

WESTLAKE BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Extension Pathways Information Evening
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Programme

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- From a parent's point of view...

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Why do we have extension pathways?



Why do we educate young people?

It's because we want young people to enjoy rich and rewarding lives. And because we want people to make the world a better place for everyone to live in. Education is not designed to prepare you for a particular job, or simply to help you earn money: it is to make you think about who you are, about your place in the world, and about how you can enrich others' lives as well as your own. It is also to give you the skills to succeed in the world - but the nature of that success will be determined by the lives you lead rather than by the subjects you study.



Principles of our extension pathways

- High Expectations
- Recognising Gifted and Talented Students
- Challenge and Pace
- Acceleration and Extension
- Breadth in the Curriculum
- Depth of Learning
- Scholarship Matters



Westlake priorities

- A broad and balanced curriculum all the way to Year 13
- Key competencies and subject content
- A local focus and a global dimension
- Creativity and discipline
- Individual pathways to university and workplace
- Access and Inclusion
- **Challenge**

Extension pathways in Year 9



Extension by grouping:

9ENGE: Year 9 Extension English

9SSTE: Year 9 Extension Social Studies

9MATE: Year 9 Extension Maths

9SCIE: Year 9 Extension Science

Extension pathways in Year 10



Extension by grouping:

10ENGE: Year 10 Extension English

10SSTE: Year 10 Extension Social Studies

10MATE: Year 10 Extension Maths

10SCIE: Year 10 Extension Science

2 classes of each in 2018

Placement in each class is determined by performance, progress and potential demonstrated through exam results and class participation

What is different about the extension classes?



All are based on the core skills of Scholarship examinations:

- Synthesising
- Making connections
- Deeper analysis

And there is:

- Accelerated content: more algebra, more literature, more conceptual thinking
- Greater focus on self-management and on developing cross-curricular thinking skills
- Greater pace

What is different about the extension classes?



In 10ENGE [Extension English]:

- Breadth as well as depth
- Focus on creating rounded literary analysts and independent readers and thinkers
- Level 1 standards: Oral Text and Personal Reading
- Poetry, a novel, Shakespeare, a film
- Wider reading and inter-textual readings: connecting and synthesising

What is different about the extension classes?



In 10MATE [Extension Maths]:

- Breadth as well as depth
- Focus on creating rounded mathematicians
- Level 1 standards in Linear Algebra, Measurement, Geometric Interpretations, Transformations and Bivariate Data – some assessed
- Algebra unit of work

What is different about the extension classes?



In 10SCIE [Extension Science]:

- Apply concepts and ideas to creative tasks
- Thought-provoking contexts
- Australian Science competitions
- L1 standards in two areas of the course

What is different about the extension classes?



In 10SSTE [Extension Social Studies]:

- Apply concepts and ideas to creative tasks
- Thought-provoking contexts and challenging inquiry
- Global citizenship!
- L1 standards in two areas of the course

Extension by differentiation



In both Year 9 and Year 10:

Chinese, French, German, Japanese and Te Reo Māori
Art, Technology, ICT, Drama, Music, DVC, Physical Education

Recognising the talents of individual students in each class and extending them as and when possible. Level 1 standards available to all students in many subjects; Level 2 may be possible for some students, as well as external competitions and examinations.

And there's the Music Institute and Academy of Sports too!

Extension pathways in the senior school



Extension classes available in:

Mathematics

Biology

Physics

Chemistry

Science

English

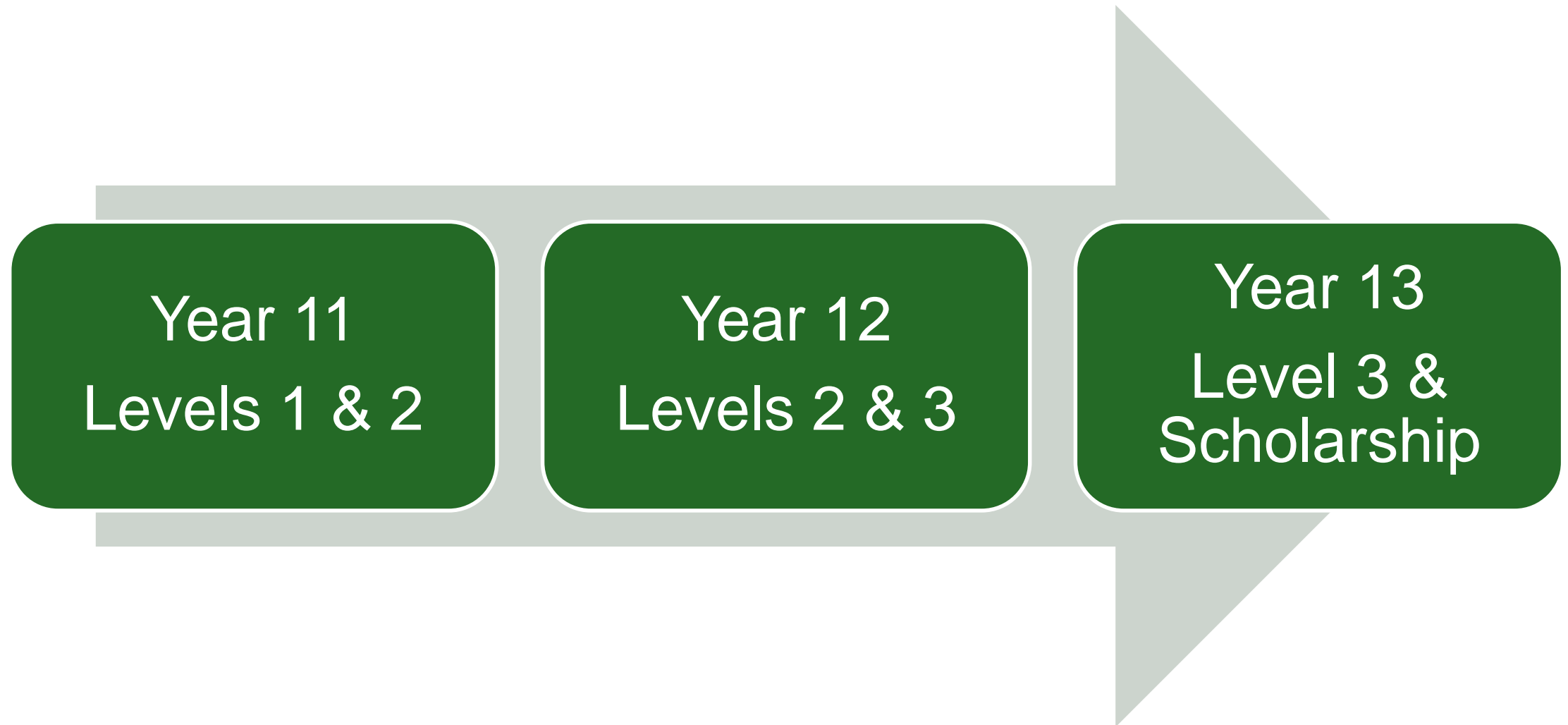
History

Geography

Economics

Physical Education

Extension pathways in the senior school



WHY SCHOLARSHIP?

- Highest level of academic achievement in NZ
- Westlake has an outstanding record of Scholarship results: From 125, five years ago to 151 this year: Consistently, among the top 4 schools in NZ
- Academic and Financial benefits are significant



