

Te Waka Huarahi - Careers

WHATS BEEN HAPPENING?

Hello students and whanau. This term has been a superbly busy time and we have had some very interesting and varied Career guest speakers. This included past students Kiara Quirante and Teia Wallace who are Ambassadors for Otago University, studying Physiotherapy and Law. It was very inspiring for our students to meet with both girls and gain information first-hand about University life and their course of study.

Govett Brewster Art Gallery

Mr. Chris Barry and staff from the Govett Brewster Art Gallery presented a career talk to senior Art and Photography classes and showcased a number of careers in their workplace, including curator work, event planning and design. Emma Glucina an ex Spotswood College student advised students to do their research on their chosen tertiary provider and take into consideration location, living away from home and costs of living. She values work experience as this was how she gained knowledge and access to work once she became qualified.

Visits by Tertiary Providers-Term 2

Ara institute of Canterbury recently visited and highlighted the following career; Broadcasting school, Performing Arts, Drama or Music, Midwifery, Nursing, Medical Imaging, Applied Science, Engineering & Architectural studies.

Queenstown Resort College also conducted a presentation on the Queenstown Resort College.

For further enquiries please go to their website <http://www.ara.ac.nz/>



Is being held on Sunday 19th August and Monday 20th August, at the TSB Stadium in New Plymouth.

We strongly encourage whanau and caregivers to accompany their students on the Sunday. An opportunity for Senior students to attend on the Monday will be made available, please watch for details in Term 3.

NZ FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Senior students attended a career talk with full-time Fire service staff Senior Station Officer Blake Marston and QFF Holly Snowdon who is a past student of Spotswood College. Students experienced firsthand the equipment that fire fighters use. One of our students volunteered to try on the full kit including breathing apparatus while climbing under desks to demonstrate to others how challenging this can be.

Holly suggested that gaining valuable life skills before joining the fire service was important. 11,000 volunteer fire fighters make up the majority of the service and anyone interested in either volunteer or full-time work can contact their local fire service or go to the website for further information. <https://fireandemergency.nz/>



PIHMS On Campus Experience

My name is Amber and I attended the careers 3 day programme at PIHMS during the April school holidays to get a better understanding of the school before applying to go there. Throughout the three days of being at PIHMS we had some fun activities. We got to go and do an Amazing race all around the centre city in New Plymouth and another event I really enjoyed was a speed dating event where we got to speak to CEO's and Managers of hotel or hospitality industries across New Zealand. Altogether It was an amazing experience and I met some really great people. I would definitely recommend it to people who are interested in the tourism and hospitality industry. A great ending is that Amber has since applied to study at PIHMS in 2019 and has been accepted to the programme. Congratulations Amber we wish you all the best.



Massey University Visit by the Aviation and School of Business

Students from a senior Physics class were fortunate to have a special presentation by Anke Smith Business Manager of the School of Aviation and Dr. Jeff Stangl from the Massey School of business who is an expert in start-up innovative companies. Anke discussed the two pathways available for Pilots and the ability to mix these qualifications with a business management degree. Anke advised students to be as open as possible when making a decision on their pathway and if you find you don't like what you choose then change it or look elsewhere. "You will thrive when you find something that you like."

Dr. Stangl talked about our rapidly changing world of work and that young people are likely to have eight different jobs in the future. Jobs that exist today will not exist in 2030 and there will be jobs that we have not even thought about. Many people are likely to be employed in SME (Small-medium enterprises) and we will need to have different skill sets that have not been replaced by computers. Key to coping in the future will be having the following 4 key attributes: Creativity (ability to solve problems), Collaboration (able to work as a team), Communication (able to formally write and construct ideas) and Community.

Anke reminded students that making good decisions in general, both in and outside of school, would be beneficial when applying to ensure they met the criteria for any of their programmes. For more information, go to the website www.massey.ac.nz



Annual Open Day
Sept 15 - 9.30 am.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: University Liaison visits

The University Liaison Officers will be visiting the school on Thursday 23 August, 2018 (Term 3). They will be available to help and assist those Year 13 students who intend studying at a University in 2019. This is being held in the School Hall from 11.30 am to 1.45 pm. Please remember to bring along your University Prospectus and a pen.

Careers New Zealand provides advice and support to help make decisions about careers. To check out their tools which includes information on finding courses, planning your career and exploring jobs go to <https://www.careers.govt.nz/> or phone 0800 222 733