
- Term 2 starts **Monday 29 April**

From the Principal



Tena koutou e te whanau whanui

We are now well into the academic year and all the boys should be settled into good work habits by now. I have been visiting classrooms and have enjoyed seeing the boys making progress. The Year 7 boys in particular have made a very good start and had a great time at camp getting to know each other.

It was lovely to see so many families at Commencement Service recently. It is an important part of our school year and a chance for us to meet as a community. Well done to each Year 7 boy who came across the stage to receive a copy of the Bible, and each Year 13 boy who received his school tie, all donated by the Board of Proprietors.

We launched our Relay for Life campaign for 2024 at a recent assembly and we are looking forward to once again raising significant funds for the Cancer Society. In 2023 we raised over \$130,000 and we have high hopes of at least matching that figure this year. Good luck to all the boys who are taking on the challenge.

Summer sports continue to go well with so many of our boys playing in the blue and red of HIBS. Thank you to all involved in making these wonderful opportunities possible for our young men. Thank you for your continuing support of the school.

At the end of this month we will be farewelling Ms Viv Hullena after ten years of service at HIBS. Viv knows every young man in the school and is one of those staff members who has made a difference in the lives of so many of our students. We thank you for all you have contributed Viv. You will be missed. Ngā mihi nui; Kia ora rawa atu.

Ngā mihi nui

Tom Gordon

**Honour
Integrity
Belief
Service**

Encourage and Expect Excellence



JOIN OUR ADMIN TEAM

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE HIBS OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



We are reaching out to our parent community to gauge interest in a part time role for 10 hours per week at HIBS, as the Executive Assistant to the Old Boys' Association.

Some responsibilities include supporting the President of the Old Boys' Association in organising and running events, maintaining the existing Old Boys' database and overseeing the management of the Old Boys' website and Facebook page.

If you are interested and would like more details, please contact Karen Hope for a full full job description

✉ khope@hibs.school.nz

☎ 04 527 2212

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

In the event of an emergency, it is important we are fully prepared for situations where we may be at school for an extended period of time. How can you help? Can you please ensure that:

- Your contact details are up to date, ensuring we have the correct details for an emergency contact. These should be checked and updated via the HIBS Portal.
- If your son requires medication, please provide the School Office with enough medication for up to three days - this should be in a sealed envelope with your son's name and dosage requirements written on it.
- In the event of an emergency, alerts will be sent to parents via SchoolApps. This can be downloaded free on your iPhone or Android via the App Store. You will then need to select and subscribe to the Parent/Caregiver group.

HIBS Policies & Procedures

As previously advised, all of our HIBS policies and procedures are managed by a company called SchoolDocs. SchoolDocs updates, modifies and creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, as well as regular reviews. Our Board oversees these changes/additions before they are implemented, however as a parent, you are also welcome to take part in the reviews.

To access our policies and procedures, visit <https://hibs.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there is no 'www'). Our username is 'hibs' and our password is 'trentham'.

If you would like to provide feedback on a topic being reviewed, you need to click the 'Start your review' button. If a link is inactive, it means HIBS doesn't have the topic. The topics currently being reviewed are:

Employer Responsibility Policy
Appointment Procedure
Equal Employment Opportunities
Teacher Relief Cover
Safety Checking
Police Vetting
Timetable



OPEN DAY 2024

The HIBS Open Day is on Saturday 6 April 2024.

9am or 11am - Hear the Principal, Mr Tom Gordon in the Auditorium

9.30am to 1.30pm - Tours of the School

If you have a son starting in Year 7, 2025 and you have completed an online pre-enrolment, you should have received an Enrolment Pack in early March.

If you did not receive an Enrolment Pack, please contact the School Office - (04) 528 6227.

Enrolment Applications for Year 7, 2025 close at 3pm on 3 May 2024.


HIBS ACCOUNT NUMBERS

It is really important that all money paid to HIBS is directed to the correct account. Please make a note of the account numbers below.

