

## **Funding supports promising students**

Six year 13 students from Selwyn have received a tertiary scholarship from Selwyn District Council to help fund their future studies.

Hannah Long and Duncan Finalyson from Lincoln High School, Cassian Duthie and Brionne Fleming from Ellesmere College and Emily De Rooy and Kathryn Barnhill from Darfield High School were all awarded the 2016 Selwyn District Council Tertiary Scholarship Award.

Four of the six students are going to Otago University in 2017 to study Health Science. One of these, Ellesmere College graduate Cassian Duthie, hopes to go on to study oncology and pursue research in cancer treatment.

Darfield High School graduate Kathryn Barnhill is also studying Health Sciences in Otago next year and says receiving this scholarship will help her a lot with her studies in the new year.

"Receiving this scholarship felt like a huge surprise and honour given the number of amazing and deserving applicants there were, and I hope to be able to study hard to come away with a degree that will allow me to give back to our community," she says.

In early 2017 Hannah Long from Lincoln High School is spending a month travelling through Europe and America with the UN Youth Organisation before returning to Christchurch to study a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Sociology. She says receiving the scholarship was a very humbling experience as there are many students at her school deserving of the scholarship.

Emily De Rooy, also from Darfield High School will study Human Services at Canterbury University in 2017.

Duncan Finlayson from Lincoln High School and Brionne Fleming from Ellesmere College are both also studying Health Sciences at Otago University in 2017.

## **Ends**

Photo attached: Scholarship recipients (from left) Cassian Duthie, Brionne Fleming, Hannah Long and Kathryn Barnhill with Mayor Sam Broughton

Note: separate photos of Duncan Finlayson and Emily De Rooy are available on request

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