# EGGSNEWS



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Women in Politics event held on 30 July - Principal Lorraine Pound, Chlöe Swarbrick MP, Rawdon Christie, Jeanette Fitzsimons & Tessa Berger

Dear parents, caregivers and students

The term started with our handing Sarah Stenson over to Kelston Girls College on the first Monday at a powhiri full of celebration and welcome. At the beginning of this week we welcomed a team from the Education Review Office into the school with a powhiri and that night the Kapa Haka group performed at the Women in New Zealand Politics event in the Raye Freedman Arts Centre. I would like to thank Whaea Cydel and the Kapa Haka group for supporting these three events with their wonderful waiata.

I am pleased to announce that the second event in the Women in New Zealand Politics series will be An Evening with Helen Clark on Wednesday 29 August in the RFAC. This will be an evening to remember – Helen Clark's schedule is very busy and we are lucky to have secured her availability.

Our plans for the redevelopment of L Block are advancing well and I encourage everyone to get behind the fundraising campaign for this project – details on Page 10.

Thank you to staff and students who have welcomed the Education Review team members into their classrooms and who have participated in various meetings over the course of the week. In about six weeks we will know the findings from the review and publicise them to you.

The Father & Daughter Breakfast is next Wednesday. This event is a great opportunity for fathers/father figures/ grandfathers and daughters to spend some time together. The Head Prefect Team has worked with the Development Office on this event, held at Eden Park where selfies on the outside terrace are always popular.

Students are completing the online course selection at the moment – this closes on Monday 13 August at 8am. It has been good to see so many families taking advantage of the Pathways and Options Evenings held over the last two weeks.

Congratulations to Greer Sinclair, Killarney Morey and Bianca Nagaiya on their selection for the New Zealand Secondary Schools Netball team. They will be travelling to Canberra from 1-5 October to play the Australian U17 squad and an England U17 side.

Hot off the press from Thursday evening – congratulations to the Lacrosse A Team who successfully defended their Auckland title.

Good luck to the bands and orchestras competing at the KBB Music Festival next week.

Ngā mihi / Regards Lorraine Pound - Principal

## Coming up in Week 3....

Mon 6-10 Aug International Languages Week

Mon 6-12 Aug KBB Music Festival

Mon 6 Aug Year 9 Options Assembly
Wed 8 Aug Father & Daughter Breakfast

Fri 10 Aug Year 12 Ball

## Coming up in Week 4...

Mon13 Aug Yr 10-13, 2019 Course

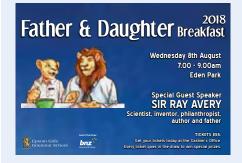
selection due

Wed 15 Aug Netsafe presentation
Wed 15-16 Aug Year 12 Drama Production

Fri 17-18 Aug INCUBATE Art Show

#### Monday

13th August Course selection due by 8am



**NETSAFE Presentation** 

**15th August 2018** 





## **GENERAL NEWS**

#### **COURSE SELECTION**

Please note - online course selection must be completed by 8am Monday 13 August for Years 10-13, 2019.

## PTA - Netsafe presentation 15 August in the staffroom

Join the PTA for an informative session around what is happening in the digital space presented by Netsafe on Wednesday 15 August, 7pm in the staffroom.

Netsafe also have lots of great advice on their website <a href="https://www.netsafe.org.nz/">https://www.netsafe.org.nz/</a>

All parents/caregivers welcome!

#### **UNICEF at EGGS**

At the start of this year 'UNICEF at EGGS' was established with the goal of action within both the global and local community. Last term the group ran a UNICEF Youth for a Change conference where students were inspired to take action in their community. The focus was on advocacy around child poverty in New Zealand and exploring a few of UNICEF's global appeals. The day was filled with guest speakers, hands-on and interactive workshops as well as yummy food!

Later in the term we screened the "Incredibles 2" as a fundraiser and raised more than \$600 for the Yemeni children's crisis. This would've helped deliver over 6000 rehydration salts to the children of Yemen who, right now, are in dire need of help amidst a cholera epidemic.



## **Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award Ceremony**



Anushka Siriwardane & Grace Middleton

Two former students were presented with the Gold level of The Duke of Edinburgh Award at a ceremony on the 21st July at Kristen College. Congratulations to Grace Middleton and Anushka Siriwardane. Achieving the Gold Award takes a minimum of 12 months to complete as the participants must undertake service in their community, learn a new skill, participate in a physical activity and undertake an adventurous journey. Many girls also attend the Year 10 camp for their week long Residential Project.

