

# STAR BOARD

SMCS

TRINITY SCHOOLS  
ST MATTHEW'S

Term Three, Week Four

## Principal's Message



Kia ora koutou,

Too often I hear as a reaction or more a reluctance to change this phrase “well we have always done in that way”. The reality is change is constant; yesterday has gone and will change into today; today will be over at midnight and change into tomorrow and all the while I have aged and therefore changed.

Change happens rightly or wrongly and we must pivot to adapt to these changes. The other day the Minister of Education, Hon Erica Stanford, announced a proposal to replace NCEA with a new qualification pathway that is “more credible, coherent, and consistent – so that students leave school with qualifications that reflect their skills and knowledge, and set them up well for work, training, or further study.” This proposal is a response to evidence that NCEA is not working as it was intended. Your views on this proposal are incredibly important. Consultation is now open until 15 September, and I strongly encourage you to read the proposal I sent on Monday and share your feedback.

[Consultation on proposal to replace NCEA – Ministry of Education](#)

### What generative AI is

**Generative artificial intelligence (GenAI)** refers to a category of tools that can produce new content.

While **artificial intelligence (AI)** has been part of everyday technology for some time—like predictive text or voice assistants—**Generative AI** represents a significant evolution and is becoming increasingly accessible through a range of free and paid tools.

As our school begins to consider how AI might be used in teaching, learning, and administration, the information below provides a helpful introduction to support discussion around **policy development and acceptable use guidelines**.

[Generative AI – Ministry of Education](#)

### Things my staff have shared with me that I want to share with you...

There are times I say things that hit the right chord with people around me – I know right? I am no philosopher but 41 years and counting in the secondary and composite teaching profession, 35 years and counting as a parent and grandparent, a whole lot of years and counting on the planet- well you learn some profound stuff so I choose to share those profundities with my nearest and my dearest- daily. They love it :\  
or :/

Because I work with people who know how I roll and roll with me, they share thoughts with me (sometimes even crediting me with the wisdom of the words) so I want to share them with you as we raise these young people together- a massive and important job.

This share is by A.Moin who is credited with writing this and by jingo it rings true that “ the greatest lesson we can teach a child is to show up when they are not motivated. To do their homework when they are bored. To be kind when they are angry. To keep a promise when they are tired. This is how you build character. This is how you build a life. Do not just raise a child who is in touch with their feelings. Raise a child who is in command of their actions. One is the passenger. The other is the pilot.”

### ERO is here in week 10

The purpose of ERO (Education Review Office) school visits is to support continuous improvement in teaching and learning so that all students, especially priority learners, can experience success. Rather than just focusing on compliance, ERO partners with schools to identify strengths, highlight areas for growth, and guide strategic development. Through a collaborative and developmental approach—particularly under the Te Ara Huarau review model—ERO helps build school capability, strengthen leadership, and ensure that education is equitable, effective, and responsive to learners’ needs. These visits also provide transparency and assurance to whānau and communities about the quality of education being delivered.

As always have a great and safe weekend while continuing to be your best selves.

Ngā Mihi



## ST MATTHEW'S COLLEGIATE (MASTERTON) PARENT BOARD ELECTION DECLARATION OF RESULTS



### NAME

Holder, Rachel

Smith, Ian

Lincoln, Andrew

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

### NAME

Holder, Rachel

Smith, Ian

Lincoln, Andrew

Signed,

Schooled Limited  
Returning Officer



# Boarding Note



Photo 1: Nell (Tutor) with Katelyn and Annebelle on the Main House stairs.



Photo 2: Past and present boarding staff gathering



What's on the menu this week?



Launch the Camera App and aim your camera at the QR Code to scan it.



This week we celebrated NZ Boarding week which has been lots of fun. There have been staff vs student table tennis matches, hot chips for afternoon tea from the Caterplus food truck, year level pizza nights, boarding tours, a boarding assembly, the first Kai Council hui and today we welcomed past and present boarding staff back to St Matthew's for morning tea and a chat about all things boarding. Any given week in boarding is generally busy but this week was next level!

A huge thank you to our boarding staff, tutors, catering team, minivan drivers, and cleaners for their contribution to boarding at St Matthew's. Boarding could not function without you.

Best wishes to all our Pent sports teams who are competing in Hawkes Bay this weekend.

