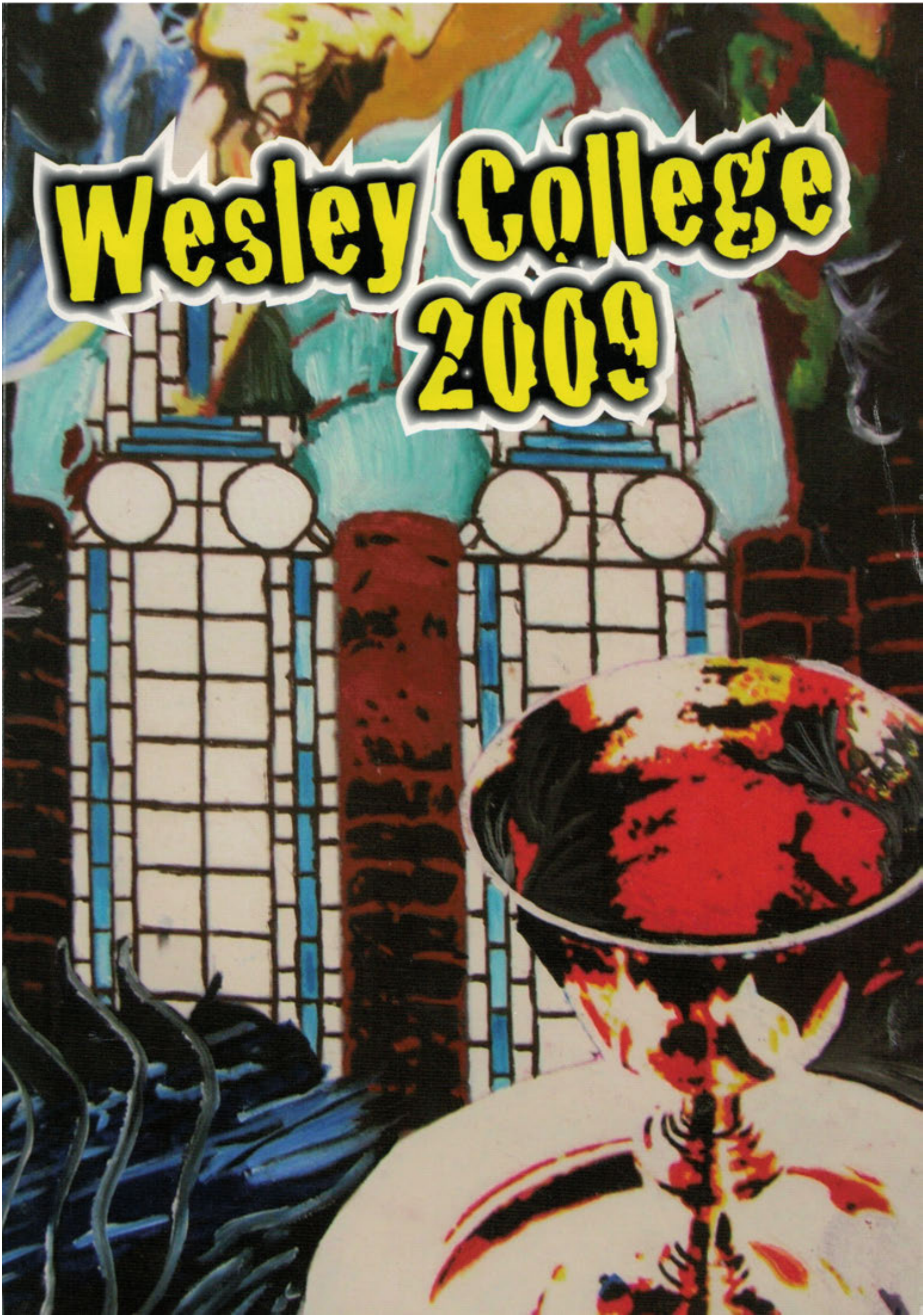


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BLESSINGS Stephen Autagavaia (1980 - 84).

At the time of penning this editorial, the title of my article seems apt. I have just watched my beloved Auckland rugby team consign Waikato to their rightful place, below Auckland and not any higher, thank heavens for small blessings. I can hear the legendary George Nepia holler a Te Aute paatere for his beloved Hawkes Bay, however in retrospect having witnessed their demise to Canterbury at the conclusion of this editorial, thanks to the helping hand of an old Wesleyan, Casey Laulala, I wonder if the Mooloo bells lament what could have been....as me old history teacher, the late Bob Fordyce would say, I digress!

It would be, I assume, customary to begin with a food for thought, and to mind comes an apt reading I could adopt as our Collegian blessing :

"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them"

(Matt 18 : 20)

I could lie and say it was the memorable thought I imparted at my final chapel service in the summer of 1984 as I emotionally farewelled my peers, staff and the Wesley community. However it would have been more likely;

"Like sands through the hourglass, so are the days of our lives" (Mum's favourite soap opera!)

Wikipedia defines blessing as "the infusion of something with holiness, divine will, or of one's hope or approval, blessings in the light. We practice such hope during the weeks approaching Christmas. The frenetic rush to the end for whom staff are familiar with, so much to do, so little time. The year is running away from us! (Marshall, E. 2009). Yet as Christians we pause to make meaning in our church communities as we approach Christmas.

As another chapter in the history of our school is almost completed, there is much to reflect upon, the highlights of what we as a school have achieved, championed both on and off the fields (the netball courts as well), the Wesleyan staff and students from 'muckin in' for a mate, Miriam Chainey, to our solidarity in an emotional rollercoaster for family members of the Wesleyan family who have been sick, are dying and have died this year. The presence of Christ in our midst has been evident as we have come together in His name as twos, threes or more to

celebrate, remember and give praise of His presence in our midst.

The blessing in Matthew's gospel is the hope, it does not lie here at Wesley after this year, the importance of your faith communities is vital and from a student whom twenty five years later that element of living within a strong faith community has been very much so in my journey as a husband, father and the public acclamation through the sacrament of baptism in all of our children, to the joy of our eldest child attending Wesley College this year, and no doubt Rosalina has relished her final year and finally appreciated the many yarns her dad told her about Wesley.

Wesley has for me memories of the strong faith community and provided a foundation on which to nurture in my time since leaving as a student in '84. The lasting impression that left me and is still existent today is our gathering as one to sing and hear His word broke open daily.

It is the very essence of what we take from Wesley, the special character, the importance of growing our faith, not just as a faith community, however to our leavers the challenge of that light shining in our callings in the many diverse industries we will traverse, yes life will be a steep learning curve, and that is the challenge, however the consolation is the gathering together in His name wherever we are.

Make a difference, remembering always these leading lights often recalled during advent :

- In your life, what things have been sprung on you suddenly?
- How did you deal with such surprises?
- What does it mean to stand with confidence before the Son of God?

In faith, in learning and hard work - God bless our leavers, it is not luck that got you this far.

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CHANGE - CONTINUITY - CHALLENGE

The themes of change and challenge are constant in a dynamic organization that works to create a place that meets the needs of those of the current age. There is an air of stability that comes from knowing that some things do not change. This is tempered by adopting a responsive attitude when things do change.



This year the Wesley College Trust Board responded to a 2008 external review report and strengthened the management structure of the hostels by appointing a Deputy Principal with responsibility for boarding. The appointment of Rev Stephen Tema to this position has had a positive effect, creating a clear link between boarders, Hostel parents, Parents and School.

As is reflected in the Chaplain's report in this Collegian the Chapel Theme for the year has been 'Our Special Character'. This focus has allowed the Special Character to be to the fore and created the conditions for a healthy discussion about what it means to live and work within a Special Character Community with a strongly Methodist / Weteriana focus.

Our links with the Methodist Church of New Zealand — Te Haahi Weteriana Aotearoa have been maintained through attendances at a number of induction services and other significant events that took place in the greater Auckland region and at the annual Synods of Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua Tonga.

2008 academic results reflect the efforts and achievement of students, teaching and boarding staff who strive to create the conditions where 61.3 % of Year 11 students achieved Level 1 NCEA, 67.6% Level 2 and 50.7% Level 3. These are results that rank Wesley College with schools in decile 7 communities.

This Collegian captures images of life at Wesley College 2009. It is a record that will be cherished by students and revisited at times in the future when the memories require rekindling.

I am sometimes told that students, especially the boarders, have nothing to do outside of school

and that boredom is an issue. In this fourth term of the year I have noted that Year 9 and 10 students have had the opportunity to be involved in competition Softball, Touch Rugby and Waka Ama. It seems that the school for juniors has been very busy. The four teams and two crews involved in these activities have added to creating this impression. There would be a challenge to introducing a further competition / organized activity for a group of 70 pupils.

I am thankful for all who have responded to the imperative to live and work in this dynamic place. So much happens, so much is achieved, so much remains to happen. I recall the words of the late Sir James Henare:

*He tawhiti to
koutou haerenga
mai, ki te kore e
haere tonu.*

*He tino nui rawa
a koutou mahi, kia
kore e mahi nui ano.*

*You have come
too far
not to go further.
You have done too
much
not to do more.*

We have come too far to not go further. A challenge recognizing progress looking with confidence to the future.

*Ian Faulkner
Principal*



Chaplaincy

It has been a year for the Chaplaincy Team to focus specially on our Wesley College Special Character which in an abbreviated form states that:

- We are Christian in practice
- We are Methodist in ethos
- We are accepted as we are
- We are called to be the people of God, doing the work of God
- We belong to the family of Wesley College and to the whole family of God.

In the Spirit of God and in light of our Special Character, we are empowered to know that we live in a community that celebrates wholeness where each member feels equally valued and affirmed. And essential to our community living is a theology of caring that reaches beyond all boundaries and barriers, so that all members are accepted, respected and appreciated. That is how real God's love is for all of us.

And God loves us into action. This prayer sums it up:

I asked for strength, and God gave me difficulties to make me strong
I asked for wisdom, and God gave me problems to solve
I asked for prosperity, and God gave me brain and muscle to work
I asked for courage, and God gave me danger to overcome
I asked for love and God gave me people to help
I asked for favours and God gave me opportunities
I received nothing I wanted, and I received everything I needed.
So today I thank God for life.

God who created the world in love, calls us to create with and in the same love.

God who gave us the gift of freedom calls us to use it to enhance and support the freedom of others. We are called to live love and to show love in our actions.

'... and what does the Lord require of you? To act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.' [Micah 6:8]



*Sylvia Akau'ola Tongotongo
and the Chaplaincy Team.*

HEAD PREFECT CHARLES PIUTAU

PROFILE

- **NAME:** Charles Tu'ipulotu Piutau
- **CODE NAME:** PIUCH
- **D.O.B:** 31/10/91
- **BREED:** Full Horse
- **SENTENCED FOR:** Playing Rugby-2005
- **SENTENCED SERVED:** 5 years
- **RELEASED:** 2009

School STAND!!... (3 Musketeerz walk in) ... lol! SCHOOL SIT!!

Tema Obama speaks.lol."Wesleyans of 09, its time for change! YES WE CAN ! No more of the bullying tradition, no more t-shirts inside our greys, cell phones in at 9.30pm at night and you will get it back the next day after school, Academy up at C-Unit and less number of Prefects."WhAt dAH! Am I dreaming??Is this a sweet dream? Or a beautiful nightmare? Somebody pinch me! Haha!

What a year it has been! 09, the year I call "the year of CHANGE."I am thankful and grateful that this has happened in my time in Wesley. I know, I know, for some of us it was ugz and hard! No doubt I felt the same at times. But like the saying goes "it's only when you hitch yourself up to something bigger than yourself that you realise your true potential." And to know the CHANGE was for the betterment of the school and to keep it running made me ALL FOR IT!! Class of 09, we were pioneers. And hopefully our legacy we created together will carry ON!!!

I would like to take this opportunity to give Glory and Praise to my Father in Heaven for shaping and fashioning me to the man I am today.To acknowledge that it was in Him that I accomplished and achieved so many things. Big ups to the Boss (I.F) and staff for blessing me with the opportunity in

being HP, like they say "With great honour comes great responsibility"; and indeed I learnt that. Thanks must go out to my Deputies Glenn for the first half.lol, Tyrone and Janelle. Thank you for your support; for I couldn't have done my job without youz. We really worked as a team so much that you to go into a relationship. (lol).joax. Big ups to all the Prefects! I know it was hard at times but you all stuck in their and it was a privilege and honour to work together with you. You are all great role models and leaders! Continue to be that in your spheres.! And lastly and most importantly big thanks to you! The students of Wesley College, who make it what it is and determine what it will be in the future.!

Thanks to the BIO group for the fun times and to the "man" Mr.Smythe for believing in us when no one did and for your courage and words of wisdom. Carry on the Legacy boiz. Big ups to my 1st xv brothers for the unforgettable memories that will forever remain in my heart, putting on the "BLACK JERSEY" and out there to die for the Doxx and the school we love soo much!!..The results may not have come our way; but in my eyes we are champions(Bahaha). Thanks to the coaches for giving me the opportunity to lead the boiz and to Mr.Hancock for your dedication and support for the team, to Gus for all the morning trainings at 5.30am while everyone was enjoying their sleep.lol, to Mr.Faitala for helping out our forwards and to Gremms aka ASITI...solid? SoOliD! haha.thanks must go to the cooks, Hana and the team for the good, the bad and the ugly feeds.lol.joax. To Matrons for all the free clothes from walk thru. haha.to maintenance for fixing everything I broke. hehe and to the cleaners for cleaning up Danny'z mess in the toilet.LOL!

Enough thanks now, I'm getting sick of the word. I've loved my 5 years here at Te Kura O WETERE; my home away from

home, the crème de là crème. (ae Tema?) Haha.The jam in my toes.lol!! To ALL the brothers I have grown with in the good and bad...oh and girls!lol.The memories of our school years will always be in my heart!!! I'm ready to turn the page.

I'm ready for a new set of challenges. Class of 2010, this is your time to step up and Be the generation to LEAD...!

Shout out to the SNAKES (Viper-John Luteru, Anaconda-Palei Tonga-Cobra-Sione Tonga, Python-Antonio Lavemai, Rattler-Glenn Fisiahi, Taipan-Timoci Navabale and Black Mamba-Danny Tusitala) KSSSSS! KSSSSSSS! !HAHA

*"THE LAST BREED OF
THE FINAL SEED"
(PIUTAU*was hea*)*



HEAD BOY TYRONE TE RURUKU

God is good (*All the time*)

All the time (*God is good*)

I came, I saw and I conquered...lol. B-P

Now it's time for so long,

But, It's so hard to say goodbye.

Before we all leave to our own ways, we'll have a haka by the boys, wahine with their pois and we'll have a Maori hangi tonight.

Taking you back to memory lane..where we all began the same.

Walking through the Wesley front gate as an average boy from the GHETTO!! Of N.G.A (Ngaruawahia). I was completely shocked. Never before had I ever seen so many PI and Maori students in one school, but famous words from the king of Pop reminded me that it doesn't matter if you're black or white. Hahahaha.

O.M.G! How I have changed, I have grown to love this place so I remember every weekend I came back I acted as though I didn't wanna return every again...But really, I get so excited and I just can't hide it. I know, I know, I know, I know I want to, I want to.

To all the boys, oh and some of the girls, if you were lucky enough, it was bloody awesome getting to know the good, the bad and both the ugly sides of all of you. LOL. This year was definitely unforgettable. [Everything we got into trouble for over the years, ALL GOODS!! It was never our fault ay, but if it was just blame it on the al al al al alcohol...just jokes Mr Faulkner]

Year 13 camp was just **"O for Owsome"**; Unit C a.k.a Wesley College elite academy is just "Hearty Brothers" except for the early morning trainings (thanks Gus!!!) and not to forget making the 1st XV (smash HBHS next year boys).

Thank you sincerely Mr Faulkner (my dox) for appointing me as Head Boy. It was a privilege and an honour to have my name written down in the WESLEY COLLEGE History books. Also thanks to all the teachers and staff for helping me towards becoming the person that I am today. I'm gonna miss all the washing ladies, matrons and especially the cooks (mean feeds...NOT!!!).

To the leavers of '09, and only the leavers, not the to-be year 14s, remember that everything that happens, happens for a reason and take hold of opportunities firmly with both hands...shout outs go out to all of the Year 13s of 2009, Wesley and Waiuku kapahaka group and last but not least all the students. Thanks!

TERTY 05-09



HEAD GIRL JANELLE POWNCEBY

Kororia ki te Atua i runga rawa, maungarongo ki tona iwi i runga i te whenua. E te Ariki, te Atua, Kingi o te rangi, e whakanui ana au ki a koe.

God is good! All the time! ...and All the time! God is good!

I give thanks to the Lord above for the many blessings he has bestowed upon me in my years at Wesley College and the absolute privilege it has been to serve this year as Head Girl.

I have always been asked...what makes you proud to be a Wesleyan? What makes me proud; is not rugby, not uniform, but what individuals can make of themselves with the opportunities given to them. To be proud of the accomplishments made and honour our family before us. To walk into chapel with our heads high, shoulders back, collars tidy and hearts to God. To stand up for what is right and shunt what is wrong. A Wesleyan isn't male alone, nor female alone, but part of the Methodist Community willing to make a change in their life to become a true leader as a part of Wesley's history.

Throughout my short years at Wesley College I finally learnt what pride was about. I learnt who good friends are and how family is all you need to get through the difficulties of life. What more essential learning do you need? Wesley has taught me about

love, honour and perseverance. Life is never easy at Wesley College, there's always a challenge waiting for you...but it's worth it.

My years at Wesley wouldn't have been the same without these few special people. To Matron Santa Jonck, who kept me and all my (27 or so) sisters' faith alive in the hardest of times and cared for us like her own daughters. Mr Biddle, who from my very first day, never failed to give a lending hand when needed. To Mrs Chainey for her encouraging words when I needed it and Mr Meyer for his never tiring help in building me a future in PWC. To Whaea Paewhenua for always being willing to take her own time to support me in and out of school. Mr Tomkins who let me strongly towards my aspiring career of becoming a business woman. To our chaplains, Reverend Tasi and Reverend Sylvia for their insightful messages throughout the years to build our spirits high and give us the strength to try to "act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God" (Micah 6:8).

AND! All the prefects who have stuck it until the end. It's been awesome working side by side with you all! To our Head Prefect (Charles) and Head Boy (Tyrone), it's been an amazing year and a privilege to work side by side with such great leaders. Thanks heaps. BUT! I can't stop there until I've given all my seventh form sisters a special shout out! Love yous all heaps!!! To all our seventh form leavers of 2009, good luck for the future, this was our year and we've made it to the end! But we don't stop lifting the pride of the school when we leave the gates of Wesley, so make the most of what you've learnt in the decades you've been here.

To all our up and coming leaders of 2010 (Antonio... hahaha) - Go hard, never give up and stand for what is right...even if sometimes you're alone. Hold the pride of the school high...you're the future of Wesley College. I'll miss you all heaps!

ONCE A WESLEYAN...ALWAYS A WESLEYAN!

*Much Love
08-POWJA-09*



Life and Faith

**God is good ... All the time ...
All the time ... God is good! ...**

continues to resound, boom and resonate not only in Chapel but also as we meet life through an informed faith. What is also echoed in what we do and say is John Wesley's call to ...

***Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as you ever can.***

We recall by word, followed by action how we should act in relation to one another. This is our way of being here at Wesley ... it is our way of doing and being in community.

