



## Year 13 Academic Awards & NZQA Information

Welcome to Year 13.

We hope you will all have a wonderful year and leave with the grades you need to pursue the programme you are interested in next year or in the future.

We have been reminding you since Year 11 that it is the quality not the quantity of credits that is important – and that is even more important this year.

We will hold a Tertiary Information evening later this term for you and your parents to come along and discuss entry requirements at individual institutions. These are changing all the time so you need to stay on top of this information – checking the institutions' websites will give the most current information.

The following staff are available to support with you as you make decision about your future:

Careers Staff	Mrs Johnson, Mrs McKenzie
Guidance Counsellor	Ms Bissett
Gateway Coordinator	Ms Allen
Learning & Support Mentor	Wendy Laird
International staff	Mrs Twigg, Mrs Falconer, Ms Charlton-Kelly

Form teachers, Deans and Senior staff are also happy to help as they are able.

The information in this booklet is designed to remind you about the requirements for external qualifications, to inform you about the Yr 13 awards WGC offers, and to give an overview of external awards and scholarships you may be eligible to apply for later in the year.

### NCEA LEVEL 3

- 80 credits (20 can be from L2 so you actually only need 60 L3 credits)
- Excellence endorsement – 50 or more Level 3 Excellence credits
- Merit endorsement – 50 or more L3 Merit credits (or a mix of some Excellences as well)

### UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE

- Approved subjects - 42 credits at **Level 3 or higher**, made up of:
  - 14 credits in one approved subject
  - 14 credits in another approved subject
  - 14 credits from one or two additional domains or approved subjects
- Literacy requirements - 8 credits in English or te reo Maori at **Level 2 or higher**, made up of:
  - 4 credits in reading
  - 4 credits in writing
- Numeracy requirements - 14 credits in Numeracy at **Level 1 or higher**, made up of:
  - 14 credits in Mathematics or Statistics and Probability

UE is the **basic** entry requirement for university but it does not guarantee entrance to certain courses at specific universities. Most universities have restricted access to many courses. Entry requirements are available for these on the institutions' websites. They are hugely variable between institutions and will change from year to year.

### SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship provides recognition and monetary reward to top students nationally. Scholarship exams enable candidates to be assessed against challenging standards, and are demanding for the most able candidates in each subject.

Scholarship candidates are expected to demonstrate high-level critical thinking, abstraction and generalisation, and to integrate, synthesise and apply knowledge, skills, understanding and ideas to complex situations.

Scholarship results do not contribute towards the New Zealand university entrance common standard and do not gain credits towards NCEA.

#### Entry to Scholarship

There are separate fee structures for domestic students and international students.

#### Fee structure for domestic candidates

Up to 3 Scholarship subjects

#### Fee

\$76.70

Additional Scholarship subjects

\$76.70 per subject

#### Fee structure for international fee paying candidates

#### Fee

Entry for **each** Scholarship subject

\$102.20 per subject

## Monetary awards

To be eligible to receive a scholarship award, the student must be enrolled in tertiary study in New Zealand for the years in which they receive monetary awards.

The Scholarship Monetary Awards will comprise:

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| <b>Premier Award</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For the very top 5 to 10 candidates. The minimum eligibility requirement to be considered for this award is at least three Scholarships at "Outstanding" level in the same year. The number of recipients for this award is restricted and achieving the minimum requirement will not guarantee an award.</li><li>• \$10,000 each year for up to three years as long as candidates maintain at least a 'B' grade average in tertiary study</li></ul>  |
| <b>Outstanding Scholar Award</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For the next 40-60 top candidates. The minimum eligibility requirement to be considered for this award is three Scholarships with at least two at "Outstanding" level or more than three Scholarships with at least one at "Outstanding" in the same year. The number of recipients for this award is restricted and achieving the minimum requirement will not guarantee an award.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ \$5,000 each year for three years as long as candidates maintain a 'B' grade average in tertiary study</li></ul></li></ul> |
| <b>Scholarship Award</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For candidates who get Scholarship in three or more subjects.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ \$2,000 each year for up to three years as long as candidates maintain a 'B' grade average in tertiary study</li></ul></li></ul>   |
| <b>Top Subject Scholar Award</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For the top candidate in each one of the 33 Scholarship subjects.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ \$2,000 each year for up to three years as long as candidates maintain a 'B' grade average in tertiary study</li></ul></li></ul>   |
| <b>Single Subject Awards</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For candidates who get Scholarship in one or two subjects.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A 'one-off' award of \$500 per subject (maximum payment \$1000)</li></ul></li></ul>   |

