

Amnesty International



Amnesty International is a **global movement** of over 10 million members from around the world. At WGHS we have a long, proud tradition of running an Amnesty club.

Amnesty was founded in 1961 by British lawyer, Peter Benenson, who recognised that injustice and human rights abuse affected people around the world. He believed that people need to use their freedom in order to stand in solidarity with those who don't have access to their **basic human rights**. These basic human rights are outlined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. For instance, everyone should have access to education.

On **Tuesday lunchtimes** we look at different issues and cases of people from around the world and take action. This could include actions such as writing a postcard or discussing a video clip. In Term 3 we hold Freedom Challenge, where we hold fun events to raise awareness about human rights such as an Amazing Race.



Club details 2025:

Tuesday at lunchtime (every second week)
Current online- Google Meets codes given at first meeting. Applications required.

Teachers involved: Mr Dugmore, Mr Rosendale, Mrs Fletcher, Ms. Williams, Mrs Monks Ms Brown Ms. Wilson, Mrs Weeks, Mrs Fischer

Anime / Manga Club

Time: Wednesday Lunchtime

Place: A12 (Ms Sugiyama)

CLASS CODE 73hpinb

OUR CLUB



ACTIVITIES

INCLUDE:

- ★ Anime screenings
- ★ Weekly anime quizzes
- ★ Learning Japanese through anime
- ★ Events every term (including prizes!)

The goal of our club is to promote Japanese subcultures such as anime and manga, and the jobs available that are related, for example, voice actors, animators and manga artists.

Arabic language Club

Are you looking to improve your Arabic reading skills and engage in meaningful conversations? Whether you are already an Arabic reader or have some basic knowledge, this is your chance to practice and enhance your fluency in a supportive environment. Our club focuses on reading Arabic texts and practicing dialogues to boost confidence and proficiency. Join us and immerse yourself in the beauty of the Arabic language!



Meetings: Tuesday Lunch at A13

Google classroom code: **d4re3gd**

Student Leader: Malak and Nour

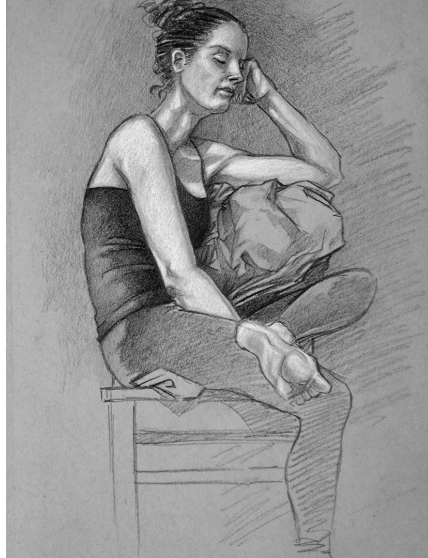
Staff: Ms Eideh

Art Drawing

After school every Wednesday, 3.30 - 5.00 in A15

Teacher led exercises to learn and extend your drawing skills
Try a variety of art media, pencil, ink, paint, pastel, all equipment provided.

Drawing the figure
Term 1
Week 6 - 11



Join the google classroom : **stecr6t**



Drawing the face
Term 2
Week 1 - 8

Contact teacher: Mrs Cooper

Art Media Exploration



Processes To Be Explored

- Abstract Painting
- Geli Plate
- Printmaking
- Collage and Mixed Media
- Large and Small Scale Artworks

This course is all about experimentation and exploration of material and process. It is fun and every ability is welcome.





**Ms Oddy and Mrs Heslop
A11**

**Term 1 / Week 6 - Term 2 / Week 8.
Wednesdays - 3:30 - 5pm.**

A stroke of fun

paint by numbers

✨ Why You Should Join This Group! ✨

-  Take time away from your studies and your device – practice mindfulness – relax, paint and create
-  A time to connect with (new and old) friends.
-  Get creative and make something you can be really proud of
-  No experience is necessary

July
17

When? Tuesday at lunchtime in Term 2



Where? B4 Golden Swan Cafe



Google Classroom Code: cc6cd3d



⚠ There is a **small cost** to cover the purchase of your chosen Paint by Numbers kit.

Numbers are limited, so if you are interested, please contact Mrs Segetin before spaces fill up

✉ ksegetin@westlakegirls.school.nz

AVIATION PROJECT

ONE FOOT IN THE CLOUDS

Welcome to Westlake Girls High School's One Foot in the Clouds Aviation Project.

This extra-curricular program is a unique program headed by physics teacher John Smith of Rosmini College, that offers a hands-on learning experience. Mr Smith sees us and students and teachers from six Auckland schools to work towards building a human-powered aircraft.

The first stage is building radio-controlled airplanes using kitsets. All students will learn some theory of flight as well as construction skills. They then learn to fly the aircraft at a local flying club. Then, using motors and controls, the students design and build their own model aircraft.

We will spend time working together to build a kitset or microlight aircraft on:

Wednesdays after school or Thursday lunchtimes in S5

All students in our group will get the opportunity to design, build and then fly a radio-controlled model aircraft.

Happy Building and Flying
Mr Pravindra Taneja

CLUB

Everyone is welcome to join - come along have some fun.

Table tennis club starts in Term 2 and continues through to Term 3.

Where: Gym 1

When: Term 2 and 3

Teacher in charge: Miss Allison-Carnie (Sport Dept)
Sign up through Clipboard



Biology Olympiad

Biology Olympiad is aimed at Yr 11-12 students and is a great opportunity to expand your biological knowledge and learn about current research.

You will enter a competition to earn your chance to compete in the National and International Team and attend the yearly camp and Uni Based tutorials.

Meetings are on TUESDAY Lunchtime in S3.

Teachers in Charge:

Dr Boyd-Bell

Email: lboyd-bell@westlakegirls.school.nz



Brain Bee



The Australia and New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge is an annual competition for students in **Year 11**. Students from other year levels can practice content but will be unable to take part in the competition.

Round 1 of the Brain Bee Challenge takes place during the month of **March**. High scorers in Round 1 can then access Round 2, and there may be an opportunity to visit a local university for a full day of fun neuroscience related activities.

If you are interested in participating, please join the **Google Classroom** using the code **yt23em7**. Instructions and meetings are posted there.