Our faith continues to inform our life every day at Wesley, but it is our life which gives voice to our faith!

**A big UPS to everyone
for another solid year!**

To the Leavers 2009 ...
go well and go with God as you leave us.

Rev Tasi

Social Sciences

This year has been very busy with our NCEA programme for Year 11-13 students. The department has worked hard to increase the academic skills and understanding of our Year 9-10 Social Studies students plus improve the literacy skills required at the different levels of learning.

The department is made up of Mr J-P Eason working in Senior History and Junior Social Studies; Mr Vunidilo in Junior Social Studies, Mr W Sanson in Senior Travel & Tourism, Mr and Mrs Faitala in Senior Geography & Mr S Tema and Mr D Tomkins in Senior Economics. We said farewell to Mr N Leger at the end of Term One who moved onto

be Rugby Academy Manager for the Counties-Manukau RFU. We were fortunate that Mr Vunidilo was able to fill his position for the remainder of the year.

I have enjoyed working with you all this year & thank you for all the time & effort you have put in to make this department run smoothly & my job a lot easier to do.

To the students who have taken our subjects I hope you will continue in this area next year & for those leaving I know you have left with a good understanding of subject content & your academic background will serve you well at another academic institution or chosen career path.

*Mr C W Bean
HOD Social Sciences Department.*

GATEWAY

This is the inaugural year for Wesley students enrolled in a diverse range of occupations and these are listed as follows;

INFRA TRAIN (READ MAKING)

Bodene Fou, George Stretch, Lavenia Fotofili, Janelle Pownceby, Kaipoho Mauroa-Moana, Mana Taliauli, Glen Fisiiahi, Jack Folau, Seilala Evalu, Charles Piutau, Ngaruhe Jones, Ryan Kurei.

POLICE

Esau Leaaetao, Joseph Toso, William Tausinga, Vidar Tupou.

AUTOMOTIVE

Reuben Glasgow-Grey, Fainga Kanongata'a, Lance Nuku, Chad Rameka, Ethyn Naera, Sonny Aliifaalogo.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION

Chris Walden, Charles Piutau,

Early Childhood Education
Kathy Wong, Elleshia Whaanga, Shayleen Parkinson, Heather Matairavula, Viola Johansson, Lehai Lopeti.

ELECTRICAL

Tim McKenzie

AGRICULTURE

Jeffrey Easterher

ROOFING

Malcolm Andrews.

Successful students are awarded unit standard credits.

*G Collins
Gateway Co-ordinator*

A Short Tale.

English

Once upon a time in the middle of a beautiful rural landscape on a large, lush and prosperous dairy farm was a school. This school was different from any other school in the area and most probably the world. It was a school that was always busy with sporting and cultural activities, with dancing and singing, drama and art. This school was the oldest in the land and the only one that was founded by the Methodist Church. This school went by the name of Wesley College.

At Wesley College were five hardworking teachers who had the daunting task of teaching English. Their names were Johansson, Tema, Autagavaia, Nathan and Faitala. Try as they might these committed teachers often struggled to engage the students in the wonderful world of language and literature. Shakespeare, The Classics, Fantasy, Science Fiction, Pacific poetry, New Zealand writers and the wealth of other fascinating topics they taught often failed to excite the students of Wesley.

However, the five teachers stood firm and never gave up! Each and every day they brought their talents and enthusiasm to class to help motivate and encourage every single student in the school to learn something new in the realm of English. They never got tired of explaining that the skills learnt in English were likely to be the most important they could master. Or how crucial it is to be able to read and write - for life, for learning, for education and communication or just to get by. The teachers repeated their plea time and again - "Remember to hand in your assignment on Friday to the drop box next to the vans."

The teachers enjoyed the many highlights that the 2009 year did bring; the school speech competition, exciting debates and the credit race to gain Literacy for NCEA or UE. But perhaps the biggest thrill of all was when a light bulb went on and the student said "I get it" because after all...this was all the teachers really wanted.

A special thank you to all you wonderful Wesley students who made the effort to "get" English in 2009. And finally... a huge thank you to the five dedicated teachers because it is without doubt that many students learnt many great and important things and will live happily ever after.

THE END

"If you can read this, thank a teacher"
Anonymous



MATHEMATICS/ ACCOUNTING

**Here we are at the
crossroads yet
again.....**

For the senior students it is a time of busy-ness where the culmination of a year's study climaxes to the preparation of external examinations for

NCEA and attaining that magical number – 80....wondering if they have enough credits to gain a Level 1, 2 or 3 endorsement for the NCEA Certificate. For juniors, there is life after the seniors. Learning continues as they too prepare for their end of year school assessments.

Mathematics is everywhere – in our daily chores at school or home, in the supermarkets, when reading our Bibles, having fun at Rainbow's End, when ordering food at McDonalds.....we cannot escape concepts of Mathematics. We all need Maths in varying degrees to cope with society and the challenges that we are faced with on a daily basis.

This year we celebrated 'Math's Week' in August. It was a great success with students from every level participating in solving Math's problems and puzzles. There were competitions for all levels as well as staff. Both students and staff vied for placings with entries which ranged from the ridiculous to sparkles of 'genius thinking'. My advice to these adults – don't give up your day job just yet. All joking aside, this week proved that you can have fun doing Math's outside of the classroom and in different situations.

For staff, it is a time of reflection on how things have gone throughout the year but

more importantly.....life and learning goes on. Teachers are now planning, writing new programmes, fine-tuning current topics and the list goes on. The Maths and Accounting team for 2009 have worked hard and effortlessly to achieve favourable outcomes and to deliver 'full-on' programmes to such a diverse group of student's with varying abilities.

The team for 2009 has consisted of a group of hard-working individuals. I would like to extend my appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the department for their efforts and support throughout the year.

Mr. White, you are our 'tech-expert' / 'tech-angel'. Where would the department be without your Maths skills and your ICT expertise? Vinaka vaka levu.

Dr Das, thank you for organizing timetables, sharing your great sense of humour and your pearls of wisdom, which have kept us laughing throughout the year.

Mr. Siliasau...your quiet manner precedes you but your work does not go by unnoticed. Thank you for your work this year.

Mr. Palavi, you see most of our junior students through your numeracy classes. You have done justice to the 'R' in 'Rithmetic. Thank you.

Last but not least, Mr. Tomkins – 'You are not alone'. Though you may be one in the Accounting department, you belong to the Maths family and the department thanks you for your efforts this year.

To the juniors, enjoy the rest of the year and start setting your goals for 2010.

To the senior students of 2009 – Good Luck for your upcoming examinations!

For the leavers of 2009, reach for the stars and go- get your dream, for that is what makes God smile.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish all a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Have a safe holiday and a wonderful time with your families over the festive season.

**God Bless
la Manuia**

*Christine Pereira
HOD Mathematics*

What? Wesleyans not tell good stories?
 Our first XV steal all the glory!
 Though we're decile two,
 We will prove to you,
 That we're not just all FOBs and horis!
 What? Wesleyans not tell good stories?
 Great heavens! How clever are we?
 Coz at the same time
 We'll do it in rhyme,
 Coz that's how we roll at Wesley!

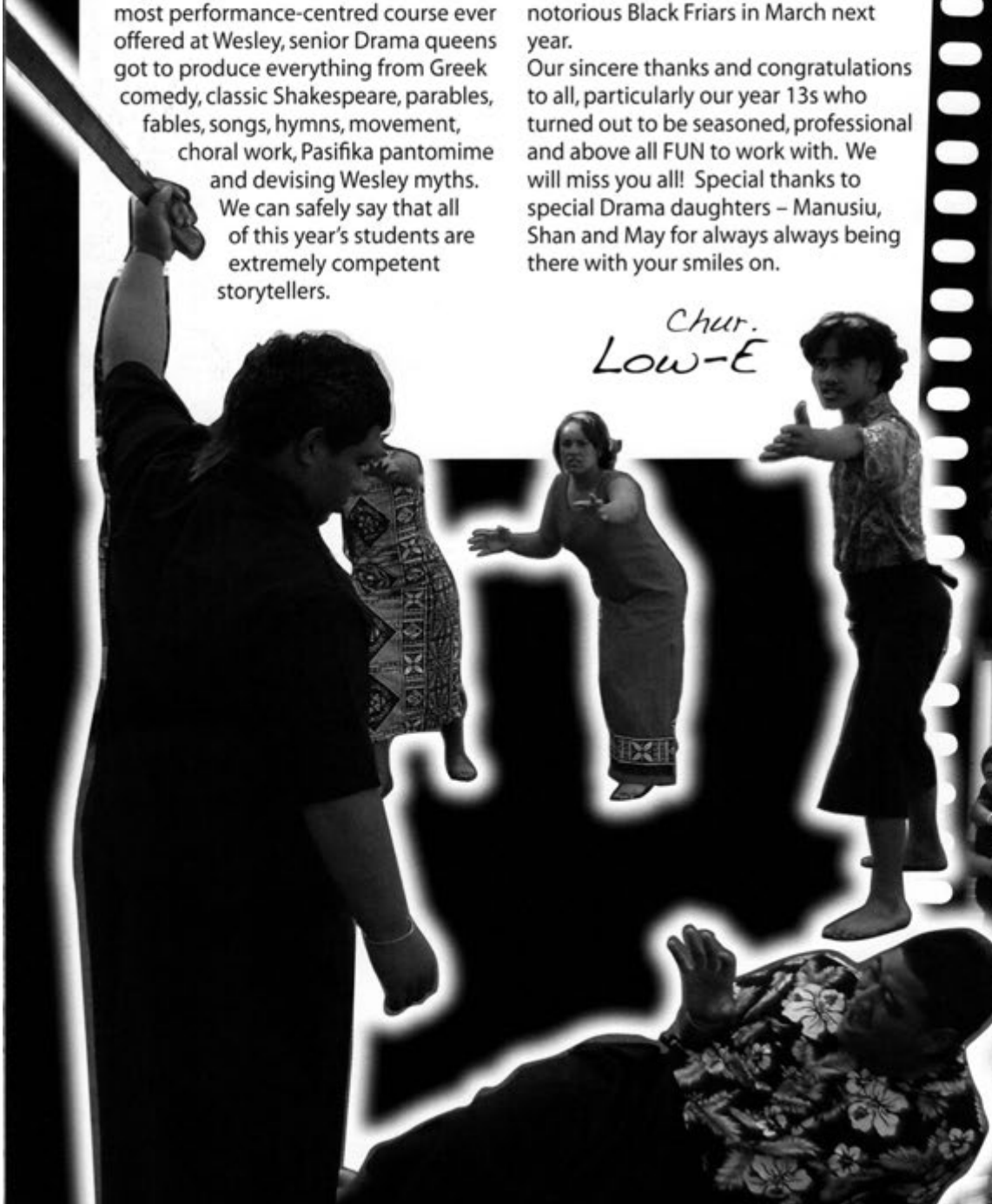
- *rhythYMN 2009*

drama

What a wild rollercoaster ride we had in the Drama department this year! Day one – all senior Drama students were told that they had 7 weeks to prepare a professional production of Aristophanes' *The Frogs* – this added up to 7 shows and one helluva crazy week! However, this was just the beginning. Within the scope of the most performance-centred course ever offered at Wesley, senior Drama queens got to produce everything from Greek comedy, classic Shakespeare, parables, fables, songs, hymns, movement, choral work, Pasifika pantomime and devising Wesley myths. We can safely say that all of this year's students are extremely competent storytellers.

In the mix we also had the accolades of retaining the regional Shakespeare championship - (hissss Macleans), having Mosese and Valentino work for the highly prestigious Auckland Theatre Company, Piltz making the National Shakespeare in Schools Production week, and Chris being asked by TVNZ to perform with the notorious Black Friars in March next year. Our sincere thanks and congratulations to all, particularly our year 13s who turned out to be seasoned, professional and above all FUN to work with. We will miss you all! Special thanks to special Drama daughters – Manusiu, Shan and May for always always being there with your smiles on.

*Chur.
 Low-E*



nssp 2009

The NSSP 2009 was a wonderful experience for me. I enjoyed every second of it.

I have gained for certain many valuable skills and attributes from the exciting workshops, mystery tours and performances, also insight knowledge of William Shakespeare the amazing playwright and the Globe was an unforgettable experience, and was such an honour to be apart of.

The week was full of excitement and was amazing to have achieved so much in such a short space of time. It was a worthwhile experience and also a privilege being involved in NSSP 2009. My time in Wellington was something that students I know could only dream about but for me that dream became a reality. The young coco brown sugar, tanned skin brother from the islands being involved in Shakespeare at its peak, was an experience out of the ordinary but was incredible.

Working with Amanda in Richard III was awesome. She is the coolest director ever, and I loved how much hard work and time she put into our play, after just coming out of a major production, she's superwomanJ. Big hugs and thanks to Amanda for the wonderful time spent helping me become an awesome performer. The week for me was a success and just an overwhelming and unforgettable experience. Also friendships that I have made in NSSP will always be special and a reminder of my time in Wellington. Big thanks to the staff at Capital House for the mean feeds, the late NRL grand final in the TV lounge, and the late night sessions in the laundry room (aye boys) lol. And not forgetting the wonderful Dawn! Thank you very much Dawn for all your love and support and also the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful production.

Kia manuia

Piltz Napa (aka peanut butter).



2009 has been a somewhat frustrating year in the library. With our budget being frozen in May, we have not been able to buy anything since, so have been receiving brochures full of wonderful titles that we could only drool over, and earmark for buying next year.

The one highlight this year has been our money from Friends of Wesley, who once again were very generous in giving the library \$1000 to spend on books.

We purchased some great titles, including a new edition of Bateman's New Zealand encyclopaedia, a new Thesaurus and Nga tama toa, a detailed history of Company, Maori Battalion. These will all be very useful additions to the library.

LIBRARY

The library has once again been used extensively by all departments, especially English and History, and we are pleased that the Music Dept. made good use of our resources this year.

We would like to record our thanks to the Board of Trustees for the heatpumps that were installed in the library a couple of years ago, as they continue to make the library a warm haven at breaktimes for half the school during the winter months, and a cool refuge during the summer.

A big Thank you to Mrs Biddle for all her help this year, and we both wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a restful holiday.

Mrs McKay
Mrs Biddle

Tongan Group

Tongan Group Performance on Saturday March 21, 2009 in the Maori and Polynesian Cultural Festival – the Tongan Stage.

On Friday night the group had their final practices and group meeting. There were positive atmosphere in the meeting and they were ready to perform on Saturday.

On Saturday the group arrived at the venue for the festival just before 10.00 am. They moved on to Tongan Stage area and watched some of the other schools performing.

As the time to take the stage approached, the boys were dressed in their costumes for the "Mako" by their parents. They looked stunning in their costumes.

Mr Faulkner and I addressed the group then offered a prayer of thanksgiving and praises before they went on the stage.

The group put on a brilliant performance and we were so proud to be part of it all - tutors, staff, students, parents and supporters, and the crowd appreciated every minute of their performance. When they came off the stage, they gathered together and offered a prayer of thanks.

The Tongan girls performed the Tau'olunga (non-competition) during lunch break to entertain the crowd. There were positive comments that they should compete next year.

The group performed the "Kailao" as the final item in the Tongan Stage. They have traditional costumes of manafau, papaifa, and hats. Mr Faulkner addressed the group and offered a prayer before they took the stage. Once again, it was another stunning performance by the boys.

At the prize-giving the group were awarded 1st in Kailao and no place for the "Mako". They were "stunning" performances by the boys especially the "Kailao". Well done and congratulations to all involved.

May all our endeavours bring glory to the Almighty God, and pride and satisfaction to the Wesley family. I would like to take this opportunity to thank a lot of

people for their involvements and contributions to the group.

A very big thank-you goes to Fane Tu'iha'angana for her input to the group making it very successful this year. I would like to acknowledge our tutor – Saia 'Akau'ola and the supporting roles of Peleisione Moimoi and Sione Taulahi – and their effort and contributions to the success of the group this year.

A warm thank you goes to Makeleta, Ta'e'iloa who dressed up the non-Tongan participants. Special thanks to Mrs Chainey for the production of the hats. Thank you to Mr Tagicakibau for the use of the tools and the Woodwork Room for the making of the Kailao bats.

Thank you to Charles Piutau – the Head Prefect, Glen Fisi'iahi – the Head Boy, Solomon Pole and the senior students for their leadership and organisation making it a success this year. All the best for your future.

An acknowledgement goes to both boards for the support and also allowing us to represent Wesley College on the Tongan Stage 2009.

Finally I would like to thank the principal, chaplain, staff for all the support, encouragement and tolerance of the group especially in the last couple of weeks. To the student body, thank you very much for all the support and the encouragement which the group appreciated very much. A very big thank-you goes out to our parents for their responses to the challenges and supporting the group wholeheartedly.

In conclusion, I would like to challenge everybody involved in the success of the Tongan Group to translate the positives to the students' academic works.

MAY GOD BLESS US ALL

*Amanaki Palavi.
Tongan Group 2009*



KAPA HAKA

Ko tahi te koha o te ngira e uru ai te miro mangu, miro ma, miro whero ki roto.

This year Wesley and Waiuku Colleges faced the challenge of moving up into division two after winning division 3 in 2008.

Hard work and commitment proved to be successful when this year's Kapahaka Roopu took out Division 2 at the Polynesian festival. A lot of late nights were spent practicing to perfect the routines. The theme for this years bracket was the '150th Anniversary of the Kingitanga'.

Trophies we won

- Mita o Te Reo (1st place)
- Waiata Tira (1st place)
- Whakaeke (1st place)
- Waiata A Ringa (1st place)
- Poi (2nd place)
- Haka (1st equal)
- Whakawatea (1st place)
- Kaakahu Tane (1st place)
- Kaitaataki Tane (2nd equal)

Many thanks goes out to the Kapahaka Roopu but the group wouldn't have been able to get so far without our wonderful tutors who took time off their lives to come and teach us. Thanks Whaea Piki, Rhema, Kathleen, Turongo and Whaea Paewhenua.

We wish next year's roopu well and we look forward to tackling the 1st Division participants.

Manu Korero

These students entered Nga Manu Korero which was held at Western Springs High School

- Tyrone Te Ruruku (Senior English)
- Coree Te Whata Colley (Junior Maori)
- Kenneth Walters (Junior English)

These students did our school proud .



We welcomed our Gappers from all around the world to Aotearoa and to Te Karati o Weterere, the centre of the universe.

Happy Christmas and a Merry New Year.

*From the
Maori Department c=*

SAMOAN group

"Lua pati mai le Wesley! Lua pati mai le hard luck!"

This year's Samoan group was probably the best group I've performed with. With a cup of Tongan, a handful of Maori, a teaspoon of Fijian and a pinch of the Island magic I like to call SAMOAN. Although we may not have come out on top at the Polyfest, we still held our heads up high with a lot of pride in our hearts. All thanks must go to our Heavenly Father above for giving us the strength to make it through every practice, and for the courage and confidence to perform to our full potential.

After the group represented the school at the Polynesian Festival on the Samoan stage, the teachers had already set up a weekend for us in Rotorua. It was solid. When we got there, we went to support our first fifteen who were playing against Rotorua. This was followed by nice a long swim at the pools. The next day we went on a duck tour bus that could travel on land as well as on water. It was a great experience. That night, everyone was given \$10 each to buy their own feed, so it all went on fish and chips, followed by the movies. Some people watched "X-Men" some watched "I love you man" and some watched "Angels and Demons". Finally it was our last day, so we packed our things back onto the bus, and thanked the Maori people for their hospitality.

