

EGGSNEWS



Epsom Girls
Grammar School

Te Kura Tuarua o Nga Taitanāhine o Maungawhau

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2022 Level 1 Scholars



2022 Level 2 Scholars

Dear parents, caregivers and students

Last week we congratulated the Scholar Award recipients from 2022 – pictured, above and on Page 3. These students were all in the top 5% of their cohort and for the 2022 year. For Year 12 and 13 students NZ Scholarship results were also celebrated. Hellen Ding was one of 51 students across New Zealand awarded the Outstanding Scholar Award, and Hailey Kwak was awarded a perfect score in Art Painting to be Top Scholar in New Zealand for the subject. For full details - see Page 3.

This week was the Prefects' Presentation Assembly, with many prefects' parents also attending. These school leaders are already well underway with their responsibilities and have started the year very positively.

On Wednesday evening we welcomed Year 9 and their parents and caregivers to the Year 9 Meet and Greet. It was wonderful to see so many families there, connecting with the co-curricular programme, and with the Year 9 Tutors.

Next week we have the two Athletics Days on Tuesday and Friday. If the sun is back, please remember hats, sunblock and plenty of water. On Tuesday Arts and Culture will be selling drinks and on Friday food. Students will receive full programme information on Monday. On both days students may come to school in their sports gear.

Important reminders:

- Students need to arrive to school by 8.30am (9.25am on Wednesdays) in order to be at their first commitment for the day before 8.35am
- Uniform is to be worn correctly – no non-uniform items are to be brought to school
- Good manners and courtesies are expected at all times, including on public transport and walking to and from school

Coming up in Week 5....

Tue 28 Feb Athletics Day Prelims
Fri 3 Mar Athletics Day Parade & Finals
Sat 4 Mar Fia Fia Night

Coming up in Week 6....

Mon 6-10 Mar Year 10 Camp
Wed 8-11 Mar ASB Polyfest
Fri 10-12 Mar North Island Rowing Champs

Advance Notice

Thur 16 Mar PPTA national one day strike



Important notice:

No entry to any part of Silver Road when dropping off or collecting students 7.35am - 8.35am and 3.00pm - 4.00pm.

Please make dropping and collecting your daughter from a nearby street a permanent habit.

NO

Silver Road

ENTRY

In staff news please see Page 10. Congratulations to Ms Gunn.

The news that the First XI had won the NZ Secondary Schools Girls Gillette Venus Cup came through on 22 December last year – congratulations to these national title holders.

Coming up – Fia Fia Night is a wonderful evening and we wish all groups going to Polyfest the very best as they have their final weeks of preparation.



Lastly – I encourage everyone to support the Epsom Flood Drive – see Page 4.

