

**Orientation Programme- February 2020**



This programme of events is held to help you settle into residential living; giving you opportunities to meet fellow residents and learn about how the Hall operates. These sessions will be led by a combination of Heads of Hall, Deputy Head of Hall, Residential Assistants and some outside speakers.

**The sessions marked \* are compulsory and if there is a valid academic reason why you cannot attend, you should make your apologies to the Heads of Hall before the weekend.**

We hope you find the week informative and fun, and that at the end of that time you will feel comfortable and at home at Helen Lowry hall.

## PROGRAMME

### Saturday 22 February

- 9 –10am New students arrive. They are met by returning residents and shown to their rooms. Tours of the Hall leave from the foyer.
- 10.30am Morning Tea in the dining room.
- 10.50am **\*All Residents will meet in the Dining Room.**  
**\*All Parent to gather in the upstairs lounge**
- 11.15am **\* Heads of Hall welcome parents in the Lounge**
- 11.45am BBQ with families
- 12:30pm Residents farewell parents.
- 1.15pm **\* First Impressions** - Small group discussions lead by returners
- 2pm **\* Close Encounters** - Meetings with RAs in area groups
- 4pm Scavenger Hunt - the great hunt is on! Two hours to find your way around Karori, finishing with hang out time at the park and ice-cream

- 6.00pm Dinner
- 7.00pm \* **Seminar – Welcome**
- 8.30pm Movies or board games in the lounge

## **Sunday 23 February**

- Breakfast 7.30am – 9am
- 9.00am \* **Seminar – Living Well In A Community**
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.00pm \* **Seminar – The Low Down**
- 3.30pm Bus Tour around Wellington. We'll show you the sights, point out handy places to know about and head up Mt Victoria for an awesome view of the city!
- 6.00pm Dinner
- 7.00pm \* **Seminar – Starting out with Helen Lowry. ROD explained**
- 8.30pm Quiz night in the dining room

## **Monday 24 February**

- Breakfast 6.45am – 10am  
*N.B Lunch will be pre packed so if you are not able to attend the Amazing Race due to your course or clashing orientation obligations please collect your lunch from the Kitchen during breakfast.*

- 9.00am Walk/Bus to City to begin the Amazing Race. This is designed to help new residents get to know the busses and getting to know Wellington
- 12.30pm \* **Picnic lunch at Te Aro Campus- walk to VUW or Hunter lawn following lunch**  
*N.B Lunch will meet you there!*
- 1.30pm Campus Coaches at VUW- Meet others from your area of study
- 3pm-5pm Post-grad students orientation HM205
- 5pm \* **Area Meeting & Picnic Party at Helen Lowry Hall. Area flag making**  
*N.B Dinner will be brought to you at the area meeting.*
- 5pm-8pm Pasifika students welcome evening MC103  
*Please arrange for a late plate (put a plate with your name on it on the kitchen servery and fill in the late plate book) if you want your dinner on return*
- 7- 9pm City Activities: After dinner meet in foyer to catch public transport to the city. Check out the waterfront, grab an ice-cream and chill out

## **Tuesday 25 February**

- Breakfast 6.45am – 11am (normal time)
- Lunch Trolley 6.45am – 1pm (normal time & pack your lunch for the day)
- 8.30am Pasifika Students get sorted AM102/ AM104
- 9.00am Walking bus to VUW for Head Start Seminar  
\*Public transport if raining
- 10.00am Maori Students Pōhiri at Te Herenga Waka Marae 46 Kelburn Parade

10:00-10.45am **\*Head Start seminar held by student learning in HMLT205  
(Hugh Mackenzie building)**

12.30pm Picnic lunch on the Hunter lawn at Vic (Pack your own before you leave)

5.00pm **\* Seminar - Dollars and Sense**

Dinner 5.45pm – 6.45pm (normal time)

6pm- 9pm Kiwiana night. Come enjoy a NZ themed dinner! We'll have prizes for best dressed, to be followed after dinner by a gumboot throwing competition and an inter-area Pavlova competition!

## **Wednesday 26 February**

*Each faculty offers a programme to welcome new students. While these are not compulsory we recommend that students attend. Meet returning students in foyer beforehand to walk or bus into Kelburn.*

**Rainbow Students Welcome:** 9am-12pm

**Bachelor of Architecture & Building Science:** 10am - 1pm Te Aro Campus LTs 1 & 2

**New Zealand School of Music:** 1pm- 3.30pm Adam Concert Room

**Bachelor of Health:** 2pm- 3pm CO122

**Bachelor of Commerce:** 2.15pm- 3pm MC101, MC103

**Bachelor of Midwifery:** 2pm-3pm EA120

**Bachelor of Laws:** 3.15pm- 4.45pm MC101, MC103

6:30-7:30pm      Festive, Funky , Fun treat for dessert!  
(Bring a little bit of cash if you've got a sweet tooth!)

## **Thursday 27 February**

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**Bachelor of Design Innovation (BDI):** 10.00am – 1.00pm Lecture Theatres 1 & 2, Vivian St.  
Meet in the dining room at 9.30am and travel together to the Te Aro Campus (shuttle)

**Bachelor of Arts (BA):** 1pm-2pm MacLaurin LT101, 102, 103, Te Toki a Rata LT1

**Bachelor of Science and Biomedical Science (BSc, BBmedSc)** 2pm – 3pm MacLaurin LT102, 103  
Meet at 2pm in the dining room to travel to Kelburn

**Bachelor of Education (Bed):** 2pm – 3pm Alan MacDiarmid 103 (AM 103)

**Bachelor of Engineering (BE) and Computer Science:** 3.00pm – 5.00pm, MacLaurin LT101  
Meet at 2.00pm in the dining room to travel to Kelburn

6:30pm- 9pm      Sunset Beach trip. We'll take everyone out to enjoy the sunset, and  
weather permitting we'll build a bonfire and toast marshmallows

## **Friday 28 February**

11.00am – 2.00pm

**VUW Welcome Festival** - a fun filled day at Kelburn Park with all the halls  
Bus down on public transport, meet in foyer at 10am

Includes Hall's Chant off, free food and sport

3:30- 7:30pm

Days Bay BBQ Trip.

We'll travel around to Days bay, taking food for a BBQ dinner, gear to play some beachside sport, go for a swim or just relax at the beach!

## **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

6-10pm

Moonlight Harbour Cruise

Bus begins loading at 6pm to take us to the boat. Following the cruise you'll find your way back to the hall so bring snapper cards or cash

## **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Lectures begin!

We have a number of other exciting activities over the next few weeks, keep an eye on the activities board in the dining room for more information! These include..

*The Welcome Formal Dinner, International Buddies trip to Kapiti, Board Wine 'n' Cheese*