But what was a trip to Rotorua if we didn't visit the luge? This was everyone's favourite part of the trip. When we got to the luge, the rain started pouring down, but nobody cared. It was a lot of fun. Big ups to the staff who looked after us, Rev Tema for the hard decisions he had to make for the good of the group (even in the group disagreed). To To'a and Sagele for all their hardwork and their patience to put up with everyone. And especially to the Samoan group, for hanging in there until the very end; and for working together as a group and as brothers.

FINAL THOUGHT - God bless all those with family who lost their lives in the Tsunami, and may He watch over those who survived but still affected by the outcome. ia faamanuia e le Atua olaga o tagata o loo aofia i le galu tele sa o'o i Samoa. Ae ia tatou manatua pea tatou uso, tuafafine, ma tuanane, ua maliliu ona o le galu. RIP SAMOA.

Valentino Maliko



MUSIC

This year has seen the start of many more great years to come in the music department of Wesley College, with such a range of talent beginning from the Y9's to the Y13's.

This year the Music ensembles consisted of a **BRASS BAND** taken by Siosaia Manu, a reggae band (**ROOTS OF JAH**) lead by Laiseni Kakato and **THE CHOIR** also lead by Laiseni Kakato and Steve Aiono.



THE BRASS BAND LED BY THOMAS FAIVA

started the year with various performances in the chapel being able to lead the school in a song or two also demonstrating how musical they can be in this ensemble. Special thanks goes out to the brass itinerant Siosaia Manu for his knowledge and expertise he has bestowed in the students not only in the school but for many of these students to take it back with them to their churches and outside school commitments.



BRING IT ON!



ROOTS OF JAH

have come along way from their little lunchtime practices to a now regular performing band not only in the school but also out of school functions. They have grown very musically amongst themselves executing a lot of popular reggae covers (songs) but also composing their own song which they performed and competed in the recent secondary schools Pacific Beats competition. Credit goes out to the leader Laiseni Kakato for keeping the boys as a tight unit but also to the remainder of the band for their commitment and dedication to the group.

THE WESLEY COLLEGE CHOIR LED AGAIN BY LAISENI KAKATO AND STEVE AIONO

has is now a regular performance group in the school. They have had regular performances in chapel service but also in other schools like Rutherford College and King's College. The ensemble has created a reputation that has reflected well on the school but also showcasing star vocalists Valentino Maliko, Anthony Lama and up and coming vocalist Blessing Mulitalo-Malu. Their time and effort in this group has blossomed as a group but also individuals well done to the whole group.

A big thank you to my itinerant teachers Steven Granshaw (Drums) Michael Bennett (Vocal, Piano) and Siosaia Manu for your time and effort you have insisted and helped the students and the school.

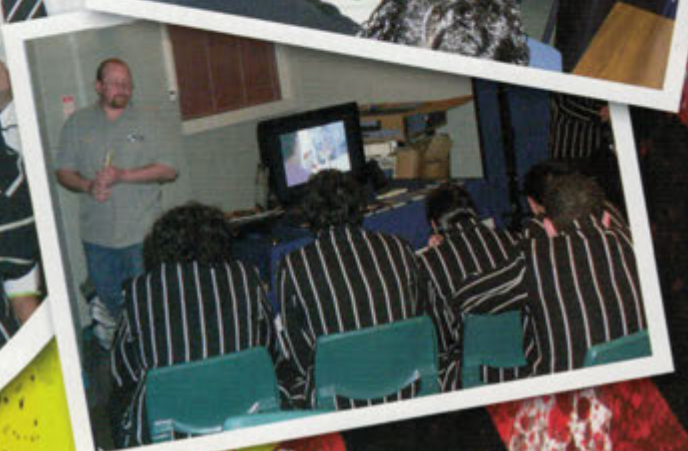
All is said and done but to all to my Y13's do well and hope you continue your musical journeys in the many years to come.

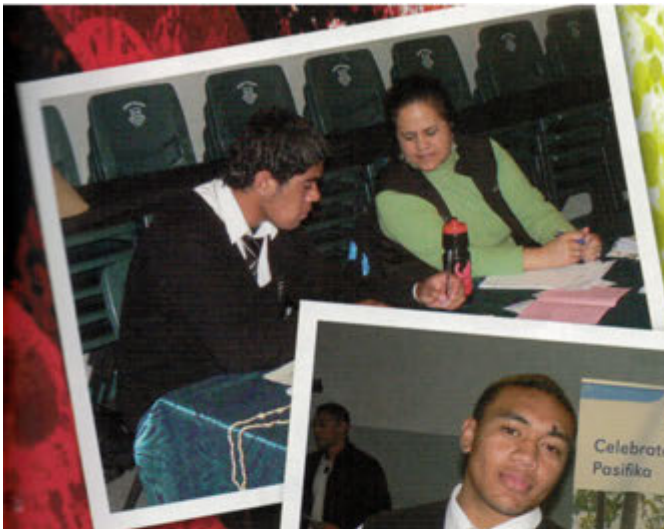
*Ben Tapueluelu
Wesley College Music Department*



Careers Evening

'09





Spirit of New Zealand

God works in mysterious ways where you may not understand why it happens, but that it's happened for a reason...

I always wanted to go on a "tiki tour" starting from Cape Reinga to Wellington with my mates, but instead I got a voyage of ten days in the finest ship from Auckland Viaduct Basin across the Hauraki Gulf and Colville Channel, then all the way home again with a bunch of complete strangers.

"Ask and it shall be given"...even if you have to compromise! Well you ask, what did I get out of this experience?

LEADERSHIP – you must serve to be served, leadership is an action not a position.

Confidence – you can't expect others to believe in you if you don't believe in yourself.

TRUST – in yourself and others to help you overcome any tricky obstacle, even if it's a tangled sail 100m in the air... (actually it may have been 30m?)

Knowledge – in every 100g of chocolate there are 6 insect parts (Thanks Engineer Dave!)

FRIENDSHIP – 40 strangers from all over New Zealand + ten days + 1 ship = One family.

PATIENCE AND PERSEVERANCE – a winner loses just as many times as a loser, the only thing that makes them different is a winner never stops trying to succeed.

Opportunities – I was elected the opportunity to be CAPTAIN for our trainee day and sail the SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND from Princes wharf and under the Harbour Bridge... (the main mast was never going to hit the bottom of the bridge – there's at least 5m give way!).

To our crew the voyage #546, I will forever remember the memories of freezing morning swims, all the belly flops and back slaps from off the yard swing on the side of the ship, our mean bonfire on the beach and how team PORT B (my team) ripped up in all the competitions and sunk STARBOARD A's "battle ship" (little luggers)! All I can say is many thanks to our Captain Nigel and our first mate Kent, second mate grumpy Peter, Engineer Dave, Auntie Lorraine (our 5 star chef) and all our watch leaders – Felicity, Jason, Colin, Sean, Elisa and Gareth, you all succeeded in yet another amazing voyage. I can't remember one dull day!!! Last but certainly not least, a special shout out to all the trainees...never forget what you have learnt from the Spirit and stay strong for the future!

"A ship in a harbour is safe, but that's not what they are built for" - William Shed

Life is about taking the right risks to accomplish your dreams. You may never have to hurt hiding away from opportunities, but what excitement is that? Take what you get and give it all you've got, because you never know where it may lead you.

*Janelle Pownceby
Captain of S.O.N.Z 2009 #546*



Hey! I'm Stefanie Post from the beautiful South of Germany, the place where 'God kissed the earth' (-:~)!

First of all I want to apologize for my bad English and I hope you will help me to improve during this year.

But now back to me: I was born in Tettngang, a small town directly beside Lake of Constance (biggest lake of Europe) and next to the border to Austria and Switzerland.

I've just completed my A-Levels this year in spring and now I'm enjoying one year of timeout from studying, here in New Zealand as a Gapper at Wesley.

One year for travelling and getting to know another very different country and becoming acquainted with it and its special and unique culture.

After this year I will study Sports-Medicine at German Sport University Cologne. As you can imagine therefore my favourite hobby is doing sports, especially going snowboarding, playing handball (not that strange game you guys play on the school compound), doing gymnastics and also doing the Triathlon.

Besides that, my other main hobbies are music (I play the clarinet) and laughing and having fun with my friends and my family. That's why I'm very happy having found a new family here at Wesley, far away from home, with whom I can have a lot of fun and heaps of good laughs.

Based on my passion to travel, I've been to most of the European countries, USA and Brazil. Therefore I've seen a lot of different landscapes, met heaps of different people from different cultures and make me to know a lot of different traditions.

But I've never been in a country that is so different to all the other countries and that has so many cultures like New Zealand. For that reason (and for many others) I'm so glad to be here and to be able to enjoy this year together with you guys from Wesley College.

I'm sure we will have a very good and especially a fun year together!

Cheers a lot for that!!



Stefi



Gruff

Fe Fe Hace? My name is Gruffudd Sion Jones (pronounced Griff-idd) and I come from the legendary country of Wales (not England!!). Wales is very similar to New Zealand as they both worship rugby as a religion (although New Zealand have somehow managed to gain the upper hand in recent encounters) Being a keen rugby man I'm fortunate to be in such a rugby orientated school. Upon my arrival I watched the 1stVX in action and I must admit that their skills were exceptional. This was the same case with the 7's squad who beat men with ease. The U'15s are also blessed with some fine talent. Some of which is better than Lukas' skills. The school has the one of the friendliest environments I have ever encountered. I find it very difficult to get from one class to the other without being 'mocked' by the students. My personal mock is Griffindor after the house in Harry Potter. Also Casper junior, Welsh, Spice and Skacs have been included. The teacher's staffroom is just the same and Ben Hancock and co are currently in the process of mentally toughening me up, whilst Phillip the house parent has introduced to me some very tasty Tongan food and for the first time in my life I have managed to put weight on. Ben the music teacher has also introduced me to 'Reggae' which is the style of music his band '3houses Down' play. Living in Wales there isn't a single reggae band so this has been an interesting alternative to Welsh folk singing. My main motive for doing a Gap year was my brother who had previously been a gapper here in 2007. He recommended coming here but warned that I would have a big pair of shoes to fill in. After receiving a rugby scholarship I spent 2 years in a boarding school called Llandovery College which is one of the most prestigious rugby schools in Britain. They have produced a number of Welsh internationals with the most recent being Alun-Wyn Jones and Andy Powell who were in the Lions team to South Africa this year. Therefore Wesley College was an ideal option. However when I asked the other two gappers who Jonah Lomu was to which they replied 'I dunno...a chef?' I thought I was in the wrong place.

When I return to Wales I will study for a P.E degree and hopefully complete it. Meanwhile I intend to take as much advantage as I can on my gap year by chillaxing with no stress from school work and to see as much of NZ as I can.

>>> Gruff Gappaaa <<<

Hi, my name is Lukas. I'm from Karlsruhe, Germany. For those of you who are familiar with Geography, that's in the South -West of Germany, close to France and Switzerland. Coming from German summer, it took me a few weeks to adapt to icecold winds, unisolated windows and low temperatures. Another thing is that Germans are a bit more quiet when you walk past them. If I walk around the campus here and I don't hear students yelling my name or Gapper or What up gee, I am kinda disappointed. What I really started to like is Rugby. Even though my skills still need a bit of improvement, I have already managed to throw a straight pass, a thing I am quite proud of. Even though I missed the live match of the All Blacks against Wales, I enjoyed the replay where I saw them smashing Gruffs home team. I really liked the Inter-House Soccer competition, even though it wasn't really soccer they played. When I first came here, I was a bit surprised of how big everyone is over here. In Germany, you'd find hardly any students who weigh 100 kgs. On one of my first driving jobs, I drove the U16s to Puke and it was not until they started complaining after waiting for 15 minutes in the parking lot that I realised that I was actually driving the U16s and not people who are older than I am. What I really like about Wesley apart from the nice people and the easy-going attitude is that there are great facilities like the weights room and the Squash courts where I spend heaps of time. The only thing I don't like about New Zealand so far is that the speed limit is 100kph. Can you imagine how it is to do 180 kph or more on the Autobahn and it's completely legal? I don't know what I am going to study when I am back in Germany, but that's still far away and not really on my mind right now. For now, I am just enjoying the easy life here at Wesley, thanks for making that possible!



Lukas

It all started on the 21st of October, when 16 eager students participated in the Year 12 Ski Trip 2009. We were accompanied by our new gappers Lukas and Stephanie, and were privileged to have the guidance of Matron Peacock, Whaea Paewhenua (and the teacher that made it all happen) Mr. Autagavaia.

Because we planned this trip from the previous term, we students were ecstatic and thrilled to have this opportunity. Many of us have never been to the snow, so the six hour drive down to Mount Ruapehu did not bother us at all. Although we received a speeding ticket (I was told not to mention any names). Cough cough (**Mr. Autagavaia**) cough cough. We were also threatened with another fine (thanks to **Sonia Pope** and those other students from the 2nd van) hahaha. And even though we had to stop every hour because **Chas** was car sick, we eventually got to our destination.

Our first stop was at the National Army Museum of New Zealand (about half way between Auckland and Wellington). We learnt about the stories of our soldiers, and the history and development of our Army. This showed us how these events have shaped our identity as a country and our place in the world. In addition, after playing dress up's (in the army uniform) and playing with the plastic and wooden guns (which **Ofa** very much enjoyed), we learnt about the different army medals and started to get familiar and understand the values of the military dimension.

Moreover, our ski team stopped and visited the place where the Tangiwai Railway Disaster happened

(which was not far from Waiouru). Because we studied this topic in class, we felt the loss of those 151 people that died in this accident, and were glad that we students had the chance to see where it happened. And so from this day, by the time we reached the "Parks Travelers Lodge" we students were exhausted, still in shock that we made it on the trip, and overwhelmed and ready for the next experience. As we settled in (in our cabins), we made dinner, explored our lodge, made supper and then returned to our cabins and prepared ourselves for the next long day ahead of us.

The next day was just as exciting as the first one. Although it was raining and because of this (due to the bad weather), skiing upon the mountain was canceled. The students however, took the bad news quite well and were left with high spirits, so they decided to make the most of it. So off we went, dressed in our ski clothes (**Magaret** looked the warmest) to Happy Valley upon Mount Ruapehu, and set our first steps upon the snow. We had **Tamihana** and **Tiare** building snow men, and watched **Ryan, Ruben** and **Patrick** sledding down the hill. Most of the girls avoided **Manase** and **Cardo**, as they were the ones that started most of the snow fights, and at the same time tried to keep cautious upon the slippery snow. However this failed as we saw the constant falls from **Sonia** and couldn't forget the ones from **Juno** and **Shayleen**. **Jessie** on the other hand did not have to worry about falling because she wore her bright pink snow boots (which you also couldn't forget) hahaha. And so just from this hour or two upon the snow, we students were still thrilled and excited from the new experience we encountered. Even though we left the snow with wet clothes, shoes and socks! We would definitely repeat this day upon the snow again.

And what made this trip even more worth while was that we made a stop at the Huka Falls. The Huka Falls are the largest falls on the Waikato River (near Taupo), and the most visited natural attraction in New Zealand. We were so amazed at this attraction that we didn't mind people looking at us, in our toes, wet socks or wet shoes! Hahaha. And even better, we decided to end this long day at the Taupo Events Centre (AC Baths). We played in the pools, slid down the hydro slides (which **Nicole** was the first one to try out) and as the day end traveled another 3 hours back to our lodge.



Year 12

"Wasn't this the coolest ski trip??"haha"=]

We returned to the cabins with little energy and tried to avoid the idea of returning back to school the next day. As our prayers didn't get answered, we woke up extra early the next day and packed all our gears into the school van. We left the lodge for another six hour drive back to school and thought what an amazing trip we've had, even if we didn't go skiing. This experience for all us students was what it seemed "only came once in a life time".

And we were all overwhelmed and fortunate to spend it and share it together. We hope these school trips can continue into the foreseeable future, because it expanded our knowledge on how exciting and important tourism can be, and have opened our mind to the career path we are interested in.



Big thanks...

to the staff that came on the trip and to **WHAEA PAEWHENUA** who kept the trip together, (making sure we were on schedule in the right place, at the right time). Last but not least, a very big thanks to (as he likes to be called) 'the teacher in charge' haha **MR. AUTAGAVAIA**. Although he keeps us entertained in class, he also teaches us the values and importance of tourism. And without him, this trip would have never been possible and we students would have never seen the remarkable world of tourism.

SO THANKS MR. A!! =] for not only being a great teacher but for making these experiences happen!

Also, thanks to the students that participated in this trip (which names are in bold). Thank you for helping with the ski trip fundraising and being keen to go on this trip and so here are YOUR highlights...



Student Highlights...

- ** Getting pulled over by the police (twice) hahaha
- ** Every one feeling comfortable in each others cabin.
- ** (Sonia and Nicole) having their own cabin!
- ** Watching those boys and girls that fell on the snow.
- ** Seeing everyone so tired at the ski trip, when we SUPPOSEDLY went to sleep at 10:30pm! Hahaha
- ** Going into the spa... (after hours!) =O
- ** Everyone sleeping in different cabins (not to mention their own bed) every night. Hahaha



Ski Trip

By Sonia Pope and Juno Gabriel



Tongan TOURING Party

July 21 to August 4, 2008

The purpose of this trip was to participate and support Honorable Sitiveni Alaivahamama'o Tuku'aho in his inauguration to the princely title – Prince Tungi. He was bestowed this title on Saturday July 19 in a traditional ceremony. This was followed by presentation of gifts and feasting by his villagers. The thanksgiving service was carried out on Sunday 20. Monday 21 was the third day of celebrations at one of his village – Navutoka.

We arrived in Tonga about 11 o'clock on Monday 21, and were transported immediately to Navutoka to participate in the celebration there. In the village, we performed the 'haka' for Prince Tungi when he arrived, and also to Queen Halaevahu Mata'aho on her arrival before the official ceremony started.

We witnessed the performance of Tongan customs of presenting the kava, pigs, tapa and mats. Prince Tungi's Samoan family also made a presentation as well. Then we were treated to a very big feast followed by traditional dances led by Honorable Salote Maumautaimi Tuku'aho – Prince Tungi's sister. We were greatly honored with gifts of kava, pigs, tapa and mats from Prince Tungi's spokesman. Manu-e-kaho (Michaiah's grandmother) – our spokesperson replied with a big thank-you on behalf of Wesley College.

We left Navutoka to meet the congregation of Ta'ehaloto Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga, Ma'ufanga where we were accommodated in their new Hall. This was followed by a day of rest on Tuesday. We had picnic on Wednesday with Prince Tungi on the beach by his palace in Fua'amotu. We toured the Royal Palace on Thursday, and then accompanied Prince Tungi and his people when we presented to His Majesty harvests from the land and thanked him for Prince Tungi. We performed the Taufakaniua there. We also visited Queen Salote College where the performed again. We then visited the Secretary of Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga and performed to say thank you for his role in finding us accommodation and welfare in Tonga. On Friday we visited Nukunuku High School, Abel Tasman's and the missionaries' landing sites, the Blow Holes, Liahona High School, and Sia'atoutai Theological College. On Saturday students were allowed to visit their families and relatives.

