

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE

Te Kura Tuarua o Ngamotu

SCHOOL BALL 2018



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CHICKEN AND VEGETABLE STIRFRY WITH RICE

(Serves 2 people)

Ingredients

½ chicken breast
½ tsp crushed garlic
½ tsp crushed ginger
½ onion – sliced
½ stick celery – sliced diagonally
½ medium carrot – cut into matchsticks
Small handful cauliflower or ¼ green or red capsicum – sliced
¼ head broccoli – cut into small pieces
3 button mushrooms – sliced
1 Tbsp oil

Sauce

1 Tbsp honey
1 ½ Tbsp soy sauce
1 Tbsp cornflour
½ cup water

Method

1. Cut the chicken breast into small thin strips with a sharp knife.
2. Wash all the vegetables and cut into suitable pieces.
3. Heat ½ Tbsp of oil in a wok or frying pan and stir fry the meat until it is brown. Set the cooked meat aside in a bowl.
4. Heat the second ½ Tbsp of oil and sauté (lightly fry) the onion, garlic and ginger. Use a wooden spoon.
5. Add the remaining vegetables and stir fry for 3-5 minutes until they are just cooked.
6. Return the cooked meat to the wok or pan.
7. Measure the sauce ingredients into a small bowl or measuring cup and stir together.
8. Add sauce to the vegetable/meat mixture and stir until it thickens (1-2 minutes).
9. Serve on a bed of pre-cooked rice and eat while hot and tasty.

To cook rice

Allow 1/3-1/2 cup uncooked rice per person. Add to a medium size saucepan of boiling water (1/2 full). Stir and simmer briskly for 12 minutes until the grains are soft. Drain the rice in a large sieve and serve with the stir fried beef and vegetables.



New Uniform Shop Hours

Uniform shop hours each week are as follows:

Monday Interval: 11.05 am to 11.25 am
Wednesday Lunchtime: 1.25 pm to 2.10 pm
Friday Interval 11.05 am to 11.25 am
Sonia Wuest-Harrop - 769 5105

Principal Notes:

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

Learning is our focus

Special thanks to parents, students and teachers for the learning conversations that have taken place through the IDP meetings and the Report Interviews over recent weeks. Our focus is learning that is co-constructed through the home, school, student partnership. Working together in this way builds positive learning outcomes for our young people - thank you all for your diligent commitment to these meetings.

E TŪ Expectations

Following learning as our focus are the E TŪ Expectations that are currently being taught and promoted by teachers and demonstrated by students. The E TŪ Expectations focus on Respect and Participation and are articulated as follows:

RESPECT	-	Awhi mai tautoko mai
	-	Co-operate and make good choices
PARTICIPATE	-	Mahia te mahi
		Complete your learning tasks

New Principal - Ms Nicola Ngarewa

As you are aware Whaea Nicola Ngarewa has been appointed as the new Principal for our school. Currently at Patea Area School Whaea Nicola will start at Spotswood College in Term 4. Whaea Nicola is excited to be returning to us, she was HOD Maori at Spotswood College from 1998 to 2005, Nicola has already begun working with staff in planning for 2019. We are very much looking forward to her arrival.

School Ball

Once again our School Ball was an outstanding success with our students dressing, behaving and socialising as highly confident self-managing young adults. Mrs Cast and the Ball Committee meticulously planned this very special event. The maturity and responsibility demonstrated by all students created an inclusive warm and fun event.

As usual our PTA assisted along with parents and teachers, thank you all.

Social Responsibility

Spotswood College students have a history and a culture of recognizing need and responding to it by giving generously of their time, energy and money. Over recent weeks students have contributed to three significant appeals:

Mellow Puff Trust

The Mellow Puff Trust was established in May 2006 by Terry and Tanya Long following the passing of their daughter Melissa who was a student at our school. Two other Year 13 students also passed away in the same year. The Mellow Puff Trust supports young people who are facing adversity in their lives.

The Ball Committee run the Ball as a Charity Ball and give the proceeds to the Mellow Puff Trust. Mr Long was presented with a cheque by the Ball Committee at a recent Senior Assembly.

Our two Rugby Teams were part of the Spotswood United Rugby Club Mellow Puff Day, on Saturday June 16th. The First XV played in pink Mellow Puff socks in the curtain raiser to the main game.

Principal Notes continued....

Social Responsibility continued

Pink Shirt Day

Students led by Estella Durrant-Riddick raised over \$600 to support the annual Pink Shirt Appeal run by the Mental Health Foundation. Pink Shirt Day celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued and respected.