"Duke of Ed has been an amazing experience for me because I would have never explored New Zealand's beauty such as going to Kawau Island and going on tramps. I met a lot of new people and learnt new skills which have been useful nowadays like how to use a compass and reading a map. I would highly recommend this award because you learn more about yourself, become more confident and do things that you wouldn't think of doing." Grace Middleton

"It was an amazing experience! I learnt heaps of new skills from my activities and tramps and had lots of fun doing them. As a high schooler it was a great learning opportunity and helped me grow as a person. Best of all I made many new friends. Thank you for the amazing support from the DoE team and the Cue Haven team for a great residential project." Anushka Siriwardane

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## **Kotahitanga Committee**

The Kotahitanga Committee held a free showing of the film 'Hunt for the Wilderpeople' on the last day of Term 2. Over 90 students and staff gathered in DSO to enjoy the film and were greeted with popcorn and a bag of lollies to munch on while they watched the movie. It was a time to celebrate our successes throughout the term and get together with our friends. A huge thank you to everyone who participated and to Miss Richardson for organising this great event.







## **UN Youth Global Development Tour**



Vivien Whyte has recently been selected to join the UN Youth New Zealand delegation on the 2019 Global Development tour. This involves a month-long study tour of Europe and New York to learn about the Sustainable Development Goals in action. The delegation will represent New Zealand at the Columbia Model United National Conference and Exposition as well as meeting with policy-makers, NGOs and other international agencies and institutions critical in the formation and implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. Congratulations Vivien.

## **CAREER NEWS**

#### **Parents as Career Educators - Free Seminar**

Parents and caregivers of secondary school students (Years 9 - 13) are invited to a free 'Parents as Career Educators' seminar on Thursday 6 September 2018.

The seminar will provide parents with tips and advice to guide their teenagers through the various career and study options available to them in the modern world. This free seminar will cover:

- · The world of work: looking forward
- How to make informed career decisions now and in the future
- How parents can assist
- Career development resource.

Presented by a career consultant from the University of Canterbury | Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha (UC), the seminar will assist parents to help their teens consider ALL their options, whether this is work, university, polytechnic, an apprenticeship, private providers or other possibilities. (This event is NOT about study options at UC.)

The seminar will be held from 7:00pm - 8:30pm at The Parenting Place, 300 Great South Road, Greenlane, Auckland.

Register online at: www.canterbury.ac.nz/events

# The University of Auckland **FUTURE STUDENT EVENINGS**









## SOUTH AUCKLAND

13 August 2018 7-9pm

#### **LOCATION:**

**Vodafone Events Centre** 

SIR NOEL ROBINSON CONFERENCE CENTRE Meeting Room 1

Secondary school students and caregivers are invited to an expo evening hosted by the University of Auckland.

Come and meet with our staff to talk about our undergraduate programmes, entry requirements, scholarships, campus life and more.

Please register your attendance online at least 24 hours before the event:

www.auckland.ac.nz/parents
Enquiries to spo@auckland.ac.nz

## **CURRICULUM NEWS**

## **Year 11 Drama**

In the last week of Term Two, Year 11 Drama students journeyed to Highwic House to perform scenes they had devised. The students made great use of the beautiful spaces at the historic house, and presented entertaining performances to an audience made up of their classmates, parents and caregivers. We would like to thank the team at Highwic House for facilitating the trip and the members of the EGGS community who came to support our Drama students.