It was Miss Heilala Beauty Pageant week and there were activities throughout the week which the group observed and enjoyed very much.

On Sunday students participated in the service at Ta'ehaloto. Then we were invited to Mr & Mrs Paea's (Antonio's parents) church for a feast at Tofoa. In the evening, we went to the palace in Fua'amotu and have service with Prince Tungi in the Royal Chapel there.

The Coronation Week started with the group

performing the Taufakaniua in the Royal Palace on Monday 28. We then toured in the eastern side of Tongatapu visiting Mo'unga Olive High School and the Ha'amonga and the Sundial.

On Tuesday we participated in the Education Day. We closed the first part performing the Taufakaniua and the Haka before the King departed. We were well received by His Majesty and the public at large.

The Royal Kava Ceremony was on Wednesday. This is the Tongan Traditional Coronation – the nobles and the spokesmen were seated in a circle and King George Tupou V was the 'Olovaha' - The Head of the Circle. At night the shoreline was lighted with torches (Tupakapakanava) made from coconut inflorescence remains. This was run by the secondary schools.

We were invited to perform during the Cocktail Party at the Crown Prince Residence (Liukava) on Thursday night. We met the dignitaries for the coronation and members of the royal family there.

The Coronation was held on Friday 1st of August in the Centenary Church of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga, Nuku'alofa. This was followed by a Royal Luncheon provided by the Prime Minister. The final 'Tupakapakanava' was run by the primary schools.

The Army Parade was held on Saturday and the luncheon was provided by the King's nobles. We were then treated to a dinner provided by Baron Fielakepa and Honorable Tu'ivakano and the Old Students Association of Tonga. Prince Tungi and the Association also raised over \$2000.00 for us on that night as well.

The service was shared with our parents on Sunday and followed by a farewell feast from my brothers and their families, and the whole congregation of Ta'ehaloto. A farewell service at night was honored by the presence of Baron Fielakepa followed by a cup of tea.

Monday came and no one was in the mood to leave the Friendly Islands. Time to pack and tidy up was at hand. We were off to visit Tupou College. We have lunch with the School and then treated to a barbeque at Head Tutor's Residence. We were back at Ta'ehaloto to farewell the congregation. Then we left to the airport at 7.30 pm. The plane left Tonga at 12.10 am on Tuesday the 5th of August 2008.

I would like to thank the Trust Board for allowing us to represent Wesley College at these special occasions. A big thank you went to the chairman and most members of Board of Trustees for sanctioning this trip of a life time for these students.

I would like to acknowledge and thank ASB Bank especially Ilesha Cooper Holland, the Manager of the Pukekohe Branch for sponsoring our Travel Insurance.

I would also like to thank the Chairman of the Tongan Parents Association and the parents for their tireless effort to make sure this trip went ahead. Thank you Albert Cook for all that you did during this trip. Thanks to all the parents that went to Tonga for all that you have done to this a very successful trip. To Taniela and the boys, thank you once again for a memorable trip. To all the families and relatives in Tonga, thanks for visiting, the food and drinks we enjoyed so much.

We are greatly indebted to Rev Dr Ahio, the General Secretary of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga Conference for his effort in providing us accommodation and the provision of food through the Congregation of Ta'ehaloto.

To Siasosi and Jessica Moala, Amanaki and Maxi Paea and their families, thank you very much for what you have done to the group in terms of time, effort and money. Words cannot be enough to express our gratitude and we owe you big time. Manu-e-kaho, thank you very much for all you have done for us. We would be at a loss without you especially in dealing with the Royal Family.

A very big thank you to Rev. Vilitonu Satini and his family for all that you have done for us. To Kula-he-ako, the steward and the congregation thank you for having and looking after us and making our stay most enjoyable.

I would like thank the Principal, staff and students of Tupou College for the warm welcome, entertainment and provision of food while we were in Tonga.

A very special thank would go to Baron Fielakepa and the old students of Tonga for what have been done for us. It was humbling and heartening for me personally that Baron Fielakepa cared so much and contacted us daily either by visitation or by telephone. Thank you so much.

I would like dedicate this space to say thank you to Prince Tungi's Mum and the Royal Family for allowing us to travel and support Prince Tungi and participate in the Coronation of His Majesty King George Tupou V. It was a humbling and heartening experience that we were so warmly welcome and also cared for by the Royal Family. Thank you very much for the foods, welcoming words and the gifts – financial and material – that we received while in Tonga. A very big thank you to Honorable Etane Tuku'aho for attending and honoring the occasion when we celebrated being part of Prince Tungi's life at Wesley College, and showed our appreciation of what the Royal Family has done for us while we were in Tonga. Thank you to the Principal and staff for taking care of my classes while I was in Tonga.

Finally, praise the Lord for He was with us all the way. He is good all the time. May God bless us all.

*Amanaki Lelei Palovi.
Your humble servant*

Junior Kilikiti

An outstanding performance by the team this year 2008.

Coached by Amanaki P and Stephen T we turned up to the domain to play other schools. We were in the pool with Mt Roskill and Tangaroa.

The boys batted and fielded like men possessed. Blessing, Jordan T, Lamonte and Brian were accomplished batsmen and the team supported very strongly in this aspect of the game.

Bradford was bowling a very tight line and length and Lamonte and Penitoa supported as well. Hame was awesome as backstop.

After winning their pool play round we were in the semi-final with Edgewater College and this was a very close game. Bradford's

precise bowling won the game and then we were pitted against Mt Roskill again.

Mt Roskill were a lot sensible in approaching our game as they had seen the strength of our batting power.

Led by Brain and Blessing the boys blasted away at Mt Roskills bowling attack and this was by far our largest runs scored against a team. We scored 102 runs with 78 bowls. Wesley bowled Mt Roskill all out for 79 all out.

A mention must go to the team. Awesome teamwork and they finished with a Haka to show us their appreciation. A well deserved win.

Roll on A grade

ST

Last summer saw the return of a Wesley College junior team in the weekly eastern zone softball competition selected from Year 9 and 10 students.

The team comprised of talented players who have played softball for champion Auckland and Bay of Plenty Intermediate school teams.

The team was under no illusion as to the task ahead, as a period of absence from the competition gave Wesley no precedence to measure our strength against well established schools with a softball history.

The benchmark of what lay ahead was a 0-3 loss after three completed innings to 2007\2008 champion Pakuranga College side in our opening

match, gave us an assessment of our possible potential.

The results last summer reflected a superb team effort all round with star turn performances by our pitcher Hayden Symes and catcher Beau Kumar added a touch of class, ably led by skipper, William Poese.

Our fourth placing at the Auckland Softball one day tournament in the Division two, sets up our current junior team with a challenge to improve even further.

My sincere thanks to Gus Leger for his advice and invaluable mentoring.

S. Autagavaia - Coach

2008 \ 2009 RESULTS AS FOLLOWS :

WEEKLY EASTERN ZONE TOURNAMENT

After three completed innings

Pakuranga College	0- 3 loss
Sancte Maria College	2 - 6 win
Selwyn College	0 - 6 win
St Kentigern College.....	Win by default

Player of the year : **HAYDEN SYMES**

Runner up : **HAME FAIVA**

Most Improved : **WILLIAM POESE**

AUCKLAND SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Aorere College.....	3 - 12 win
Hato Petera	win by default
Green Bay High school	2 - 5 loss
SEMIFINAL V KELSTON BOYS	3 - 6 loss
PLAYOFF FOR 3rd PLACE v Green Bay..	3 - 4 loss

Junior Softball

Switching from the euphoria of ASB Polyfest and the demands of trialing for school first fifteen as well as contending with credits in NCEA, it was a miracle upon miracle that in the timeframe ever so congested we managed in term one to prepare and enter a team in the annual Auckland wide softball tournament at North Harbours, Rosedale Park.

The class individually of such talented athletes allowed for the smooth transition to softball as the multi diverse skills of the team allowed coach, Gus Leger the luxury of honing in on skills and players marrying those key skills in the unit of team play.

The experience of catcher extraordinaire and skipper, Joshua Mau who has been a member of

the team since his Year 9 debut complimented by the rising talents of Year 10 member, Hayden Symes who has been a member since starting at WTC last year, ensure continuity when our senior players leave at the end of this year.

My tips to keep WTC alive and well next year :
Hame Faiva, Vishal Kumar and William Poesse

My sincere thanks to the players for their solid commitment this year, especially Joshua who has taken an active role in coaching the future of Wesley by coaching one of the two Wesley junior softball teams for the 2009\2010.

S. Autagavaia - Manager

CONGRATULATIONS TO COACH, GUS
who was again selected in the New Zealand Black Sox's team.

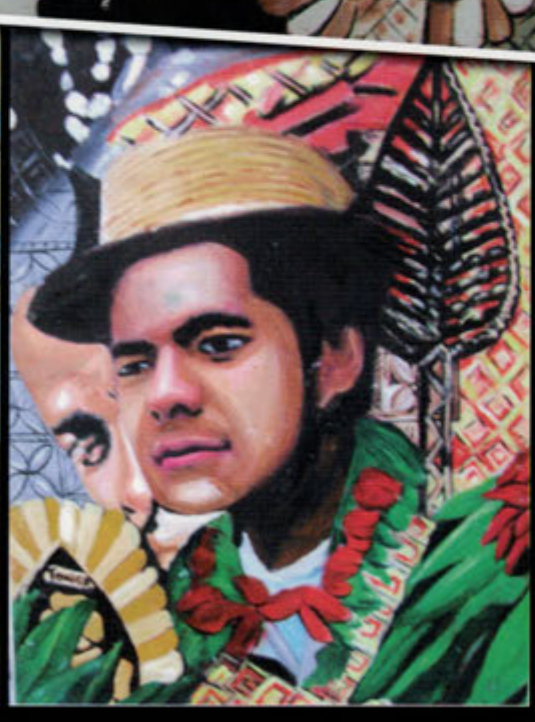
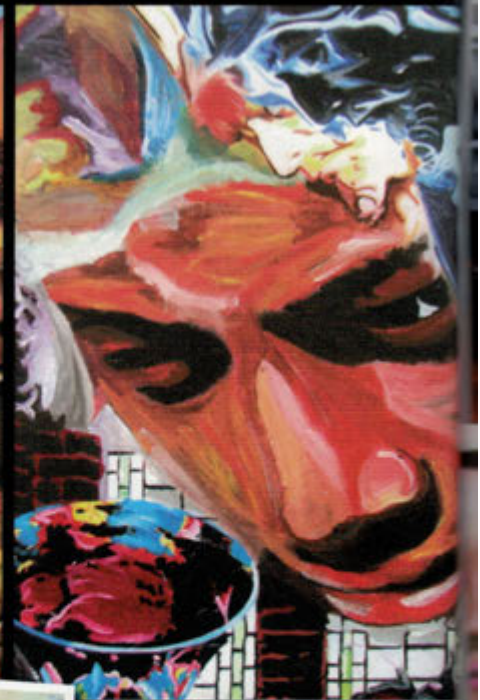
Player of the year and winner of the Cudby Family Softball trophy: **JOSHUA MAU**

Most Improved player : **KULI FALAFEHI**

Senior Softball









Swimming

Swimming Sports quickly appears at the beginning of every year, and this year was no different. Swimming Sports is the first big event for the school every year, it's an opportunity for seniors to stand up and lead their houses to victory, and its also a good introduction to the juniors and new students to the 'Wesley' spirit.

The weather looked like it was not going to help at the beginning of the day, with dark clouds overhead and intermittent showers, it was looking like even the non-swimmers were going to get wet. As it turned out as the day progressed the weather improved and it turned out to be perfect for the entire event.

The day progressed quickly and all of the students were involved in some shape or form, whether it was swimming in the events or chanting with their respective houses. It was a good change from the past few years when there has been less participation and house spirit has been down. The senior leaders from each house did a great job of getting each house involved in the events and leading the way with chants and songs.

There were a few stand-out performances from some students. This year saw the return of Te Wariti Casidy, his swimming prowess was on display as he easily cleaned up all the races he entered. There were also several students that participated in almost every event they could enter, and by doing so they earned their house valuable points towards the Winstone Cup.

It was a great day out and it was pleasing to see the return of the enthusiasm and spirit within each of the houses, hopefully this will continue on. At the end of the day there was one house that looked like they had come out victorious, however once the results had been scaled to reflect the number of students in each house, there was one house out front on their own-
SCHOOL HOUSE!

*B Hancock
(School House!)*

[ATHLETICS]

The school's athletics day comes around quickly every year, it's the biggest sports event the school is involved in. Swimming sports gives the school a good introduction to school sports and house spirit, but athletics is a day where everyone gets involved and the competitive nature of students comes out.

The weather looked like it was going to put on a stunning day, hot in the morning even hotter in the afternoon. Hats, sunscreen, shade and water were all at a premium throughout the day.

The day progressed quickly and all of the students were involved. Athletics provides ample opportunities for all students to be involved in the day's activities. Athletics is structured so that student participation is encouraged, it's easier to participate than to opt out in most of the athletic events.

There were many great performances throughout the day, the sprint events providing a lot of close races and excellent performances. The competition for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each respective age group was a close battle in all the age groups except one. Alan Heighway and Lutz Laulala were battling away for the title of Junior Boys Champ, with Alan just edging out Lutz at the end of the day, both boys put in top performances all day. There was a clear winner in the intermediate boys' grade with Hayden Symes taking out the 100m and 200m, 3rd in triple jump, 2nd in long jump, and 1st in the 400m. An impressive performance from Hayden.

The Senior Girls Champion was fought out between Lehai Lopeti and Janelle Pownceby. All day long these two girls put in outstanding performances. Lehai ended up with a few more points than Janelle, as she managed to win a couple more events than Janelle, but only just!

The Senior Boys Champion is always a closely fought battle and this year was no different. Charles Piutau was setting standards all day long for his fellow competitors to follow, he was always putting in his best efforts, and it was paying off for him. Malcom Andrews was pushing Charles all day, with Glen Fisiahi keeping up with both of them. Unfortunately for Glen he sustained an injury during the 100m final (while leading the race!) and he had to pull out of the day with two events to go.

Charles Piutau was the deserved winner of the Senior Boys competition as the winner of the 100m, 200m, triple jump and shot put champion and 2nd in javelin.

The overall house competition was just as clear as Charles victory in the senior boys - this house led all day long. It wasn't the champion athletes in the house that were keeping it on top; it was the number of students involved. The students in this house put in a massive effort to do their best and get involved and it paid off for them - big time.

School house backed up their impressive effort at swimming sports with another top performance in Athletics, winning the house competition. School house now had a good lead in the race for the coveted Winstone cup - the challenge had been laid out for the other houses to pick up.

B Hancock

CROSS

COUNTRY

This year saw a change in the running of the school's cross country. No longer would it be compulsory for all students to enter. After past efforts at cross country, it was decided that only those students who wish to participate in the schools cross country would run. Numbers would be down on previous years but the quality of the race was dramatically improved.

On the day of the race there was much speculation on whether the race would take place or not, the persistent downpours of rain threatened to stop the event before it even started. The course was more sloppy mud than solid ground, it was going to be trying conditions to say the least.

The brave entered the race all clean and dry, they certainly did not return in the same condition. The mud was everywhere, no one could avoid it, the roads were slick with it and round by the cow shed it was at its worst- 20cm of thick, slimy mud mixed in with deposits from the cows.

All the runners put in fine performances, especially when you consider the conditions, the effort required to run in those conditions is great: so well done to all the participants.

There were as usual some fine performances- **Allan Heighway** dominated in the junior division, even after being sent the wrong way, he still won easily. **Janelle Pownceby** ran a great race and was way ahead of her next competitor. **Reuben Glasgow-Grey** and **Mitchell Collins** battled all the way in the intermediate section, theirs was the best race, neither giving up and pushing each other all the way. In the end it came down to a sprint and Reuben won out. **Solomone Pole** put in a fine performance winning the senior boys, sprinting past a dancing **Ted Lolo** (who had been leading all the way) to take the win.

It was a good day out in difficult conditions. The new format worked well and the runners all put in a good effort.

When all the runners had finished and all the points added up there was a familiar name at the top of the list- Stanton came in fourth with 35 points, Simmonds was next with 37 points, then Winstone with 49 and once again School house had shown their true colours and taken out the third title for the year- that makes it 3 from 3 for school house this year- Swimming sports champions, Athletic champions and now cross country. Well done.

B Hancock

CHESS

Wesley College chess team continues
to do the school proud.

Wesley College is proving to be more than just muscles and strength on the rugby field. The College is also excelling in 'deep-thinking and mind' sports like chess. In fact the co-ordinator of the Pukekohe Chess Club, Yvonne Middleton is astounded at the depth of chess talent within the school.

"This is the sixth year the boys have attended our Chess Club and the standard seems to be getting higher and higher each year. The boys are not only clever players but they are also well behaved and always look smart dressed up in their number-one uniform," Yvonne said. "They are a

credit to Wesley College and are valuable members of our Club," she added.

Eleven junior boys from Te Whare Maia and Te Whare Taina attended Club nights in Pukekohe Library Hall on the first Thursday of each month from 7pm to 8:30pm. The Club celebrated its sixth birthday on August 6 with play, food and a birthday cake. Much to Wesley's credit, Norman Edwards was named club champion in 2009. Norman will be presented with his 'Champion' trophy in December.

*CHESS CHAMPION
NORMAN EDWARDS*



RESULTS THIS YEAR WERE:

♣Champion: Norman Edwards (Wesley College).
Runner-up: Fuka Toafa (Wesley College)

POOL B:

Champion: David Jameson. (Pukekohe)
Runner-up: Waiora Manuka (Wesley)

MOST VALUED PLAYERS IN 2009:

February: Tilton Chan.
March: Mihaka Matene and Roy Royal. (Wesley)
April: Norman Edwards. (Wesley)
May: Paul Hausia. (Wesley)
August: Shaun Kyle and Mihaka Matene.
(Pukekohe & Wesley)

Chess players to represent the school in 2009 were:

Norman Edwards, Fuka Toafa, Mihaka Matene, Paul Hausia, Ryan Enevoldsen, Reweti Davies, Tangaroa Hau-Headfield, Waiora Manukau, Joshua Whiteland, Tainein Bishop, Charles Murray, Te Maikoha Hakopa, Viliami Uhi, Roera Royal, Reuben Rogers, Billy Wakeling, Fari Popata, Detroit Heremaia and Aaron Samuels.

Special thanks to Mr Leach, Mr Tod and Mr Sanson for transporting the students to club night. Malo 'Aupito.

*By Litea Ranger &
Nelly Kaitani.
(Managers)*



Netball

Hmm .. Netball 2009 .

How can I put an awesome year into words?

Well, to start off with I'm going to give heaps of praise and loads of honour to the one and only " God' our father . Just believing in Him made our successful year possible.

And so it goes..

Coming into the netball season for 2009, we didn't know what to expect from each other. We were just a whole bunch of girls who happened to make it into the team. We didn't know much about each other, or how we played, but we were keen to give it a go and to try . We went into our first training session all confident as with Mrs Pareira , her son Romelo, and her daughter D.J (our coach) and we absolutely hated it . All through the whole training we were complaining and moaning and wondering when it was going to stop , but we just got told to be quiet and to carry on . So we did . Had no choice! And at the end of it, smiles were all around , only because it was over. Until training 'again' the next day that is .

