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# WHANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday 25th -  
Saturday 27th May** *inclusive*  
WHS School Production  
"Grease"  
(Royal Whanganui Opera House)

**Tuesday 8th June**  
Hutt Valley High School exchange

**Saturday 10th June**  
Rock Quest

**Tuesday 13th June**  
Chamber Music

### *Tēnā koutou katoa,*

Term 2 is hugely significant for all Year 9 to Year 13 students as they continue building on their regular attendance patterns to all Form Time classes and subject classes. Term 2 is crucial for establishing student knowledge and understanding in all subject areas.

We are extremely fortunate at Whanganui High School to have a huge range of wonderful opportunities available to all our students - some of those opportunities are represented in this very newsletter from me to you.

At the same time, I firmly believe that it is of fundamental importance to individual student learning and academic progress - as well as the future career plans of our students - that the central focus must always be on maintaining regular classroom learning and student engagement at all times.

I welcome meeting personally with caregivers and parents at any time to discuss any aspect of education at Whanganui High School.

Ngā mihi nui  
**Martin McAllen - Principal**



## NEW ZEALAND RINK HOCKEY

Michaela Ross (Year 11) and Siobhan Pitkethley (Year 11) have been selected to represent New Zealand in the Women's Division for Rink Hockey. They will be travelling to China in October to play at the Asian Skate Games. Congratulations to both Year 11 students.

## NEW ZEALAND U19 ROLLER HOCKEY

Congratulations to Henry White (Year 11) who has been selected for the New Zealand U19 Roller Hockey team to play in China later this year.

**WHS**  
ACHIEVERS

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## NORTH WELLINGTON OPEN JUDO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Lucas Munn (Year 10) competed in a recent Judo Competition in Palmerston North. He stepped up to a new age bracket, winning Gold in the Under 18 Under 81kg Division and got 2nd in the Under 18 Open. A very impressive achievement and result at just 14 years of age.

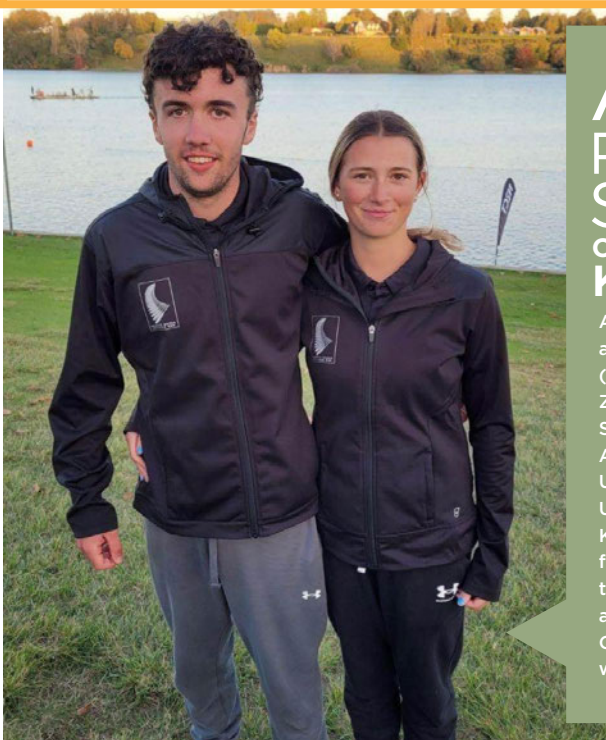


## REGIONAL RACE UNITY SPEECH COMPETITION

Charlotte Matthews (Year 12) was runner up in the Regional Race Unity Speech Competition held in Palmerston North on 4 May.

## ASIA PACIFIC SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS KAYAKING

Angus Sewell (Year 12) and Addison O'Leary (Year 11) represented New Zealand at the Asia Pacific Sprint Championship. Angus finished with 1st U18 Mixed K4 200m, 2nd U18 K4 500m and 3rd U18 K4 200m. Addison finished with 2nd place in the U16 mixed relay 100m and 3rd U16 K4 500m. Great to see such wonderful results.



## MAADI CUP ROWING SUCCESS

Whanganui High School had a successful Maadi Cup Regatta in March. The long hard-fought week at Lake Karapiro saw our school come away with six medals - four silvers and two bronzes - which ranked the school 12th in the country at the end of the regatta and broke a seven-year medal drought for the school.

Director of Rowing, Axel Dickinson, said the performance blew away his expectations for the event and it was thanks to the kids in the team. "We've got a really good group and a good culture that's being fostered at the club, and we're really excited to see that grow year-on-year and build the numbers in the programme."

The rowers are now into their 'winter rowing programme' along with playing their other winter sports, which is a huge part of keeping them active in sports they love. We have a new recruitment of Learn to Row students who are developing nicely for the season ahead in October.

