

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2007

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

Our awards celebration last Friday night was a pleasant and enjoyable evening for all who attended. Hayden Shaw was an inspiring speaker. An ex-student of Waimate High School, Hayden has gone on to achieve impressive things in his chosen sport, hockey, representing New Zealand internationally. His message to students was to find something you love, work hard at it, and be passionate about it and you will succeed. Congratulations to students who received Colour Awards in recognition of their outstanding achievements.

On Sunday afternoon an enjoyable concert was presented by the Year 7 Drama Club and KOOLKIDZ Drama Club. An appreciative audience was treated to two short plays as well as music and drama performances. Many thanks to Helen Meynell, our Arts Co-ordinator, for her outstanding commitment and talents in working with our students.

In assembly on Monday Nam Wahn gave a most informative and entertaining farewell speech and power-point presentation. Nam Wahn arrived at the

beginning of this year on an AFS exchange from Bangkok, Thailand. Nam Wahn has presented the school with a model of Thai characters which we will display in our special place in the library. We wish Nam Wahn well for her safe return home in early January.

On Tuesday 13 November we warmly invite all parents and friends of the school to attend our Senior Prizegiving. This is a special evening in which we acknowledge and celebrate the many achievements of our students. We ask that visitors are seated by 7.25pm for a 7.30 pm start. Our guest speaker this year will be Sarah Saunderson-Warner. Sarah is a lawyer in Dunedin and she was a Dux of Waimate High School. All senior students are expected to attend our Senior Prizegiving.

After Senior Prizegiving our senior students are on study leave so they can prepare for their external exams. However, teachers will be in classrooms for their usual class times and will be available to assist students. I encourage students to take up this opportunity for additional tutoring should they wish it.

This week Year 7 to 10 students have received information about the Activity Days we have planned for Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 December. This is a

fantastic opportunity for students to have a go at activities they may not have tried before. Bookings for the activities are taken on a first-in basis so it is essential that these forms are returned to Mr Albrey as soon as possible. If your student has not received this information, the forms can be collected from the school office.

Janette Packman
Principal

Important events coming up

- Senior Prizegiving

Tuesday 13 November 7.30pm Perry Hall
Year 13 students are to wear winter uniform

Year 11 & 12 students are to wear summer uniform

- Senior Clearance Day

Thursday 6 December 9am
All senior students must attend

- Junior Prizegiving

Thursday 13 December 1pm in Perry Hall

Clearance Day for ALL SENIOR students, Thursday 6 December. The day will start with a full school assembly and this will be followed by clearance procedures. All seniors are expected to attend.

Senior Play

The Senior Play for this year is being performed in the Hall tonight and tomorrow night at 7.30pm. The play is called MURDERED TO DEATH, a comedy you don't want to miss. Loads of laughs, and plenty of twists and turns make this play lots of fun to be part of, and great entertainment for an audience. Support the senior students in their last extra-curricular drama performance for 2007. Tickets can be bought from students or from the School Office for a gold coin donation.

Waimate Shears again has given the school a generous gift for the pupils helping at the shears. The gift will again go towards a senior agriculture prize and a suitable book for the library.

Thank you to Mark Tangney who organised the school workers for the last two years and to the pupils who came in at late notice when several pupils who said they would help failed to materialise. The school has had a very long association with the Shears.

Uniforms

Girls requiring summer skirts for 2008 need to get these sorted now.

Uniform Room is open Wednesday between 12noon & 1pm. Other times by appointment. Janice Mehrtens 689 1089.

Found at school – sterling silver bangle with the inscription of "Elle-Rose"

Lost and Found

The school office currently hold several unclaimed items.

Please collect them before the end of the term or they will be destroyed.

14 watches

16 necklaces/pendants

15 rings

12 bracelets/bangles

15 ear rings

5 wallets

10 sets of keys

6 pairs of glasses

Events coming up

13 Nov Senior Prizegiving 7.30pm

14-23 Nov Year 10 camps

19 Nov NCEA exams begin

6 Dec Senior Clearance Day

11 and 12 Dec Activity Days

13 Dec Junior Prizegiving 1pm