

Dear parents, caregivers, friends and staff

CLASS 12 PROJECT PRESENTATIONS 2012

A Celebration for our Whole Community

Friday 14 September

11.30am - 3.00pm Exhibition of Work

Saturday 15 September

from 9.00am Exhibition of Work

10.00am sharp - 6.15pm Project Presentations

Little Theatre, Lower Hutt

You are warmly invited to attend the Class 12 Project Presentations at the Little Theatre in Lower Hutt on Saturday 15 September - now only a week away!

The Class 12 projects are all about our students following their passions and experiencing self-empowerment in the process. The students choose their own projects and the choices they make inevitably lead them to meet the very things they need to meet in order to learn and grow.

This event is a very special opportunity to hear each of these young people share, not only the knowledge they have gained on their year long journeys, but also the challenges and joys they have encountered along the way. I have no doubt their stories will enthuse and inspire you.

This year's student projects are as impressive and diverse as ever - prepare for adventures into tango, physical training, marathon running, making skis, sculpting, comedy, football glove design, re-settling a refugee family, ballet, understanding depression, street dance, quick-fix diets, music to change lives, Taekwon-Do, film making, songwriting, extreme sports, electronic music and football!

The Presentations begin at 10.00am sharp - everyone will need to be seated by this time. The attached poster gives the session times and the names of the students who will speak in each of the three sessions. Out of respect for the

students we ask that people do not enter once a session has begun or leave during a session.

We are introducing a new element into the presentations this year by inviting questions from the audience at the end of each speech. The students are being assessed on their speeches for their Steiner School Certificate qualification and good questions which give the students an opportunity to elaborate on specific aspects of their work will be much appreciated.

*An **Exhibition** of the students project work will be open to the school community and public in the foyer of the Little Theatre on **Friday 14 September from 11.30am - 3.00pm**. The students will be at their visual displays to tell you about their projects and answer your questions. This will be the best opportunity to gain an in-depth appreciation of their visual work and comprehensive research documents, as there is only limited time for this on the Saturday when the presentations take place.*

Food and drinks will be available for sale on Saturday over lunchtime from 12.35-1.25pm and for afternoon tea from 3.35-4.00pm.

Entry is by complimentary ticket, which will be available from the school office from Friday 7 September. Room in the theatre is limited, so remember to pick up your tickets as soon as possible to avoid missing out on a seat. Don't forget to invite extended family as well.

This is a chance for the whole community to celebrate our Class 12 students. The younger students who attend gain great benefit from seeing what the senior students have achieved and many begin to think about what their own Class 12 Project might be. For parents, the day provides a unique opportunity to experience the wonderful initiative, courage and creativity that Steiner education fosters in our young people.

My hope is that you will make every effort to be there, in order to honour our Class 12 students and to be part of building the community spirit which supports their striving and achievement.

Warm wishes

*David Stephenson
Deputy Principal /Upper School Co-ordinator*