**BOP
SCHOOL FEES ONLY
03-0502 - 0273738-00**

**BOT
GENERAL
03-0502 - 0126981-00**

- Stationery (Art & Graphics packs)
- Music fees
- Eastbourne Bus
- Uniform Shop payments
- Sports related school trips
- Other incidentals

 > Hands-On At Otago

Hands-On At Otago

Whai Wheako i Ōtākou

Four senior students were selected to attend Hands-On At Otago during the January summer holidays this year. This is an on-campus residential programme where students experience a week of University life through living in the Residential Colleges, undertaking detailed studies and learning from Otago University academics. The 32 possible study options ranged from Anatomy to Computer Science to International Business.

The students attending this year were Jayden Cooper, Krupal Amaravathi, Harrison Mounsey-Smith and Thomas Bruce.



Year 11 & 12 students interested in attending the 2025 Hands-On At Otago should look out for information distributed in early Term 3.

QUICK INFO SHEET 2024

RELAY FOR LIFE



Key Dates

Head Shaving: 20-22nd March
Relay Weekend: 23rd -24th March
Money due: Thursday 4th April
Total announced: Week 2, Term 2

On the Day



Access to our marquee is through the HIBS gate to the racecourse.
We are on the south end of the track.
All students from Year 7-10 need an adult present to sign them out.



Transportation

All HIBS whānau can park in the tennis court car parks for drop offs and pick ups.

Year Levels

Year 7: Saturday 3:15pm - 5:30pm
Year 8: Saturday 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Year 9: Saturday 3:15pm - 6pm
Year 10: **Sunday** 5:30am-7:30am
Year 11: Saturday 6:30pm- 9:30pm
Year 12: Saturday 9pm-Midnight
Year 13: **Sunday** Midnight- 5:30am

START

No dogs are allowed
at Trentham Race
Course during the
R4L weekend

DONATE



Online Fundraising

You can fundraise by creating an online profile at <https://relayforlife.org.nz/o/wellington-relay>. Use code **WELLHIBS** for free sign up.

Cash Fundraising

You can still bucket collect and fundraise in person. Come and get a bucket from E1 and start collecting.



Please note the
change of time for
Year 7 & 8 students

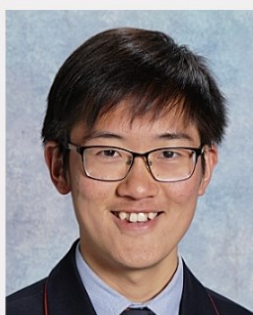


Congratulations

Scholarship Results 2023

We congratulate the following students for their fantastic results in New Zealand Scholarship, specifically Zhiheng Dai who gained seven Subject Scholarships. His achievement will place him in the top achieving students in New Zealand last year.

Zhiheng Dai



English
Biology
Chemistry
Physics

Calculus
Geography
History

Ashton Harrison



Chemistry
Physics
Earth & Space
Science

Samuel Gillingham



Biology
Chemistry
Geography

Sithula Gamage



Calculus
Physics
Chemistry

Joseph Ying



English

CURRICULUM

ACADEMIC GOAL SETTING

Students in Years 11, 12 & 13 have now completed their 2024 academic goals. Selecting appropriate courses for study is the first step in gaining academic success. This is followed closely by effective goal setting. You can see these goals by logging into the Portal and selecting 'Goal Setting'.

When students know where they are headed, they find it easier to get there. Take the time to discuss your son's goals for 2024 in the upcoming weeks. Ask him about how he is applying the actions he has identified to help him reach his goals. His goals will be included in his first written report in Term 2, and reviewed again prior to his final report in Term 3.



ASSESSMENT PLANNERS

Parents and students in Years 11, 12 & 13 have been emailed the Assessment Planners for the year. These Assessment Planners provide a guide for NCEA Assessment in each of their subjects throughout the year. Please be aware that these dates sometimes change and the most up to date version can always be found on the HIBS website by selecting 'Academic', then 'Assessment Planner'.

Interim Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews

On the evening of Friday, 15 March Interim Reports will be published on the Portal for all year levels.

The Interim Report is a grade only report. It provides an early indication of how your son is settling into each of his classes. This Interim Report will be followed with Parent/Teacher Interviews in Week 8 (Thursday, 21 March) and Week 9 (Tuesday, 26 March). Further Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held early in Week 2, Term 2, on Wednesday, 8 May. This year two of the Interview sessions will be held online (21 March and 8 May), whilst the 26 March Interviews will be held at HIBS in the Auditorium between 4pm and 8pm. Further details will be emailed soon to explain:

1. How to book interviews via the School Interviews site, and,
2. How to log in to your interview once it has been booked.

