

# KIA ORA KI TE PAI O TE KĀRETI O ONSLOW

## POSITIVES AT ONSLOW

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Our vision is for every ākonga (student) to come as they are to Onslow College, to grow as a whole person (academically, socially, artistically, culturally, sports wise) and to thrive in their future. This fortnightly newsletter celebrates the many kinds of successes across our school. It also highlights how our values - whānau, whakapapa, whenua, diversity and community are present inside and outside our school every day.

### 1st for Onslow

Huge congratulations to BaiXi Li Year 13, who has just been awarded the 2023 Wellington International Excellence Scholarship from Victoria, across 3 years of study.

This is a first for an Onslow International student and we are incredibly proud of how far BaiXi has come since she arrived at Onslow 5 years ago with very little English! Well done BaiXi!



## O Show Celebrations

Onslow's annual 'O Show' went off with a blast on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2022.

It was an afternoon of raw talent, great performances and an abundant amount of entertainment. Jayd Tuarea-Gibson was Onslow's charming MC for the afternoon, introducing the talented line-up of past and present students. 17 phenomenal performances captivated an energetic audience ranging from karaoke performances to solo and duo compositions of classical, jazz, pop and rock renditions on the piano, violin, guitar and more.

The afternoon opened with Zishan Jin's breathtaking rendition of '*Isaereli Concertino*' by George Perlman and from there the show was on the road! Captivating karaoke performances filled the afternoon by Onslow's current students Holly O'Connor, Corey Yee, Ryan George and Claire Simmers. Timeless classics like '*Dancing Queen*' by ABBA performed by Leo Kelly had the audience singing along! Ryan George had the audience enraptured with his cover of '*Since You've Been Gone*' by Kelly Clarkson. His performance came with its own pre-warning, Ryan stating that his high notes may not be to everyone's liking (specifically his Mums!). Nevertheless, it was a performance to remember.

Scattered across the afternoon were students' amazing renditions of classical, jazz, pop and rock pieces on the piano. Students Corey Yee, Gilbert Wright-Johns, Leo Kelly and Kaimon Sumioka left the audience in awe as they poured their talent into every key.

The audience was treated to guest performances from past students including Zinnie Farrell, Ryan Sullivan, Aurora Symon-Pellat, Caitlyn Leong, Maggie-Rose Paine and Marcus Ang. Even the Onslow Staff Band snuck in a phenomenal rendition of 'End of the Line' by the Travelling Wilburys!

At the end of the day, the 2022 O show was a fantastic afternoon that brought laughs and tears to all who attended. A big thank you to all the performers for the afternoon and to Miss Rebecca Robinson and Ms Katherine Hodge for ensuring that the 'O Show' went off without a hitch!



## Diving Success

Onslow College whanau are very proud of the mahi shown by Ross Miller Year 9, who has just returned from Brisbane, Australia where he competed in the Australia School Games Diving Competition.

He was proud to achieve the following results:

- Silver medal in platform
- 5<sup>th</sup> in springboard
- 4<sup>th</sup> in the team event
- 4<sup>th</sup> in the knockout competition and
- 5<sup>th</sup> in mixed synchro with his partner Lexie from Auckland.



## Volleyball in the Top 5



The Junior A Volleyball Girls participated in the Junior Satellite Volleyball Tournament at the ASB Centre Kilbirnie 22-24 November.

There were 18 teams from the North Island participating and the team made quick work of establishing a top 8 placing in their first 3 games.

The team fought it out with Wellington Girls to make the top 4, but lost out in a nail biter 3 sets.

The team beat Paraparaumu College to play off for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> and took out the last game of the tournament to finish an impressive 5<sup>th</sup> overall.