## How many candidates are awarded Scholarship?

Approximately 3 per cent of all Year 13 students studying each subject at level 3 are awarded Scholarship, if they reach the standard that has been set.

## How is Scholarship taught at WGC?

This will vary depending on the subject. Some subjects will incorporate extension work within their normal programme, some will offer regular extra classes (often before or after school), some will offer occasional workshops. If you are interested in Scholarship, talk to your class teacher or the HOD of the subject.

## WGC Awards

Prize giving this year is on **Tuesday 6th November**.

At Prize giving Year 13 students receive a large number of significant awards. The major awards are listed below. Some carry a monetary award, others are awarded books or cups, depending on whether the award was given in the past with money to be invested for the future. These awards will only be given if there is an appropriate recipient, and if sufficient funds from the interest generated by bequests are available that year. Please note the scholarships and prizes marked \*\* require academic, co-curricular, service and/or leadership strengths. The others are given purely on academic results.

<b>Dux</b>	The award for the top academic student/s
<b>Proxime Accessit</b>	Runner up to Dux
<b>Anna P Stout Cup **</b>	All Round Excellence
<b>F E Kershaw Award **</b>	All Round Excellence
<b>Lillian Hanton Award</b>	Academic Excellence
<b>General Academic Excellence Awards</b>	4-6 awarded each year
<b>Keenan prize for Outstanding Senior Māori Student **</b>	All round Excellence
<b>Miriam Riley Memorial Scholarship</b>	For tertiary study in Maths or related fields
<b>Leilani Reid Memorial Scholarship **</b>	For a top sportswoman who has given to the school but also plans to further her own sporting pursuits.
<b>Katherine Mansfield Memorial Scholarship **</b>	For a student involved at the highest levels in cultural activities, who has given to the school but also plans to further her cultural pursuits. (New award in 2012)
<b>Service Awards **</b>	6-8 awarded each year

The **Mary Scholarship** is awarded at the start of the following year based on results in Level 3. It is awarded to a student attending Victoria University but is a WGC Scholarship.

There is also an award (book or cup) for the top student in each Yr 13 subject.

All Year 13 students are also eligible for:

### **Year 13 Citizenship Award – for contribution to school life**

This award recognises and rewards Year 13 students who have demonstrated a consistently positive attitude to all aspects of school life throughout their final year in the College, regardless of their level of academic, sporting or cultural achievement. Effort, attendance, conduct and contribution to the life of the College all count towards the award.

- **Effort:** Students who have sustained effort at the level of 1 or 2 in at least four of their subjects are eligible for the citizenship award.
- **Attendance:** Students with a good record of attendance are eligible. Any absences must have been excused by formal communication with the school from parents/caregivers.
- **Conduct:** Students must engage positively with the agreed code of conduct of the school to be eligible for the award.
- **Contribution to the life of Wellington Girls' College:** students must show commitment to the wider life of the school through participation in an extra-curricular activity, either sporting or cultural, and/or by actively supporting or giving service to others in the school.

### **Academic Effort Awards**

Academic effort awards recognise and celebrate students who show exceptional dedication and application in **all** of their subjects. Students who receive these awards have an excellent record of attendance, manage themselves, their commitments and their time effectively to complete all course work to the best of their ability, and contribute effectively to their own learning by working independently when required to, by seeking help when appropriate, and through their active participation in class.