HIBS Portal (Senior students)

All Year 11, 12 and 13 students can log into the Portal to access their NCEA results to date and as the year progresses. HIBS students should have their login and password to do this. If you have misplaced your login and password information, please contact the School Office - (04) 528 6227 or admin@hibs.school.nz.

Senior Curriculum

Please refer to the Senior Curriculum Handbook to become more familiar with the processes and requirements of NCEA. This includes information related to assessment. Pages 6-14 highlight the following:

1. National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA)
2. Accessing Special Assessment Conditions (SAC)
3. Applying for a Derived Grade
4. Appealing Internal Results in NCEA Assessments
5. Late Work and Student Absence
6. Breaches of Rules and Misconduct in Assessment
7. Reassessment
8. Requirements for University Entrance.

I encourage you to take some time to read through this information as it has relevance to the learning and assessment your son is completing in Year 11, 12 and 13.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE
2024 TEAM PRESENTS

HIBS DANCES 2024

YEAR 9+10
FRIDAY 15
MARCH
7 PM-10 PM

YEAR 7+8
SATURDAY
16 MARCH
7PM-9:30 PM

\$10

PER TICKET

ENTERTAINMENT
FOR ALL

FOOD + DRINK
AVAILABLE

Lego Club

Lego Club is off to a flying start this year! The team are already planning a feature piece for Open Day, and are having a great time doing it. Lego Club is every Friday in the Library, and is exclusively for Year 7 & 8 students.



Luke van Rij, Boston Anderson, Fletcher Jones, Harrison Burke, Edward Burke, Callahan Beck, Conor Rynne



WORLD CHALLENGE

CAMBODIA

APRIL 2025



World
Challenge

CAMBODIA - CHI PHAT TREK,
COMMUNITY & ANGKOR WAT
(13 NIGHTS)

LEARN : LEAD
EXPEDITIONS

SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS

4

QUALITY
EDUCATION

6

CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION



KEEN TO FIND OUT MORE?

Troy Greenem from World Challenge will be presenting to students and families that are interested on **Tuesday 12 March at 7pm** in the staffroom to go through the itinerary and answer all of your questions. To RSVP for the information session, please go to:

<https://weareworldchallenge.com/trips/em4gqtm/>

After a few years of absence, HIBS is excited to offer students a life changing opportunity to explore Southeast Asia in April 2025.

Led by staff members Miss Sarah Tobin and Mr Jack Dowd, the School are partnering with World Challenge to offer this trip. It is an opportunity for students who will be in Year 11 - 13 in 2025, to challenge themselves and go out of their comfort zone whilst enjoying all the beauty Cambodia has to offer. Some of the activities include:

- 3 day trek through the Chi Phat trail
- Visit to Siem Reap and Angkor Wat
- Volunteering and contributing to a clean water and sanitation project
- Staying in remote communities interacting with the locals

This leadership expedition will focus on life skills, confidence, resilience and independence. It is focused on being student led, therefore as a team students take responsibility for the budget, transport, where to eat, activities and communication with locals. Previous students have said, "It gave me so much confidence to know I have the skills, initiative and resilience to travel in a foreign country and to be completely out of my comfort zone" and, "I learnt lessons in self-resilience and working as a team."

Cost

The cost per student is estimated to be \$8,500. This is an estimate cost only and expenses will be spoken about in more detail during the Information Evening. Parents may like to encourage their child to contribute to the cost by fundraising or by seeking some part time work.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact Mr David Graham, Head of Internationalisation - dgraham@hibs.school.nz or Mr Jack Dowd, Trip Leader - jdowd@hibs.school.nz



Recently the Visual Arts Department hosted the annual pop-up gallery, *Exhibitionists*. This event showcases the work of both Junior and Senior Art, Photography and Design work.

