

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2007

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Uniform Co-ordinator:	Janice Mehrtens	CQU	Miss Queree
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		PYG	Mr Young

11 May Newsletter: 07:2:3 The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

At assembly on Monday Mr John Abraham spoke to the students about the Waimate Woodcraft Expo that is to be held during Queens Birthday weekend. In particular he was encouraging students to participate by entering the competition. There are nine categories and entries close 18 May. It would be great to see our students entering some of their projects that have been made here at school. Please contact the school office for more information.

As I mentioned last week, the Education Review Office will be visiting our school next week. As part of the review ERO would like to talk to as many parents and whanau as possible. The ERO team is interested in your views on how well the school establishes partnerships that involve parents and whanau in general school activities and in students' well-being and learning. The information gathered will contribute to a national evaluation report that looks at how schools engage with parents and whanau.

You are invited to talk to a member of the review team – leave a message at the school office and a reviewer will call you. We are also planning a meeting session when parents could come along to talk to the reviewers. This meeting will be held at

7 pm on Wednesday 16 May. Or you could complete a parent survey that will be available at the school office or on ERO's website: www.ero.govt.nz

There has been an outbreak of Impetigo or School Sores. This highly contagious infection is caused by bacteria commonly found in the environment and is relatively common in school students, especially in spring and autumn. Symptoms include scabby sores that can spread readily to other parts of the body and to other members of the family. Treatment should be sought from your family doctor. If the infection is severe antibiotics will probably be prescribed and your child should not attend school for at least 24 hours after initiation of the medication. For more information please contact our school office or Community and Public Health in Timaru (phone 03 6886019).

Students should now all be wearing the winter uniform. If you would like financial

assistance for a particular uniform item please contact me to discuss our options.

Congratulations Lucy Mehrtens on achieving her Bronze Award in the Young New Zealanders' Challenge of The Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. Well done Lucy.

Janette Packman
Principal

School Office

The new winter office hours are 8 am to 4.30 pm. Outside these hours please leave a message on the answer phone.

PTA News

Thank you to everyone who helped with the recent raffle, we raised just over \$500.

The AGM is taking place in the school library at 7.30 on Tuesday 22nd May. All positions are filled, but more committee members are welcome. Please come along to help celebrate the continued existence of the PTA and enjoy a little wine and cheese with us.

SADD - Students against Drunk Driving - is a nationwide project run in individual secondary schools to encourage sensible driving without alcohol amongst teens. We are wondering if there is a parent/caregiver in the community who would be interested in helping out by overseeing the students who run the committee. If interested please see Mary Uhland or Nick Bates.

Girls Soccer - well done to the team on their first win, 1-0, against Pleasant Point B (a women's team) last Sunday. The girls face Geraldine in Timaru this Sunday.

South Canterbury Cricket Association

The SCCA will be offering ONE on ONE winter cricket coaching at the Graeme Blanchard Centre commencing in early June.

To register or any enquiries please contact Richard Davidson at SCCA, Ph 03 6863377 or 021-704153.

Uniform Room will be open on Wednesdays at lunchtime 12.15–1.10 pm or by arrangement by phoning Janice Mehrtens 689-1089.

Centrecare

Kidscope - Wednesday afternoons starting 16 May 3.30 pm.

Parentscope – Thursday mornings starting 17 May 10.30 to 12.00 for 6 weeks. Enrolments ph: Centrecare 689 8337.

Arno Rifle Club

Opening Day
Monday 14th May 7.30pm Arno Hall
Enquiries to Keith Adams 689 2843.

Calendar

Monday 14 May

Board Meeting 7 pm

STAR – Food

Thursday 17 May

STAR – Hand Tools and Early Childhood

Navy Bus visit

Tuesday 22 May

PTA AGM Library 7.30 pm

Thursday 24 May

Otago Uni Liaison visit pm

Monday 28 May

STAR – Fencing & Animal Handling

Tuesday 29 May

Youth Health Survey

Wednesday 30 May

School Cross Country pm

Thursday 31 May

Ag ITO visit Yr 10

Monday 4 June

Queens Birthday Holiday