TiC: Ms Kennedy dkennedy@westlakegirls.school.nz



Bridge Club

A card game of memory and skill
for a group of 4 players.

Mr Scoones A2 Friday lunch

Buddy Reading with Milford Primary

2025 will be continuing our Buddy Reading Programme to support young learners at Milford Primary School. Students are buddied up with young readers to listen to them read and to model reading to them for half an hour every Thursday morning before school. The aim is to build a supportive relationship that can promote the joys of reading in a safe and happy environment. This is a very rewarding experience and has leadership opportunities.

Muster date: to be announced -
Contact Ms. Gilbert or Mrs Harridge
with any questions.

cgilbert@westlakegirls.school.nz



Cantare Choir

Cantare is the premier girls' choir at WGHS, directed by Mrs Fiona Wilson. Cantare has 44 auditioned singers from Year 9 - 13, who actively promote a family culture within the choir. Cantare rehearses twice a week and all singers have vocal lessons with tutor James Harrison. Cantare is regarded as one of the top secondary schools choirs in New Zealand, awarded Gold at The Big Sing National Finale for the last 6 national competitions. Cantare has won 'Best Programme of a Female Choir' in the Auckland Regionals for the last 4 years. Cantare toured in 2017 to Brisbane, winning the ASPIRE Music Festival. In 2024, Cantare toured to Indonesia & Malaysia, winning 4 Gold Medals at the Bali International Choir Festival. The choir often perform with Auckland Choral Society, Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra and the North Shore Brass Band.



Cantare Youtube Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4nxP28P1KU>

Musical Director: Fiona Wilson

Rehearsals: Thursday lunchtimes M3 &
Thursdays 3:30 - 5:30pm Events Center

Cigno Voce Choir

Cigno Voce is our Senior Treble Choir, directed by Miss Rachel Carson. It consists of singers from Year 11 to Year 13 at Westlake Girls High School. Cigno Voce rehearses twice a week and all singers have a vocal lesson with tutor Gnesyer Gomez. In 2022, Cigno Voce competed at Cadenza Festival in Rotorua and were awarded Korimako Silver, and in 2023 & 2024, Cigno Voce were listed as Reserves for Cadenza.

Cigno Voce provides students with the opportunity to sing a variety of music in a safe and comfortable atmosphere, and develop their voice in the process. In Cigno Voce, students are expected to practice and work hard, listen and work together with the repertoire and have fun along the way. Everyone plays a part in the collective sound, and it has helped students to develop their confidence in performance, whilst doing what they love and making friends!

See Miss Carson if you are interested (there's still time to join for 2025)!



Musical Director: Rachel Carson

Rehearsals: Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:30pm (M2) & Thursday lunchtimes (sectionals)

Chemistry Olympiad

The annual Chemistry Olympiad is an international chemistry competition for teams of four young people from around the world. The New Zealand team is selected, trained and coordinated as a collaboration between the universities and high schools.

The New Zealand Chemistry Olympiad Trust is a member of the [Science Olympianz Association](#)



<https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/science/science-outreach-for-schools/chemistry-olympiad>

Club details : Wednesday Morning 7:30 AM in A 5 & Miss Jiyoung Jun
Year 12 students (must be taking level 2 Chemistry)

CHESS CLUB

JOIN WGHS's CHESS CLUB!

🤝 Connect with an environment of strategy and fun

🧑🏫 Make new friends while learning a new skill

🏆 Social and competitive teams so it's perfect any level of chess player or for anyone who wants to learn a new skill.

🧠 Improves your memory, boost concentration, and encourages creative thinking

🏁 Newcomers are welcome!

Come and join us!!



📅 17 July
📍 S6
💻 Google Classroom Code:
jpt3bwd
👤 TIC: Aidan Kelly
: @wghs_chess_club

Chinese Club

Chinese Club aims to bring students together for a lunchtime of games, arts and crafts. You will have fun while having the opportunities to peek into one of the oldest civilization, both its past and present. Some of the activities include bracelet making, calligraphy, movies, martial arts, Chinese Zither, Majiang. All is welcome.

[Paper Cut](#) Video

GC: w7jjgp6

Friday Lunchtime A16

Contact: Ms Song



Choralation Choir

Choralation is the premier mixed choir from both Westlake Schools, directed by Mrs Fiona Wilson. The choir consists of 24 sopranos and altos and 24 tenors and basses from Years 10 -13. Choralation rehearses twice a week and all WGHS singers have vocal lessons with tutor James Harrison. Choralation is regarded as one of the top secondary schools choirs in New Zealand, awarded Platinum and Gold at The Big Sing Finale for the last 15 national competitions.

From 2021 - 2024 Choralation has won 'Best Programme of a Mixed Choir' in the Auckland Regionals. Choralation has toured to the United Kingdom, Hungary, Vienna (winning the Summe cum Laude Competition) and most recently to Italy in 2018. In 2024 Choralation won 2 Gold Medals at the World Choir Games in Auckland.



Musical Director: Fiona Wilson

Rehearsals: Wednesday lunchtimes M2 &
Wednesdays 3:40 - 5:40 pm Events Center

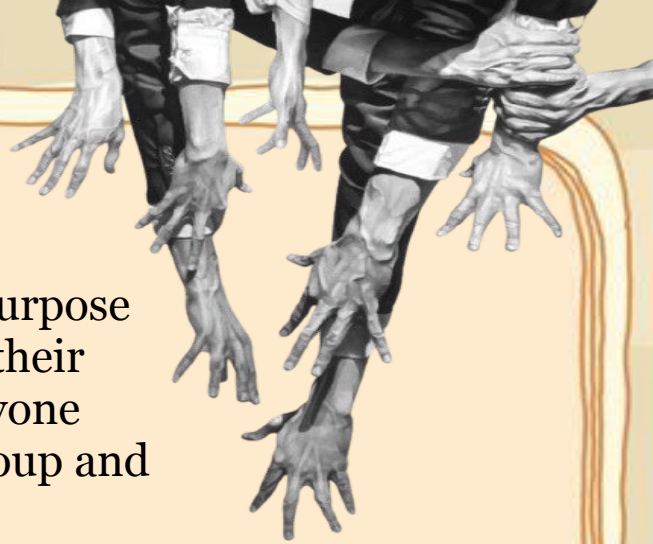
Cultural Communication Club

Cultural Communication Club is a warm group. Our purpose is to help new students or anyone who wants to show their colors and tell their stories. We warmly welcome everyone and help everyone. We are a very kind and friendly group and are happy to listen and discuss different perspectives.