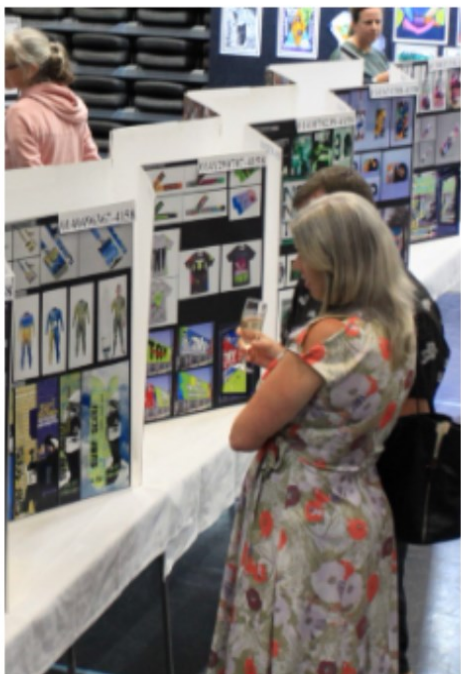
The event was very well supported this year and we would like to say thank you to all who attended.

There's nothing like an audience to appreciate all the mahi put in by the boys in their creative endeavours, to help promote further exploration of their craft.

Thanks goes to Mr Greg McMillan-Perry and HIBS Music for once again being part of this evening.

Students Bodie Mortiboy (piano) and Alvin Wood (classical guitar), provided us with live music, followed by a playlist of HIBS Old Boys' original compositions. We always appreciate what music brings to this event.

We would also like to thank the HIBS PSA who show up each year to help us host this event and ensure all goes smoothly. We continue to appreciate all you do for us.



Exhibitionists

Upper Valley Music Festival

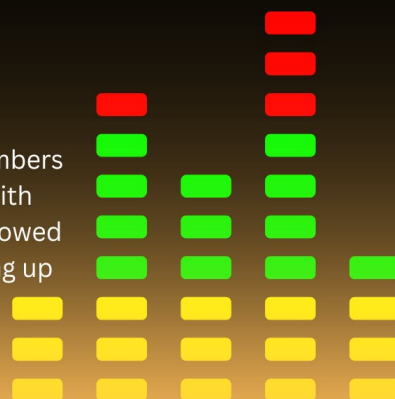
Upper Valley Music Festival is a collaboration between HIBS, St Pat's Silverstream, Upper Hutt and Heretaunga Colleges, along with Maidstone and Fergusson Intermediates. We are looking forward to once again hosting this event after a hiatus over the last few years. This concert, celebrating the musical talent across all schools from 10-18 years old, will have limited ticketing due to the numbers involved. Boys who are performing will be notified in due course and an email will go out to parents and families in the next couple of weeks with all of the relevant information.

HIBS Dance Crew

We are very excited to have secured the services of all-star Choreographer, Emily McDermott, who will be working to take our Dance Crew to the next level. For those in the crew, the commitment is every Friday lunchtime, with the possibility of extra rehearsals on Monday at lunchtime.

Drama Club

Drama Club is up and running and we have had huge interest with over 40 members currently coming along. We are working towards producing an evening filled with some really entertaining short plays toward the end of Term 1. This will be followed up by our campaign to bring a host of comedy skits to the Variety Show (coming up in Term 2).



Music Trip to Europe

Registrations for expressions of interest for our upcoming Music Trip in 2025 are now open!

Last week we held an information evening where Brent from Tour Time discussed details including travel, itinerary and insurances. If you were unable to attend the evening, follow the link to find out more and register your interest. Registering will not commit you to anything at this stage, but will keep you updated and provide important deadlines and critical information. So if you are even thinking of this as a possibility, please register:

<https://music.hibs.school.nz/europe-2025.html>



HIP-HOP

Justin Xu (Year 9) recently competed in the National Hip Hop Dance Competition, 'Battle of the Bay'. His crew 'Envy' were awarded 1st place in the Yung Gunz Crew section of the event. His duo 'Onex' also placed first.



MUSIC LESSONS



Music lessons are well underway with all instruments in demand, and waitlists for many. If your son would like to join a Music Group, take a look at the rehearsal timetable and groups on offer on the HIBS School of Music website to find out more.

CONGRATULATIONS

TRACK & FIELD

Asher Robertson (Year 11) had an amazing three days setting personal bests at the NZ Secondary Schools Athletics Championships. He has been selected for the NZ Secondary Schools U18 team to compete at the 2024 Australian Track & Field Championships in Australia in April.



COLGATE GAMES

Jacob Rice (Year 9) received a silver medal for the 13 Year Old 1500m race at the South Island Colgate Games.