Ngā mihi.  
Jo

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>SNR Pent</b></p> <p><b>Badminton</b> 3:30pm-4:30pm @SMS gym.</p> <p><b>Hockey Training @Clareville</b> 1<sup>st</sup> XI – no training.</p> <p><b>Hockey Matches</b> SMS Stars vs Solway College 3rd XI. 4:15pm @Trust House Turf. Van leaves 3:30pm. Pick up 5:15pm. SMS Development vs Solway 1st XI . 5:30pm @Trust House Turf. Van leaves 4:30pm. Pick up 6:30pm.</p> <p><b>Football Training @SMS</b> 3:30pm-4:45pm. 1<sup>st</sup> XI with Matt – no training. Saints with Esmae &amp; Guy. Stars with Mrs Wallace-Seitshiro.</p> <p><b>Netball Training @SMS</b> Primary A 3.30pm-4.30pm. Primary 7s 3.30pm-4.30pm. Junior Green 3.45pm-4.45pm.</p> <p><b>Squash</b> Red Star Squash Club. Van departs 3.20pm. Pick up 4.30pm.</p>	<p><b>Rifle Shooting</b> Van departs 6.15pm. Pickup at 7:30pm and 8:30pm.</p> <p><b>Hockey Training</b> Primary 7s Gold: 1:20pm-2pm @SMS. 1<sup>st</sup> XI: 5pm-6pm @SMS. Seniors: 6:30pm-7:30pm @Clareville.</p> <p><b>Football Matches</b> SMS Strikers vs Chanel XI @ SMS 3:45 SMS Saints vs Kuranui Blue @Kuranui 3:45. Van leaves 3:15pm</p> <p><b>Netball Matches @MNC</b> Primary Green vs Lakeview Emeralds. Court 6 @4pm. Van leaves 3:25pm. Pick up 5pm. Primary Gold vs Nga Whetu. Court 4 @5pm. Van leaves 4:25pm. Pick up 6pm. Primary A vs Featherston Black. Court 1 @6pm. Van leaves 5:25pm.</p> <p><b>Netball Training</b> JNR Black 3.40pm-4.40pm (½ court). SMS Pink 3.30pm-4.30pm (outside).</p> <p><b>Fitness Gym</b> Yr 7-13 from 3:15pm-4:45pm. Supervised by Mrs Wallace-Seitshiro. Assistance to learn how to work out effectively.</p>	<p><b>Boxing</b> 6:30am-7:15am. Meet in front of Main House at 6:20am.</p> <p><b>Running Club</b> Meet 1:05pm @SMS Gym with Ms Borland &amp; Nell. All abilities welcome. Eat lunch after.</p> <p><b>Football Match</b> 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Paraparaumu College 1<sup>st</sup> XI. 4:15pm @Ascot Park. Van leaves 1:15pm from Rathkeale and SMS. Return 7pm approx.</p> <p><b>Netball Training @SMS</b> SMS 11s 3.30pm-4.30pm (½ court). SMS Gold 3.30pm-4.45pm (½ court). SMS Development 5:30pm-7:30pm (full court).</p> <p><b>Hockey Training</b> Primary 7s Green 3:30-4pm @SMS. SMS Stars 4-5pm @SMS. Development 4-5pm @Clareville. Van departs 3:40pm. Pick up 5pm.</p>	<p><b>Hockey Match</b> 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs PNGHS 1st XI. Details TBC</p> <p><b>Football Training</b> Primary: 1:20pm-2pm.</p> <p><b>Football Match</b> Primary Ferns vs MIS Whero @ SMS 3:45pm.</p> <p><b>Netball Training @SMS</b> Yr12 Social 1:20pm-1:55pm (outside). Junior Silver 3:30pm-4:30pm (½ court inside). Junior Yellow 3.30pm-4.30pm (outside). SMS Stars 3.30pm-4.30pm (½ court inside). Primary 8s 3:30pm-4:30pm (outside). SNR A 5:30pm-7:30pm (inside).</p> <p><b>Squash</b> Red Star Squash Club. Van departs 3.20pm. Pick up 4.30pm.</p> <p><b>Fitness Gym</b> Yr 7-13 from 3:15pm-4:45pm. Supervised by Mrs Wallace-Seitshiro. Assistance to learn how to work out effectively.</p>	<p><b>Strength &amp; Conditioning</b> 1<sup>st</sup> XI Football S&amp;C: 6:15am-7am @SMS gym with Mrs Shearing.</p> <p><b>Hockey Matches @Clareville</b> SMS Green vs Kia Kaha Pango @4pm. Van leaves 3:15pm. SMS 8s vs Lakeview Remutaka @4pm. Van leaves 3:15pm. SMS Gold vs Hadlow Penguins @6:30pm.</p> <p><b>Netball Matches @MNC</b> Draw TBC. Check Netball Wairarapa website for updates.</p> <p><b>Netball Matches @MNC</b> Draw TBC. Check Netball Wairarapa website for updates.</p>	<p><b>Netball Matches @MNC</b> Draw TBC. Check Netball Wairarapa website for updates.</p>

