YEAR 12
PRIZEGIVING

2026

YEAR 12 PRIZEGIVING PROGRAMME – 2026

MUSICAL INTERLUDE	Abraham Beer, Romin Hawley, Lucy Morgan
PROCESSION OF STAFF AND OFFICIAL PARTY 'Benny and the Jets' by Elton John and Bernie Taupin	Kaelan Lyon, Lucy Morgan, Owen Murphy, Hollie Smith
OPENING RURUKU	Mikaere Davis
INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME	Year 12 Representatives Annabelle Brown Caleb Loader
YEAR 12 ACADEMIC AWARDS Presented by Mrs J Langrish	Dean Ms R Kennedy
ITEM 'Linger' by The Cranberries	Sophie Toyne
THE PRINCIPAL	Mr M McAllen
YEAR 12 SPECIAL AWARDS Presented by Principal – Mr M McAllen	Deputy Principal Mrs E Spooner
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Jacob Huang
CLOSING RURUKU	Mikaere Davis
RECESSIONAL 'Valerie' by The Zutons	Lucy Morgan, Owen Murphy, Hollie Smith, Sam Anderson

ACADEMIC AWARDS

A “Merit” is awarded for work throughout the year which is of a consistently high standard.
A “Distinction” is awarded for outstanding achievement throughout the year.
Both awards are for academic achievement.
To qualify to be presented with an award at this ceremony a student requires at least one Distinction or Prize.

YEAR 12 PRIZE LIST

Abdalla Abdelaal	Diploma
Lee Ackers	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Automotive Engineering
Lily Anderson	Merit in Hospitality
Kianache Arahanga-Bartlett	Diploma Merit in Tourism
Janella Ayban	Diploma Merit in Chemistry
Connar Baldwin-Holly	Diploma
Jake Banks	Diploma
Ronan Barlow	Diploma Merit in Building & Construction
Bailey Barnett	Diploma with Merit Merit in Outdoor Education **Silver Duke of Edinburgh’s Hillary Award**
Abraham Beer	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Digital Technology Media, Digital Technology Science, Electronics and Trigonometry & Algebra Merit in Music and Physics **Hughes Trophy for Excellence in Digital Technology Media**
Zahn Bell	Diploma with Merit Merit in Sport & Exercise
Lola Benson	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Hospitality
Danelle Binns	Diploma with Merit

Ruth Blakelock	Diploma with Excellence Merit in Trigonometry & Algebra
Marlene Boehm	Diploma with Excellence Merit in Discover New Zealand
Shelby Boyd	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Fashion Design Merit in Mathematics **WHS Prize for Excellence in Fashion Design**
Amber Braddock	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Outdoor Education and Technology Engineering Merit in Biology, English and Geography **Ka Tiritiri o Te Moana Prize for Dedication to Geography**
Conor Brodie	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Physics, Electronics, Digital Technology Science and Economics Merit in Cambridge Algebra **Glaister Legacy Cup for Excellence in Physics**
Lily Brooks-Mann	Diploma with Merit Merit in Dance and Physical Education
Annabelle Brown	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Physical Education, Drama and English Merit in Dance and Psychology **WHS Cup for Excellence in Sports Science (joint winner)** **Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award**
Carrie Bullmore	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Biology, Cambridge Algebra, Cambridge Statistics, Chemistry, Drama, English and Physics
Ruby Bullock	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Health and Physical Education
Rilee Burnett-Ross	Diploma with Merit Distinction in History and Hospitality Merit in Classical Studies, English, French, Probability & Statistics and Psychology **Ewing Cup for History**
Tristan Cairncross	Diploma
Lily Camp	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Hospitality Merit in Chemistry, Economics, and Psychology
Ella Campbell	Merit in Physical Education