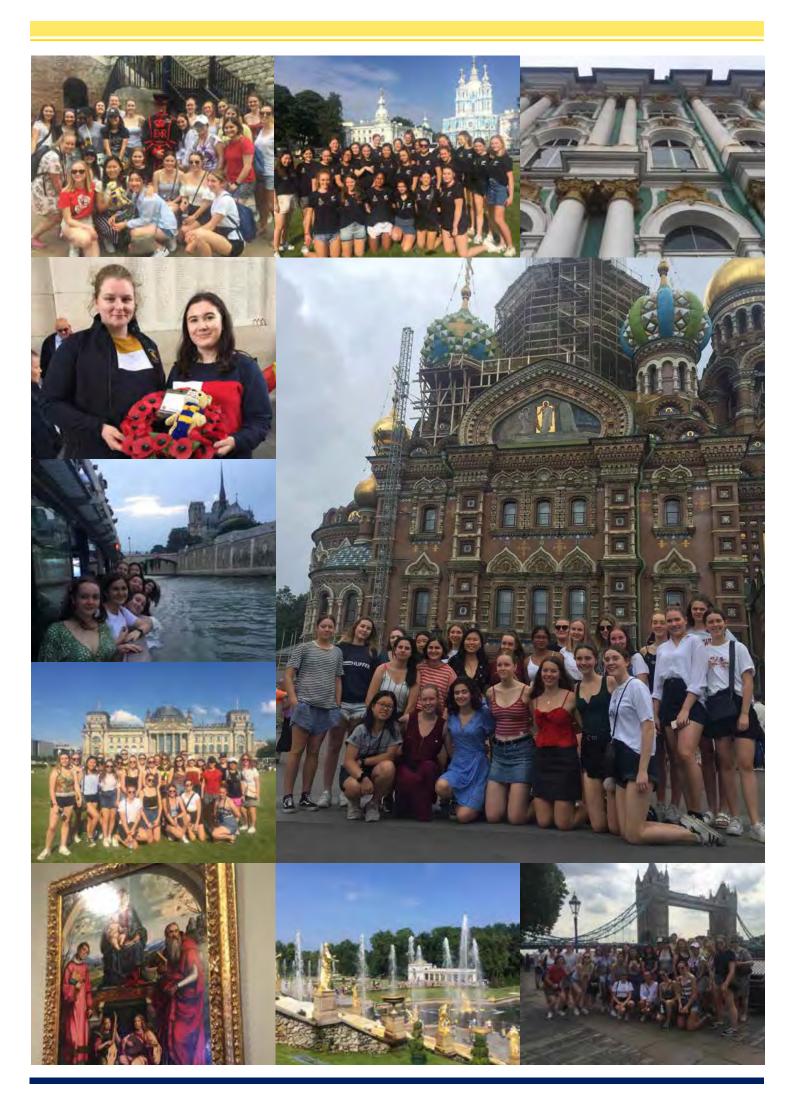
## **EGGS History trip to Europe**

Over the holidays 25 History students travelled to Europe, this included London, World War One Battlefields of Belgium and Northern France, Paris, Berlin and St Petersburg.

They visited historical sites, battlefields, memorials, museums, rode bikes in the Gardens of Versailles, participated in commemoration ceremonies and saw France win the World Cup in Paris!

It was fantastic to be in places that have been studied over the past three years in History. The students were superb and have lots of stories and memories to share!







## London, Winchester, Bath, Stratford-upon-Avon and Paris













#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Tour of London incl. Big Ben, Westminster and Buckingham
- Tower of London
- Globe Theatre Tour
- Globe Performance
- Shakespeare's Birthplace
- Jane Austen's House Museum Warwick Castle
- Chawton House and Gardens
- Workshop at No 1 Royal Crescent
- Jane Austen Centre with afternoon tea
- Roman Bath House with **Audio Tour**
- Oxford University Tour
- Warner Brothers Studio Tour – The Making of **Harry Potter**
- Creative Writing Workshop at the British Library
- Charles Dickens Museum
- Jack the Ripper Evening **Walking Tour**
- West End Improvisation and Storytelling Workshop
- West End Musical
- Paris Literature Tour
- Sunset Seine River Cruise
- Disneyland Paris