If you would like to join us we meet in B3 every Friday starting on the 7th of March - come and get a badge!

Friday lunchtime: B3

Teacher: *DM Pike*



Dance Club

Want to learn some new moves?

Want to try some new genres and styles of Dance?

**EVERYONE WELCOME!
NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!
FREE!**

Come and have some fun and learn from other students in our Dance studio.

Keep an eye on the school **NOTICES** for information and join the Google classroom [2gmkzmv](#)



FRIDAYS @ LUNCH

Gym 2

WGHS Dance Committee

Mrs Visser-Heydon

Dance Troupes

Dance Troupes provides an extension activity for dancers who have a background in:

- Jazz - Lyrical - Hip Hop - K-Pop - Reggaeton
- Latin American - Contemporary - Bollywood

Students compete and represent Westlake Girls at the National Dance Competition in June. Troupe members also visit some of our COL schools and do performances and workshops with younger students to ignite their passion for Dance.

MONDAYS 3:30-4:30pm

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30pm

Gym 2

Mrs Visser-Heydon, Ms Costello

Grace Hirst + Natalia Covich



Debating

We have Debating for Years 10-13. Numbers are limited and priority is given to experienced debaters only. For further details, please contact mjuma@westlakegirls.school.nz, cdugmore@westlakegirls.school.nz, vrosendale@westlakegirls.school.nz and smckimmey@westlakegirls.school.nz



Diversity

Diversity is a safe, friendly, empowering and supportive place for students who identify as LGBTQI+, and students and staff, who support them.

We meet every Wednesday at lunchtime, and also organise Rainbow events around school.

We'd love you to join us



When: Every Wednesday, Lunch Time, A 29

Staff: Fleur Piper

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Classroom : B3
During : Thursday Lunchtimes

How to sign up? : Google Forms will be
released to apply to be a Player OR Dungeon
Master!
(Need to be experienced to be DM)

Have Questions? Email us!

Uma Patel (Club DM & Manager) – 22383@my.westlakegirls.school.nz
Christina Denby (Club Manager) – 21261@my.westlakegirls.school.nz

@wghsenviroprefects

No applications are required
so please come along and
bring your friends.

You will help with
planning and
participating in
school events such
as Sea Week, Beach
Clean-Ups, and the
annual Clothes
Swap.

Enviro Club

A place for people who want to make a difference.

Our mission is to get as many people involved and passionate about our planet as we can!



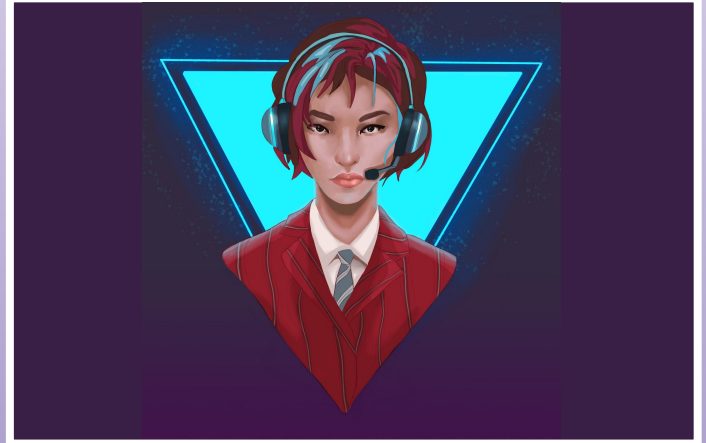
Google Classroom Code: e2kqhy2

Monday Lunch times in A26



Esports & Code Club

The focus of our club is to create a fun and positive environment to play and learn how to create games. This will be a great place to meet and explore your interests in esports, game development, animation, and coding.

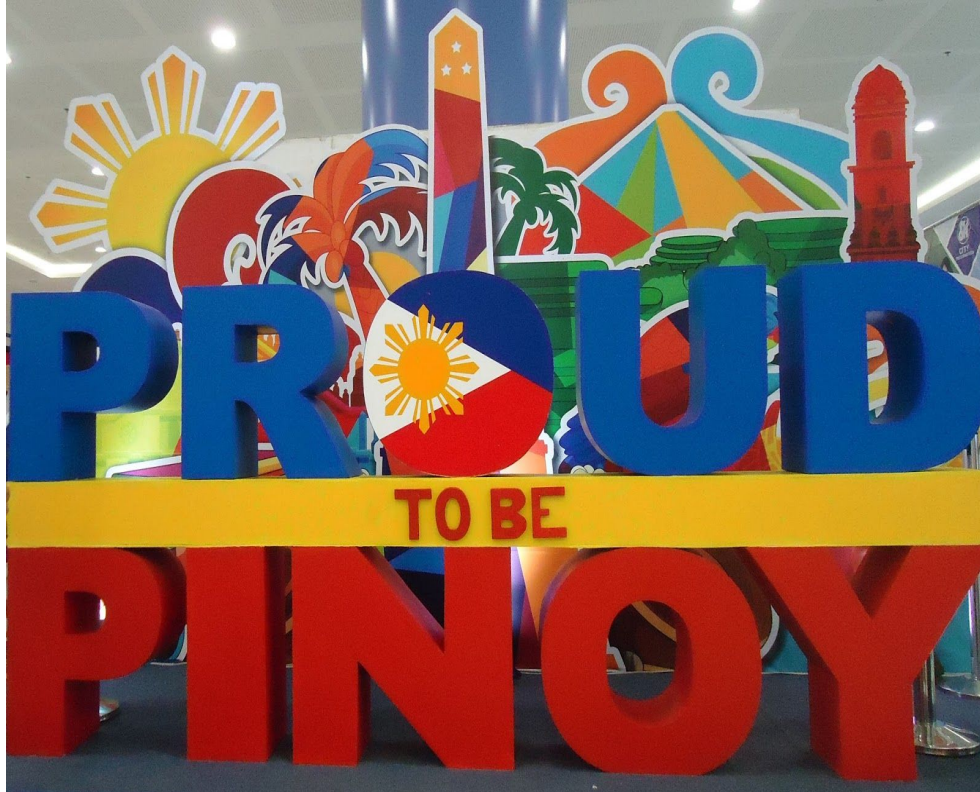


Class Code: qyzprcr

Meetings: TBC

Teacher: Ms Hay

Filipino Club



If you are interested in the Filipino culture, come join us!