Shiloh Campbell	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Physical Education, Sport & Exercise and Tourism Merit in English, Geography and Mathematics
Eason Cao	Diploma
Lila Cavanagh	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Tourism
Riley Channings	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Automotive Engineering Merit in English and Health
Indie Chiles	Merit in Biology, Hospitality, Mathematics and Psychology
Caleb Christison	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Physics Merit in Accounting and Chemistry
Paige Conley	Diploma with Merit Merit in Physics
Francesca Cotter	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Dance, English, Photography and Psychology **WHS Dance Cup for Excellence in Dance** **Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award**
Jasmine Couper	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Photography, Hospitality and Probability & Statistics Merit in Art Design, Classical Studies and Digital Technology Media **Sleyer Cup for Photography**
Zoe Couper	Diploma with Merit Merit in Dance and Psychology
Te Rina Coveny	Diploma Distinction in Te Reo Māori Merit in Art Painting and Physical Education
Remy Cowper	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Drama
Liam Cox	Diploma Merit in Outdoor Education and Sport & Exercise
Cody Croot	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Automotive Engineering, English and Outdoor Education Merit in Trigonometry & Algebra
Raki Damme-Arachchige	Diploma

Cody Davidson	Diploma with Merit Merit in Building & Construction and Vocational Health **New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills**
Mac Davidson	Diploma
Troy Davidson	Diploma Merit in Building & Construction
Mikaere Davis	Diploma Merit in Māori Performing Arts
Djembe Davy	Diploma with Merit Distinction in French and Probability & Statistics Merit in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Trigonometry & Algebra
Sireli Delai	Merit in Tourism
Sofia Delvai	Diploma with Merit Merit in Biology and Discover New Zealand
Emily Dempsey	Diploma with Merit Merit in Hospitality
Willow Denman	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Photography Merit in Biology and Health
Jannis Dobler	Diploma with Merit Merit in Discover New Zealand
Leith Dorricott	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in English, Digital Technology Media, Economics and Geography Merit in Digital Technology Science and Physics **WHS Cup for Best in English**
Joseph Dudson	Diploma with Merit Merit in Building & Construction, English and Technology Engineering
Lulu Dufty	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Chinese, Drama and English Merit in Cambridge Statistics **Confucius Prize for Chinese** **Wilkie Cup for Excellence in Languages** **Chinese Bridge Trophy: 1st in Oceania, Top Five in World, Chinese Bridge Speech Competition**
Tristan Dunn	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Technology Engineering Merit in Electronics

Grace Eastabrook	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Biology, Chemistry, English and Geography Merit in Cambridge Algebra and Physics **WHS Cup for Excellence in Biology** **Thomas Cup for Excellence in Chemistry**
Aria Edmonds	Diploma with Merit Merit in Geography and Outdoor Education
Jay Edmonds	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Hospitality
Ruby Ferris	Diploma with Merit Merit in Hospitality
Chloe Flis-Mallett	Merit in English, Hospitality and Mathematics
Christian Foe	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Hospitality and Mathematics Merit in Accounting, English and Te Reo Māori
Steven Forsyth	Diploma Distinction in Technology Engineering Merit in Automotive Engineering and Building & Construction **McDonald Tradezone Whanganui Towing Industrial Prize**
Astyn Fothergill	Diploma with Merit Merit in English and Tourism
Roine Fuaava Perofeta	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Printmaking Merit in English, Health and International English **Y12 English Immersion Prize**
Rome Gearry	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Vocational Health Merit in English, Vocational Employment Skills and Vocational Mathematics **Gregory Cup for Excellence in Vocational Studies**
Bradan Gheel	Diploma with Merit Distinction in English Merit in French, History and Psychology
Lola Gibbs	Diploma with Merit Merit in Te Reo Māori
Jayde Gill	Merit in Vocational Employment Skills and Vocational Health
Jaydana Gilsenan	Diploma with Merit Merit in English

Jesse Glasgow	Merit in Hospitality, Photography and Physical Education
Max Gordon	Diploma with Merit Merit in English and Technology
Nora Gottschall	Diploma with Merit
Bobby Graham	Distinction in Geography and Psychology
Lousheanna Green	Distinction in Te Reo Māori Merit in L3 Te Reo Māori **Taumata Tuarua Taonga for Merit in Te Reo Māori**
Amy Gregory	Distinction in Photography Merit in Hospitality
Benedikt Greiff	Diploma with Merit
Mruh Gurung	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Biology Merit in Chemistry
Marshall Hammonds	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Physics Merit in Outdoor Education, Probability & Statistics and Technology Engineering
Caralie Hanna	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Painting Merit in Chemistry and Psychology
Liv Hardy	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Probability & Statistics Merit in English and Physical Education
Harvey Harris	Diploma
Karel Harris	Merit in Vocational Employment Skills
Romin Hawley	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Sport & Exercise and Tourism Merit in Dance and Trigonometry & Algebra
Dylan Hedley	Diploma with Merit Merit in Electronics
Lily Kowhai Henshaw	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Accounting, Cambridge Statistics, Chemistry and Physics Merit in Cambridge Algebra, Hospitality and L3 English