40 Hour Famine

Spotswood College has been recognized as one of the top 40 Hour Famine Fundraising Schools in the country, last year raising almost \$7,000. This year our 40 Hour Famine Group led by Year 12 students and supported by Mr Oldfield and Ms Debreceny have been on track to make another sizeable donation to support refugee children from South Sudan.

Thanks to all students, staff and parents who have given so generously to these three most worthy causes. As students are reminded in Assemblies we only receive to the extent that we give!

Contributing School Visits

Mr Scott and Mr Knapton have begun the process of liaising with Year 8 students from our contributing schools. Year 8 students visit our school to experience learning at Spotswood College. This is the first part of the Year 8 to Year 9 transition that is critical for young people and their parents as they decide their Secondary School for 2019.

Our Open Night will be held in the School Hall on **Wednesday 8th August at 7.00 pm.**

Property

Construction of the new Gymnasium is well underway. Because of its modular construction progress will suddenly appear to speed up as concrete panels are put in place - we cannot wait!

Uniform

Black hoodies under the Polo Shirt and black jeans are not part of our school uniform. Students can wear black or dark blue thermals but the hoodies are not acceptable. Thermals can be purchased from the Warehouse for \$6.00. Long dress pants are available but jeans are unacceptable.

Deputy Principals will be contacting you if students are out of uniform.

As always please ensure your child is dressed in their full school uniform before leaving home. If you have any concerns regarding uniform please contact us.

As always thank you for your support of our students and our school. Any queries or concerns please contact me through the school office.

Kind regards
Mark Bowden
Principal

SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE CALENDER

June

- 18 Literary Testing for Juniors begins
- 18 Licence Controller Qualification Course - Year 12
- 19 Licence Controller Qualification Course - Year 12
- 20 WhyOra Health Careers Course Year 12/13
- 21 Manu Korero Speech Competition
- 27 Extra-Curricular Photos - in the Hall
Careers Presentation Otago Uni Period 2 (B16)

July

- 4 WhyOra
- 6 End of Term 2

PTA Meeting Dates

- Wednesday 4th July
- Wednesday 22nd August

BOT 25 June

School Magazine 2018

We are currently beginning the process of organising the school magazine for 2018. All students who have paid their School Donation by the end of the year will be entitled to a free magazine. This means that if there are 2 students in one family/whanau, both students will get a magazine. Please pay your school Donation to the School Finance office at your earliest convenience.

John O'Keefe and Hilary Takarangi

NZQA News

Seniors students are required to pay NZQA Fees on an annual basis. The fee is \$76.70 and must be paid to the school accounts office by Friday 31st August. Failure to pay the fee by this date will mean as a student or caregiver you must deal directly with NZQA and arrange a payment through them. Scholarship NCEA now has a charge of \$30.00 per exam subject.

There are also late fees which you may incur. Failure to pay fees will also mean a student's record of learning is not updated at NZQA and your NCEA Exam Results will not be available to you. Some students may qualify for financial assistance, forms are being sent out to all parents and caregivers. Financial Subsidy Forms are also available from the Finance Office.

Please contact me at school should you have any concerns.

Mr Gavin Parr
Principals Nominee.

Te Waka Huarahi - Careers

Kia ora students and whanau. Term 2 is underway and we have a number of careers talks planned. Employers are starting to use the school to promote employment opportunities so please get connected on our Spotswood College Careers face book OR access the information through the school notices.

Visit by Len Lye Gallery staff

A team of staff from the Len Lye Art Gallery visited the school on Wednesday 23 May to give a career talk on their various roles at the Gallery. Emma is a past student at Spotswood College. Her advice was to offer to do voluntary work because you will practice and learn what is needed to do the job and it opens up opportunities when you eventually need employment. There is value to doing research on your preferred Tertiary provider to get the right fit and weigh up the factors that will impact on you such as location, costs etc. Draw, draw, draw and advice to the unconvinced about a career in art or design “take a look at a supermarket, everything inside of it from the stands, the walls the ceilings and the items being sold have been designed by someone and that is what artists do they design.”



L-R Len Lye staff with our Art Teachers. Chris Barry – Curator, Jon Geeham, Matt White – Designers, Emma Glucina – Curator, Aly Scott and Leighton Upson – Art Department

Upcoming Career Visits:

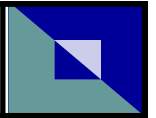
20th June: **Massey School of Aviation** will be holding a Careers Presentation at our school. This is a great opportunity for students to come along, get information and ask questions of the guest speaker.

20th June: **Massey University** are holding their “Information Evening” at the Quality Hotel Plymouth from 6.00pm until 7.30pm. Whanau and Caregivers welcome.