There are opportunities to teach Tagalog to students of other schools virtually, interact with other Filipino Clubs in Auckland and potentially perform at the Filipino Cultural Night.

It is our third year to have this group - we are excited to meet you!

Meetings: Wednesday Lunch at A26
(every other week)

Staff: Ms. Villaruel/Ms. Hernandez

Fitness Room open after school - starting Term 2 & 3

Club purpose or objective

EXERCISES FOR KIDS



1. Planks



2. Push-ups



3. Crunches



4. Cycling



5. Lunges



6. Running



7. Stretching



8. Bridge Lift

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Do you want to improve your fitness levels?

Do you want to improve your Wellbeing? Video clip or graphic

Do you want to feel good while having fun with your friends?

Fitness room will open in Term 2 after school Tuesdays and Thursday Just turn up with gear to have a workout. There will be a staff member there to help.

See Ms Jobe for more information.
ljobe@westlakegirls.school.nz

French Club

If you're fascinated by all things French come along to French Club where you will be immersed in French **food, music, films, games/quizzes, history and more.**

Open to all year groups and levels of French knowledge, you don't even need to take French to join!

Activities will range from making French food to watching iconic French films and listening to the most popular French artists. So come along and explore all the great things that French culture has to offer. **Google Classroom = ijp3xkg**



**Monday lunchtime in A32 starting
Week 7 - 12 March.**

Teacher-in-Charge: Ms Wegmueller
Student Leaders: Members of Year 13
French

Gardening Club

**Do you love gardening and engaging with nature?
Have you ever wanted to give gardening a go?
Come and join us!**

We have several gardens around the school that we look after, and we also look after the school worm farms. We grow everything from flowers to vegetables.

You will learn how to grow plants from seeds, how to grow vegetables in even the smallest spaces, and how to look after and nurture any plant. Gardening is a great way to connect with nature, reduce stress, and have fun with like-minded people.



**Friday lunchtime at the gardens
between S Block and Wairau Rd**

Google classroom: [fk27zwx](#)

Teacher in charge: Ms Ward

Hangeul Hakgyo - *Korean Club*

Brand new in 2025, 'Hangeul Hagkgyo' translates to 'Korean School'. This is a fun opportunity to learn the Korean 'alphabet' so that you can start to recognise the words of your favourite K-pop song without the romanised version, the names of Korean snacks, and finally sound out the real title of that K-drama instead of the English version that doesn't always translate so well!

For 2025, the aim is to focus on helping you to recognise the various consonants and vowels so that you can begin reading out the words and practise your hangeul handwriting.

First intro meeting is in week 7, Wednesday lunch in H7.



Regular meeting time (from week 8):

Wednesday lunch, H7

Student leaders: TBC

Teachers in charge: Ms Lee (LEK),
Ms Kim (KMM)

Google classroom: TBC

Inspire Christian Club

Inspire **Christian Club** is a club **for everyone**, regardless of religious background. We discuss **God's love**, share our testimonies, and do Bible study. We will also be watching **movies**, make Spotify **playlists**, do **Bible trivia**, and **poster making**, to name just a few. Think about it as a **fun youth group**!



We will meet on Tuesdays at lunchtime in A14, starting Week 7, 11 March.
Leaders are Nicole Lao and Olivia Moot
Teachers in charge: Mrs Fischer, Mrs Francis
Google Classroom Code: **4cs26gr**

International Homework Club

The Homework club provides a quiet space for our International Junior students to get extra help with their classwork and homework. It also provides a great opportunity for you to meet new friends. Our International prefects and senior students are happy to help you.



Club details : **Tuesdays from 3.20pm - 4.20pm in C7**
Run by our International Prefects

Journalism Club



Are you a budding journalist or writer? Do you have an interest in news and events happening at school and in the Westlake community? Are your spelling, punctuation and grammar skills exceptional? Perhaps you're a passionate photographer, or have excellent design skills? The Journalism Club publishes an online newspaper for students, created by students.

If you're interested in joining, please add yourself to our Google Classroom - [w5kjm2w](#) and come along to our first meeting - the day and time will be in the daily notices.

Teachers in charge:
Mrs Pearson and Mrs Wright

Kaitiaki Club

The Westlake Kaitiaki are a group of students who are passionate about protecting the environment and putting environmental education into hands-on practice. The club has adopted our local park - Smith's Bush - and works hard to make it a safe haven for native species.

We meet in the classroom to learn about conservation, and also do trips to Smiths Bush for practical conservation actions which involve rubbish collection, planting, pest trapping, stream monitoring, etc.

Google Classroom Code: 3galkzj

Lunch Meetings: Fridays Day 5



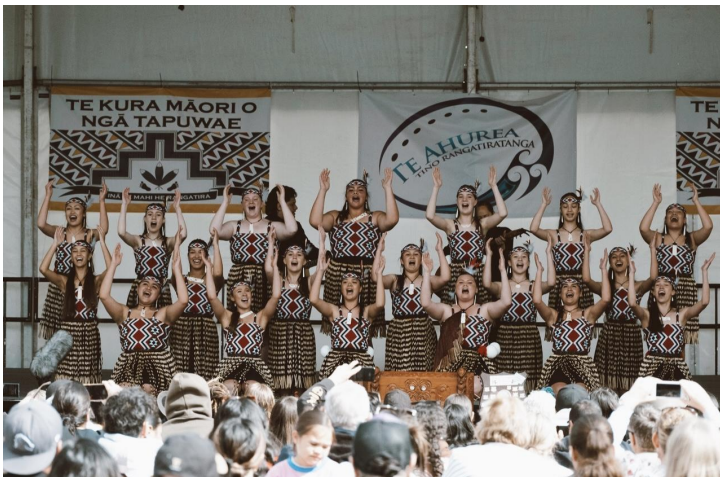
TIC: Ms See & Mr Kelly

Student leaders: Diya Kansara, Meera Mistry, and Elsa Aitken

Participants: All Year levels welcome.