Chanel Hepi-Martin	Diploma with Merit Merit in Hospitality and Physical Education
Clara Herbert	Distinction in Art Painting
Josie Herrick	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Printmaking, Electronics and English Merit in Chemistry and Physics **Marty Vreede Cup for Printmaking Excellence** **Glaister Cup for Excellence in Electronics**
Ellie Hewer	Diploma with Merit Merit in Design & Visual Communication, Probability & Statistics and Psychology
Merlin Heymann	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Digital Technology Science and L3 Digital Technology Media Merit in Art Design, Psychology, Spanish and Trigonometry & Algebra **WHS Digital Technology Cup**
Ava Higgins	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Geography, Design & Visual Communication, English, Psychology and Trigonometry & Algebra Merit in Accounting and Economics **WHS Hunter Trophy for Geography**
Aria Hill	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Dance and English Merit in French
Max Hill	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Automotive Engineering and Photography Merit in Electronics and Outdoor Education **McDonald Tradezone Whanganui Towing Prize for Top Automotive Engineering Student**
Lizzie Hine	Diploma with Merit Merit in Drama
Cooper Hiscox	Diploma Merit in Building & Construction and Electronics
Kyan Hoekstra	Diploma with Merit Merit in Mathematics
Zoe Hollard	Distinction in Classical Studies and English
Jesper Holtmann	Diploma with Merit
Samuel Hooker	Diploma with Merit

Paul Horster	Diploma with Merit
Connor Hoyle	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Vocational Employment Skills Merit in Technology Engineering
Moxxie Humphries	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Design and Photography Merit in Music
Eden Hutchings	Diploma Merit in Biology and Economics **New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills**
Sophia Jansa	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Biology, Chemistry, English and Psychology Merit in Cambridge Algebra, Cambridge Statistics and Physics
Kim-Alexa Jatzwauk	Diploma with Merit
Xavier Jefferies	Diploma Merit in English and Sport & Exercise
Ananya Jijo	Diploma with Merit Merit in Biology and Drama
Ben Johnson	Diploma with Merit Merit in Building & Construction and Outdoor Education
Aaria Joseph	Diploma with Merit Merit in Chemistry, Mathematics and Outdoor Education
Logan Joubert	Diploma with Merit Merit in Building & Construction, Hospitality and Technology
Nicole Kanosvamhira	Diploma with Merit
Jeila Katene-Fata	Diploma with Merit Merit in Māori Performing Arts, Sport & Exercise and Te Reo Māori
Samantha Kenny	Diploma
Cooper Kiff	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Technology and Building & Construction Merit in Electronics, Mathematics and Technology Engineering **Technology Department Cup for Best Year 12 Technology Student**
Nathan King	Diploma Distinction in Vocational Employment Skills Merit in Vocational Mathematics

Amelia Kirk	Distinction in Outdoor Education Merit in Art Painting
Luke Kirk	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Biology, English and Probability & Statistics Merit in Physics, Psychology and Spanish
Aylah Knight	Diploma Merit in English
Ann-Sophie Kollmeier	Diploma with Merit
Lina Kolthoff	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Discover New Zealand
Mario Kopua-Ihaia	Diploma with Merit Merit in Accounting and Te Reo Māori
Maxi Krischollek	Diploma with Merit
Vristi Kumar	Diploma with Merit Distinction in English Merit in Chemistry, Probability & Statistics and Psychology
Caitlin Lambert	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in English, Geography, Probability & Statistics and Psychology Merit in Chemistry and Photography
Alyssa Laurie	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Health Merit in Physical Education and Psychology
Lina Lauwers	Diploma with Excellence Merit in Discover New Zealand
Shelby Lee	Merit in Health and Physical Education
Kyra Leylander-Turia	Diploma with Merit Merit in Health, Māori Performing Arts, Sport & Exercise and Te Reo Māori
Mikayla Lindsay	Diploma with Merit Distinction in English Merit in Art Design, Design & Visual Communication and Geography
Ida Link	Diploma with Merit
Ross Llaneta	Diploma with Merit Merit in Chemistry and Technology Engineering