**Blue highlight** – Info tbc

## Sport Results T3 Wk3

### Hockey

SMS Seniors vs Kuranui: 3-2 to Kuranui

SMS Development vs WaiCol Development: 4-1 to SMS

SM Stars: Default

SMS 1st XI vs Feilding High School: 4-1 to SMS

SMS Primary Teams - Cancelled

### Rifle Shooting

Emily Wasson: 64.0 Charlotte Macauley: 90.1 and 92.3

Grace Jaspers: 78

Audrey Hall: 97.4 and 94.2

### Football

All local football was postponed due to weather

1st XI vs Wellington easy girls colleges 2nds :

3-1 to wegc

### Netball

SMS Snr A vs Carterton Maroon: 48-37 to SMS 13

SMS Development vs Greytown: 13-27 to Greytown

SMS Gold vs Kuranui Senior Blue:23-14 to SMS

SMS Yr 13 Social vs WaiCol Senior C: 28-19

SMS Silver vs WaiCol Junior Blue: 19-8 to WC

SMS Stars vs Chanel Development: 20-18 to SMS

SMS 11s vs WaiCol Junior Green: 12-9 to WC

SMS Jnr Yellow vs SMS Jnr Green: 21-7 to SMS

SMS Jnr Black vs WaiCol Junior Yellow: 16-21 to WC

SMS Jnr Pink vs Solway Junior White: 10-8 to Solway

## NZSS Squash

NZSS Squash was held in Wellington over the weekend. St Matthews Collegiate was represented by Sophie Sweeney, Gabriella Nicholson, Annabelle de Groot, Sarah Kirkup, Samantha Campbell and Eden McCreary. Although they lost their seeding in the first round, the team fought hard every match, improving and growing as a team. Thank you, Marco de Groot for your dedication and enthusiasm. The team is lucky to have you as their coach. Also, a big thanks to the supporters who travelled over the hill to cheer on the team. Bring on 2026!



## Tuakana Teina Session

This week we had our second Tuakana Teina session with the Year 9 and 10's. Some year 12 and 13 health students came in and focused on the discussing the impact of peer pressure in regard to alcohol and the social life of teenagers.

Beside is a lovely photo of our young and old students.



For our Year 13 business class we have had to make our own business and make a product which we can produce, market and sell. Our business is called Simply Soaps where we are making bars of soap. We have used two types of soap base one is kawakawa and the other is shea butter. We have three different scents which are vanilla, caramel and aloe. We are selling these at \$7 each. We are selling through our Instagram account so please go give us a follow.

Instagram: simply\_soaps  
Thank you,  
Maddy, Jorja and Georgie

## School App

If you are new to St Matthew's Collegiate, or have yet to download, please follow the link to install our school app <https://schoolappsnz.co.nz/install>

For current families, please update your subscription groups by clicking on the cog in the top right hand of the screen. It will take you to the groups for you to change.



# Cadenza

Kia Ora Koutou, many of you will be aware that Schola Cantorum is heading to Whanganui for the Lower North Island National Cadenza Competition this weekend. We would love to have some support in the audience at this event so if you are near Whanganui and would like to come and support us, we will perform our first recital at the Whanganui Opera House in the Sunday (10th) morning session which runs from 11am-12:15pm. We will perform our second recital on Monday (11th) in the second session which runs from 11:45am-1pm. These sessions are open to the public for \$5 at the door. The Gala performance is on Monday (11th) evening starting at 7pm and tickets can be purchased online from this website:

<https://rwoh.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/152232>



Hope to see you there!



## Senior College Bartending Course

Some of our senior college girls attended a bartending course this week. Learning how to serve alcohol responsibly. Students will understand characteristics of popular alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages served in bars and restaurants, and how to serve customers in different licensed premises.