KAPA HAKA

Kapa Haka is a cultural group providing opportunities for people to interact and have fun while being exposed to tikanga Māori. Students immerse themselves in learning through waiata, haka and poi. There are a variety of occasions we perform at, including Polyfest, Culture Week, Māori Language Week, and Te Ahurea Tino Rangatiratanga. Students in this group working towards NCEA, also have the opportunity to earn up to 10 Level 3 Māori Performing credits. This can be achieved by both juniors and seniors. We love welcoming new faces to our rōpū who share an interest in the Māori language and culture. Nau mai haere mai!



Lunchtime and after school trainings; days dependent on when our competitions are.

Talk to Matua Eddie or Maddison Gerbes, email ehudson@westlakegirls.school.nz or mgerbes@westlakegirls.school.nz

K-pop Cover Group

Description:

This is a club where you can dance freely and make your own groups for covers! Otherwise it's free dance for K-pop fans :D

If you are interested please contact 23349@my.westlakegirls.school.nz.

No experience needed and all year levels are welcome!



Meetings: Friday lunch

Location: Gym 1

Staff: Tessie Liddell

Student Leaders: Lisa Zhang, Rhayne Rach

Korean Club

Are you interested in Korean dramas or movies?
And Korean food, Korean language and anything with K ?
Then this club could be for you.

In Korean Club, you can relax and enjoy watching k-dramas with everyone there. It is a place where you can have fun and a rest from the pressures of school work. This year we will include activities to learn Korean phrases and do a 'mini basket draw' with Korean snacks & goodies each term along with our K-drama sessions. (Click this [link](#) for more)

If you want to enjoy watching K-dramas whilst learning about the language and culture, come to C3 on a Monday lunchtime,, meet new people and have fun with everyone!



Club details :

Every Monday lunchtime in C3.

Club Leaders: Manrui He

Teacher in charge: Ms Sun Mee Kim.

Google classroom: TBC

Knitting / Crocheting

Learn the relaxing art of knitting or crocheting. Learn the basic stitches and create masterpieces. The first project is a baby beanie. You should have your own knitting needles and yarn. For crocheting you should have your own hook and yarn. Please only join if you intend to commit to this club and learn the skills.

Class code

osuqrse



Club meets Wednesday lunch time in C 1
Student leader: Coco Pratt
<22400@my.westlakegirls.school.nz>
Teacher : Ms Mitchley
mmitchley@westlakegirls.school.nz

Kōtahi Voices

Bring your friends and come along to M2 during Wednesday lunchtimes for Kōtahi Voices!

Kōtahi Voices is the un-auditioned choir at WGHS. This choir is open to students who are keen to learn how to sing and work in an ensemble setting.

The choir sings music from a range of contemporary styles (Pop, Jazz, RnB) and you don't need to know how to read music to be a part of the choir.

Kōtahi Voices is directed by Miss Gomez, who is the WGHS contemporary voice teacher. The group's collaborative pianist is Mr Goedhart.



Musical Director: Miss Gnesyer Gomez
(ggomez@westlakegirls.school.nz)
Rehearsals: Wednesday Lunchtime (M2)

[L2S] Letters to strangers

Letters To Strangers, a **volunteer based club** led by your **trustworthy students!**



What we do?

We **connect people from around the world** and make **mental health a personal, shared experience**. Each week we'll introduce a theme, and participants are invited to create a message that fits the vibe!

This can include **writing, drawings, origami, anything of your preference.**

As a participant, you have the **chance** for your letter to be **nominated and sent internationally**, reaching people across the globe. Letters with **outstanding quality writing** may be nominated for prizes at the end of the term or year.

Prizes may include **badges, prize money and PR products**

Keep in mind that consistency and dedication is something we value!

Where: Every Wednesday at lunchtime, in room A28! **Everyone is welcome :)**

Contacts: (Mr Dugmore)

l2s.wghs@gmail.com

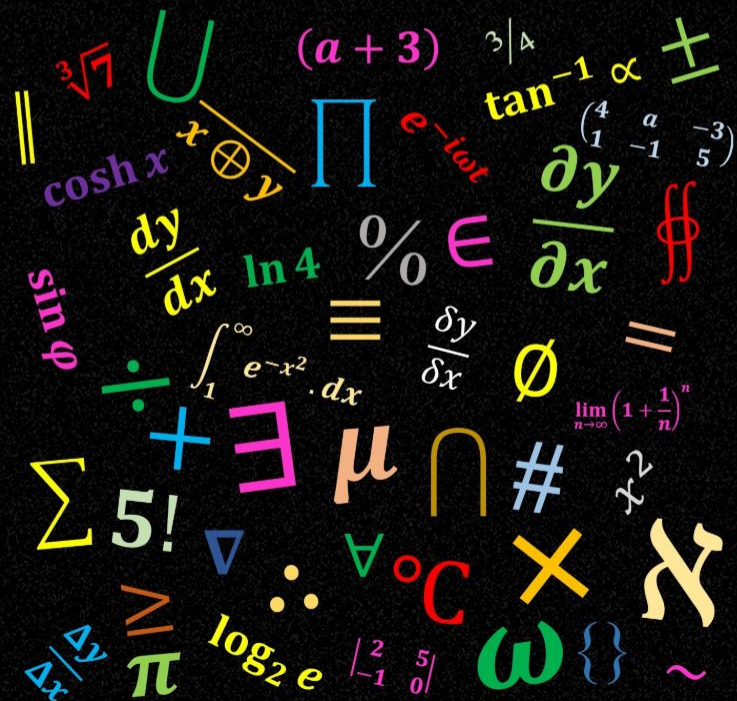
Instagram ~

Google classroom code~

p4mamey

Are you a student looking to gain valuable volunteer experience while making a real difference in people's lives? If so, you've found the **perfect place!**





In Maths Club we meet to solve challenging and fun maths problems, and play games and solve puzzles that use strategy and logic.