Caleb Loader	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Dance, Design & Visual Communication, English and Geography Merit in Physics
Harper Lowe	Diploma Merit in Technology Engineering
Kaelan Lyon	Diploma with Merit Merit in Drama, English and Photography
Olive Marryatt	Distinction in Spanish
James Marshall	Diploma
Pieta Martin	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Painting and Hospitality Merit in Biology, Design & Visual Communication, English, Probability & Statistics and Psychology
Maddison Marwick	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Dance Merit in Art Painting, English and Tourism
Hayato Matsushima	Diploma with Merit Merit in Art Painting
Salvador Mazzieri	Diploma with Merit Distinction in English Merit in Geography
Siobhan McDonough	Diploma with Merit Merit in English, Physical Education, Technology and Tourism
Jake McKechnie	Diploma Distinction in Building & Construction Merit in Photography and Technology Engineering
Chevy Metekingi	Distinction in Sport & Exercise Merit in Progressive Digital Literacy
William Milligan	Merit in Automotive Engineering
Tiori Monteith	Diploma with Merit Merit in Dance, Drama and English
Alexander Moore	Diploma
Hellaina Moran	Diploma with Merit Merit in English
Lucy Morgan	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Music and Geography Merit in Biology, Dance, Photography and Probability & Statistics **Y12 Music Prize** **Jones Cup for Excellence in Music Performance**

Sagele Muao	Diploma
Marshall Munro	Diploma with Merit
Owen Murphy	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Electronics, Cambridge Algebra, Physics and Cambridge Statistics Merit in Music **Principal's Cup for Excellence in Electronics**
Sienna Murray	Diploma with Merit Merit in Economics, Geography and Outdoor Education
Sachie Narita	Diploma with Merit
Alex Nesbit	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Accounting, Psychology, Cambridge Algebra, Cambridge Statistics, Economics, English and L3 Physics **Principal's Cup for Excellence in Physics** **Bartrum Cup for Excellence in Mathematics** **WHS Trophy for Excellence in Psychology**
Lemon Nguyen	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Art Design, Photography and Trigonometry & Algebra Merit in English **Coombs Cup for Design** **John Innes Cup for Most Promising Art Student** **Commended Certificate: Wynne Costley Research Essay Awards**
Charlotte Norton	Diploma with Merit Merit in English
Stevie O'Neill	Merit in Health
Zana Oberholzer	Diploma with Merit Merit in Hospitality
Dulcie-Jean Paikea	Diploma with Merit Distinction in English and Biology Merit in Art Painting, Cambridge Statistics, Chemistry and Psychology **WHS Cup for Excellence in English**
Reegan Payne	Diploma with Merit Merit in Outdoor Education, Photography and Probability & Statistics
Kade Peat-Tamati	Diploma with Merit Merit in Māori Performing Arts
Sam Penwarden	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Economics, Cambridge Algebra, Digital Technology Science, English and L3 Physics **Year 12 Economics Prize**

Thomas Perrett	Diploma with Merit Merit in English and Outdoor Education **New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills**
Alicia Phillips	Merit in English, Hospitality and Mathematics
TK Plumridge	Merit in Building & Construction
Vitou Poch	Diploma
Leonardo Polini	Diploma with Merit
Merc Ponga	Diploma with Merit
Isabella Poucher	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Photography Merit in Art Painting, Classical Studies and Design & Visual Communication
Marie Povolna	Diploma with Merit Merit in English
Prestyn Puohotaua	Diploma
Theja Raghav	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Biology and Probability & Statistics Merit in International English and Psychology
Hassan Raheel	Diploma with Merit Merit in English
Hazel Rains	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Chemistry and Sport & Exercise Merit in Biology, Fashion Design and Hospitality
Makere Ranginui	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Māori Performing Arts and Tourism Merit in Dance, English, Physical Education and Te Reo Māori
Hezekyah Raston	Merit in Sport & Exercise
Jahrae Rerekura-Hopkins	Diploma Merit in Māori Performing Arts and Sport & Exercise
Ngakuru Reynolds	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Physical Education and Outdoor Education Merit in Photography **WHS Cup for Excellence in Sports Science (joint winner)**
Millie Richardson	Diploma with Merit Merit in Psychology
Martha Rosenbohm	Diploma with Excellence