Ngā mihi / Regards
Lorraine Pound - Principal

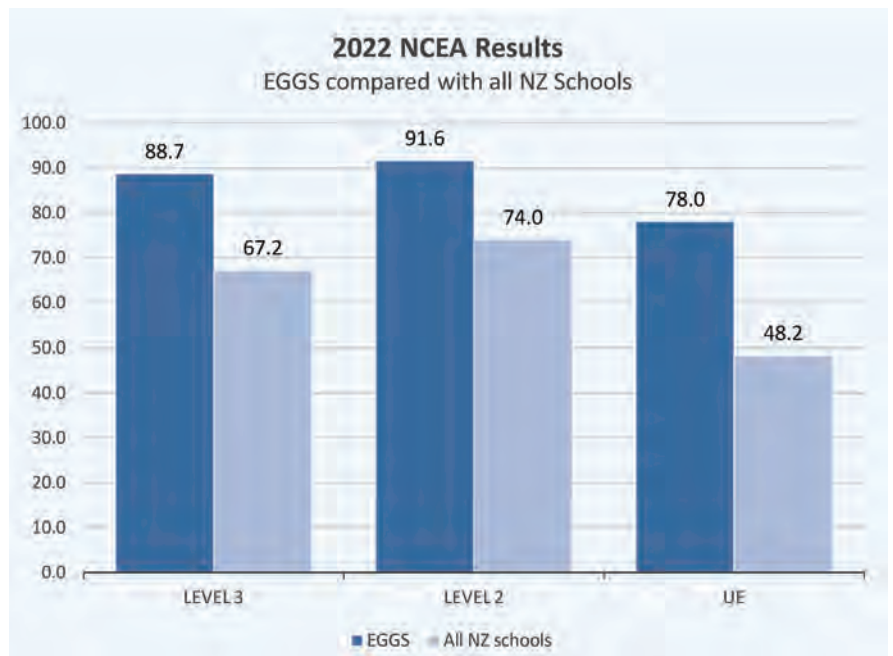
Assessment and NCEA Information Evening

Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend the online Assessment and NCEA information evening to be held on Wednesday the 15th of March (*time to be advised*). These will be split into 2 - 3 sessions depending on the year level.

Please feel free to ask any questions that you may have about qualifications or assessment on [this link](#).

2022 NCEA Results

EGGS students continue to achieve consistently high NCEA results. In 2022 91.6% gained their Level 2 NCEA Certificate and 88.7% gained their Level 3 NCEA Certificate. 78% of Year 13 achieved University Entrance. These figures can be seen in the following graph.



2023 ID Cards

Student ID cards are now available to order via a link on [elearn](#) (a charge of \$5.50 will be loaded to the portal).



2022 Level 3 Scholars

Top Scholar Awards

On Thursday morning 16 February we celebrated the achievements of our senior students from 2022 with our Scholars Assembly. Scholars awards are given to those who have achieved in the top 5% of their cohort or year level. The calculation takes into account all credits sat in the single 2022 calendar year, including if any credits gained at a higher level.

We also recognised the outstanding success EGGs has had in NZ Scholarship for 2022. 48 Scholarships were gained by our students, including 5 Outstanding Scholarships. Special mention goes to the following students on their achievements –Raisa Chugh (Outstanding Scholarship in Statistics and Scholarships in Biology and Chemistry), Hellen Ding (Outstanding Scholarships in Art History and Biology and Scholarships in Calculus and Statistics), Kyubeen Kim (Scholarships in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Statistics), Hailey Kwak (Top Scholar in Painting) and Tianling Lu (Outstanding Scholarship in Design and Visual Communication and Scholarships in Biology and Music).

NZQA has also recognised Hellen's incredible achievement by awarding her a 2022 Outstanding Scholar Award. This prestigious award is presented to a very limited number of students across the country.

LEVEL ONE SCHOLARS	LEVEL TWO SCHOLARS	LEVEL THREE SCHOLARS
Ruby Brathwaite	Dinithi Bamunusinghe	Grace Baik
Genevieve Cartmell	Lida Bao	Corliss Chu
Angelina Chhay	Arina Chaptynova	Raisa Chugh
Alexis Chu	Sabine Edmonds	Ama De Silva
Ella D'Arth	Audrey Goggin	Hellen Ding
Natalia Eady	Coeun Ham	Mayley Gao
Anika Govind	Cindy Kim	Kyubeen Kim
Emma Johnston	Ashley Lee	Eshana Kumar
Oshadi Kaluthanthreede Don	Monique Lewis	Hailey Kwak
Maya Keall Flynn	Anika Lomax	Tianling Lu
Amy Liang	Chanel Mitchell	Lydia Ma
Maya Maginness	Joanna Pan	Cathy Ning
Keira Ng	Yoonie Park	Archi Patel
Lisa Petrov	Boshra Rahnamaee	Megan Qi
Anika Rai	Ella Simons	Joyce Shen
Amaya Senanayake	Samantha So	Pearl Tucker
Jasleen Singh	Tessa Swinson	Iris Wang
Josheta Subramanian	Dora Yi	Estelle Winstone
Yulia Wu	Alicia Yong	Miranda Zhang
Phoebe Yan	Amelia Zhang	Lily Zou
Yanice Yue	Dora Zhou	

Hailey Kwak's Top Scholar award for Painting means that she has been recognised as the top Painting student in the country from a field of more than 3,000 submissions (see Hailey's board on Page 7).

Congratulations to everyone involved - we are very proud of your achievements.