I didn't expect to be picked as captain, it was an unusual surprise but also a massive buzz! I felt really scared and privileged at the same time. But even more excited and nervous about our first game the next day. I don't remember much about it, it's been a while now, however I do remember winning! And from that point on, winning became quiet a habit. We did have some tough opposition though, one game I can recall was Otahuhu . That game was goal for goal. We actually thought we were going to lose. So in the last quarter we got a few words from our coach, and did that wake us up? The answer is yes! Because seeing her angry is one of the scariest things I ever saw throughout this season. Honest! So I admit that it worked! That and also the trainings we had proved the last quarter our fitness level was just a bit more impressive than theirs. But I must say they were still good!



We ended up winning our grade and jumped up another grade... and our winning streak continued, with us winning every single game we played, which took us to the finals of the Counties Manukau Secondary School's netball competition against James Cook high school another intense game played. But with the help and constant support of the Te Paea girls, the Reverends, Mr and Mrs Faulkner, those boys who came, and Matron Santa, it helped us keep sane on the court, and cruise our way to our last and final win for 2009, leaving us Counties Manukau Netball Champions!

And last but not least just a few more appreciations that must be recognized.

Mr and Mrs Autagavaia, for all your constant support at every single game, for dropping us off at netball and bringing us back from netball, we would like to say thank you we really appreciated it so much! Thank you.

Hepi (Lehai's mum) - she's always been and supported us every game. And if she's not there she sends her luck. Thank you.

Also Mr and Mrs Faitala, thank you for being our manager and also writing our reports every week, and coming to our games. We thank you so much - it meant a lot to us!

To Mrs P, D.J, and Rom - we would also like to show our appreciation to you. For your time, effort, hard work and words of wisdom we are truly grateful. You helped us come a long way so much and to better ourselves as players. You saw we had potential to be winners and you certainly done the best you could to prove it, and it worked. So From me and the girls - thank you so much for everything.

My last thanks must go to **the girls**. With your commitment to training and games, your love for the sport and constant cheerful attitudes, you helped make this year fun and enjoyable. We did have our ups and downs but still we hung together not as a team but as a family. I cant explain this season with you in any other words besides 'perfect' and it honestly was. So thank you from the bottom of my heart, thank you!! And to those returning next year - good luck, go hard, enjoy, have fun and most of all smile. You've got it again next year and nothing's stopping you!!

**So good bye and God bless!
And I'm going to miss y'all!**

*Shan
Captain 2009*



1st XV

The season began early as usual for the Wesley College 1st XV in 2009, with pre season training starting the second week back.

There were a few changes to the team this year, with players, coaches and living arrangements differing from the past. Gus Leger had come on board as another coach of the team and he brought a huge amount of knowledge with him. Gus has worked as a development officer for CMRFU and has also played for professional teams, so he had a lot to offer to the team.

Brett Johnson aka Grems was also another welcome addition to the 1st XV in 2009. Grems is an old student who has given a number of years service to the school since his days as a student. Grems has spent the past few years assisting with the 2nd XV, where he has passed on his passion for the school and the values it stands for. Grems is a hard task master and he likes to keep his players accountable. We also brought David Faitala on board to assist with coaching the forwards. David has spent many years perfecting his own technique and is slowly transitioning into coaching. David added a lot of value to the team this year, helping out our front row in particular.

Probably the biggest change to the team was the introduction of an academy concept. The school has been investigating introducing a sports academy for a number of years and the management associated with the 1st XV saw an opportunity to further enhance the team with the academy model.

The basic concept involved the members of the 1st XV being housed together in a separate unit (unit C). This was a challenging concept for many to accept around the school and it took time for everyone to come and accept.

Having the team living together has many advantages but above all else is the sense of belonging. The team had a great understanding of who they were and what they were about, they understood one another like family and that assisted them all both on and off the field.

The selection of this year's team was the biggest hurdle to overcome, as there was an influx of new players to the school. The rules state that you can only have six new players in one team; we had the possibility of choosing at least 14! While a couple of new players missed out due to the rules, the team picked itself in the end.

The team had set their goals early on in the pre-season, they wanted to achieve a lot. They set very high standards for themselves and their team. The team set out to accomplish something that a Wesley college team had not achieved in a five years- winning a national title. The team worked hard all year and had some very commanding performances, dominating the majority of their opposition, however in a repeat of the last three years- Hamilton Boys managed to get another one over our team in the game that mattered.

The team can hold their heads high, they played some attractive positive rugby this year, and they developed well as a team and as individuals.

They all played for the pride in the jersey, the pride in themselves, the pride in the team and the pride for those who went before them in the black jersey. All of the team can be proud of what they achieved this year

The busy pre season began with a traditional game vs Aorere College. Last year the 1st XV took Aorere apart 75-0, Aorere returned with an unchanged team from the year before and were on a charge of their own to make the Auckland 1A grade. What a difference a year makes- the Aorere team were a completely different team, composed, structured and competitive. They pushed the 1st XV all the way to a 15 all draw, a massive turn around from the year before.

Next up was the defending New Zealand champions- De La Sale. As it turned out they were not as strong as many had predicted and Wesley easily took out the match.

Auckland Grammar had wanted a game for a couple of years and finally they got their chance.

Wesley looked like their minds were on the national 7s which was the day after this game, and the Grammar team made the most of this distraction, putting on a handy 14 point lead at half time. After an insightful halftime talk the team returned to the field and put in an improved performance, but it was too little too late, and Grammar just managed to take the game.

Quickly following the Grammar game was the national schoolboy 7s- the Condor 7s. Wesley have done well here in the past and the team fancied their chances this year, and as it turned out they were almost bang on with their belief.

After a slow start to the competition they made it all the way to the finals, beating Rotorua boys and Hamilton Boys along the way. In the final the team controlled the 1st half and looked the better of the two teams, however the fatigue from the previous days encounter was taking its toll. In the second half the MAGS team made the most of the lagging Wesley team and ran in two tries to take the title. A disappointing end to a promising day. It was a huge effort to even get to the final given the preseason schedule the team had already been through- 3 games in 8 days then a 7s comp! Tim and Glen were rewarded for their efforts with selection to the NZ Schools 7s team, a great honor to receive.

Next up was a tournament at Kings college which involved top teams from New Zealand and Australia. The team entered this competition with few expectations, the goal was to develop their fitness and team play, however they did want to win the title.

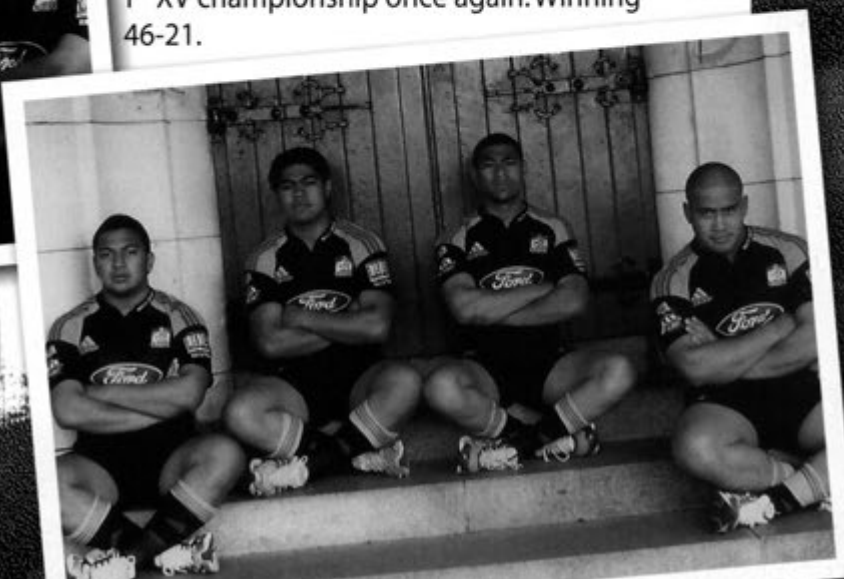
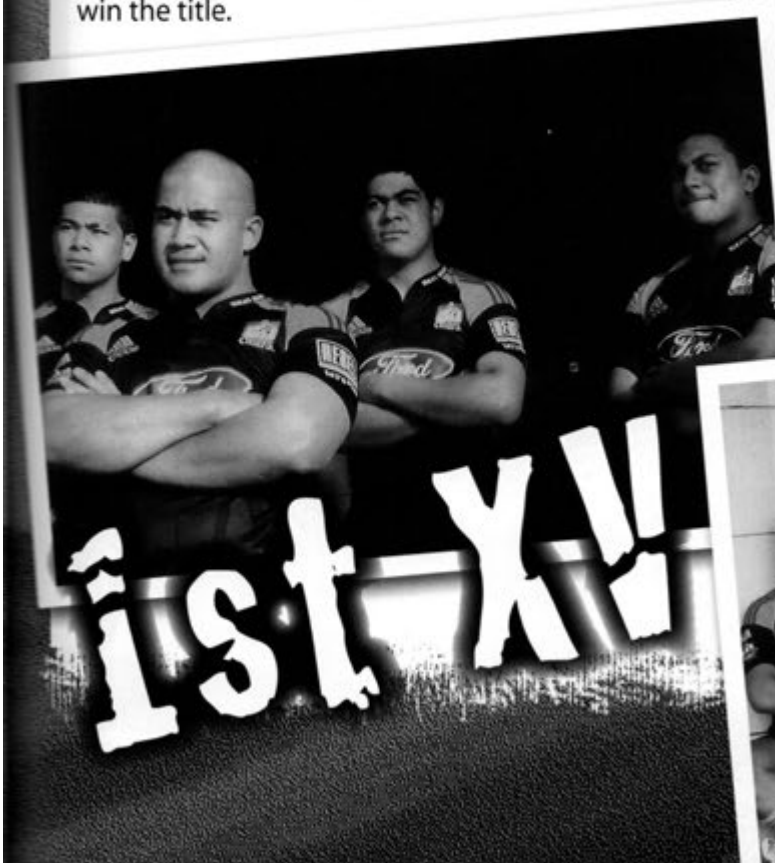
The first game was against Newington College from Sydney, and while the team dominated their opponents for the majority of the game, moments of lost focus and a lack of game time together cost the team in the end. Disappointed with the 1st game of the comp the team bounced back with a commanding performance two days later over Knox college. The next day saw the team take on the mighty Mount Albert Grammar (MAGS). The Wesley team was in control of the whole game- except the last 5 minutes. In that 5 minutes MAGS made up the ten point difference and then some to take out the match.

The team and the MAGS team couldn't believe that Wesley hadn't won, but it was a valuable lesson for this young team to learn- its not over to the final whistle, the team would not make the same mistake again this season. The team ended the competition in 3rd place, not where they had wanted to be, but they had gained valuable match time/experience and had learnt some important lessons along the way.

The team arrived back into term two ready to take on the teams in the Counties Manukau 1st XV competition. Like previous years this competition has not been as strong as we would like it to be, and as a result the score did blow out in some games.

Again the strongest opponents were from Manurewa and our own 2nd XV, both these teams pushed the 1st XV but ultimately they didn't match the teams high standards and lost to the 1st XV.

The semi final was against a strong Pukekohe High School team, and while the opposition stayed in touch for a while, the 1st XV ran away with the game 48-0. The final was against Manurewa who just managed to scrape past the 2nd XV. The final was a one sided affair, with the 1st XV dominating all facets of the game and taking out the CMRFU 1st XV championship once again. Winning 46-21.



1st XV

As the season was coming to a close the Chiefs championship was starting up. This competition lines up the Bay of Plenty champs (Rotorua Boys High School), the Waikato champs (Hamilton Boys High School) and the Counties Champs (Wesley), who all play for the right to represent the Chiefs franchise at the national top four competition.

The Hamilton Boys encounter had been on everyone's minds all year, this was one game that they really wanted to win. For the past few seasons Hamilton and Wesley have been considered in the top 4 teams in the country, unfortunately only one can go onto the top four play off, and worse for Wesley it had been Hamilton going on. It was much anticipated and the game didn't let anyone down. Both teams took the game to one another. Wesley applied a lot of early pressure and looked like scoring several times, Hamilton were making the most of their limited chances by slotting penalty kicks each time the 1st XV slipped up. Both teams were within touch going into the final minutes of the game, Hamilton up by 6 points. Wesley were pressing the Hamilton line when a bizarre refereeing decision saw them penalized, stifling their attack. Soon after Charles was making another of his telling runs and was pulled down only 5m out from the line, again a bizarre refereeing decision saw Hamilton awarded another penalty and the attack was again halted. The game ended up 7-13. The season effectively over. It was a disappointing way to end a successful season, while the team didn't get to achieve all their goals there is a lot to be proud of.

There were also several individual success stories that should be mentioned. Several of the team went on to represent Counties at age grades.

Four members of the team were selected for the Chiefs school boys' team. Charles, Antonio, Nepo and Laiseni all made significant contributions to the chiefs successful campaign. Charles was also selected for the New Zealand Secondary schools team. All deserve a big congratulation for their selection.

The team would like to thank the following people for their hard work and commitment over the past season. Mike Tod (manager), Mrs Shirley New (physio), Brett Johnson (forwards), and David Faitala (technical assistant). Its all the big and small things that these people do that make the team run smoothly, a lot of their work goes un-noticed by some, but the team know and appreciate all the assistance you give to the team. Also a big thanks to Dominique, Whetuu, Rob, Natalie and Alison for allowing us the time to commit to the 1st XV, there is a lot of time away from family due to team commitments, thank you all for allowing us that time and supporting us and the team.

The 1st XV would like to thank the following sponsors and supporters who have helped us all this year. Nandos chicken and to SAS clothing. To the college staff-hostel staff, kitchen (sorry for all the late lunches), laundry, teaching staff, maintenance, and to the Matrons for all your help and advice. A special thanks to Malcom Hood and his staff at the M W hood Clinic for all your work in assisting the team in their recovery.

The final and biggest thank you goes to all the great supporters of the team this year, to the students of the Wesley, the parents, the old boys and anyone who followed the team this year and supported them- thank you all.

B Hancock & G Leger.



1ST XV CONDOR SEVENS

Date: 5th April 2009

Venue: Grammar Carlton

After an energy sapping challenge the previous day, a group of twelve 1st XV members turned out to represent the school at the national sevens tournament.

The team entered the tournament seeded 4th overall and top in their pool. They had to play Mount Albert Grammar red and a very competent Tauranga Boys High school team and win in order to go through to the championship semi-finals.

The team played MAGS in their 1st game, it was a slow start but the Wesley team came out on top. Glen and Tim both played well and were the difference between the two teams. Glen scored a clever individual effort and Tim was dominant at the breakdown and was rewarded for his work there with a great solo try.

The second pool game was a completely different encounter. Tauranga were a well drilled team and played a controlled game that starved the Wesley team of ball. The Tauranga team were up 19-10 with three minutes to go, and the Wesley team looking like their hectic schedule was catching up with them. Again Glen made a telling run and set up for the team to score. Danny did manage to miss the conversion from out in front, but as it turned out it didn't matter. With time up on the clock Glen made another telling run and scored to put Wesley out to 1 point lead, and the game. It wasn't the prettiest of games and Wesley had very little ball to play with, but they made the most of the ball they had and played to the final whistle.

The team had the unenviable challenge of the defending national sevens team in the semi-finals- Hamilton Boys High School.

The team were buoyant after their victories in pool play and took the game to the Hamilton team. Leading into the break the team was up by 17-5, it was a great 1st half display of sevens rugby, the team were in complete control.

Hamilton came out with an improved effort in the second half and scored two tries of their own, but at the end of the game Wesley was up 22-17. Onto the finals

Mount Albert Grammar blue team took out the other semi final and were to be the challengers to Wesley. MAGS had an easier trip to the finals with only one pool game and an easier route to the finals; however Wesley were determined to come home with the winner's trophy. Injuries had had an impact on the team with three starting players out and only ten players available for the final.

The game was very different to the lead in games as both teams were careful not to make any mistakes that the opposition could pounce on. The Wesley team were pressing the MAGS' line for the last seven minutes of the 1st half, the MAGS team put up a determined display of defence and kept the scores at nil all leading into the break.

After the break MAGS capitalised on a Wesley mistake and ran away for a try. They quickly followed that up with another, the busy schedule had taken its toll on the team, they had nothing left in the tank. They never gave up and played on until the end, they even managed to pull a try back, but in the end everything had caught up with the team. The game ending at 12-5 to Mount Albert Grammar (last years finalists).

It has been a number of years since a Wesley team had been present in the final, which shows the difficulty of making a final, let alone winning it.

It was a valiant effort by all of the team to back up from the day before, they had done themselves and the school proud with their efforts and results.

The disappointment of not winning was soon put aside when two of the team were named in the New Zealand sevens side. Congratulations go to Glen and Tim for making the team. Both of them rightly deserving of the honour.



Wesley College | Two thousand & nine

B Hancock

1ST XV BOMBAY INVITATIONAL SEVENS

Date: 31st October 2009

Venue: Bombay Rugby Club

It's hard to believe that this is not some made up story, but it is as real as it gets; the Wesley College 7s team are the Bombay invitational 7s champions. Champions- who could have thought that a group of school boys would win an invitational 7s tournament stacked with international 7s players. School boys playing men, school boys winning it all.

Two weeks ago there was no 7s team in the school- the rugby season had finished and most of the players were enjoying a well deserved break. It was decided that the school should enter the counties 7s competition on the 7th of November, as in the past they had done well enough to get to the semi finals of the open men's grade and this year the team had been successful at the national school boys 7s in making the final. So the team assembled and began their training, early on it was decided that the team should try and play in another tournament before the counties competition. The Bombay tournament was set for the weekend before the counties 7s so it was an ideal opportunity; however the level of opponents were well above that of the counties competition. With a large cash prize awarded to the winning team, this had drawn in a number of good players and teams chasing the winner's prize. There were teams with a number of international sevens players and a very impressive Waitemata team that boasted 3 international players and had won several tournaments around the world. It wasn't going to be easy going, but everyone felt it would be a good experience for the following week's competition. There were no expectations for this competition, gaining experience was the main reason for being there, as it turned out it; the team gained a lot more than experience.

The first match of the day was against Manurewa. The Manurewa team had at least three Steelers from the NPC squad in their team, it wasn't going to be easy. The Manurewa team scored two early tries using their strength and size

to cross the line. The Wesley team then woke up and played to their strengths- speed and skill. They ran in three tries to win the first game 17-14, the first upset of the day, but not the last.

The final game of pool play was against Weymouth, if the team won this one they would finish top of their pool and have a better draw for the rest of the competition. As it turned out the game was never in doubt- a 55-5 victory sent the message to all the teams that the first game was no fluke. Siulongo was having a great competition, scoring 3 tries in this game alone.

Reporoa were next up in the first quarter final, however the boys from the bay were no match for the Wesley crew. The Wesley team had discovered their self belief and now had a lot of confidence in one another; they took the Reporoa team apart in a 45-0 victory.

The next match was a semi final showdown with the mighty Waitemata team, a team who had decimated all their previous opponents. The Waitemata team were the clear favourites for this competition, they have two current NZ sevens players in their team and several other Auckland and North Harbour reps. The Wesley team were not daunted by the challenge that was in front of them, they had a plan and they were going to give it their best shot. The Waitemata team scored two early tries and it looked like the dream run was going to end, but no one told that to the Wesley boys. The team stuck to their plan and made the most of their limited opportunities, the determination and heart shown by the team was incredible. Two unconverted tries brought the team within touch of a major upset, then it happened; dream shattered- Wesley scored again. When full time was called the team realised what they had just accomplished- knocking out the favourites and in the process making the final.