Becky Roy	Diploma with Merit Merit in Art Painting, Biology, Drama, History and Mathematics
Liam Rugg	Diploma with Merit
Destinee Sandhu	Diploma with Merit Merit in Health
Katelyn Sandlant	Merit in Health
Mason Schipper	Diploma with Merit Merit in Cambridge Algebra, Cambridge Statistics and Electronics
Hunter Schofield	Diploma with Merit Merit in Vocational Food and Vocational Health
Konstantin Selonke	Diploma with Merit
Ella Simpson	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Dance, Drama, Hospitality and Outdoor Education Merit in Photography
Lucas Simpson	Diploma Distinction in Technology Merit in English
Leighton Slaughter	Diploma with Merit Merit in Outdoor Education
Indiana Slovak	Diploma with Merit
Hollie Smith	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Art Painting, Music and Photography Merit in English
Molly-May Smith-Hogg	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Photography Merit in English, Mathematics and Tourism
Logan Snyder	Diploma with Merit Merit in English
Koreana Spieth	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Discover New Zealand, L3 French and L3 German Merit in Biology **WHS Deutsch Pokal Trophy for German**
Hunter Standen	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Building & Construction Merit in Art Painting **Technology Department Trophy for Excellence in Building & Construction**

Mateja Stanic	Diploma with Merit Merit in Outdoor Education and Photography
Zita Strobel	Diploma with Merit
Johnny Stöhr	Diploma
Javanah Tait	Diploma Merit in Art Painting and Māori Performing Arts
Sasara Takehara	Diploma with Merit Distinction in International English and Trigonometry & Algebra **Kaye Clyde Memorial Cup for Most Improved ESOL**
Charmony Tang	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Health Merit in Mathematics
Kanika Tang	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Mathematics Merit in Health and Psychology
Micah Taunton	Diploma with Excellence Distinction in Design & Visual Communication, Art Design, L3 English and L3 Digital Technology Media Merit in Photography and Trigonometry & Algebra **WHS Writer's Cup** **BSM Group Architects Cup for Excellence in Design & Visual Communication** **Excellence Certificate: 1st Place, Wynne Costley Research Essay Awards**
Jade Taurua	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Māori Performing Arts and Te Reo Māori Merit in Mathematics
Vanessa Taylor	Diploma with Merit Merit in Art Painting and Classical Studies
Aimee Tetzlaff	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Technology Engineering Merit in Geography and Trigonometry & Algebra **Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award**
Taane Thom	Diploma with Merit Merit in Te Reo Māori
Finn Thomas	Diploma with Merit
Ciaran Thompson	Diploma with Merit Merit in English, Mathematics, Progressive Digital Literacy and L1 Progressive Communication
Auguz Thongskul	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Physical Education

Ofu Toafa	Diploma with Merit
Violet Tofa	Distinction in Art Painting Merit in Mathematics and Physics
Ethan Toy	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Outdoor Education Merit in Sport & Exercise
Sophie Toyne	Diploma Merit in Music
Gyeovan Tumayan	Diploma with Merit Merit in English, Health and Mathematics
Nisha Verma	Diploma with Merit Merit in Drama and Psychology
Taylah Waitokia	**Buttars Cup for Excellence in Y12 Girls' Sport**
Brydon Wason	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Digital Technology Media Merit in Digital Technology Science, Economics, English, Geography and Physics
Carter Watkins-Oxtoby	Diploma with Merit Merit in Sport & Exercise and Technology Engineering **New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills**
Connor Welch	Diploma with Merit Merit in Cambridge Statistics and Physics
Paetaumata Wharakura	Distinction in Te Reo Māori **Taumata Tuarua Taonga for Distinction in Te Reo Māori**
Maddi Williams	Diploma Merit in English
Lincon Wilson	Diploma
Ashton Winter	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Māori Performing Arts and Sport & Exercise Merit in Te Reo Māori **Brown Cup for Excellence in Y12 Boys' Sport**
Danica Woods	Diploma with Merit Merit in Drama
Shokuro Yamada	Diploma with Merit Distinction in Cambridge Statistics