EPSOM FLOOD DRIVE

HELP THOSE IN NEED AFFECTED BY THE
FLOODS

Bring in unused toiletries and sealed food items to outside the hall at interval on Wednesday and Thursday Week 5 (1st and 2nd of March) to donate these items!

HERE IS WHAT YOU CAN DONATE:

Unused Toiletries including:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Period Products (Pads)
- Deodorant
- Nappies (all sizes)
- Wipes
- Body Wash
- Soap bars
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes

Sealed food items including:

- Chocolate
- Muesli Bars
- Lunch box snacks (non-perishable)
- Spreads - eg. peanut butter, jam
- Milo, Coffee, Tea
- Flour
- Sugar
- Cereal
- Noodles

We are donating the items you bring to the Kindness collective



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CAREER ED

EGGS CAREER EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

HOW TO BOOK A CAREER DEVELOPMENT SESSION

Making a career decision can be complicated whether we are in secondary school or whether we have been in the work force for some time. A key part of making an effective career decision is being aware of your interests, preferences and values. Secondary students benefit from being exposed to a range of different career options while simultaneously developing their own employability skills. All EGGS students are welcome to book a career development session with a qualified career practitioner. These sessions help students grow their confidence and their self-awareness. Students can book a career development session by scanning our QR code:



CAREER STAFF



Philippa Leask, HOD Career Education

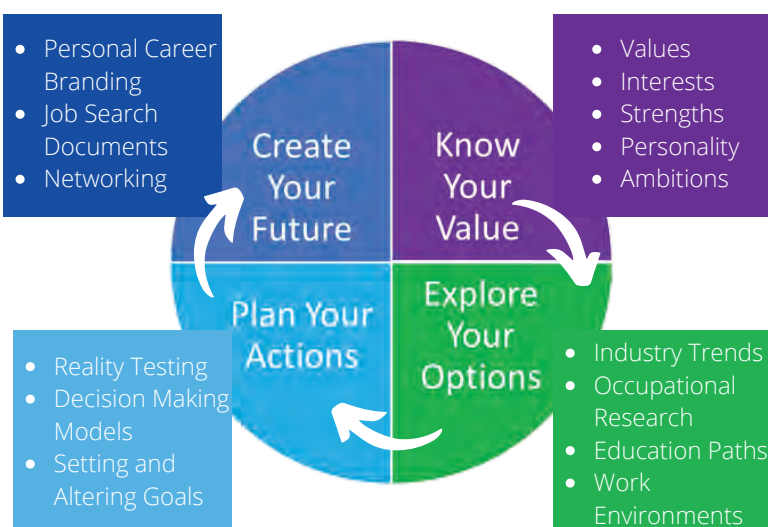
Kia ora! Kia orana! Bula! I would love to see you here in the Career Centre. I am here to answer whatever questions you may have around your future career, and to work with you to help you find what you would like to do in the next stage of your life, after school.



Lila Pulsford, Career Practitioner

Kia ora, Mälō e Lelei and Talofa lava! :) I love helping students work out what's important to them, things they enjoy, and answering all the questions students have about hundreds of career topics. I look forward to meeting you!