## Information Night: Wednesday, 8 August 2018, 6.00pm

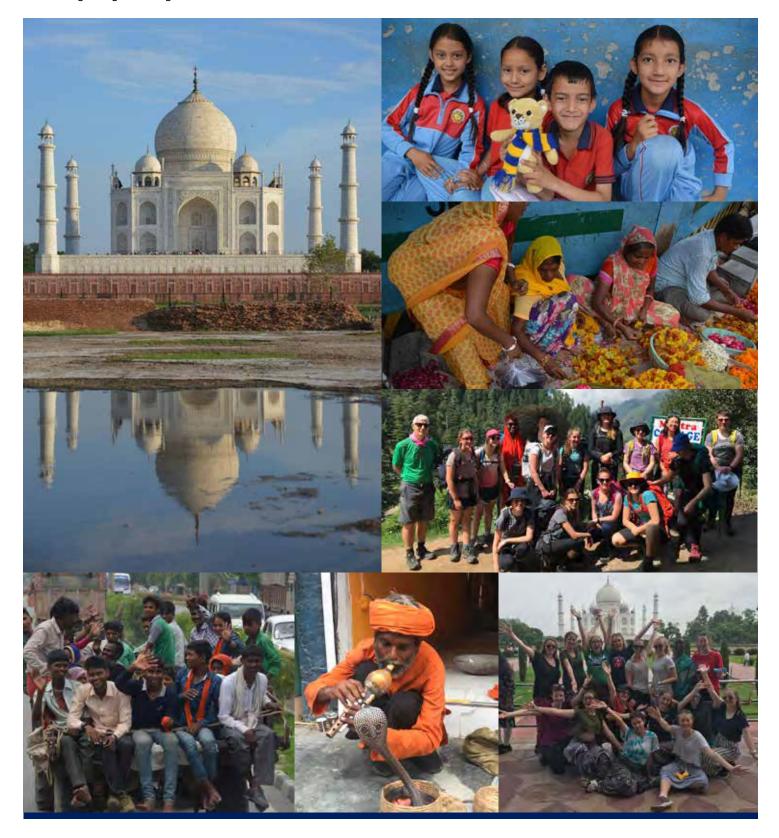
Venue: School Library . If you miss the information evening please contact Kate Slattery for more details.

## **World Challenge to India**

During the July holidays, Ms Rennie and Ms Brooks travelled to Northern India with 14 students for World Challenge and we had the most wonderful time travelling through New Delhi, Chandigarh, Manali, Shimla, Agra and Jaipur. We spent an amazing three days supporting the local Kullu Valley community painting school classrooms and teaching English, followed by a breath-taking 5 day trek through the foothills of the mighty Himalayas.

The second half of our trip was dedicated to culture, history, sightseeing and of course shopping! The Taj Mahal in Agra and the Amber Fort in Jaipur were absolute highlights of the expedition – we were all blown away by these magnificent feats of engineering and architectural beauty.

Thank you to the awesome group of students who made this trip such a memorable experience and to Ash, our awesome World Challenge leader for guiding us through three weeks of adventure and fun.



## **EPSOM MUSIC**

This week we've had the Epsom Music Orchestra Showcase on Wednesday August 1st, and the Epsom Music Band Showcase on August 3rd. The Orchestra showcase featured Epsom Symphonia, Epsom String Ensemble, and Epsom Chamber Orchestra as they prepare for the KBB Music Festival, and includes works by Vivaldi, Rachmaninoff, and Bach throughout the evening. The Band Showcase featured Epsom Stage Band, Epsom Concert Band, and Epsom Intermediate Concert Band as they prepare for the KBB Music Festival, as well as special guests West City Concert Bands.

Well done to all the groups who have been performing in assemblies throughout the week.

## **KBB Music Festival**

Next week we will be participating in the KBB Music Festival - this year Epsom Girls Grammar School has 6 instrumental groups performing at the KBB Music Festival which runs from Monday 6th to Friday 10th August, and is being held at the Holy Trinity Cathedral and St Marys in Parnell. The KBB Music Festival is the annual Auckland Secondary Schools Bands and Orchestras Festival. Epsom groups will perform on the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Good luck to all these groups!

#### **Farewell Concert for Paradisum**

We are holding a Farewell Concert for our auditioned choir Paradisum who are heading to Wellington to perform in the Big Sing Finals. There are 24 choirs from throughout New Zealand who have reached the finals. These choirs have been selected from over 240 competing schools so this is a fantastic accomplishment for Paradisum! The farewell concert will be held in the Raye Freedman Arts Centre, 7.30pm on the 27th of August.





Epsom Chamber Orchestra performing at the Women in Politics Event on 30 July. Weihong Yi played the solo in Vivaldi Winter from the Four Seasons.

## **FOUNDATION NEWS**

### **Women in New Zealand Politics**

On Monday 30 July the EGGS foundation hosted the inspiring discussion on "Women in New Zealand Politics" to help raise funds for the L Block renovation project. Expertly facilitated by Rawdon Christie - TV presenter, journalist and an EGGS parent – our guest speakers spoke openly, honestly and powerfully about their experiences and journeys in politics. Jeanette Fitzsimons, former co-leader of the Green Party; Chlöe Swarbrick MP, Spokesperson for Education & Youth; and Tessa Berger, Auckland Council Elected Member - all EGGS alumnae - gave us insight on the women behind the politics, the defining moments in their careers and their influencers. It was an exceptional evening attended by our supportive EGGS community and for this we're very grateful.