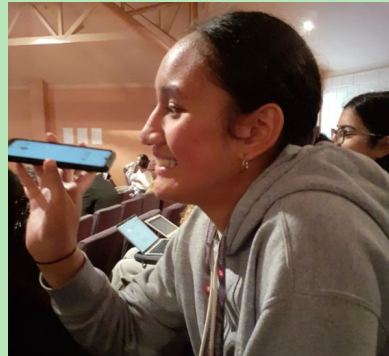
If you enjoy maths and want to see the endless joy and possibilities this subject can bring, come and join the team!

We meet in C5 on Monday lunchtimes,
starting from week 6.

- Mr Goedhart, Ms Nathaniel & student leaders

Model United Nations Assembly: MUNA

Model United Nations Assembly is an annual event held at Auckland Girls Grammar School (May). Over 100 teams from different schools around the North Island attend. We normally have 3 country delegate teams and 1 Press Team. If you like researching and discussing international issues then this is the club for you! We will call for applications in mid-Term 1. This is open to Year 11, 12 and 13 students.



Club details :
Monday lunchtimes
(Starting date: Late in
Term 2
TiC: Ms. Wilson
Runs for approx 7
weeks. To be Advised.

MUSICAL THEATRE CLUB

WHEN : THURSDAY LUNCHTIME

WHERE : H1

COME AND WATCH
MUSICALS LIKE WICKED
AND HAMILTON!



Neurodiversity Club

Welcome!!!

We are a group for the neurodiverse: people whose brains are wired differently. These include ADHD, Autism Spectrum, Dyslexia, Tourettes, etc.

We are a safe space where we encourage each others' interests, share stims and stories in a supportive place.

When + Where: Tuesday Lunch in P2
With Jess Banks



Nota Bella Choir

Nota Bella choir is the junior choir for students in Year 9 & 10, directed by Ms Elise Bradley. Ms Bradley was the Director of the Toronto Children's Chorus for 15 years, and her experience and skills are world class. The choir rehearse on Thursday afternoons from 3:30 - 5:30pm and learn a range of music and musicianship skills. All singers have weekly vocal lessons with tutor Mrs Kate Webber. Nota Bella enjoy performing in the school community as well as The Big Sing Festival. Nota Bella have won the Best Junior Choir at the Auckland Festival from 2021 - 2024. In 2023 at the Cadenza National Festival, Nota Bella were awarded Gold. If you like to sing and want to make a bunch of new friends, email Ms Lui at musicadmin@westlakegirls.school.nz



Musical Director: Ms Elise Bradley

**Rehearsals: Thursdays 3:30 - 5:30pm in M2,
sectionals Tuesday lunchtime M2**

Orienteering

Orienteering is sport where you navigate your way around a course (ranging from schools to farms to forests) using a map and compass.

This is a fun way to test your navigation skills with friends - try not to get lost! You also get to visit some amazing places like Nelson and Hawkes Bay, as well as make friends from other schools!

Coming Events:

- NISS Championships, May
- Individual Championships, June
- NZSS Championships, July
- NZSS Rogaine Championships, August



For more info, talk to Will Lacey in the sports department or Mr Rennie
drennie@westlakegirls.school.nz



Painting In The Style of Artist Sophie Edell

All students who want to improve their painting skills are welcome.

Duration: 6 weeks

Time: 3:30 – 5:00 Wednesdays

Dates: 21 February – 3 April

Room: A15

Numbers limited to 10

All supplies are provided. Please email Mrs Heslop if you are interested in attending.
eheslop@westlakegirls.school.nz



Parallax Writing Club

We are a group of students with a passion for writing. We work throughout the year to create our school publication 'Parallax'. 'Parallax' combines writing of all genres alongside the artworks of some of the schools most talented artists. Contributors can make submissions in any written or artistic form.

All students are welcome to join.

Our purpose is to explore our writing, provide a positive environment for every student to develop their skills as a poet, journalist, author. We hope to make this year's edition of 'Parallax' the best ever so come and join us!

Our Google Classroom code is **twik52i**



Committee meetings Monday lunchtime in H8, contributors work in their own time! Workshops held once a term also in H8

PASIFIKA CLUB



Email: Lesila Tu'itupou Kutu,
Miriam Robinson

Pasifika leaders for 2025:

- Uratua Burnell
- Kapa Fonuafoou
- Mel Teulilo

The Pasifika Student Committee helps to run and promote Pasifika performance groups for Samoan, Tongan, Fijian and Cook Islands etc.

During Pasifika languages weeks we also plan and organise games and activities to promote our Pasifika Culture throughout the school.

Pasifika Club: Tupu Autalavou - Wednesday Lunchtimes (room tbc): ALL welcome to connect, share kai, participate in cultural activities, hear guest speakers and even get help with your schoolwork or wellbeing.

Instagram: wghspic for updates!

Pasifika GC Code: rgrmoog

Philosophy

The Westlake Girls' Philosophy Club is a group of students who like to apply good, old-fashioned philosophy to modern day problems!

We meet weekly on Thursday at lunch time indoors and out!

Pair and group discussions (often including some amateur diagrams drawn by our student leaders). We tackle some of the classics that you've probably heard about in a dozen TED Ed videos. Our goal is to bring philosophy into the modern world.

Previous topics include cancel culture, pretty privilege, the ethics of time travel, and a case study on *The Matrix*. We invite members to tell us what topics they would like to discuss, no matter how "out there" they may be. So bring your lunch, then come on up to A29 and join us for some deep thinking, reasoning and brain stretching!!

JOIN OUR Google Classroom: [mrgtajs](#)

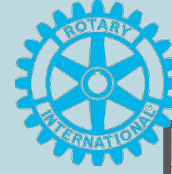


Thursday lunchtime in A29

Leaders: May Kelly, Jacinda Nortier, Raina Ghoneimy, and Sarka Langton

Facilitators: Mr. V Rosendale
vrosendale@westlakegirls.school.nz

Rotary Interact Club



Club Details:

Monday at lunchtimes A27

Teacher Support: Ms. E Wilson +

Student Leaders: 8 and general members

Xmas Cards for Rest homes, tree planting

Winter Blanket and food can appeal . All

Ideas welcome.

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Summary

RUN CLUB

TOTAL TIME

0:7:30 - 0:8:30

Every Wednesday

TOTAL DISTANCE

5 KM - 7KM

Improve physical fitness and coordination

Expert coaching and guidance from an Olympian

Opportunities to enter races throughout the 2025 Calendar

Register your interest NOW

Register interest for the Shore to Shore 5km TODAY

Reach new heights
Unleash your passion
Never give up

Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival

Duration: over the course of term 1 - keep your eyes on the notices for our first meeting!