Isabell Yarrall	Diploma with Merit Merit in Tourism
Vicky Ye	Diploma with Merit Merit in Chinese
Ainsley Zeng	Diploma with Merit Merit in Chinese

CULTURAL AWARDS

These trophies and certificates were presented at the Cultural Awards on 21 October 2026

Francesca Cotter	Pond Trophy for Excellence in Dance (Performance)
Romin Hawley	WHS Cup for Outstanding Supporting Contribution to Dance - Male
Caleb Loader	WHS Cup for Outstanding Contribution to Dance - Male
Kaelan Lyon	WHS Cup for Outstanding Supporting Contribution to Drama - Male
Owen Murphy	Holt Cup for Contribution to Performing Arts Technology

EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES

Alexander Moore	Secondary School Art Awards Finalist
Ella Simpson	2nd in Year 12 Solo, Dance NZ Made Regional
Francesca Cotter	1st in Year 12 Solo, Dance NZ Made Regional 1st in Open Duo/Trio, Dance NZ Made Regional
Aria Hill Francesca Cotter Caleb Loader	1st Place Open Team & 2nd Overall Team, Dance NZ Made Regional – 'Use Somebody'
Aria Hill Caleb Loader	3rd in Year 11-13 Duo/Trio & 3rd Overall Duo/Trio, Dance NZ Made Regional
Caleb Loader	2nd in Year 11-13 Duo/Tio & 2nd Overall Duo/Trio, Dance NZ Made Regional
Maddison Marwick	1st in Year 11-13 Duo/Trio & 1st Overall Duo/Trio, Dance NZ Made Regional
Annabelle Brown Francesca Cotter Zoe Couper Aria Hill Caleb Loader Maddison Marwick Lucy Mogan Ella Simpson	1st in Year 11-13 Team, Dance NZ Made Regional – 'Sexy Back'

Hunter Standen	Highly Commended, NZCT District Chamber Music Contest – 'No Strings Attached' 2nd Overall Band, 1st in March at the Halt, 1st in Concert Programme, Central Districts Brass Band Contest – 'Brass Whanganui Concert Brass'
Lucy Morgan	Best Performance of a NZ Work, Highly Commended, NZCT District Chamber Music Contest – 'The Ghost Notes' 2nd in U19 Junior Percussion, Central Districts Brass Band Competition
Marshall Hammonds	1st in March at the Halt, 1st in Concert Programme, Central Districts Brass Band Competition – 'Brass Whanganui'
Sophie Toyne	1st in Solo/Duo & Smokefree Best Vocals, Smokefree Rockquest Regional
WHS Showquest – '901: Echoes of Erebus"	1st Place, Showquest Manawatū – Best Story, Excellence in Composition & Lighting Design, Recognition in Art & Culture

NATIONAL EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES

Jasmine Couper	Finalist in the National Youth Art Awards
Hunter Standen	Champion D Grade Band, NZ Brass Band National Championships 21st in U19 Slow Melody, NZ Brass Band National Championships 6th in U19 Horn (Tenor Horn), NZ Brass Band National Championships
Sophie Toyne	Smokefree Best Vocals Award, Solo/Duo, Smokefree Rockquest National Final
WHS Showquest – '901: Echoes of Erebus'	2nd Place, Showquest Nationals – Excellence in Original Composition and Art

EXCELLENCE TIES ENDORSED

Hunter Standen	2nd in U19 Ensemble, NZ Brass Band National Championships 2nd in U19 Junior Horn, NZ Brass Band National Championships
Lucy Morgan	2nd in U19 Percussion, NZ Brass Band National Championships National Secondary Schools Brass Band - Percussion

SPECIAL CULTURAL AWARD

Lucy Morgan	WHS Brown Family Cup for Co-Curricular Involvement in the Cultural Life of the School