*No alcohol is used on this course; however, alcohol types and their uses are discussed.*



## Important Vaccination Information for Parents/Caregivers



The public health nurse team will be visiting the school to give the second and final dose of the HPV vaccine to Year 7 students. This applies only to students who received their first dose at school and whose parents/caregivers have provided consent.

If you have reconsidered vaccinating your child, experienced a change in circumstances, or have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the public health team **at least 24 hours** before the scheduled vaccination date.

You can reach us via email at [res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz](mailto:res-immunisation@huttvalleydhb.org.nz) or by phone at **04 587 2949** – please state your child's full name and the school that they attend.

### Important Vaccination Dates:

- HPV Dose 2 (Final Vaccination): 02/09/2025
- Please note: If your child is absent on these dates, a catch-up clinic will take place within **3 weeks** of the original vaccination date.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

# Karaitianatanga/Christianity Alive

This week our Mark of Mission is Tend and our Value is Compassion. These two things go together rather well, especially when you look at the Mark Tend in its fullest form – “to respond to human need in loving service.”

As you will have read, last week I spent my time in Christchurch at two different conferences, one of which was the Anglican Schools Conference for RE Teachers, Chaplains and Principals of Anglican Schools. One of the presentations we received at Christ’s College was from students from across the Anglican Schools of Christchurch speaking about what the Marks of Mission meant to them and how they outworked them in their contexts. One that was particularly impressive and moving was Christ’s and St Margaret’s Colleges combined, where in the first week of their Christmas Holidays they ran a camp for students with various disabilities and special educational needs. Sixteen young students participated and each participant were supported by three college students as their buddies, 24 hours per day, for the whole weekend. Even though only 48 students got to be buddies, there were more than 200 applicants for the role. There were also a large number of staff who attended and served in this space. It was called, “Sony Camp.”

Supported by the Sony Foundation, this initiative was unbelievably beautiful. There is scope for us as a Trinity of Schools to replicated Sony Camp in our community – perhaps a goal for 2026?

Rev. Wendy



## FOOD BANK APPEAL

12 AUGUST 2025 ST MATTS AND RATHKEALE

### Things to bring?

Yr 7,8&9s- Canned foods. e.g. Beans, Spaghetti

Yr 10s- personal hygiene. e.g. Shampoo, conditioner

Yr 11s- Breakfast items. e.g. toast spreads, long-lasting milk

Yr 12s- Long lasting carbohydrates. e.g. rice pasta

Yr 13s- Personal hygiene items. e.g. soap, sanitary items

### non uniform day

where to bring food?

Rathkeale chapel  
&  
St Matts office



## TOURNAMENT WEEK FUNDRAISER

### Hot Chips

\$5 a pottle



THURSDAYS- 7<sup>TH</sup> AUG - 14<sup>TH</sup> AUG & 4<sup>TH</sup> SEP  
LUNCHTIME

Bring extra cash for sweets or baked goods

## Introducing the Trinity Schools Trust Board Strategic Plan 2025–2040

*Partnering in Faith, Learning, and Purpose*

Kia ora e te whānau

Trinity Schools Trust Board (TSTB) is the Proprietor of Hadlow Preschool, Hadlow Preparatory School, Saint Matthew's Collegiate School and Rathkeale College. We work closely with our schools to help them achieve outstanding educational outcomes for every child. We provide governance, leadership and strategy as owner of the schools, land and buildings in partnership with the Crown. TSTB is also responsible for ensuring the Special Character of our schools – an Anglican faith-based education, ethos, and philosophy.

In partnership with the School Boards, TSTB has developed a Strategic Plan that highlights how we aim to support and work with our schools now and in the future. It is called Strategic Plan 2025-2040, and you can find it here [www.trinityschools.nz/about](http://www.trinityschools.nz/about).

The landscape in which we teach, learn, and serve is going through a time of immense change. As we look ahead to 2040, we are asking the question: What do we need to lay down today (spiritually, culturally, structurally), to prepare our youngest learners for the world they will graduate to in 15 years' time?

Over the coming weeks, you will receive a short, anonymous survey. This is your invitation to speak to the future of our schools. We want to hear from you as current parents, past students, caregivers, staff, whānau, and friends. We want to understand what matters most to you. What drew you to Trinity? What do you treasure? What does Special Character schooling mean for you?

Your voice will help guide the way we nurture our Special Character, steward our resources, and shape our collective future. We also need to ensure we respect the unique identity of each school in our family.