The final was against Pukekohe, a team with a few superstars of their own- ex Wesley players Serimia Tagicakibau & David Rakuna. The dream was within reach, one game to go and nothing was going to stop this team from achieving the seemingly impossible. The final was dominated by Wesley, who scored two early tries. Just after half time Pukekohe came back and scored two tries of their own to level the score, but Wesley weren't going to have their moment taken away and responded like the champions they are, fighting back and scoring two more quick tries. Malakai deserves a special mention for his effort in the final- he was putting on a commanding performance with his hard running when just before half time he had a major collision and split his head badly. With blood pouring out he went to the sideline, half time provided time to stop the bleeding however Malakai wasn't done yet he wanted more. Returning to the field with bandages, tape and anything that would stop the bleeding, he went on a rampage. A massive effort considering the cut needed to be stitched up. His effort epitomised what this team was about- never giving up no matter how big the challenge and taking that challenge back to the opposition. The final score 24-12, winners of the inaugural Bombay invitational sevens. No one could have dreamed that this was possible, but this team did the impossible. Malakai was rewarded for his efforts by being named player of the tournament, but it could have just as easily gone to anyone of this team, all of whom played like the champions they are. Siulongo, Charles, Carlin, Harry, Tevite, Sireli, Tili, Malakai, Sione O, Antonio, John and Danny. A special mention to Danny who was the captain and also one of the coaches of this team, his direction and leadership were irreplaceable. The team are now getting ready for the next challenge with the Counties 7s this weekend. This was an outstanding accomplishment by this team, and will be remembered for a very long time. Congratulations to the Wesley College 7s team- Champions.

B Hancock

2nd XV

"all for one , one for all"

"united we stand, divided we fall"

"showing respect for our opposition"

The familiar catch cries, that echoed through our team repetitively by Coach Palavi. They epitomize the very essence of our team game plan each week.

The game plan was very much, do the fundamentals well, and the rest will follow.

The importance of respecting opposition as opposed to "dishing them " with great disdain and you reap the consequences of contemptuous attitudes.

The wisdom of such words led our team to achieving an almost perfect run in section play, losing only to the eventual champions our first fifteen.

It was for myself and Seremaia Tagicakibau a great learning curve in our coaching capital working alongside Amanaki this year.

Our sincere thanks to our team captains: Solomon Pole and James Hanipale for their leadership support.

The highpoint undoubtedly the reversal of a 37 - 0 thrashing at the hands of Manurewa High school preseason and defeating them during the competition.

The thrill of a curtain raiser at Growers Stadium and the bonus of winning in front of a vocal crowd.

Preseason

Manurewa 1st XV	0 - 37 loss
Rosehill High school 1st XV	64 - 12 win
Manurewa 2nd XV	28 - 10 win
Pukekohe High school.....	5 - 6 loss

Competition round

Wesley 1st XV	10 - 25 loss
Manurewa 2nd XV	34 - 12 win
James Cook 1st XV	20 - 20 draw
Manurewa 1st XV	19 - 13 win
Pukekohe 1st XV at Growers Stadium	7 - 6 win
Waiuku 1st XV	40 - 24 win

Second placing at the end of the competition round robin.

Semi final v Manurewa 1st XV ... 10 - 13 loss

Special mention to the following players:

COUNTIES MANUKAU U20

AND NOMINATED FOR NZ U20 TEAM:

Tilitili Puloka

COUNTIES MANUKAU U18:

Carlin Hana , Chas Gomas Vidar Tupou

COUNTIES MANUKAU U16s:

Timote Asi

Stephen Autagavaia
Manager



• UNDER 15 TOURNAMENT •

Compared with past Under 15 Teams, the 2009 team was comparatively small and with only three players from last year's team returning. In spite of this apparent handicap and losing our lineout specialist the day before the team departed seemed to make the team more determined to maintain the tradition of Wesley teams before us.

An indication of the team's strength was a small mobile forward pack and extremely confident backs. Although most of the time outsized the team proved that combining our individual efforts into a single unit we became very strong.

Special mention must go to the captain Louis Rogers and vice captain Lamonte

Tuigamala who led the team well on and off the field. Both players were quiet but respected leaders and the quality of their play, commitment to the team was in inspiration to all.

Indeed this year's team did play some impressive Rugby and the closeness of the scores against top opposition reflects this. The quality of their performance in the Mt Albert Grammar match in particular epitomised the style and standard this team strived for.

The team played six games in five days and were placed 5 out of 16 teams.



THANKS to the two coaches Kevin Kneebone and Mike Tod with the help of Siale Piutau who made and moulded this team.

THANKS to Whaea Paewhenua, and Whetuu for the awesome meals, Anne Harlow for her support along with the happy band of supporters (Parents and Grandparents) who came to all our games and helped with the meals at the marae.

TO THE TEAM thanks guys for your commitment, loyalty, attitude and discipline I have enjoyed the 2009 tournament.

MONDAY:

First game vs Wellington College won by Wesley 8-5

Try to Harry Luteru conversion Bradford Lemalufaitoaga.

2nd game vs Tauranga BHS won by Wesley 34-17

Tries to Hame Faiva, Sione Fafita, Mihaka Matene, Harry Luteru (2) Bradford 3 conversions and a penalty.

TUESDAY:

vs Napier BHS lost 21-17.

Tries to Harry, Lamonte, 2 Conversions and 1 penalty to Bradford.

WEDNESDAY:

vs Mt Albert Grammar lost 13-5.

Try to Coree TeWhata.

THURSDAY:

vs Otago BHS won by Wesley 32-17.

Tries to Harry(2) Hame, Pati, Dominic, Lamonte, Conversion to Bradford.

FRIDAY:

vs Hamilton BHS won by Wesley 26-15.

Tries to Pati (2) Sione, Thornton, Bradford and Lamonte 1 conversion each.

Matua Billy - Manager

THE SELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SQUAD MEMBERS TO REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS WERE:

UNDER 16: Louis Rogers, Lamonte Tuigamala and Harry Luteru.

UNDER 14: Luteru Laulala, Bradford Lemalufaitoanga, Allen Highway Cypress Timoko.

Soccer

What an exciting, challenging and enjoyable year this has been for the 2009 Soccer First XI gaining the best results for the last 5 years.

This year's team was fortunate to retain many of the players from 2008 and again we were entered into the Counties Manukau Secondary Schools' B Division. Although there were a few new players to the team, we were gifted with two expert coaches, Sven and Julian, who very quickly moulded the team into a slick, well oiled machine. Skills and drills were speedily learned and were confident to go in their first game of the season.

Our first opponents Strathallen gave the Wesley team a boost of confidence and each week the team grew together as a unit and played with tactical skill improving as the tournament went on.

As many of our games were midweek and supported by students, there was no lack of those on the side line wanting to be substitutes and those watching soon got the message that you got a turn if you came to practice.

However as the season progressed soccer became more popular and players soon got the message that training was an integral part to the team's success.

Our forwards this year including Tavite and Andrew again proved to be formidable strikers. The team captain Fainga and Vice-Captain Matthew Henry set high standards and exemplary play for his team by never giving up against a side and supporting the members always with their leadership and encouragement. Defence on the backline saw outstanding plays from Matthew who wow-ed us each week with his growth in skill and determination. Other players to shine were John Skinner, Shane, Aaron, Bradleigh, Tim and Siaso who each week were resolved in keeping the opposition at bay. Our goalie Polu also made great efforts to keep many opposition teams from high scoring results.

The First XI were placed 3rd equal on the results table improving from 2008 and we are looking forward to another challenging season next year



Many thanks to the Team Captain Fainga for your leadership; to gappers Sven and Julian our fantastic coaches who have refereed and taught us many skills.

A special thanks especially to Mr Tomkins our manager, avid supporter and coach who has been with us the last 2 years and along with our water person Mrs Tema for your cheering on the sideline and for your faith in us.

HOCKEY

This has been a year of mixed fortunes because the makeup of the squad tended to change from week to week. Having started out with Lance playing a superb game in goal he then took off for his exchange with Kamehameha High School in Hawaii and his place was taken by others who volunteered to help out. Ryan Kurei started well but then withdrew because of illness.

That being said, the team finished in the top two of the B grade competition with 29 goals scored against 5 from opposing teams.

The age and experience of some of the team was more than enough to overpower our opposition until it came to the final between ourselves and Papakura High School. This proved to be our closest game but unfortunately we went down 2 goals to 3.

To finish second in the grade was quite an achievement and says lots about the commitment of the team to play on the day even if practices were not a top priority.

Special thanks go to those boys for whom hockey was their only sport because they will form the backbone of future teams. We could not have fielded a team without the contribution from rugby boys who contributed a determination to the game and a high level of fitness.

Our second place earned us promotion into the 'A' grade for the second half of the season but our performance at that level was not great even though some enjoyable encounters occurred.

Thanks go to all the regular, reliable players and to Mr Faulkner for providing valuable guidance and umpiring for our games.

To those leaving this year all the best for the future and may your contribution to hockey continue beyond this school.

R Biddle



Senior Touch

With the First XV team regime already up and running at the beginning of the year, it was not possible for those players to be included in the Senior Touch squad. Regardless, Senior Touch was well man-ned and managed under the captaincy and leadership of Thomas 'The Tank Engine' Delamere who had no qualms about shunting the touch team rear guard, up and down the main trunk line.

A big thanks to players and Coach Mr Rolph Watson who gave willingly of their energies and time.



Mixed Touch

The following was the report given at Chapel of a highlight for the Mixed Touch team this season. It really reflects a great team effort. Well done team!

It is a momentous day in the history of Wesley Mixed Touch. Yesterday even before the team took the field they battled against injury and illness ... the usual squad of 19 was reduced to only nine – four very determined young women and seven sterling spartans.

Never again will such joy and elation be experienced as it was against Papatoetoe. Wesley played as a team and support play in particular was a highlight. Wesley won the game 4-2 with touch downs each to Ave and Janelle but the player of the day and game goes to Bam Biddle who touched down twice ... what do you expect from a boy from down the line!

Well done to the team Jessie, Ave, Janelle, Stacey, Bam, Polu, Lance, Sitaleki, Ethan, Hugh and Andrew.



Wesley/Southern Hills NETBALL

INTRODUCING - THE WESLEY SOUTHERN HILLS
NETBALL TEAM OF 2009.

Uniting Tuakau College, Epsom Girls, Puke High and your one and only - Wesley College!...and what a season they've had! Bruised shins, grazed knees, infuriated red faces with mouths going wild on the sideline and on the court...

Thanks Mr Tod, we couldn't have done it without you!!!

Gutter and I had a few of our most memorable moments with this team. From being put up two grades and still making it to the finals... what an achievement and though the scoreboard may have been against us in the end we went out with a BANG! And left the court with our heads held high! We'll be back next year - Carlton Colts Black! LOL!...(well not really!).

A special thanks goes out to our coach, Liz who never gave up on us and her encouraging spirit that kept us all smiling. Thanks heaps to Sue our manager who never failed to show her support for the team with all the free gears!! I can't forget Darren, our personal fitness trainer who tested us to our limits...(skipping is sooo not fun anymore)

And finally to the team! It was an amazing season and with such a young team (except for me and Gutter... (old bags, lol) to make it as far as we did shows all your girls' potential for the future! Kick Carlton's bums next year! Good luck for the next season!

*Lots of love,
Dash and Gutter*



U14 Open Black

It was evident from the trial that this squad although lacking in size, possessed plenty of skill. To their credit most of the squad had put in the hard yards to get themselves fit as we only had three weeks to work with them before games started.

With 6 players returning from last years squad the expectations were high for a good season. After the under 14 grading round, where we won all our games, we were promoted to the under 15 grade. We won all our preseason games and heading into the competition the team set a target of not only winning the competition but going through undefeated.

The game plan was to play for territory and then use the ball and run the bigger opposition teams of their feet.

Although they didn't always play to the best of their abilities they never waivered in their belief that they were the best and most skilful team.

This the boys proved by achieving both of their targets, winning the competition and being undefeated.

SEVEN OF THE SQUAD WERE CHOSEN IN THE WESLEY COLLEGE UNDER 15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT TEAM. **Allan Heighway, Tau Koloamatangi, Luteru Laulala, Bradford Lemalufaitoaga, Sekonaia Pole, Coree Te Whata-Colley and Cypress Timoko.**

TEN PLAYERS WERE ALSO SELECTED FOR THE COUNTIES-MANUKAU UNDER 14 REP SIDE. **Maamaloa Grewe, Tangaroa Hau-Hadfield, Allan Heighway, Jack Lapa, Luteru Laulala, Bradford Lemalufaitoaga, James Mitchelson, Steven Russo, Cypress Timoko, James Young-Malafu.**

Congratulations to the team on a fine season. Be proud of your achievements.

Player of the year:
Bradford Lemalufaitoaga

Most improved: Stanley Malafu

Played 15	Won 15
Points For 760	Points Against 62



Waka ama Junior Regatta

The day dawned beautifully and the junior boys waka ama team set off in van 7 and our Thrifty hire van, to Orakei Basin. First obstacle was erecting the tent from 1902. After we used our great war skills to pitch the tent the first race was nearly under way.

Division 1 Boys, they went out hard and came home the bow of their boat crossing the buoy first, but the timers didn't think so, 3rd place with a time of 31.09. The boys got to have a rest while the Division 2 Boys readied themselves.

Meanwhile Papa Alf decided that the Wesley First Division Boys were ripped off and that they had paddled well so he asked for three boys to make a mixed waka to compete. The challenge was accepted and Wesley joined up with Hoani Waititi for the Division 1 Mixed heat which they won.

Division two started with a hiss and a roar with the year 10 division 2 boat winning their heat, the year nine boat faulted without their Tongan mighty man Mr Koloamatangi but gained the fastest time for the Plate final.

Division 1 got back in their boats and paddled for a good lane in the final. Then back in the waka again for a semi in the mixed. Division 2 year 10 got the 5th fastest time and missed out on qualifying for the Plate final.

Then it was finals time, Division 2 Plate taken by Wesley College, Division 1 Mixed, Wesley College and Hoani Waititi 2nd place, Division 1 Boys 4th place.

**SENIOR
WAKA AMA TEAM**



In all a great day out on the water, the Boys paddled well and showed good sportsmanship amongst the rest of the teams.

*Watch out
Senior Boys
2010 here we
come!!*

Deputy Principal WAT.....

This year a position was created to assist the Principal with the smooth running of the Hostels. A group of people who are the guardians of students outside of school time.

A group of people who are the primary caregivers to make sure that all needs of our children are catered for. A group of people who provide a home away from home.

Te Whare Taina Year 9s, inquisitive, learning what it is like to enter as the new boys of the school. House parents Mr and Mrs Cudby and Mr Brougham and Mrs Kaitani.

Te Whare Maia Year 10s, think they know everything, adolescents who are finding and creating their identity. House parents Mr Guttenbeil, Mrs Ranger, Mr Brougham, Mrs Kaitani.

Denton Hall Year 11s/12s they think they have found themselves and realize that they are beginning the formation of who they are to become. Mr Field, Ms Nelson, Mr Cassidy and Mr Nathan

Te Paea Year 11s/12s/13s they are realizing that growing up is a difficult process and are engaged in becoming a citizen of society. Mrs Jonck, Mrs Pereira and Rev Salesa.

Harding/Caughey Year 12s/13s think they are grown up. Flexing muscles into becoming men. What does this mean? A question to which researchers are trying to come up with an answer. Mr and Mrs Leaupepetele, Mr Cassidy and Mr Nathan.

Te Whare Pakeke Year 12s/13s working with training regimes and sleep deprivation. Balancing all aspects of life in a day. Mr Leger and Mrs Sio-Tema

A short introduction into the hostel and to bear some of the dynamics of how we are attempting to create a safe environment and produce independent thinkers. Standard Operating Procedures is the new catch phrase..... What do we do? Do we have a policy? Do we have a procedure?

The absolute intention is to be transparent, visible and to keep communication lines open where parents can feel comfortable to call us and we in turn keep them informed with what is happening.

The Hostel operation is also trying to formalize connecting with the school in how we can also be an important part in assisting with nurturing and development with these young minds. We are endeavouring in Wesley becoming the complete package of service providers where all aspects

of growth which are identified are addressed.

The students parents who are very supportive of the direction taken. We have created newsletters, talking and updating parents. We are taking on board the good, the bad and at times stressful situations where we are now in a place where all is working and moving forward. The proactive dialogue with the Pastoral team. The place of Church and Chapel in our development.

The Managers who are around and about keeping the faith in their work. A job well done where they are acting as a support for the community at Wesley. Mr Leach, Mr Sanson and Mr Tod.

We are changing and evolving and there has been resistance as expected but the bigger picture is about Wesley and the service we provide. Not about us but about our children.

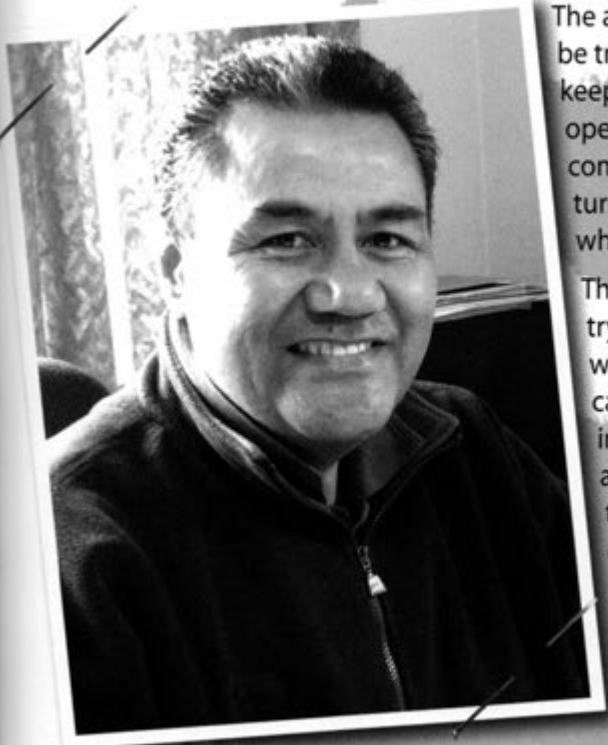
I have been in your face as to where I want to go in the hostel and I make no qualms about that. For the ultimate question for me is. Is the hostel a safe place? How can we step up another level to forge into 2010 and hummmmmmm.....

I am enjoying the pressures of the job and would like to thank all, from the Principal and to the whole community. A fantastic year and a job well done.

Go well and have a good break. You all deserve it and be ready for 2010.

*Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year*

Regards, Mr T



te whare maia

*To all 2009
Te Whare Maia
boys - thank you
once again for a
brilliant year.
May you all have a
Merry Christmas
and a wonderful
New Year.
God bless you all!*

Malo-e-lelei everyone and welcome to Te Whare Maia family.