CAREER DEVELOPMENT MODEL



UPCOMING EVENTS

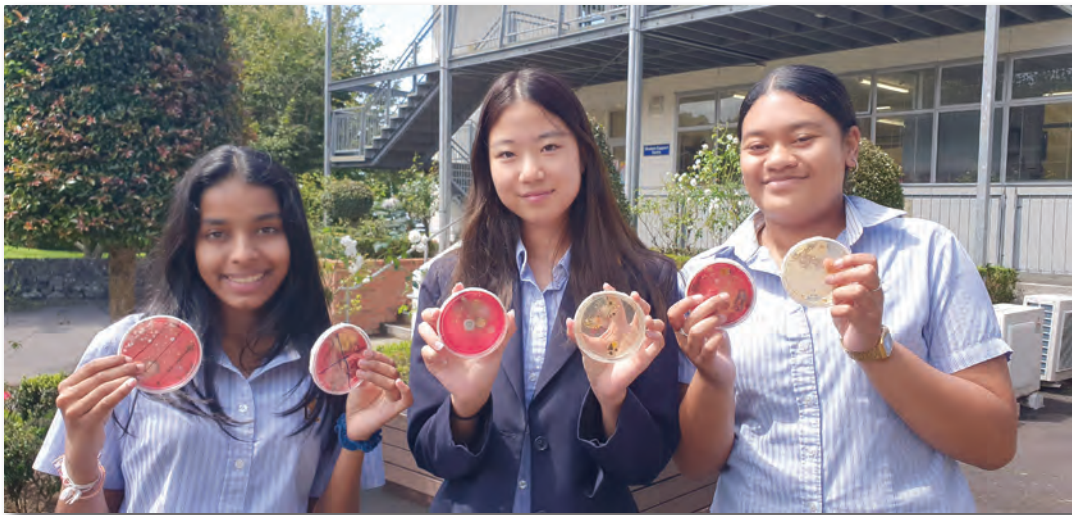
IF YOUR YEAR 13 STUDENT IS CONSIDERING UNI IN 2024, BE SURE THEY CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY TALKS FROM UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES. ALL TALKS HAPPEN IN DSO OR THE HALL ON MONDAYS FROM 11:25-12:25

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO	27 FEB
UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO	06 MARCH
UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY	13 MARCH
UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND	20 MARCH
VICTORIA UNIVERSITY	27 MARCH
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY	03 APRIL

CONTACT US : <https://eggscareereducation.simplybook.me>



Year 9 Introduction to the lab - trying to identify common lab equipment



Year 11 Biology investigating microbe growth



Year 13 Physics

2023 Prefects



ARTS & CULTURAL NEWS

Arts Scholarship

Congratulations to the 13 Arts students who gained Scholarship in their subject. 27% of the schools' Scholarship results came from Visual Art (Painting; Photography; Design; Art History) or Music. Hailey Kwak gained 24/24 for her Painting board making her the Top Scholar in the country for Painting. This is an extraordinary achievement which sees the recipient invited to the Top Scholar Award Ceremony held in Wellington. Despite the challenges facing our communities and the wider world at present, Arts students at EGGs continue to present creative work that reflects, provokes and communicates ideas with power and impact. We know that students engaged in artistic pursuits not only thrive academically but are happier and healthier too. Congratulations to Hailey and all the Scholarship winners.