A big thanks to everyone involved including:

#### Our panel

Rawdon Christie Jeanette Fitzsimons Chlöe Swarbrick MP Tessa Berger

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The EGGS Foundation will be hosting a series of L Block Fundraising events over the year so watch this space.

## Save the date...

**Second event in Our Women in NZ Politics series: Wednesday 29 August 6pm-9pm: A Moderated Conversation with Helen Clark.** Tickets will be available to buy soon.

## **Support Innovative Learning**

## L Block Renovation

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We're transforming L Block into an innovative learning space and every donation you make towards the project counts! Your generous support will make a valuable difference to the school, to thousands of EGGS students. For more information about the project visit

www.eggs.school.nz/foundation/l-block-renovation.aspx.

#### **Donor Wall of Honour**

For a one-off donation of \$500, you can have your name of choice engraved on a dedicated wall inside L Block and become a permanent part of EGGS history. Honour your family, an individual, friends or lost loved ones on our Donor Wall of Honour.

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## SPORT F



## **Cycling**



During the school holidays, our cycling squad competed at the North Island Secondary Schools Championships in Cambridge, 7th - 9th July. This event consists of three days of racing where students can participate in a range of cycling formats including Team Time Trial, Road Race, Criterium as well as Track Racing on the indoor Velodrome at Cambridge. EGGS had an amazing weekend with every rider having a milestone moment - whether it was their first time racing at a Regional event, pushing themselves further than they had thought possible or their first time standing on the podium. Of the twelve races on the road across five age categories EGGS had a presence on the podium for eight of them - including three Golds. One of the highlights of the weekend was the Senior A Team defending their North Island Championship title by more than 30 seconds. With the confidence from a successful North Island Championships the squad will now move their sights to the National Championships being held in Christchurch at the end of Term Three. Congratulations to the entire squad on an impressive performance and well done to the following students:

#### **Team Time Trial**

U20 - EGGS Senior A - 1st (Annabel Brown, Ella Wyllie, Lucy Thomson, Poppy Buissink, Stella Nightingale)

U16 - EGGS Junior A - 2nd (Bee Townsend, Lily Brinsdon, Queenie McElwee, Scarlett Buissink)



#### **Road Race**

U14 - Maia Barclay - 3rd

U15 - Bee Townsend - 1st

U17 - Ella Wyllie - 1st Lucy Thomson - 2nd

#### Criterium

U14 - Maia Barclay - 2nd

U15 - Bee Townsend - 2nd

U15 - B Grade Phoebe Carter - 1st Georgie Christie - - 2nd Caitlin Bell - 3rd

U17 - Lucy Thomson - 3rd

#### Track

U20 - Team Pursuit - 3rd (Annabel Brown, Ella Wyllie, Lily Brinsdon, Lucy Thomson)

U17 - Omnium - Ella Wyllie - 3rd







## **Underwater Hockey**

Underwater Hockey have had a successful season so far. In June 3 teams competed at the Northern Zones competitions. In the Junior Girls competition at Westwave, Junior A placed 2nd and Junior B placed 8th. MVPs were Jessica Brown (Junior A) and Annabel Chisholm (Junior B). Jessica Brown and Stella Yiannoutsos were selected to trial for the Northern Region Under 18 team.

In the Senior Girls competition at Baywave in Mt Maunganui, the Senior A team placed 1st in a tight 1-0 final against Mahurangi College. The MVP was Sarah Raines, and the whole team were selected to trial for the Northern Region Under 18 team.





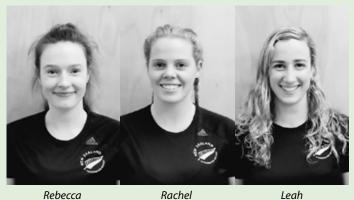
U18 reps L-R Rosa Watson, Terri Warner, Brooklyn Richardson

We have had a number of Senior players trialling for the NZ U18 Women's team to play in the Trans-Tasman tournament being held in Rotorua later this year, and Brooklyn Richardson (Year 13), Rosa Watson (Year 13) and Terri Warner (Year 11) were selected to represent NZ. Well done!



Also representing NZ at present are 3 EGGS Old Girls who are in the Elite Women's which played at the World Championships in Quebec, Canada at the end of July. Congratulations to current EGGS coaches Rachel Colquhoun and Rebecca Gatland, and Leah Chamberlin-Gunn.