What it is: competitions across a range of areas, including performance, costume design, poster design, music composition, creative and essay writing, all inspired by the plays of William Shakespeare (ie. *Macbeth*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Hamlet*...).

When: students can work on their competition entries in their own times, and performance groups work out a rehearsal schedule to work for them.

Classroom code: fzfz35c / **Contact:** Ms Milburn (mmilburn@westlakegirls.school.nz)



Showquest

For Showquest we get an awesome group of students together to put together a stage performance which is designed to communicate an important message/theme. We also have a fantastic behind the scenes crew who make costumes and props to add to our performance.

This group is student lead with a team of leaders who create, choreograph, direct and lead the group in putting this amazing spectacle together!

We then take a trip into the city to rehearse and then perform our piece for the judges. A wicked day!!



Club details : Wednesday 3:30-5:00pm
Teachers: Miss Dodds, Ms Costello
Email: rdodds@westlakegirls.school.nz
for more info :)

Spanish Club



Teacher:
Señor Gines

Classroom Code:
fxd47cp

Meeting in S2
Monday
lunchtimes

Table tennis club

Everyone is welcome to join, come along have some fun.

Table tennis club starts in Term 2 and continues through to Term 3.

Where: Gym 1

When: Wednesday lunch times

Teacher in charge: Kayla Alison Carrie in the Sports Dept



Taharoto String Orchestra

Taharoto String Orchestra is for developing orchestral players who are learning string instruments from beginner to Grade 4 level. The orchestra rehearse music from a wide range of musical styles and the director is Ms Lee. Taharoto perform within the school community and have received Bronze and Silver Awards at KBB Music Festival over the years. If you learn an orchestral instrument and want to be involved in a musical group, please contact Ms Lee, jylee@westlakegirls.school.nz



Musical Director: Ms Joo Yeon Lee

**Rehearsals: Wednesdays Lunch Time
WGHS Events Center**



Tech Innovation

Make a difference

This club is for year 12 and 13 students interested in identifying an issue and then designing a practical solution for that issue. You will work alongside the Hard Materials scholarship students as they progress their own scholarship projects. Regular meetings to be held during lunchtimes. If you are interested and would like more info then please email Mr Anderton

wanderton@westlakegirls.school.nz

Tech Wizards

A black and white line drawing of a young person with large, feathery wings, wearing a pointed hat and holding a wand that emits a small spark. They are in a dynamic, flying pose.

Do you have problems with Wi-Fi, printing, or devices? We can help you!

Tech Wizards is a group of 40 students rostered for a shift every two weeks at a help desk situated in the library foyer. In 2024, we served over 200 students throughout the year.

We are passionate about creating a welcoming environment where every student feels confident exploring technology and is able to use it to enhance their learning experience.

We are thrilled by the overwhelming interest and are now **full for 2025**. If you are keen to join us, applications for **2026** will open in Term 3. Be sure to check the daily notices for updates.

Open: Every day before school and at lunchtime

Teacher in charge: Ms. McCormack

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Theatresports

Our Theatresports group is run by our senior students.

Working in small groups, you learn improv skills and games. This is on the spot drama that runs on good humour and adrenaline.

Social Theatresports is every Wednesday at lunchtime in H1.

Competitive Theatresports stretches these skills by taking part in an Auckland-wide competition. Talk to the leaders if you are interested.



Volunteering Club

Purpose:

- To promote the benefits of volunteering, to help students develop their interests, career pathways and express kindness through voluntary services.
- To help you find the opportunity that suits you perfectly - whether you are here to return to your community, to meet new people and learn new things or to land an internship/job by gaining experience.
- We are a branch of the nationwide SVA (student volunteer army) so you can earn badges for your volunteering hours



Club Details

Meeting:

Student Leaders: Tazkia Ahmed, Dina Attraqchi, Melody Choi, Malak Ghoneimy, Tiffany Ma, Helianth Nguyen, Vacky Oh, Rein Rodriguez, Sophie Scott, Taarini Soni-Singh, Sylvie Waddingham

Teacher: Ms Winstone

Class Code: 64ybtffj

Wearable Art Club

If you are interested in entering any Wearable Art competitions this year such as TOI Wearable Art, Miromoda, etc come to D6. Students can work in groups or individually to create their wonderful innovative creations.

Room:D6

Teacher: Ms Luisetti

Classroom code u5wvs4k

When: Tuesday lunch time, starting
11th March



Westlake Big Band

Westlake Big Band (WBB) is a band for premier players who are proficient playing in jazz and big band styles. WBB is a mixed group and rehearse on Monday nights at WBHS with music teacher Mr Hare. WBB perform frequently within the Westlake school communities and wider Auckland region, and have received Silver and Gold Awards at KBB Music Festival over the years. In 2026, WBB will be touring to China! If you are interested in auditioning please contact Ms Lui: musicadmin@westlakegirls.school.nz



Musical Director: Mr Hare

Rehearsals: Friday mornings M2 WBHS

Westlake Chamber Orchestra

Westlake Chamber Orchestra (WCO) is a string ensemble for premier players. WCO is a mixed group and rehearse on Tuesdays before school with director Ms Joo Yeon Lee. Ms Adams is an experienced violinist and brings a wealth of professional experience to this ensemble. WCO perform frequently within the Westlake school communities and Auckland region, and have received Silver and Gold Awards at KBB Music Festival over the years. If you are interested in auditioning please contact Ms Lee jylee@westlakegirls.school.nz



Musical Director: Ms Joo Yeon Lee

**Rehearsals: Tuesdays 7:30 - 8:30am M2
WGHS**

Westlake Concert Band

Westlake Concert Band (WCB) is a band for premier brass and woodwind players. WCB is a mixed group of around 80 students who rehearse on Wednesday mornings at WBHS with Music HOD Mr Robinson. WCB perform frequently within the Westlake school communities and wider Auckland region, and have consistently received Gold Awards at KBB Music Festival over the years. In 2026, WCB will be touring to China! If you are interested in auditioning please contact Mr Robinson at wro@westlake.school.nz

