

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2007

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

The Takudai Ichiko High School students departed on Thursday morning and the number of tissues dispensed by Mr Young was testimony to the strong friendships that are established during their three week visit. A huge thanks to the host families who so willingly opened their homes and included these students in their families. We really do appreciate all the extra things you did to enable them to experience our kiwi way of life. A very pleasant function was held on Wednesday evening to say farewell to our visitors.

Congratulations to the Year 7 team who won the Aoraki Maths Competition. Nathan Williams, Daniel Van Hoof, Mary Engelbrecht and Grace Williams competed against 26 other teams in South Canterbury. This was a fantastic effort, winning the Year 7 trophy and finishing 6 minutes before the end. No other team completed all 20 questions.

Congratulations also to the Year 8 team who faced 29 other teams on a really strong effort in their competition. William Rooney, Daniel Botica, Scott Willoughby and Dylan Kennett put in a fine effort to be placed midway in the Year 8 competition. Well done also on the way in which you represented Waimate High School. Several comments were received about how well turned out the students were in their smart uniforms.

This week we held our first sports exchange with Cromwell College. This went very well and both schools are keen to include this competition on our school calendars. We plan to develop it further with the inclusion of Year 7 and 8 students next year. Thank you also to families who billeted students during the sports exchange with Cromwell College. The results of this competition are listed below.

Our first Transition Day was held on Thursday. Prospective students spent the day in our school participating in sports activities, attending some classes and talking with our student leaders, as an initial introduction to high school life. During September enrolment visits to the contributing schools will take place. Next in our transition programme will be an Outdoor Education Day in October.

Our school library will be open after school Monday through to Thursday until 4pm for the next month. We encourage students to use this facility for homework and study purposes. The computers will be available for their use during this time for education purposes only. With senior exams coming up in the week starting 20 August, these students could use the library as a quiet place to study after school. This is a trial for the next month. Mrs Bailey is happy to keep the library open after school so that students can use our facilities, however, we will need to see that it is being used in order to continue this service.

Janette Packman
Principal

NCEA Entries and Fees

NCEA candidates should be regularly checking their entries on the NZQA website. www.nzqa.govt.nz

If there are any issues they should contact Mr Robertson, the Assessment Manager, as soon as possible to make the necessary adjustments.

NCEA fees are due by Friday 31 August to the school office. Please make cheques out to Waimate High School.

Financial assistance can still be applied for. Application forms are available at the school office or from Mr Robertson. Unless financial assistance has been approved the fees will be \$75.00 per candidate. Those candidates who applied for financial assistance should check on the website to ascertain if it has been approved by NZQA.

Fees not received on time will be subject to an extra late payment of \$50.00.

Tips for Coughs and Colds

- Bring a good supply of tissues to school
- Dispose of used tissues immediately
- Cough into your hand or tissue
- Wash your hands regularly using the 20/20 rule
- Sneeze into a tissue or the crease of your elbow

Trapshooting Fundraiser

To raise funds to go to Secondary Schools Nationals in Hamilton.

For Sale: CCC Trackpants
Blue/Black

3 styles available:

\$56, \$70, \$75 Adult sizes XS-3XL

\$55, \$65 Kids sizes 6-14

Styles can be viewed at school office for ordering. Money with order can be left at school office or ring Nic Morgan 689 8415

Waimate High School Policies

The following policies are presently under review by the Board of Trustees and you are welcome to forward any feedback you may have relating to these areas:

- Canteen
- Non-Violence
- Allocation of School Houses
- EOTC
- Protected Disclosures

Copies of these policies are available at the school office.

STAR/Gateway Update

Otago Polytechnic Courses have been attended by several of our pupils. Theresa Tomkinson and Lisa Low travelled to one of Queenstown's top hotels to experience working in various hospitality roles and gained a qualification in hotel customer service. Craig Wilson and Ella Schofield, who are working in electrical trades, gained electrical

qualifications. Ella was one of the best students in the class. Well done!

Cromwell Exchange Results

Another successful sports exchange took place this week against Cromwell. Thank you to all the families for their generosity and support. Waimate teams look forward to another good contest against Cromwell next year.

Junior Teams:

Rugby 57-7 Cromwell

Netball 27-13 Cromwell

Basketball 57-43 Waimate

Senior Teams:

Boys Basketball 20-38 Cromwell

Girls Basketball 19-31 Waimate

Rugby 50-0 Cromwell

Netball 37-28 Cromwell



Events coming up:

20 – 23 Aug	NEMP testing for some Year 8s
20 – 24 Aug	Senior Exams
27 Aug	Senior course booklet issued
3 Sept	Teacher Only Day
6 Sept	Geraldine Exchange
11 Sept	Year 9 Ski trip
12 Sept	Year 9 and 10 Parent evening
14 Sept	Senior reports issued
21 Sept	End of term 3