21st June: A guest speaker from **Massey School of Business** will be visiting our school and will be discussing career opportunities in the Accountancy and Economic fields.

27th June: **Otago University** Student Liaison Officer will be giving a Careers Presentation to senior students. This will cover the degrees they offer, accommodation, scholarship information and all aspects of University Campus Life.

We have two ex-students involved in Otago University’s Ambassadors’ Programme and the Careers Departments are currently finalising details for them to come to the school and talk to our Senior Students. One is from the School of Physiotherapy and the other from Humanities/Law Department. **Watch for the information on the school notices and the Spotswood College Careers face book page.**



Te Waka Manaaki

This lovely piece of original art has been donated to Te Waka Manaaki Unit by Kate Whitten from Tree Candy.

To check out more of her sculptures, go to [Like Tree Candy Nz](#) on facebook.



SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE ALUMNI (Ex-pupil & staff) ALUMNI DATABASE:

In 2008, the Spotswood College Alumni Trust established an electronic database in an attempt to maintain contact with as many ex Spotswood College students and staff as possible. Currently there are just over 2200 on this database. The Alumni is always wanting to grow this database. Four times a year, the Alumni emails out a newsletter to those on the database. To register your details go to: alumni.spotswoodcollege.school.nz

ALUMNI FACEBOOK PAGE:

This can be located at [www.Facebook.com/spotswoodcollegealumni](https://www.facebook.com/spotswoodcollegealumni)

60th JUBILEE/REUNION(1960 - 2019):

The next major Alumni event will be to celebrate the College's first sixty years. This function will be held at **Easter, 2020 (10-12 April)**.

If you are or know of anyone who is an ex-pupil or ex-staff please let them know of this event.

International News

Study Taranaki case studies

Name: Anne Lesniak
Age: 18, Year 13
Hometown: Potsdam, Germany
School: Spotswood College, New Plymouth



Learning English is not the main reason Anne chose to study in New Zealand, she was attracted to the whole experience of living and studying in a new country. "Meeting new people and trying new things open your mind," says Anne. "You can see things from other's points of view and it is easier to understand and accept the opinion of others," she adds.

Anne's mind has certainly been successfully opened to the New Zealand lifestyle. She has joined a running club, competed in her first triathlon, is a member of the local surf lifesaving club and has set her sights on competing in a half iron man. In the process her English has naturally improved.

Anne is near the end of her 18-month stay in New Zealand where she is completing Year 13 and gaining NCEA qualifications that she will use in her application for university when she returns to Europe.

She likes the atmosphere of New Zealand schools and says she feels less pressure and that she has excellent support from teachers. She has also found it really easy to make friends and says "The students at Spotswood College are very open minded and really get you involved." She has a host brother and sister who include her too. Her host brother has even promised her surf lessons!

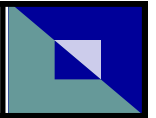
While making kiwi friends has been key to settling in at school she also sees the benefits of spending time with other international students. "We are planning a trip around Europe visiting each other when we are all back home."

Anne also helps new international students settle in, often staying with them on their first night acting as a go between with any language difficulties.

Keeping in touch with friends and family is easy with social media. "I use What's App to talk to friends and family at home - they send snow pictures and I send beach pictures." she says.

An only child, Anne's parents are meeting her in New Zealand at the end of her exchange to spend some time travelling around New Zealand, repeating a trip they did with her when she was a young child.

Anne's future plans include university in Germany but she hasn't ruled out more time in New Zealand, now it has become her second home.



2018 N.Z.S.S. WRESTLING TITLE

Congratulations to Darcy Collins (Year 11) who won the Girls' 49kg class at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Wrestling championships held in Hamilton on Saturday 7th April. Darcy was selected as the Top Female Wrestler at the championships. She has also been selected to participate in future development training camps looking towards possible international events.



Photo taken by Chris Hill



SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT (Sports items should be emailed to sport@spotswoodcollege.school.nz)

There have been many students involved in their particular sport during the first-half of Term 2. Well done to these students on their efforts.

1. WORLD UNDER 19 BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Congratulations to Keegan Joe (Year 12) on being selected to compete at the 2018 FIVB World Under 19 Beach Volleyball Championships to be held in Nanjing, China from 10-15 July. Good luck Keegan.

2. 2018 NZSS INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Congratulations to Oscar Taylor (Year 11) who was a member of a Taranaki Combined schools team that finished in first place in Division 2 at the NZSS championships held in New Plymouth on 19-20 May.

3. WINTER CODES UNDERWAY:

This term we have boys' and girls' teams competing in Basketball, Football, Hockey, Indoor Volleyball, Netball and Rugby. Good luck to these teams throughout their playing season.