Hailey Kwak's Painting board

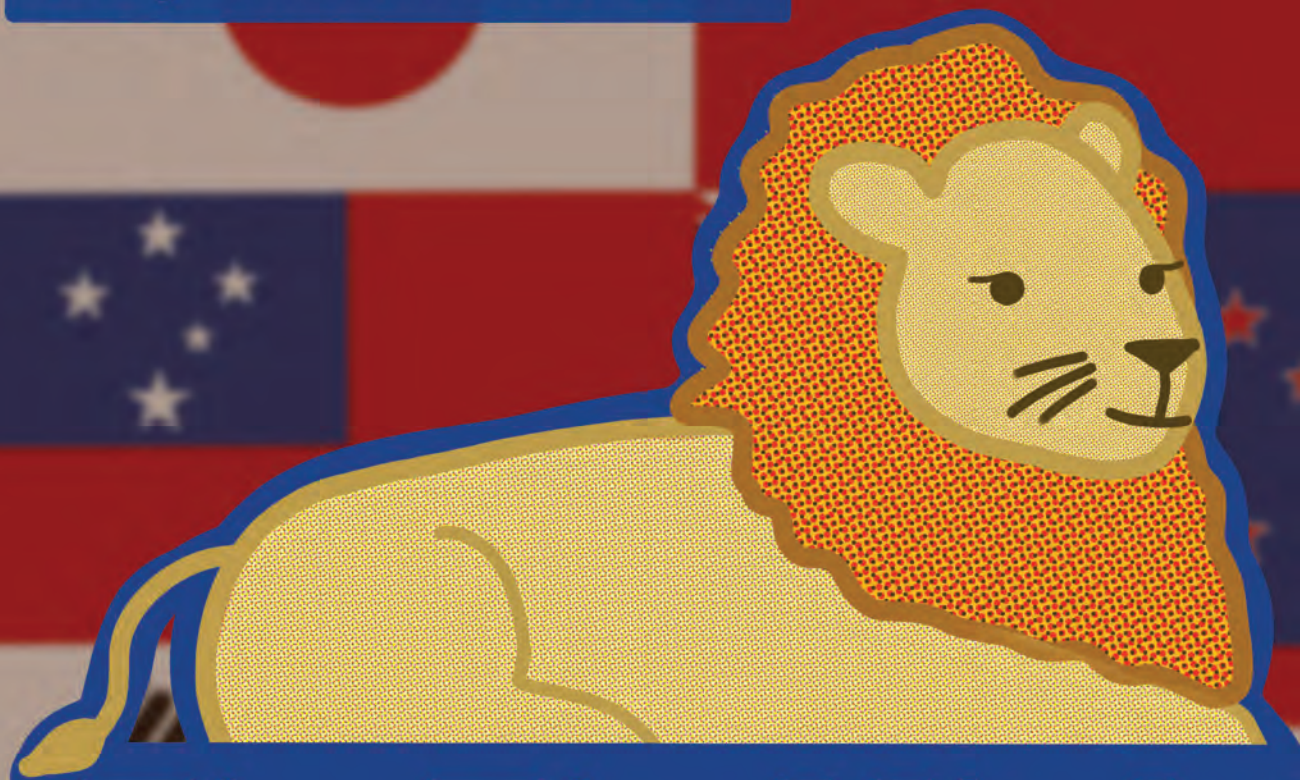
Saturday 4th March

Venue: Hall

Stalls: 4:00pm

Performances: 6:00pm

Entry: Gold coin donation



Fia Fia Night

2023

Junior Water Polo North Island Champs



Back in 2022 Term 4 just before the school year finished, our Junior A Water Polo Team competed in the North Island Secondary Schools Year 9 & 10 Cup, held here in Auckland.

After 4 days of action packed games, I am delighted to advise that the Epsom Juniors won the Division 1 Girls Plate with an impressive 4-0 win against St Mary's who they had drawn with just 2 days earlier! This is the first time that Epsom Waterpolo has competed in Division 1 for many years, so we are extremely proud of the effort the girls have put in training several times a week year round and competing in several pre-season tournaments. The girls played the Gold medalists in their first game of North Islands losing to them by just 2 goals which is remarkable. Epsom Waterpolo is definitely on the rise and we look forward to watching their journey continue. A special thank you to volunteer coaches Quentin Smith, Emma O'Brien and team manager Jude Walter for their time and efforts!

Junior Softball



2022 saw the long-awaited revival of the Epsom Girls Junior Softball team. From Week 4 to Week 9 of Term 4, every Wednesday, the girls travelled to War Memorial Park to compete against other schools. The team trained resiliently and improved greatly. Although most games were rained out, the girls worked hard to develop their ball skills. As a result, they played well, scored many runs and made lots of base hits during their games.

Thank you to all of the coaches and management that helped these wonderful girls behind the scenes! We couldn't have made this season possible without you!

The girls should be incredibly proud of how well they played and we are looking forward to seeing them next session!



Congratulations to our EGGs Lacrosse Coach Rosie Gunn on her appointment to the NZ U20 Women's Head Coach role for the 2024 World Lacrosse U20 Women's World Championships!

Athletics

Following on from her gold at the NZSSA Championships in December, Yandri also won gold at the North Island and South Island Colgate games where she has been invited to an athletics NZ training camp in Hanmer Springs. Great work Yandri!



Cricket

Congratulations to the EGGs 1st XI Cricket Team on winning the New Zealand Secondary Schools Girls Gillette Venus Cup Cricket Tournament for 2022.

Led by captain Elizabeth Buchanan, it was a hard fought effort by the whole team to go unbeaten throughout the tournament, and secure the #1 spot in the final showdown against Christchurch Girls.

Well done EGGs Cricket! An awesome way to end the year!