SAILING

Jack Olson (Year 13) competed in the Starling Class Sailing Nationals in the Youth Class (for sailors at a high level and Under 19). He sailed 11 races over four days, and was on the water for up to six hours per day. He placed 8th out of 75, being one of two sailors in the top ten from outside of Auckland.



SWIMMING

Gokul Sadguna (Year 8) placed 3rd in the 12-13 Year Old category at the Banana Boat Swim the Lighthouse Challenge, swimming 3.3kms in open water.

CONGRATULATIONS

FOOTBALL

Callum Lansdown, Lachlan Joe & Jordan Robinson (all Year 11), represented the NZSS U16 Southern Football team in a Tri-Series against Aotearoa Māori Football and the NZSS Southern sides.

From the Tournament a team will be selected to tour Australia later this year.



CRICKET

Jayden Mataira (Year 12) was selected for the Aotearoa Māori Schoolboys 1st XI Cricket team who played against the Pacific Schoolboys team in Auckland.

TOUCH RUGBY

Cooper Burt (Year 10), Caleb Rice (Year 11), Jackson Tipoki (Year 11) and Cole Gwerder (Year 10) represented Wellington at the U16 Boys Touch Rugby Youth Nationals in Auckland.



TOUCH RUGBY

Kobe Tetevano (Year 12) and Sean Carter (Year 13) played for the Wellington U18 Boys Touch Rugby Rep team at the Touch NZ Youth Nationals in Auckland. They beat Te Tai Tokorau 11-5 and then narrowly lost to North Harbour 6-5.

WORLD SERIES CRICKET

As part of team selection for our Year 7 & 8 Cricket teams, students took part in the annual Rachin Ravindra World Series Cricket Tournament on 26 & 27 February. The teams were South Africa (green), India (blue/purple), England (red) and Australia (yellow). Both Tournaments were great fun and played in excellent spirits, showing that the future of HIBS Cricket is very strong.



Year 7

There were three close games and some excellent cricket from our newest HIBS students. In the semi-finals, England beat South Africa and Australia lost a close encounter to India, with the game decided on the final ball.

In the bronze medal match, the South African side fought hard, led by Captain, Ryan Stewart, but lost by five runs to the Aussies. In the final, a stand by Jack Gellatly and Preston Sidford got the England team within touching distance of chasing down the 125 run target, but George Brennan held his nerve, bowling an excellent last over to win the match for India.

Year 8

In the Year 8 Tournament on Monday, there were two close semi-finals, both going to the last ball, which saw England and South Africa reach the final. The third place match was taken out by Australia.

In a closely fought final, the English kept their nerve, taking out the trophy.

Congratulations to all players and thanks to our parent helpers and Year 10 umpires, Ishaan Patel, Griffin Patterson and Cooper Ashton.

TENFOUR IS2024 TEAM PRESENTS
FUNDRAISER FOR SERVICE PROJECT IN FIJI

Trivia
Night

FRIDAY
APRIL 5TH

THE COSSIE CLUB,
UPPER HUTT

DOORS OPEN AT : 6PM
TRIVIA STARTS AT : 7PM

TO REGISTER A TEAM,
SCAN THE QR CODE



UPCOMING EVENTS

15 MAR

INTERIM REPORTS FOR ALL STUDENTS
AVAILABLE ON THE PORTAL IN THE EVENING

21 MAR

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS - 1
ONLINE INTERVIEWS 12.30PM TO 4PM - BOOKING INFO EMAILED ON 11 MARCH

23/24 MAR

RELAY FOR LIFE WEEKEND
3.15PM SATURDAY TO 5.30AM SUNDAY

26 MAR

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS - 2
FACE TO FACE INTERVIEWS 4PM TO 8PM - BOOKING INFO EMAILED ON 11 MARCH

28 MAR

OCTATHLON
8.40AM TO 3.15PM ON THE RACECOURSE

29 MAR TO
2 APR

EASTER
HIBS IS CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 29 MARCH TO TUESDAY 2 APRIL INCLUSIVE

12 APRIL

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

29 APRIL

FIRST DAY OF TERM 2

8 MAY

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS - 3
ONLINE INTERVIEWS 4PM TO 8PM - BOOKING INFO EMAILED ON 11 MARCH