Teachers provide feedback on student effort at regular intervals throughout the year using criteria developed by students and teachers. There are three levels of academic effort awards:

Gold Academic Effort: "1" for effort in all subjects throughout the year

Silver Academic Effort: one "2" and the rest "1" for effort in all subjects throughout the year

Bronze Academic Effort: two "2" and the rest "1" for effort in all subjects throughout the year

## Other external scholarships

There are a large number of prestigious scholarships available. Information on these will come through the Dean or the Careers office. The information below outlines those our students have achieved in the last two years. There are many others offered that students might be eligible for, depending on future courses or personal circumstances. (The order of the institutions is geographical not alphabetical.)

### Auckland University

- **Academic Scholarship** worth \$50,000 over 3 years \*\*

2011: Offered to Tessa Noakes but not accepted

2010: Florence Reynolds

2009: Bronwyn Chapman

### Massey University

- **High Achiever Scholarship** \*\*

2010 : Ella Bryant

2009 : Abby Damen, Xanthe Smit, Grace Smith

### Victoria University

- **Excellence scholarships** - \$5000 in 2011 for students intending to study at Victoria who gained an Excellence endorsement on L2 in 2010. Last year 22 WGC students gained this scholarship to support their study at Victoria. We believe this will stay the same in 2012.
- **Robert Bostock Scholarship** \*\* - \$5000 in 2011 for a student nominated by the school. The student must be an all rounder and have given significant service over their last year or two at school. Nominations are invited from specified schools in Wellington. This award cannot go to a student who qualified for an Excellence scholarship.

2011: Sophie Hunter

2010 : Adelaide Gleadow

2009 : Sophie Ashworth

### Weltec

- **Secondary School Scholarship**

2011: Kyla Sanderson

2010: Emily Thomas

### Canterbury University

- **Emerging Leaders' Scholarship** \*\*

2011: Tessa Noakes

2009 Pania Bridge-Comer

- **College of Business and Economic Awards for Excellence \*\***

2011: Jill Campbell, Davina Lach

## Otago University

- **Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship \*\*** 2011: Tessa Noakes (not accepted)

2010 : Sarah Dunn, Emma Kirkpatrick, Gina Wilson

2009 : Isabella Blunt, Kate Brookie, Jacqueline Gale,  
Varissa Patel, Penny Roy, Hannah Twigg

- **Dux Scholarship** – every year the Dux is offered a scholarship to Otago worth \$5000 and a guaranteed place in a Hall of Residence. This is offered at every school in Wellington. It cannot be deferred or transferred to any other university.

2010 : Gina Wilson

**PriceWaterhouseCoopers Scholarship \*\*** Worth about \$10,000 a year towards a degree in business, commerce or law. It offers ongoing mentoring, holiday work and financial support.

2011: Sarah Woolley

2009: Sophie Ashworth

**Russell McVeagh Scholarship \*\*** Worth \$2000 a year for a student working towards a law degree. This scholarship offers the possibility of summer internships and mentoring.

2010: Samantha Knott

### 2012 Level 3/Scholarship examination timetable

Date/Time		NCEA Level 3	Scholarship
Fri 9 Nov	am		Drama
	pm		
Sat 10 Nov	am		Statistics and Modelling
	pm		Biology
Mon 12 Nov	am		
	pm	Te Reo Māori	English
Tues 13 Nov	am		Physical Education
	pm	Biology	
Wed 14 Nov	am	Latin	Art History
	pm		German
Thur 15 Nov	am		
	pm	English	
Sat 17 Nov	am		Chemistry
	pm		History
Mon 19 Nov	am	Economics	Classical Studies
	pm		
Tues 20 Nov	am	History	Latin
	pm	Chemistry	
Wed 21 Nov	am	Statistics and Modelling	
	pm	Art History	Physics
Thur 22 Nov	am		Te Reo Māori
	pm	German	Music
Fri 23 Nov	am	Geography	Accounting
	pm	Classical Studies	Chinese
Sat 24 Nov	am		Mathematics with Calculus
	pm		Geography
Mon 26 Nov	am	Accounting	
	pm	Mathematics with Calculus	
Tues 27 Nov	am	Physics	Media Studies
	pm	Drama	French
Wed 28 Nov	am	Science	Economics
	pm	Media Studies	
Thur 29 Nov	am	French	
	pm		
Fri 30 Nov	am	Music Studies	
	pm	Chinese	