Our vision is clear:

**Empowering students to thrive as holistic leaders, Trinity Schools will be a beacon of excellence in Aotearoa, elevating the spiritual, physical, social, cultural, and academic potential of our students and staff.**

This is the start of a deeper conversation. Thank you for your trust, partnership, and continued belief in the power of faith-integrated learning.

Ngā mihi

**Trinity Schools Trust Board**



# SMOGA Grant Now Open!

## Gretchen Williamson Excellence in Commerce Scholarship

Applications are now open for the Gretchen Williamson Excellence in Commerce Scholarship, available to Year 13 students intending to study Commerce at tertiary level. This prestigious scholarship offers \$5,000 in funding over two years, as well as mentorship from Gretchen Williamson — a leading financial adviser and St Matthew's Old Girl. Gretchen is passionate about supporting young women into careers in finance and investment. This scholarship is part of her ten-year commitment to helping close the wealth gap for women through education and opportunity.

Applications close on **24 October 2025**, with the recipient announced at Prizegiving in December.

For more information and to apply, visit <https://forms.gle/adGVwP9CMqPqpdvg7>



## Key Dates

- Saturday 2 August - Exeat Weekend
- Monday 4 August - NZ School Library Week
- Sunday 10 August - Big Sing Cadenza
- Sunday 10 August - Senior Quad

## 2025 Term Dates

- Term One** - Monday 27th January to Friday 11 April
- Term Two** - Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June
- Term Three** - Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September
- Term Four** - Monday 6th October to Saturday 6 December



## 2026 Senior College Subject Selection Information Evening

RATHKEALE COLLEGE DINING HALL  
FRIDAY 15 AUGUST, 3.30PM TO 5.30PM

All Yr11 and 12 Students, and their parents are encouraged to attend.

The purpose of the evening is to provide information about subjects which will be offered at Senior College in 2026.

Subject displays and staff will be present to answer any questions.

Careers information will be available and personnel from some tertiary institutions will be present.



[Facebook](#)

[Website](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[School Notices](#)

SCHOOL HOUSE  
1925 - 2025  
100 YEARS of HERITAGE



TRINITY SCHOOLS  
RATHKEALE  
COLLEGE

ORIGINAL SCHOOL HOUSE  
WELSH SLATE ROOF TILE

*A small number of original Welsh slate roof tiles were salvaged when School House was roofed some years ago.*

*For \$100, you can own a piece of history and art for your home or a memento for your child.*

*The tile is 500mm x 250mm and the design is laser etched with a choice of portrait or landscape orientation.*

*All proceeds will be for the landscaping works outside School House.*

Contact the office: 06 370 0175 or [office@rathkeale.school.nz](mailto:office@rathkeale.school.nz) to secure your piece of art.



Daffodil Day is the Cancer Society's most important fundraising event. It helps support New Zealanders living with cancer by funding research, support services, nurses, and transportation to treatment.



What's Happening at SMCS

- Yellow accessories day - On Friday, Week 7 (29th August), everyone will be expected to wear a yellow accessory.
- Every student at St Matthew's will be asked to bring \$5 as a donation. Please take this to the office, where your \$5 donation will be recorded by your name. You have until Friday, August 29, to do this.
- Bake Sales your year group has been set a date to bring baked goods that will be sold during morning tea and lunch. If you're keen to organise your year group's bake sale, email Amelia Didsbury. (More info to come)  
yr7/8 - 7<sup>th</sup> Aug, yr9 - 14<sup>th</sup> Aug, yr10 - 21<sup>st</sup> Aug, yr11 - 28<sup>th</sup> Aug.

As a school, let's get behind this. Every dollar raised helps fund treatments, supplies, free support services for families and hope for the future.



29th August 2025  
**DAFFODIL  
DAY**



Rathkeale College & St Matthew's Senior College



PRESENTS  
**An Evening of the Arts**



Featuring:  
Music, Fashion, Drama, Culture,  
Painting, Photography, Design, Dance

6.30 pm, 14th August 2025 Trust House Auditorium  
Koha entry. Refreshments available.

Epiphany Church  
**AROUND THE WORLD  
QUIZ NIGHT**



Hadlow School Hall  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September  
Doors open 6.00pm, quiz begins 6.30pm  
\$30 pp or \$240 per team (maximum of 8)  
Dinner included  
Cash bar, raffles, auction  
Costumes are encouraged. RIB event.

