

Nau mai, haere mai, Welcome!

Term 2 for the Schools Liaison Pathways team continues to be an exciting term with an abundance of activities on offer for our secondary schools' whanau.

STAR, and particularly Taster programmes, are proving popular, with students often trying out one programme and then enrolling for more! During Term 2 we have run STAR Animal Care, and Cookery and Bakery courses which students attend 1-day a week for 5 weeks. These programmes give students the opportunity to gain unit standards and a hands-on learning experience.

The taster courses at all our campuses continue during Term 2. In the last few weeks students have tried their hand at Carpentry, Electrical, Painting and Decorating, Dance, Barbering, Hair and Makeup, Youthwork, Animal Care and Vet Nursing programmes. These are a 1-day taste of the various study areas, giving students the opportunity to join practical lessons where they can ask questions about the programmes we offer and career pathways, while experiencing how a typical class runs. The Carpentry students were tasked to build bird houses which they could take home at the end of the day or enrol on the Painting taster the following week and decorate their creation. Dance, Barbering and Hair and Makeup students joined a full day of class where they learnt new skills and techniques.

The Youthwork students joined a year two Diploma class and discovered how to communicate with a wide variety of people. The Animal Care and Vet Nursing students attended a two part, 1-day taster and had the opportunity to learn about anatomy, grooming of domestic pets, surgical preparation and how to administer CPR on cats and dogs. We have many more Taster programmes scheduled for Term 2, please contact us if you wish to enrol your students.

We are enjoying coming to your schools and talking with students in assemblies, Gateway and careers classes and lunchtime presentations. We have further visits scheduled throughout Term 2 and are very happy for you to contact Mata or Kerri to arrange a visit to your students. These information sessions give secondary school students the opportunity to get an insight into how we operate in comparison to a university and the services and programmes we provide.

If you would like to bring your students to us, we are more than happy to arrange campus tours, and provide you and your students an opportunity to connect with areas of interest to you.

Hope to see you soon,

Marama, Kerri and Mata





Inaugural Māori & Pasifika Scholarship Winner

Luke Finnigan of Māori descent with ties to Te Atianga-a-Māhaki was awarded the first ever Māori and Pasifika Publishing Scholarship from Penguin Random House New Zealand (PRH). This scholarship aims to reduce barriers to equity and encourage diversity and inclusivity in publishing in Aotearoa New Zealand.

“While representation of Māori and Pasifika in NZ publishing is growing, I feel that it is too often categorised as solely ‘indigenous.’ I’d like to see cultural ideals incorporated in New Zealand literature in such ways that push these ideals into the forefront, to normalise and educate in a way that is more accessible,” says Luke.

The scholarship covers full course fees for the year and offers the student hands-on experience with New Zealand’s biggest local and international publishing house PRH. It is an industry partnership that Whitireia and WelTec are very proud to offer.

Looking Ahead:

- Te Tiriti o Waitangi Commemoration – 18th June
- Careers Expo at TSB Arena – 25-26th June
- Trades Academy – Construction Projects begins – 28th June (enrolments to WTA)
- Porirua Open Day – 28th July
- Petone Open Day – 11th August
- Wellington Open Day – 20th August



Creating Meaningful Change for Pacific

Rosalie Maiava-Zajkowski, Social Work graduate, sees the representation of Pacific people in government spaces as key to creating meaningful and lasting positive change for Pacific people in New Zealand.

“I studied social work so that I could learn the skills to help provide support to my community from the ground up, but in the process realised that we need to have people working at all levels to create real and lasting change,” says Rosalie.

During her studies she was successful in her application for the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment’s Policy programme. She also completed two internships at the Ministry for Women, and the Ministry for Social Development.

Rosalie wants Pacific representation to be the norm, **“I want to help shape the decisions made at a systematic level, and make it visible for the Pasifika community so they feel represented and heard.”**

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