Need to know.....information

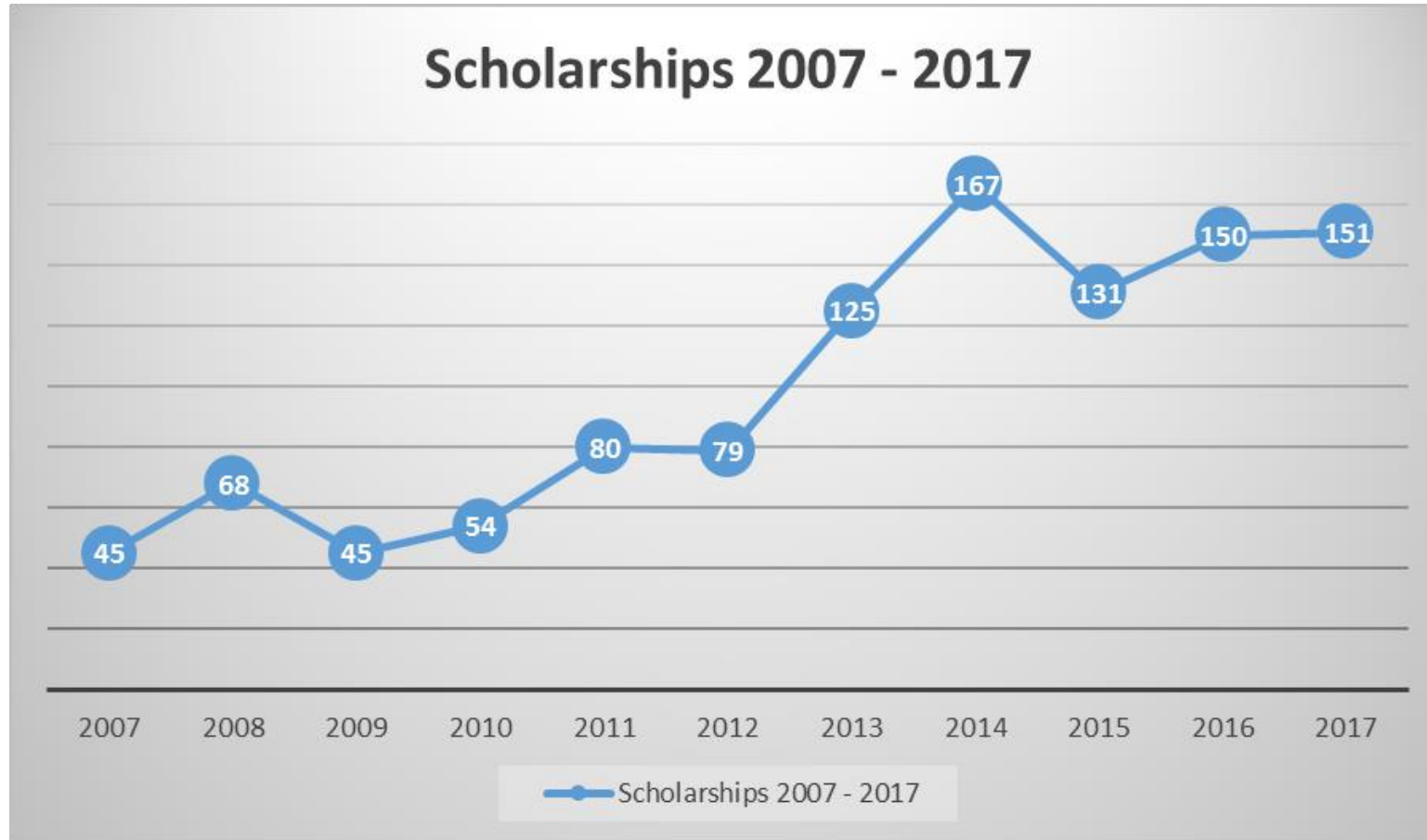


1. Offered in 30 subjects from Year 11 to 13, some timetabled and others extramurally
2. Students should select scholarship subjects based on proficiency, interest and time commitments
3. Dr Salmons is our Scholarship Co-Ordinator, who oversees our programme and provides invaluable advice and support
4. NZ residents pay \$30 per subject and non-residents pay \$102.20 (as at end of 2017)
5. Financial assistance is available based on income or multiple candidate applications from one family
6. Awarded at Scholarship and Outstanding levels:
 - Premier Award (Top 5-10 candidates), with at least 3 Outstanding Scholarships=\$10,000 towards 3 years of Tertiary study in NZ (maintain a B average at University)

Financial and Academic Benefits

- Outstanding Scholar Award (next 40-60 candidates) with at least 3 scholarships with two at 'Outstanding' level in the same year or more than 3 scholarships with at least one outstanding = \$5000 each year for 3 years of Tertiary study in NZ
- Scholarship Award for candidates who achieve Scholarship in 3 or more subjects in the same year=\$2000 pa for up to 3 years (maintain a B average per year at Tertiary study)
- Top Scholar Award for the top candidate in each one of the Scholarship subjects = \$2000 pa for up to 3 years(B average at Uni)
- Single Subject Awards for candidates who get Scholarship in one or two subjects in the same year receive a one-off payment of \$500 per subject with a maximum payment of \$1000
- Academically, students broaden their subject knowledge and skills, which helps them in their current year of study and prepares them for University

Scholarship Results



The Four C's

1. Creativity and innovation
2. Critical thinking and problem solving
3. Communication
4. Collaboration

Student Voices

- Joseph Scopas

Head Boy 2018

- Duncan Tolmie

Academic Captain 2018

From a parent's point of view

- Sandrine Ellis – Mother of Antoine Ellis

Head Boy 2016

New Zealand Outstanding Scholar

Outstanding Scholarship in English

Outstanding Scholarship in Physical Education

Scholarship in Media Studies

Scholarship in Geography

Scholarship in Art History