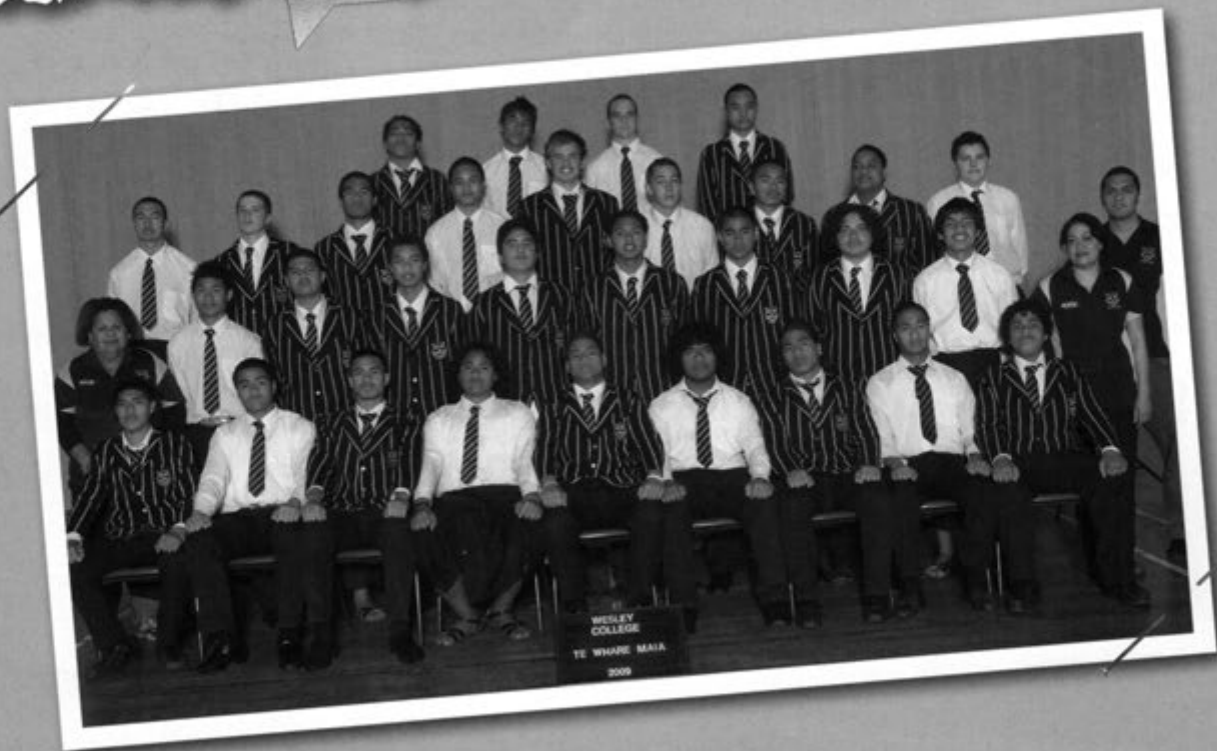
This year got off to a great start, with a total of 49 students making for a very full hostel. Most of the boys settled in well. The hostel leaders this year were Hayden Symes, Sekona Pole and Tau Koloamatangi.

Throughout the year, it was a great challenge for students to balance school activities such as Sports, Bring It On and Cultural Practices with hostel routines. Since the introduction of the role of Deputy Principal for Boarding - Mr. Steve Tema, there have been some

magnificent changes to the hostel and the boys are adapting very well to these changes.

A big thank you from the Te Whare Maia team - Mrs. Litea Ranger, Mrs. Nelly Kaitani and Mr. Nick Brougham to all parents and caregivers for their ongoing support. I would also like to acknowledge our respected cleaner - Wai, for keeping our Hostel nice and clean and we appreciate her hard work.

*Filipo Guttenbeil
Team Te Whare Maia*



te whare taina

Well, where do we start? First of all we have a new name - Te Whare Taina. Then this year we house only year 9s.

It has been an awesome year we have some young men here that has bought Mana with them. It's been a privilege looking after you guys. So many of you boys show good potential as future leaders.

We thank you for your honesty and respect that you have shown Sir and I in your time with us.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to **Mr Brougham and Mrs Kaitani** for your on going support.

To our **cleaner Marata** THANK YOU for always making sure that our Whare is clean.

To our **Senior Fijian boys Malcolm, Samuela and Alex** we wish you all well for future endeavours

To the **Boys of Te Whare Taina 2009** we wish you well in Te Whare Maia next year.

God Bless and be safe over the holidays.

Murray and Cheryl Cudby

*House Parents
Te Whare Taina 2009*

A THOUGHT ...

What is a dream?

A dream is a goal,

An inspiration,

A dream is where hope lives,

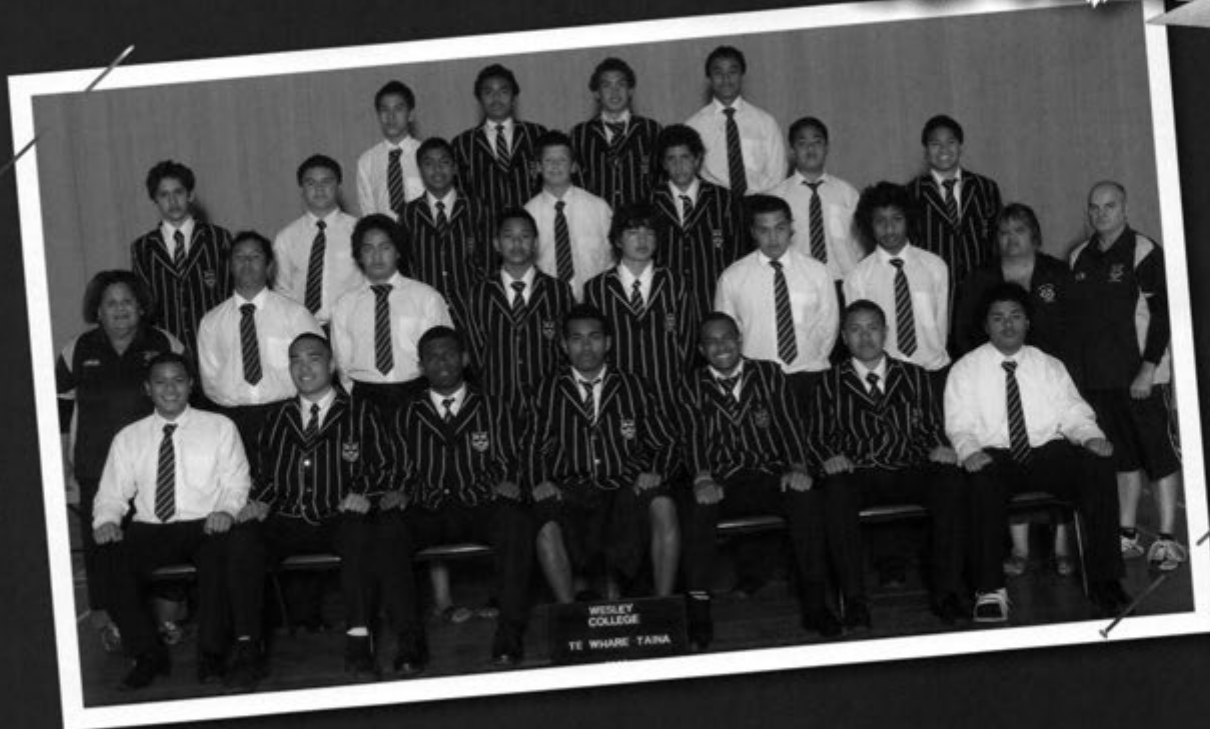
A dream is something to chase when life drags us down,

A dream is a song in the wilderness,

Good flowering from mud of evil.

That is a dream.

Get yourself a dream, touch God, pray, and never ever let your dream get away.



caughey & harding hall

During the month of February history was created as the first Samoan family with three kids became the new dorm parents for Harding and Caughey.

Our first week with our new family was known as the TUI's week, we had so many boys that were happy to assist by letting us know what the rules were for Harding and Caughey, "We are allowed to watch T.V till 11:00pm" yeah right.

This week was a testing time as the boys were trying to get to know how far they could push the rules and how smart we were at catching them; this created a week of question marks.

The next challenge was to remember 50+ names, getting used to the boys routine, sleeping in a flat by myself for four nights, waking the boys up early hours of the morning, doing 3 roll calls a day, making the best hot chocolate they have ever tasted for supper and to top it all off keeping the boys entertained in a safe environment until they go to sleep.

We also learnt the true hunger of a Wesleyan. With the amount of food runs we did this year Dominos Pizza's profit has increased three folds.

This year we have introduced a lot of changes in the hope of getting the best out of our young men. Treating them the same way we would want our kids to be treated if they were at a boarding school, giving the boys as much freedom as possible within the school rules and letting them live as seniors.

One great investment we got was putting a two seater couch into our office. We believe the boys have a lot to say whether it be about hostel life, school, sport, or girls we wanted them to know that we were willing to listen to them and the couch was always there for them to sit in comfort and vent their thoughts of the day. Now we have other students from different dorms coming in to chill out, which is always good to hear what's happening outside Harding and Caughey life.

The dice session was another great tool for communication and getting the boys to build confidence. Most evening roll calls we would pull out a blue sponge dice where it would be passed to a student. They would have to get up and talk about how exciting or boring their day was, all the boys would tune in, and listen to their stories.

Taipaleiti by far is the one boy that everybody wants to hear what he has to say; he knows how to captivate the audience.

We have accomplished a lot during this quick year and feel the great work that has been created would not have been possible without Matua Billy & Matua Derek. They backed us up on our two days off and kept the ship on track.

Big thank you to the support of our chief in command Rev. Tema without his backing on the entire' fast and out there ideas' nothing would have been possible for the Harding and Caughey family.

To the year 13's that are moving on may the good Lord guide you and keep you safe and if you feel you need advice the couch is always here and if you need corn beef go see Rev Tema. We will miss you and never forget you... 'a tear drop falls', sniffle, sniffle...

The year is now done and when my good wife and I look back we will have many Kodak moments.

That will be a part of our lives forever from the good, the bad and the ugly we wouldn't want it any other way, as this has made us learn many things and the same with the boys. Next year we will grow stronger and better.

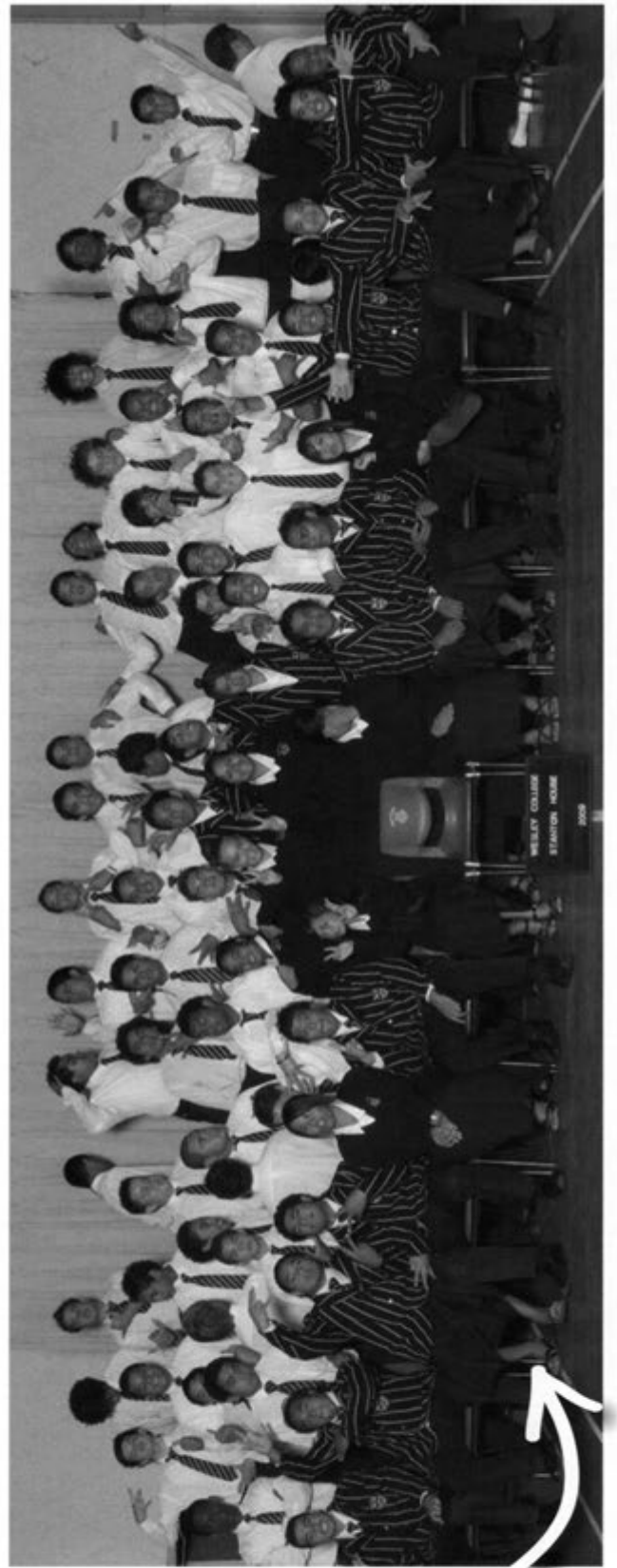
Thanks to our three awesome kids for adapting to our new Wesley family and our Best Babysitter Mum for watching the kids when we are at work.

*Fa'atai tele
Lava Harding
& Caughey.
Manuia le
kirisimasi
ma le
tausaga fou.*

*Galumalemana
Sava Leaupepetele.*



winstone house



stanton house

school house



simmonds house

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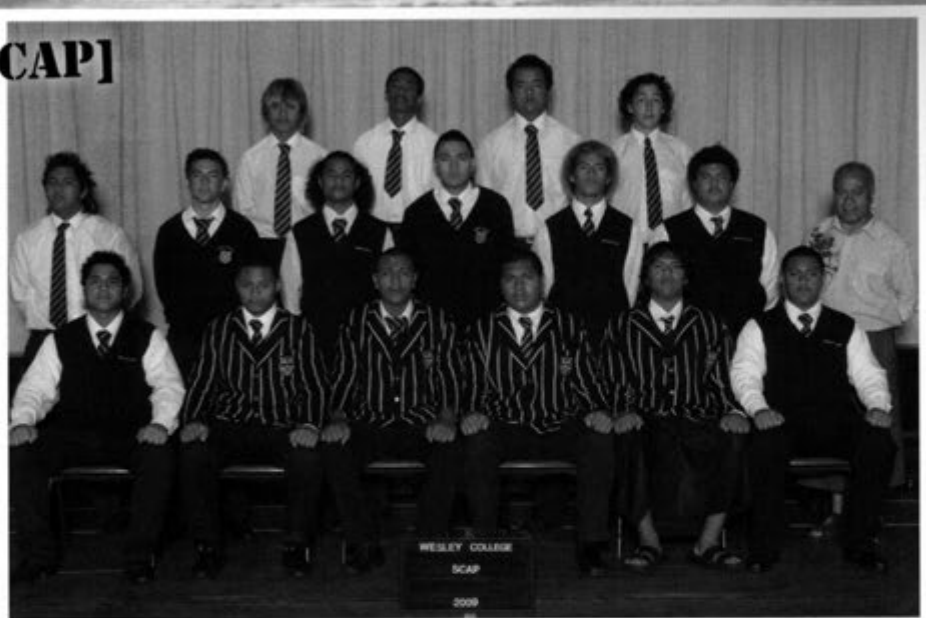
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FRONT ROW:

S. Inoke, T. Asi, J. Folau, M. Aliifaalogo, W. Malupo, T. Asi
Absent: R. Unga, N. Tavita



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Mitchell Collins, Jack Lapa, Jeriel Manapori

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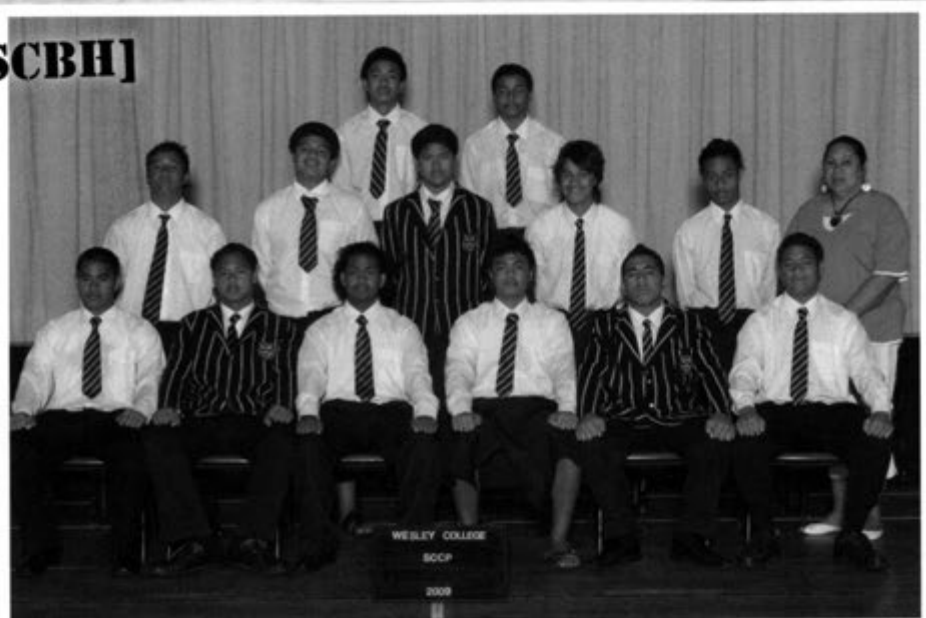
Ivan Robin, Bradleigh Cherrington, Sam Vaka, Carlin Hana, Eliesa Tuipulotu, Mr Ben Hancock (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Matthew Vaka, Danny Tusitala, Palei Tonga, Malcolm Andrews, Saia Ueleni

ABSENT:

Puawai Waipouri (Gray), Jone Wai, Mata Tutini, Takalaua Tu'uheava



[GROUP SCCP]

BACK ROW:

Lutz Laulala, Tevita Inoke

2ND ROW:

Vishal Kumar, Jordan Tuiasosopo, Isileli Malupo, Sean Manga, Stanley Malafu, Christine Pereira (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Melino Samate, Norman Edwards, Sione Lapa, Lamonte Tuigamala, Rick Haunga, Sekonaia Pole





[GROUP SCMJ]

BACK ROW:

Puawai Waipouri, Nela Manu,
Makaafi Tonga, Sitaleki Manumu'a,
Aaron Samuel

2ND ROW:

May Kalisoqo, James Young-Malafu,
Kitione Matalave, Tauave Toloa,
Navah Tui, Saiaiwai Kaukirewa

FRONT ROW:

Linda Saitta, Nicole Pownceby,
Janelle Pownceby, Mele Faasisila,
Heather Matairavula



[GROUP SCRS]

BACK ROW:

Price Talafooti, , Te Warati
Cassidy, Chainlin Otton, Te Aurere,

2ND ROW:

Sione Finau, Faavae Sila, Kale
Maniapoto, Ryan Kurei, Mr R Smythe
(Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Chas Gomas, Nepo Laulala,
Solomon Pole, Sonny Ali'i fa'a logo



[GROUP SISD]

BACK ROW:

Iosefatu Peni, Hugh Heurea, Mihaka
Matene

2ND ROW:

Coree Tewhata-Colley, Ted Lolo,
William Tausinga, Inoke Suli,
Dr S.K. Das (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Taipaleti Satini, Kaila Karangangi, Paul
Fa'aumu, Krystal Asi, Saia Mataele

ABSENT:

Kuli Falefehi, Sonia Pope,
Tui Tuisavali

[GROUP SISS]

BACK ROW:

Tevita Tuipulotu, Vidar Tupou, Tim MacKenzie, Laiseni Kakato, Tainein Bishop

2ND ROW:

Saia Manase, Nuutele Suafo'a, Anthony Lama, Maamaloa Grewe, Mr Sam Siliasau (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Siu Asi, Mote Mapuhola, Kaipoho Mauroa-Moana, Kurt Mani, Elric Rahrui



[GROUP SITA]

BACK ROW:

Gregory Easter, Pati Faiva, William Navabale, Joseph Koluse, Jonathan Lawrie

2ND ROW:

Sailosi Kupu, Maile Faau, Samiuela Uluakiafua, Sireli Tagicakibau, Mr Seremaia Tagicakibau (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Manoa Ratucoka, Kathy Wong, Timoci Navabale, Fainga Kanongata'a, Kaharau Kaihe



[GROUP STNF]

BACK ROW:

Folau Lavemai, Jesse Isaako, Bradford Lemalufaitoaga, Fuka Toafa, Nathan Body

2ND ROW:

Detroit Heremaia-Jessop, Pala'a Mausia, Jeremy Isaako, Hame Faiva, Natalie Faitala (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Sione Akauola, Piltz Napa, Louis Rogers, Thomas Faiva, Esau Leaetoa

ABSENT:

Daniel Tai, Samuel Tutapu





[GROUP SJJP]

BACK ROW:

Eddie Mataele, Reweti Davies, Kenny Walters-Job, Reuben Rogers

2ND ROW:

William Howarth, Rehurangi Tauroa, Willie Ofahengaue, Jeffrey Easter, Jesse McEwan, Sione Nai, Mr J.P. Eason (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Sarah Hea, Margaret Abraham, Tavite Gadeisuva, Stacey Cope, Tautati Itaaka, Rosalina Autagavaia

ABSENT:

Joshua Whiteland, Jarrod Underhill, Kody Tito, Melino Manase, Erick Manase, Philip Esera



[GROUP STSL]

BACK ROW:

Samuela Vakaturu, Jessie Wakeling, Karl Tuinukuafe, Akuila Bukateci, Lufu Kapili, Billy Wakeling

FRONT ROW:

Tiliti Puloka, Antonio Lavemai, Esau Leaaetua, Simote Molitika, Peter Fehoko



[GROUP STSW]

BACK ROW:

Chad Rameka, Shaun McKay-Kaio, Ben Kaipati, Leka Manukailea-Sakisi, Viliami Siosifa

2ND ROW:

Isi Tava, Feao Lavemai, Karl Tuinukuafe, Setaleki Atiola, Thornton Rerekura-Kaio, Tepana Morahu, Mr Steven White (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Antonio Lavemai, Seilala Evalu, Elisha Whaanga, George Stretch, Tavake Vaka

[GROUP STAS]

BACK ROW:

Israel Kerisome, Tau Koloamatangi, Tangi Akauola, Fari Popata Edwardson, Lamona Pahulu, Roera Royal

2ND ROW:

Lahn So'oula, Paul To'ofoho, Lance Nuku, Moa Ahio, Aisea Tava, Rev Alitiasi Salesa (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Brian Alainuuese, Henner Thormaehlen, Mosese 'Uhila, Eita Soakai, Joanna Kepa, Siasoi Taeiloa



[GROUP STWN]

BACK ROW:

Tevita Latavao, Ethyn Naera, Codi Rogers, Tay Harris, Daniel Sinclair, Shane Te Amohanga

2ND ROW:

Bobby Whaanga, Cypress Timoko, Elijah Laumea, Mane Pahi, John Tutuila, Allan Highway, W. Nathan (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Tamihana Biddle, Mia Tupaea, Tyrone Te Ruruku, Glen Fisiiahi, Juno Nassau, Daniel Kidd

ABSENT:

Sione Mafileo, Alfred Hunkin, Michael Tai



[GROUP WIDT]

BACK ROW:

Timoci Makutu, Shiva Naidu, Andrew Motu'apuaka, Nisa Vi, Viliami Uhi

2ND ROW:

Metu Toso, Tevita Hiko, Elia Tagaloa, Sione Molia, Fereti Neemia, Waiora Manukau, John Tautua'a, Mr D. Tomkins (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Pikarie Herbert, Andrew Tuilagi, Tevita Tukutau, Ngaruhe Jones, Sione Olive, Joshua Mau, Bodeine Fou





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BACK ROW:

Piritaka Faneva, Jeneiro Pereira, William Poese, Charles Murray, Siupeli Vaipulu

2ND ROW:

Sepuloni Johansson, Reuben Glasow-Gray, John Luteru, Steve Aiono, Sione Selupe, Tevita Tupou, Mr H. De Soysa (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

Maamaloa Taufa, 'Apaiata Funaki, Mesui Tau'Aika, Christopher Walden, Valentino Maliko, Liuaki Kokohu



[GROUP WIBM]

BACK ROW:

Rimene Jovann, Penitoa Finau, Tu'utai Kaafi

2ND ROW:

Elliot Hau-Hadfield, Noa Webster, Seluini Molia, Tangaroa Hau-Hadfield, Michael Uhi, Mr B. Meyer (Teacher)

FRONT ROW:

William Lovo, Siulongo Fotofili, Sione Tonga, Joseph Toso, Tiare Wanakore



[GROUP WIPT]

BACK ROW:

Joshua Wilson-Talia, Tala Te Pairi (Felise), Donald Nolan

3RD ROW:

Hangea Selupe, Ofa Russo, Shayleen Parkinson, Pea Lehai Lopeti, Lorvenia Faleao Samana Filo, Viola Johansson, Delia Felise

2ND ROW:

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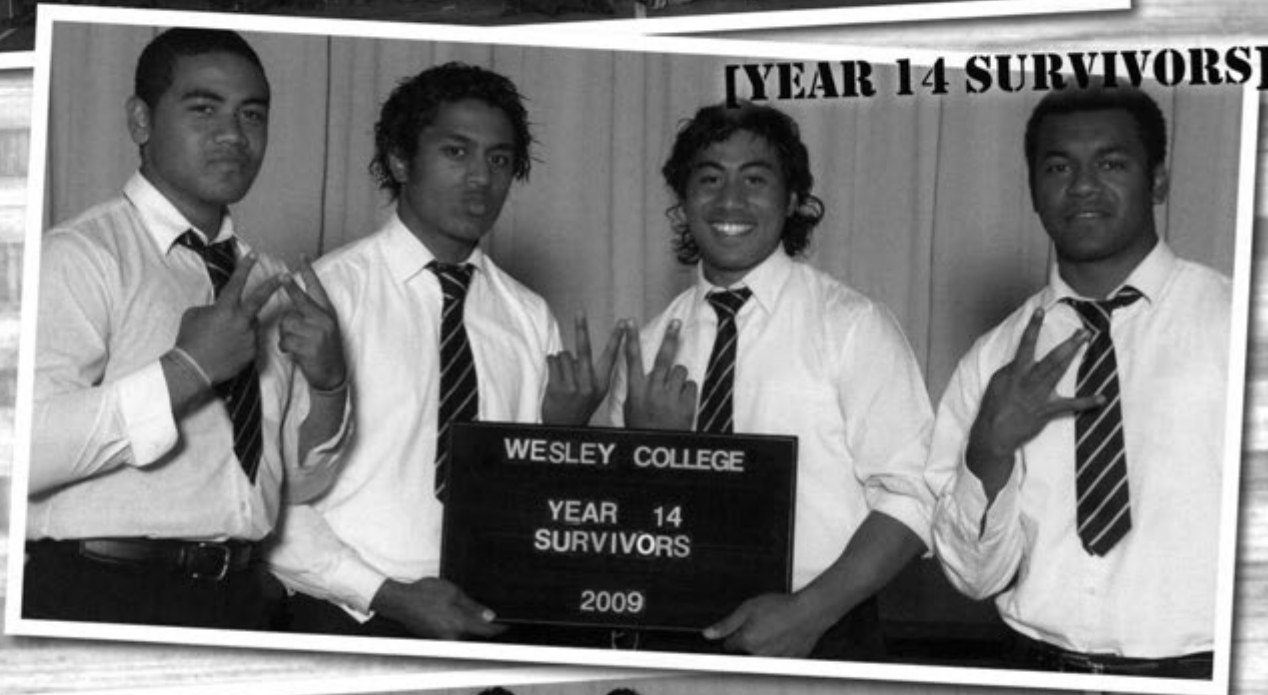
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Dominic King-Antonio, Mana Taliaili, Lavenia Fotofili, Charles Piutau, Lupe Fifita, Shannon Taylor, Jeffrey Andrews, Harry Luteru

[YEAR 13 PRISONERS]



[YEAR 14 SURVIVORS]



PRIZEGIVING 2008 - ACADEMIC AND SERVICE AWARDS

YEAR 11

First in Year 11 Maori	Kaharau Kaihe
First in Year 11 Mathematics	Fainga Kanongata'a
First in Year 11 Text and Information Management	Sitiveni Fehoko
First in Year 11 Music	Saia Ueleni
First in Year 11 Geography	William Lovo
First in Year 11 History	Nicole Pownceby
First in Year 11 Design Technology	Jordan Barnden
First in Year 11 Art	Vidar Tupou
First in Year 11 Accounting	Matthew Henry
Best performance in Food Technology	Sonny Ali'ifa'alo
First in Year 11 Science	Daniel Kidd
First in Year 11 Physical Education	Daniel Kidd
First in Year 11 Horticulture	Siulongo Fotofili
First in Year 11 Life & Faith	Siulongo Fotofili
First in Year 11 Economics	Juno Nassau
First in Year 11 English	Juno Nassau

YEAR 12

Special Award in Year 12 Art	Siale Tukuafu
First in Year 12 Biology	Solomon Pole
First in Year 12 Travel & Tourism	Manusiu Asi
First in Year 12 Painting	Steve Aiono
First in Year 12 Life & Faith	Sione Tonga
First in Year 12 Food Technology	Joshua Mau
First in Year 12 Design Technology	Michaiah Moala
First in Year 12 Print Design	Thomas Faiva
First in Year 12 Geography	Saia Mataele
First in Year 12 Physical Education	Charles Piutau
First in Year 12 Chemistry	Malcolm Andrews
First in Year 12 Accounting	Janelle Pownceby
First in Year 12 Economics	Janelle Pownceby
First in Year 12 History	Janelle Pownceby
First in Year 12 English	Janelle Pownceby
First in Year 12 Maori	Tyrone Te Ruruku
First in Year 12 Music	Tyrone Te Ruruku
First in Year 12 Physics	Tyrone Te Ruruku
First in Year 12 Mathematics	Tyrone Te Ruruku

SERVICE AWARDS

Winstone Maori Leadership Award	Tyrone Te Ruruku
The Franklin Rose Croix Service Award for a Girl	Simulata Pope
The Lioness Service Trophy	Melanie Tekulu
Principal's Service Award	Charles Piutau
Principal's Service Award	Junior Langi
Principal's Service Award	Dayne Matatia
The Franklin Rose Croix Service Award for a Boy	Linford Hanipale
Leadership in Fellowship and Chapel	Linford Hanipale
The Manihera Memorial Award for Dedication to Chapel Service	Linford Hanipale
Leadership in Fellowship and Chapel	Frances Kalisoqo
The Franklin Rose Croix Trophy Best all Round Girl	Frances Kalisoqo
Head Girl Award	Frances Kalisoqo
Head Boy Award	Michael Lea
Head Prefect Award	Lindsay Kawiti

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS YEAR 13

First in Year 13 Design Technology (Carpentry Construction)	Hakaraia Taniwha
First in Year 13 Travel and Tourism	Ashleigh Niua
First in Year 13 Web Page Design	Sefesi Tupou
First in Year 13 History	Melanie Tekulu
First in Year 13 Classical Studies	Dayne Matatia
First in Year 13 Biology	Lindsay Kawiti
First in Year 13 Food Technology	Jamie Gilbert
First in Year 13 Physical Education	Daniel Field
The Aaron Bates Memorial Trophy for Senior Agriculture and Horticulture	Daniel Field
First in Year 13 Agriculture	Daniel Field
First in Year 13 Geography	Grace Mulitalo-Malu
Best Arts Student	Grace Mulitalo-Malu
First in Year 13 Life & Faith	Frances Kalisoqo
The Morley Cup for Academic Achievement by a Girl	Frances Kalisoqo

Proxime Accessit

Frances Kalisoqo

First in Year 13 Mathematics with Calculus	Joshua Abbott
First in Year 13 Chemistry	Joshua Abbott
First in Year 13 Maths with Statistics	Joshua Abbott
The NZIP Prize for First in Year 13 Physics	Joshua Abbott
Best Science Student	Joshua Abbott
First in Year 13 English	Joshua Abbott

Dux

Joshua Abbott

FRANCES

This person has contributed to all aspects of college life, from the chapel, to cultural activities and including all of the many interhouse activities that occur throughout the year.

Since this person arrived at Wesley College, they have been dedicated to success in all facets of school life, showing leadership, friendship, dedication and commitment to schoolwork, scholarly-ness and citizenship. As a prefect, this person has proved time and again that having a clear focus and setting goals for oneself are both important and rewarding.

An ambassador of the college, this person has gained placings in four out of five subjects, has been a house leader, a soloist and the senior speech champion where she sought to define what it means to be a Wesleyan. An eloquent speaker and a confident and outgoing young woman, this person has collected many accolades this year and among them are first in year 13 Life and Faith, the Morley Cup for Academic achievement by a girl and she is our Head Girl and Proxime Accessit for 2008.

JOSH

The recipient of our most prestigious academic award will be no surprise to many people here. This student shows insight and a committed and diligent attitude towards their academic pursuit that is more mature than their years. As a year 13 student, this candidate has shown his all-round skills in playing lock for the 2nd XV this year as well as in his outstanding school results.

He intends next year to go on to study at the University of Auckland where he will specialise in Engineering and Law.

First in statistics, calculus, physics, chemistry and English, the recipient of the Best Science Student Award and the NZIP prize, our Dux for 2008

PRIZEGIVING 2008 - SPORTING AND CULTURAL AWARDS

Whakaekae 1st Kaitaki Wahine (Leadership)	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
Moteatea 1st Kaitaki Tane (Leadership)	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Poi	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Kakahu Wahine (Costumes)	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Haka	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Mau rakau	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Whakawatea	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
1st place in Mita o te Reo	Wesley-Waiuku College Kapahaka
Tongan Stage - Kalapu Foefoeloa 'o Mt Roskill Trophy for 2nd place in the Taufakaniua	Wesley College Tongan Group
ASB Auckland Secondary Schools Maori and Pacific Island Cultural Festival, Melino Moe 'Ofa Trophy for 1st place in the Kailao	Wesley College Tongan Group
Tongan Group ASB Polyfest Showcase 2008 Award in recognition of Performance Excellence	Wesley College Tongan Group
2nd place - Bring It On Southern Heat	Wesley College Bring It On Group
2nd place - Bring It On Auckland Finals	Wesley College Bring It On Group
Junior Speech Contest Cup	Fereti Neemia
Rostrum Cup for Intermediate Speech Contest	Lahn So'oula
Boyce Cup for Senior Speech Contest	Frances Kalisoqo
The Chessum Trophy for contribution to School Music	Laiseni Kakato
The Simon Grey Trophy for Excellence in Musical Composition	Tyrone Te Ruruku
The McGirr-Garrett Dance Award	Folau Lavemai
The Herbert Smith Trophy for Junior Boys' Swimming champion	Israel Peri
The E.F Mills Cup for Intermediate Boys' Swimming Champion	Te Warati Cassidy
The Coker Trophy for Girls' Swimming Champion	Delia Felise
The Herbert Smith Cup for Senior Boys' Swimming Champion	Daniel Field
The Herbert Smith Cup for Junior Boys' Athletics Champion	Blessing Muliatio-Malu, Ben Kaipati
The Stuart Cup for the Intermediate Boys' Athletics Champion	Solomone Vaka
The Herbert Smith Cup for Senior Boys' Athletics Champion	Moale Taufa
The Herbert Smith Cup for Senior Boys' Athletics Champion	Charles Piutau
The Herbert Smith cup for Girls' Athletics Champion	Lehai Lopeti
The Lesley Scott Memorial Cup for Junior Boys' Cross Country	Ben Kaipati
The Whaimutu Dewes Memorial Cup for Intermediate Boys' Cross Country	Harley Peri
The W. Busby Trophy for Girls' Cross Country Champion	Janelle Pownceby
The Herbert Smith cup for Senior Boys' Cross Country	Lindsay Kawiti
Most Improved Hockey Player	Lance Nuku
Hockey Player of the Year	Jeffrey Easther
Cup for Contribution to Hockey	Jeffrey Easther

Milton Cup for Best All Round Soccer Player	Fainga Kanongata'a
Most Improved Soccer Player	Fagaloa Ropeti
Natchele Netball Trophy for Most Outstanding Player	Sereima Leweniqila
The Pauline McDougall Netball Trophy for Most Improved Player	Manusiu Asi
Touch Player of the Year	Brock Taylor
U15 Open Rugby Player of the Year	Karl Tuinukuafe
U15 White Rugby Player of the Year	Kaharau Kaihe
2nd XV Player of the Year	Metui Talilotu
The S & D Benson Award for Contribution to 2nd XV Rugby	Palei Tonga
The Counties Manukau Rugby Secondary Schools Champion	Wesley College 1st XV

BLUES IN SPORT

New Zealand U20s, Fiji U20s	Penijamini Makutu
New Zealand U19 Mixed Touch	Brock Taylor
Northern Regions A	Uini Atonio
Counties U18	Uini Atonio
Northern Regions B	Augustine Pulu
Counties U18	Augustine Pulu
Northern Regions B	Jamie Gilbert
Counties U18	Jamie Gilbert
Northern Regions B	Charles Piutau
Counties U20	Michael Lea
Counties U18	Elisha Ngata
Counties U18	Daniel Field
Counties U18	Hakaraia Taniwha
Counties U18	Sione Tukuafu
Counties U18	Palei Tonga
Counties U18	Glen Fisiiahi
Counties U18	John Luteru
Counties U18	Sione Akauola
Special Award for Contribution to Sport	Janelle Pownceby
Special Award for Contribution to Sport	Linford Hanipale
The Hartridge Trophy for the Most Improved Rugby Player	Charles Piutau
The Wylie Family Cup for Special Achievement in Sport	Penijamini Makutu
Special Award for Contribution to Sport	Jamie Gilbert
The Bennett Cup for the Most Outstanding Rugby Player	Jamie Gilbert
Trophy for Contribution to Rugby	Jamie Gilbert
The Kraushaar cup for Best Individual Performance in a Premier Team	Glen Fisiiahi

Dux Ludorum GLEN FISIIAHI

The Derek Cheeseman Memorial Trophy for Inter-House Athletics	Winstone
Inter-House Swimming Competition House Leader	Simmonds
Inter-House Cross Country Competition	Winstone
Inter-House Choral Competition	Winstone
Winstone Cup	WINSTONE

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Em-Jay

Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight!