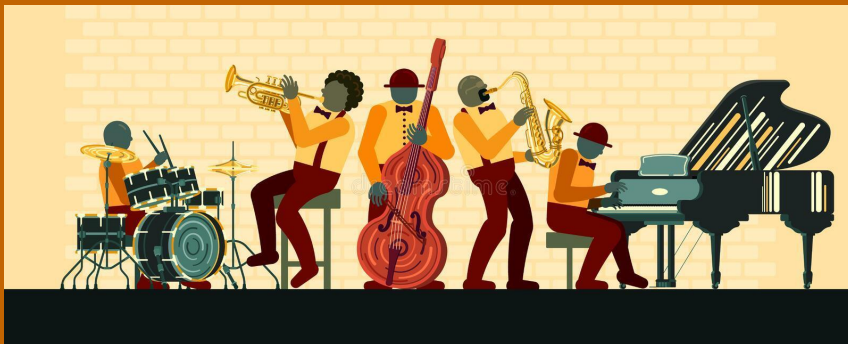


Musical Director: Mr Warwick Robinson

**Rehearsals: Wednesdays 7:30 - 8:30am
M2 WBHS**

Westlake Girls Jazz Band

- The Westlake Girls Jazz Band is a music group that
- includes a Horn section (Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone) and a Rhythm Section (Drums, Bass, Guitar, Piano). The group plays music with a focus on
- improvisation. Rehearsals have already begun but we
- are still looking for any Trumpet or Trombone players to
- join us. Email Mr Howan at jhowan@westlakegirls if you
- are interested in joining.



Band Director: Mr Jono Howan
Google Class Code: **pxyr6ew**
Rehearsals weekly on Thursday
Mornings (7:30-8:30am) and Monday
Lunchtimes in M2

Westlake Girls Symphonic Band

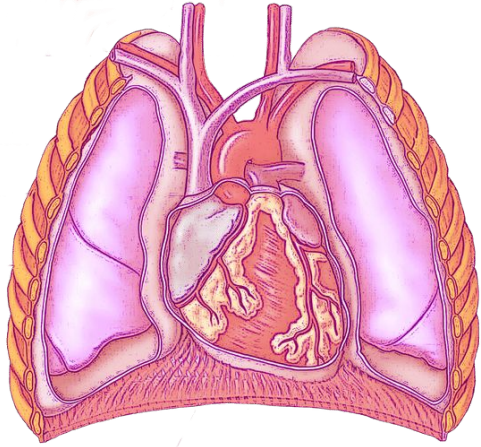
The Westlake Girls Symphonic Band is a development group for instrumental musicians of all skill levels. The band welcomes woodwind, brass, and percussion players. We are still taking new members and are especially keen on getting any clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, or brass players (even if you have just started). Email Mr Howan at jhowan@westlakegirls if you are interested in joining.



Band Director: Mr Jono Howan
Google Class Code: **xsj3pfz**
Rehearsals weekly on Monday After
School in the Events Centre
From 3:30-5:00pm

Westlake Medical Research Society

Westlake Medical
Research Society 



Open to all students who are passionate about **medicine/health research** and love inspiring people to pursue new topics. Come to discuss medical concepts and **present your ideas** to the group, listen to guest speakers who work in different fields and strengthen your understanding on health sciences topics!

When: Thursday (day 9)

Where: G4

Classroom code: mq7o3iu

Staff in charge: Michelle Ogilvie (mogilvie@westlakegirls.school.nz)

Leader in charge: Helianth Nguyen (22570@my.westlakegirls.school.nz)



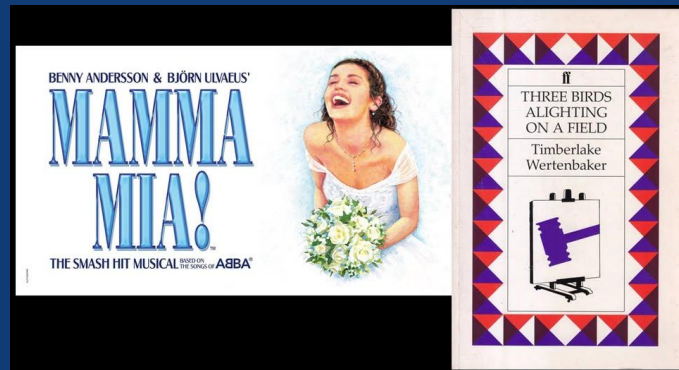
Westlake Productions

Mamma Mia! & Three Birds Alighting on a Field

In 2025 we are producing a **musical (Mamma Mia!)** and a **play (Three Birds Alighting on a Field)**.

The shows have already been cast, but students can be involved with crew (make-up, costume, behind the scenes etc.). You can also support us by coming to watch!

Contact **Mrs Curry** (mcurry@westlakegirls.school.nz) for more details.



Show Dates

**Tue 29th April -
Sat 10th May**

@ WBHS Auditorium

Westlake Symphony Orchestra

Westlake Symphony Orchestra (WSO) is for premier string, brass and woodwind players. WSO is a mixed group of around 70 students who rehearse on Tuesday afternoons at WGHS with Mr Squire. WSO perform frequently within the Westlake school communities and wider Auckland region, and have consistently received Gold Awards at KBB Music Festival over the years. If you are interested in auditioning please contact Ms Lui at:

musicadmin@westlakegirls.school.nz



Musical Director: Mr David Squire

Rehearsals: Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:15pm
Events Center WGHS

World Vision 40 Hour Challenge

40 Hour Challenge Weekend 13-15 June

Theme - Food Insecurity in the Solomon Islands

Leaders (Yr 11-13) will be required from Week 7 in Term 1 to organise the whole school challenge.

Over a weekend in Term 2, all students can choose a challenge to complete for 20 or 40 hours. In return, their sponsors donate money.

Can we raise \$20,000?

See School Notices for further details.



Teacher in Charge
Mrs Aspden
C2

Young Physicist's Tournament



We are preparing for the New Zealand Young Physicist's Tournament next year.

If you are interested to participate, join our meetings and visit the links below.

[NZ Young Physicist's Tournament](#)

[Science Olympiad NZ](#)

Meetings: WED Lunch at S5

Google classroom code:

Student Leader: 62hyeff

Staff: Mr Taneja