Book your team of 6-8 using this link  
<https://forms.office.com/r/AJSrjjT1fz>

**Gap Year Volunteering Information  
Webinar on Wednesday, 13 August 2025 at 7:00pm**

During this interactive Microsoft Teams session, you'll discover how overseas volunteering can help young people build confidence, develop leadership skills, and gain a global perspective.

Our expert **International Programme Managers – James, Beata, and Josh** – will share:

An insider's view of our transformative gap year experience

A breakdown of the diverse volunteer roles available in the **UK, Canada, Spain, Ghana, Poland, and Argentina.**

Practical tips for making the most of a gap year

A live Q&A session to answer your questions

Whether you're an educator, a careers adviser, or a parent helping students navigate post-school options, this session is a valuable opportunity to learn about exciting global placements and life-changing experiences

<https://calendly.com/alexbarton-newventures/info-session>

Thank you for your continued support in guiding young people toward purposeful pathways. I look forward to seeing you next Wednesday!



**MARTINBOROUGH MUSIC FESTIVAL 2025**  
'Bringing the world to Martinborough'

**SPECIAL \$15 Student prices**

This year's Festival takes place over the weekend of **19-21 September** at the Martinborough Town Hall. We're presenting a fabulous line-up of musicians coming from all over the world to play chamber music by many different composers [MMF Programme](#)

**This year we are delighted to offer students (aged 18 and under) specially priced tickets @ \$15 per concert.**

Artistic directors **Wilma Smith** and **Donald Armstrong** will be joined by artists coming from Germany, Australia and Russia (via the UK), in a four-concert programme that includes music from Australia, Hungary, France, the US, Russia, Poland, Czechia and Argentina.

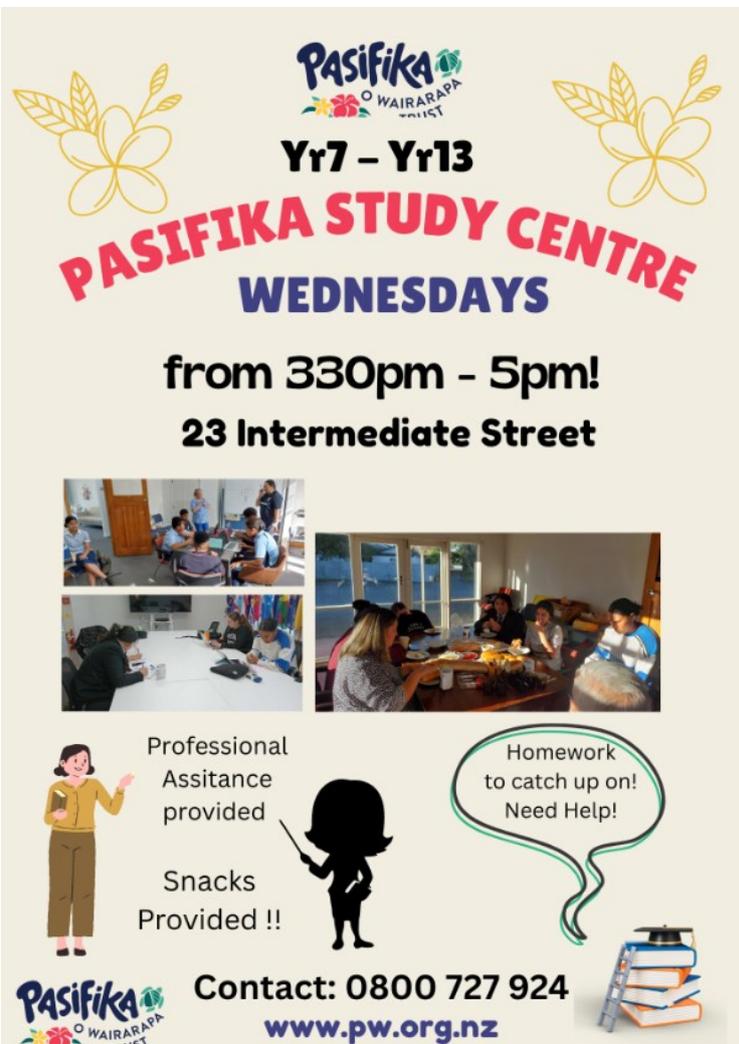
Sensational violinist **Natalia Lomeiko** and violist **Yuri Zhislin** will join Melbourne-based violist **Caroline Henbest** and returning artists, cellists **Mathias Balzat** and **Ashley Brown**. Celebrated pianist **Jian Liu**, will also be performing, along with classical saxophonist **Simon Brew**.

