

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2007

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

Assembly on Monday was led by our Prefects. We plan to hold student led assemblies once a month. This will be an opportunity for our student leaders to address the school about issues they consider to be important.

At this assembly we said farewell to Christin Wagner, our AFS exchange student who has been in our school for the last year. We have thoroughly enjoyed having Christin with us and have been particularly impressed with the enthusiastic way in which she has taken every opportunity to be fully involved in life at Waimate High School. Christin is returning to Germany to resume her schooling. She has presented our school with a nutcracker which is a traditional German figurine. This will be on display in our library.

On Thursday and Friday of this week our Year 12 students have been on Work Experience. This was an opportunity for them to try out a work placement in a career area they are interested in. Thank you to Mrs McLachlan, our Careers Advisor, for her organisation of this activity. Thank you also to the businesses in our community for making these learning opportunities available for our students.

Junior reports have been posted out and we encourage parents to take time to discuss these reports with your son or daughter. Any feedback you may have on our reports will be gratefully listened to as we are keen to

ensure the information you receive is informative and helpful.

Junior report evenings will be held next term. Parents of Year 7 and 9 students are invited to attend interviews on Thursday 19 July and parents of Year 8 and 10 students are invited to attend interviews on Tuesday 24 July. This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress with teachers and to clarify information in the report. If you are unable to attend these sessions please contact the office to make alternative arrangements. We encourage students to attend these evenings with their parents so they can enter into the discussions as well.

Some of our students participated in our annual winter exchange with John McGlashan College during the week. Well done to these students on their great participation.

Early next term we plan to hold an Open Day when we invite parents of prospective students to see our school in action, to view our facilities and talk to students and staff. Open Day is on Monday 23 July starting at 1.30pm.

I would like to wish all our students a safe and restful holiday. I hope our senior students will put some time aside during the holidays for school work. Reviewing work covered over the term and checking understanding is an essential aspect of learning and preparation for the exams later in term 3.

Janette Packman
Principal

McGlashan Exchange

Miniball Waimate High Schools Y7 &8 team, playing together for the first time, competed well against a well drilled and experienced Y8 team from John McGlashan. The final score of 33-17 did not truly reflect the closeness of this game. Waimate played a strong aggressive man to man defence and created many turnovers. Sadly their defensive excellence was not matched by their shooting at the unfamiliar high basketball hoops.

Basketball The senior boys' basketball team, weakened by injury and limited availability were out-classed by a very strong McGlashan A side. They too worked hard but found the overall skill and finesse of their opposition too hot to handle losing 103-40. For Waimate, TJ Blundell was an aggressive rebounder who scored heavily and Tim Geaney was strong with his ball carrying and driving to the hoop. Newcomers Hayden Russell and Ben Messer, both year 10 students, were not overawed by their call up and performed creditably. With players of their prowess coming through the ranks we can expect improved future performances.

Rugby 1st XV lost 27-20 to McGlashan - Hayden Matthews scored two tries for and Sam Bray scored one.

Year 9 and 10 rugby lost 44-15. We played well and tackled all day against a much bigger team. Rhys Morgan, Regan Clunie, Arthur Dyer and Finley Keen all had strong games.

Trapshooting results unavailable at time of print.

Three Year 7 students make SC representative Basketball squads

Ruby Cochrane, Lachie Robertson and Ben Richards have been selected in South Canterbury U13 Basketball teams to play in three tournaments over the winter. The trio have been travelling to Timaru twice weekly for trials and training sessions. They will play in Oamaru, Dunedin or Gore, over the next month before competing in the South Island provincial tournament held in Invercargill during August.

Our four Year 7 & 8 teams are enjoying an even competition on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The rewards are apparent in the smiles on the competitor's faces and the

cheers of the many spectators, both friends and family.

Congratulations to all these players on their sportsmanship and competitive spirit. The efforts of our school referees who are doing a fine job must be acknowledged. Hayden Russell, Lachie Robertson, Bradley McGirr, Ruby Cochrane, Ben Messer and Tim Geaney are developing the skills and confidence to be great referees as well as providing a service for their fellow players.

Cricket

South Canterbury Cricket's Holiday Coaching Programme during the first week of the school holidays at the Graeme Blanchard Cricket Centre, Aorangi Park, Morgans Road, Timaru.

Coaching and games available from 9.00am – 12, Mon July 2nd until Friday 6th July with Richard Davidson Level 2 Coach. Open to Year 6, 7, and 8 girls and boys. Cost \$40.00 per week. Please phone 686 3377 for an application form.

Waihaorunga and Hunter Womens' Institutes will perform their winning pantomines "Pinnokidoki" and "Cinderella" at **Waimate Regent Theatre, Sunday 1 July, 2 pm. \$5 entry children under 12 FREE, Door sales only.**

Trapshooting Fundraiser

Movie Evening "Spiderman 3"

Friday 13 July 2007

Waimate Regent Theatre 7.30 pm

Cost \$10

CALENDAR

Monday 16 July

First day of term 3

Thursday 19 July

Year 7 and 9 Parent Interviews

Sunday 22 July

Japanese students arrive

Monday 23 July

Open Afternoon 1.30pm

Tuesday 24 July

Arts Alive

Year 8 and 10 Parent Interviews

Wednesday 25 July

Year 11 Geology Trip