SPORTS AWARDS

These trophies were presented at the Sports Awards held on 15 October 2026

Anguz Thongskul	Phillips Cup for Athletic Field Events
Ainsley Zeng	Wanganui Badminton Association Cup for Girls' Champion
Ashton Winter	Dawson Cup for the Most Valuable Senior Boy in Basketball
EthanToy	United Cricket Cup for Bowling Eric Head Cup for Excellence in Cricket
Amelia Kirk	Green Family Cup for Most Improved Girls' Hockey Player
Lulu Dufty	WHS Old Girls' Netball Cup for Most Improved Player
Annabelle Brown	WHS Trophy for Outstanding Attacking Player in Netball
Bailey Barnett	Rowing Club WHS Trophy for Most Outstanding Female Rower
Bailey Barnett Dulcie-Jean Paikea Millie Richardson	The WHS Rowing Club Cup for the Most Outstanding Girls' Crew – U16 Coxed Quad
Joseph Dudson Logan Joubert Ross Llaneta	The Chris Harris Cup for the Most Outstanding Boys' Crew – U17 Coxed Quad
Ashton Winter	Kaierau Rugby Club Cup for Most Valuable Player 1st XV
Leonardo Polini	The Webb Trophy for Male Snow Skiing
Zita Strobel	The Amer Trophy for Female Snow Skiing
Lincon Wilson	The WHS Senior Softball Cup for Best All Rounder Male
Taylah Waitokia	The WHS Senior Softball Cup for Best All Rounder Female
Paige Conley	WHS Challenge Trophy for the Most Outstanding Female Swimmer
Salvador Mazzieri	Gray Payne Cup for Most Outstanding Male Swimmer

EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATE

Aria Hill	NZ Target Shooting Junior Team

EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATE ENDORSED

Taylah Waitokia	NZ Softball Junior White Sox Development Team

EXCELLENCE TIES

Millie Richardson Dulcie-Jean Paikea	U16 Girls' Rowing Coxed Quad – National Title
Joseph Dudson	U17 Boys' Rowing Coxed Quad and Double – National Titles
Logan Joubert Ross Llaneta	U17 Boys' Rowing Coxed Quad – National Title
Paige Conley	NZ Youth Swim Team – 5 National Titles

EXCELLENCE TIE ENDORSED

Bailey Barnett	U16 Girls' Rowing Coxed Quad - National Title

BLUE

Ross Llaneta	Philippines U19 Rowing Team

SPECIAL SPORTS AWARDS

Joseph Dudson Logan Joubert Ross Llaneta	Whanganui High School Team of the Year – Boys' U17 Coxed Quad
Paige Conley	The Principal's Cup for the Most Outstanding Sporting Achievement

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S HILLARY AWARDS

Annabelle Brown	Silver Award
Bailey Barnett	Silver Award
Aimee Tetzlaff	Silver Award
Francesca Cotter	Silver Award

SPECIAL AWARDS

WHS CHAMPION HOUSE

Maunga

PRINCIPAL'S ACADEMIC AWARDS

Abraham Beer

Conor Brodie

Carrie Bullmore

Francesca Cotter

Leith Dorricott

Grace Eastabrook

Lily Kowhai Henshaw

Ava Higgins

Sophia Jansa

Caitlin Lambert

Caleb Loader

Owen Murphy

Alex Nesbit

Sam Penwarden

Ella Simpson

Micah Taunton

WHS CUP FOR ALL ROUND EXCELLENCE IN YEAR 12

Dulcie-Jean Paikea

AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL ANTHEM

E Ihoa Atua
O nga iwi matou ra
Ata whakarongona
Me aroha noa

Kia hua ko te pai
Kia tau to atawhai
Manaakitia mai
Aotearoa

God of nations at thy feet
In the bonds of love we meet
Hear our voices we entreat
God defend our free land.

Guard Pacific's triple star
From the shafts of strife and war
Make her praises heard afar
God defend New Zealand

In its 69th year, Whanganui High School thanks you for supporting its Senior Prizegiving.

The Prizegiving celebrates the success of Whanganui High School students and staff during 2026.

Your support for the students of Whanganui High School is highly valued.