The festival's opening concert on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> features the virtuoso qualities of our visiting artists. Yuri and Mathias will join for a searing performance of Kodály's Duo, followed by Natalia and star pianist Jian Liu in the Chausson Concert for Violin, Piano and String Quartet.

Other highlights include Bach's Goldberg Variations, (one of Natalia and Yuri's favourite works) - Sat 20<sup>th</sup> 2pm, the Shostakovich Piano Quintet and Dvořák Sextet - Sat 20<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm and a special Festival commission from New Zealand composer, Louise Webster on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> at 2pm.

As there are only a limited number of \$15 tickets available per concert, it is essential to book early - **Book at iTicket - [MMF 2025 Bookings](#)**

Watch these inspiring musicians bring this wonderful music to life!



**Pasifika**  
O WAIARAPA  
TRUST

**Yr7 – Yr13**

**PASIFIKA STUDY CENTRE  
WEDNESDAYS**

**from 330pm - 5pm!**  
**23 Intermediate Street**



Professional Assistance provided

Snacks Provided !!

Homework to catch up on!  
Need Help!

**Contact: 0800 727 924**  
[www.pw.org.nz](http://www.pw.org.nz)



**Pasifika**  
STUDENT SUCCESS  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT VICE-CHANCELLOR @PASIFIKA

**CAREERS  
EVENING**

**Wednesday 24 September**  
**5:30pm - 7:30pm | Rutherford House Foyer  
Pipitea campus | 33 Bunny Street, Pipitea**

- Open to all – especially Pasifika students (high school & tertiary) and families
- Meet Pasifika professionals from a range of careers
- Explore career and study pathways
- Free entry + light refreshments
- Please RSVP via the form!

More information: [pasifika-events@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:pasifika-events@vuw.ac.nz) | 022 563 6974 (Fabie) | 022 655 2685 (Mela)



# GOLDEN SHEARS

World Premier Shearing and Woolhandling Championship



12 Dixon Street  
P O Box 311  
Masterton

Phone: (06) 378 8008  
E-Mail: [office@goldenshears.co.nz](mailto:office@goldenshears.co.nz)  
website: [www.goldenshears.co.nz](http://www.goldenshears.co.nz)



Prejudging  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.  
At 1pm venue to be confirmed.  
Outfit will be available at dressing rooms from 11am.

Presentations:  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 6.45pm.  
Designers report in 5pm, venue to be confirmed.



## Entry Details

Please 'tick' the section you wish to enter your garment into

**Important:** 'Tick' one section only.

A garment may only be entered once and in one section. If you wish to enter more than one section with another garment(s), you need to complete a separate garment form with details for each section.

## Deco Concrete Streetwear – Secondary Schools



Techniques for creating products from soft materials that promote the use of woollen fabrics.

Students to show skills from designing, pattern making and completing a full article of clothing with focus on woollen fabrics.

## Versatile Buildings Shearable Arts – Open Sections



To promote the use of wool and woollen fabrics, that shows off that wool is a versatile, adaptable and natural resource.

To promote the development of diverse wool-working skills among designers by encouraging the exploration of techniques such as felting, dyeing, knitting/crochet, pattern making, and sewing.

## Important Dates and Fees 2026

Enter online at: [www.goldenshears.co.nz](http://www.goldenshears.co.nz)

**ENTRY FEES:** - Entry and entry fee due on or before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025, by 5pm.

**Deco Concrete Streetwear** – \$20.00 for each entry.

**Versatile Buildings Shearable Arts** – \$50.00 for each entry.

Entry form available from the office or Mrs. Bucknell



## Brrrr \*\*\* it's mid-winter!

Do take a moment to check-in on dental appointments for your college age children.

We are now halfway through the year!



## BOOK YOUR CHILD IN NOW!



If they have not been seen for their annual check up yet and do not have an appointment to be seen.



If you do not yet have an appointment, call your dental practice to make an appointment and please do attend!



If you are not registered with a dental practice, all Wairarapa dental practices (apart from Masterton Dental) offer the FREE service. Just call them or visit and they will enrol you.



For more information about FREE dental care for under 18s visit  
<https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/dentistry/general-dentist/community-oral-health-service-l-wairarapa/>