The NZ Elite Women's team are the World Champions, as they won the tournament in Quebec. The Men's Elite team also won gold.



Rebecca Rachel



Full Junior Squad



Junior A



Senior A

#### **Cricket**

Congratulations to Amie, Annie, Breearne and Lydia who competed for the Auckland U17 indoor cricket team at the National Junior Provincials in Christchurch during the school holidays. Auckland finished 3rd and Annie was named MVP for Auckland. Breearne, Annie and Gemma (unable to attend the Provincials) were named in the U17 NZ A side and Amie was named in the U17 NZ side. Both NZ teams will compete in the Junior Indoor Cricket World Series taking place in Christchurch at the end of September. Congratulations to these students on their achievements and good luck for the World Series!





## **Gymsports**

Congratulations to the following students who placed at last term's Gymsports Championships.

#### **Aerobics**

Julie Kendall - 3rd Open Level 3 12-14yrs

#### **Artistic Gym**

Payton Burroughs – 4th Level 2

Level 2 team: 2nd EGGS (Payton Burroughs, Gloria Cai, Frances Carr-Smith & Cindy Wang)

Jessica Ou – 4th = Level 3

Olivia Tyrie – 4th = Level 3

Level 3 team – 2nd EGGS (Jasmine Kupaisananurak, Jessica Ou & Olivia Tyrie)

Gemma Kirk: 3rd Step 7



## **Basketball**

 $Well done \ to \ all \ of the \ EGGS \ students \ who \ competed \ at \ the \ NZ \ Basketball \ U15 \ National \ champs \ over \ the \ last \ week \ and \ a \ big \ congratulations \ to \ Florence \ Dallow \ for \ being \ named \ in \ the \ Tournament \ Team.$ 



#### **Lacrosse**

Well done to the following EGGS Students and our very own PE teacher, Miss Gunn, who represented NZ in the Lacrosse U19 team. They competed in the Capital Cup tournament held in Richmond, Virginia, USA.

Kate Gammie-Baglini

Jade Panoho

Harriette Overend

Rosie Gunn (Coach)

Nikki Fordyce (Epsom Old Girl)

Emma Olsen

Sophia Morcom



#### **Netball**

Epsom Students were busy with Netball Representative duties over the school holiday period with many playing in finals and winning regional and National titles. Congratulations to the following students:

#### **Waitakere Reps:**

Y9/1 - Antonia Dickie

#### **Auckland Reps:**

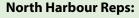
Y9/1 – Jaelyn Su'a

U15/1 – Temepara Bristow, Ana Manuopangai – Winners of U15 Regional Tournament.

U17/1 – Anna Millar and Killarney Morey – Runners Up NNZ U17 Nationals, Killarney named in the Tournament team.

U17/2 - Terewai Majurey

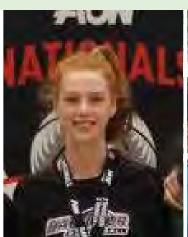
 $U19/1-Greer\ Sinclair,\ Bianca\ Nagaiya-Winners\ NNZ\ U19\ Nationals,\ Greer\ named\ in\ the\ Tournament\ team.$ 



U17 Basketball - Florence Dallow – also named in the Tournament team.











## Sailing - EGGS Year 9 student to represent NZ in the Mediterranean Cup & World Champs in Cyprus

Amelia Angus (Year 9) competed in the National Championships for Optimist Sailing held in Picton in April of this year. This event is held up as the pinnacle of the New Zealand Junior Sailing calendar. Amelia (13 years) competed in the Open Class, for boys and girls, up to age 15, and finished second overall out of 300+ competitors. We congratulate Amelia on her fantastic achievement - after 7 long days of racing and with only 3 points separating the top 3 competitors. The last time this was achieved by a young woman was in 2004, an outstanding accomplishment and testament to her hard work and tenacity.

The New Zealand Optimist Association selects the top 5 Optimist sailors each year and works with them and their coaches and managers to develop their skills to the very highest level. Due to her podium position and her acceptance into and accomplishment in the training team, Amelia has now been confirmed to join a team comprising of her and 4 boys to represent New Zealand at the World Championships to be held in Cyprus in September with over 80 countries and 450 sailors from all over the globe. This is an extraordinary achievement for Amelia of which she can be very proud. We wish Amelia all the best as she travels to Cyprus to compete in firstly, the Mediterranean Cup and then the World Championships.



Amelia Angus (Year 9) representing NZ at the World Champs in Cyprus