4. TSSSA RESULTS:

Cross Country:

Well done to our team who competed at this year's championships held at the Hawera racecourse on Tuesday 22nd May. A big thank you to Annmarie Corbett (Year 10) for escorting one of our students around the course.

Our results were:

Year 9 Girls: Maree Dove 17mins 24 secs 21st; Kiralee Willan 19mins 18secs 24th; Jessica Grey 19mins 50secs 26th; Jessica Proctor 20mins 25secs 27th, Mariah Hunter 20mins 46 secs 28th

Under 16 Girls: Samantha Spence 17mins 37 secs 26th

Under 16 Boys: Ben Mankelow 26 mins 54 secs 36th.

Indoor Bowls:

Well done to our team who competed at this year's event held at the TSB Stadium on Wednesday 30th May. The team was:- Ryan Vincent, Tramane Scott, Jacob Johnston, Kane Fabish, Jade Grey, Hayley Ward and Flynn Watson.

5. TSSSA EVENTS FOR TERM 2:

These remaining TSSSA events are to be held during Term 2. Students interested in competing in these events should register their names at the Sports co-ordinator's office.

1. Table Tennis Sunday 17th June
2. Squash Sunday 1st July
3. Skiing & Snowboarding On the first suitable snow day from now until late September
4. Special Olympics/AWD Basketball & Boccia Wednesday 4th July-TSB Stadium

6. 2018 NZSSSC TOURNAMENT WEEKS:

The New Zealand Secondary Schools national tournament weeks for 2018 are:

Winter tournament week: 1st – 9th September

Junior tournament week: 26th November – 1st December

7. COACHES & MANAGERS:

If any Parents or Caregivers are interested in Coaching or Managing a College Sports team during the remainder of 2018 or in 2019, we would very much appreciate your assistance. If you are interested could you please contact our Head of Sport Mr. Gayton or Mrs. Read the Sports co-ordinator through the College office on Ph:7512416 (ext 714) or email sports@spotswoodcollege.school.nz



SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT

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8. SPORTS FEES:

Students who play in a Spotswood College sports team are required to have paid their fees **prior to the first game**. This can either be done in full, or by time payment arranged through the College Finance office. Students will be withdrawn from their team registration list prior to the first game if their fees are either unpaid or a time payment arrangement has not been set-up. Uniforms are issued once fees have been paid

The playing fees will generally include:-

- the sport fee applicable – includes team entry fee, any transport costs, etc
- plus a \$10 refundable uniform bond
- plus a \$20 non-refundable uniform hire fee (for replacement fund)

Fees **will not** be refunded should a player withdraw from a team as the team entry fee will have been paid by the College prior to the start of the league/competition to the appropriate organizing committee.

:EXTRA CURRICULAR GROUPS PHOTO DAY:

This year's Photo day will be held on Wednesday 27th June.

The photos will involve the following students:-

Prefects, Hapu Leaders, International students, Librarians, ETU committee, BOT rep

Academic groups (Mooting,)

Cultural groups (Kapa Haka)

Band groups(Hatrix Band, Rockquest)

Performing Arts groups (Sheila Winn Festival)

Sports teams- all summer and winter codes and all TSSSA groups

Students are required to wear their team uniform, musicians bring your instruments, etc.

The TSSSA students will be provided with a tracksuit jacket for the photo.

:EXTRA-CURRICULAR HOODIES:

Last year, the College introduced navy blue hoodies for students involved in extra-curricular activities at the College:- i.e: Academic teams, Cultural groups, Arts groups, Band groups; Performing Arts group groups, International students and Sports teams.

These hoodies are allowed to be worn by students during the school day with their regulation school uniform.

There are 8 sizes available:- XS S M L XL 2XL 3XL 5XL (NB: they are very large fits)

Sample sizes of the hoodies are held in the Sports office.

Cost: **\$55.60 each**, and this **must be paid** to the Finance office by the closing date.

Order forms are now available for the next order which closes at **3pm on Thursday 5th July**.

The hoodies will be available at the start of Term 3.

Order forms are available from either the Finance office or the Sports office.

: 2018 SPORTS PRIZE GIVING:

This year's 12th annual Sports prize giving will be held in the College assembly hall at **7.00pm on Thursday 25th October**.

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The Spotswood College Community (Board of Trustees, Principal, Staff and Students) sincerely wish to convey their heartfelt gratitude for the generosity and support offered by the organisations set out below. This support enables the College to enrich and enhance the lives of our staff and students and contributes to our goal of creating life-long learners.



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