

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

Following on from the work students have been doing on goal setting, I spoke in assembly this week of the importance of taking responsibility for ourselves. The following poem by Jim Rohn has an appropriate message.

*Let others lead small lives, but not you
Let others argue over small things, but not you.
Let others cry over small hurts, but not you.
Let others leave their future in someone else's
hands, but not you.*

The Asthma Education Bus will be at our school between 10.30am and 1.30pm on Thursday 22 May. Students who wish to may visit the bus during interval or lunchtime. This is an opportunity for students to go along and talk to the Asthma Nurse. Parents are most welcome also. Students and their parents could make an appointment to visit. Please phone the school office to inform us of this.

The Waimate Youth Council is holding a Wearable Arts Competition on Thursday 29 May, starting at 6.30pm at the Waimate High School Hall. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to demonstrate their creativity, with an emphasis on environment and recycling. Entry forms are available at the school office and the Resource Centre. Please see information below.

Thank you to parents who attended our Information Evening on Wednesday night where people had the opportunity to ask our Public Health Nurse questions about her role and the information and services that are available for our young people. Public submissions are now

requested on the two issues under consultation by the Board. Please refer to the information that was sent with your child's end of term report. Written submissions are due by 28 May and these can be left at the school office.

On Friday 24 June we are planning a Teacher Only afternoon to enable teachers to spend time carrying out professional learning about 'engagement in learning' and the new curriculum. Students will be dismissed from school at the beginning of lunchtime and we ask that, if possible, you make suitable arrangements for your child during the afternoon. The buses will run at the usual time. If this is not possible we will be making arrangements to supervise any students who will be at school.

Congratulations to Sam Keenan on his nomination for the South Canterbury Sportsman of the Year for his impressive achievements in gymnastics. **Congratulations** also to Mr Stu Albrey on his nomination for the South Canterbury Coach of the Year. We wish them well at the special awards ceremony this evening.

Janette Packman
Principal

NCEA Financial Assistance

Attached to the senior students' newsletter is an information page regarding financial assistance for NCEA. Any further inquiries please contact Mr Robertson through the school office.

Smokefree Wearable Arts Competition

Thursday 29 May 2008 6.30 pm start
Waimate High School Hall.

Theme for the competition "Smokefree"
with an emphasis on Environment & Recycling.

Prizes include:

5-8 year olds

1st \$50 Toyworld Voucher

2nd \$30 Toyworld Voucher

3rd \$20 Toyworld Voucher

8-12 year olds

1st \$100 Warehouse Voucher

2nd \$60 Warehouse Voucher

3rd \$30 Warehouse Voucher

High School

1st \$150 Soul Surf & SK8 Voucher

2nd \$80 Soul Surf & SK8 Voucher

3rd \$40 Soul Surf & SK8 Voucher

The overall winner will receive a major prize to the value of \$250. The winner of each category will receive for their school a Smokefree Gear bag with 6 balls and Smokefree Corner flags.

Any queries about this competition can be directed to Leola Ryder, Smokefree Advisor, Community & Public Health, Ph: 03 684-0660

A rehearsal will be held on **Thursday 29 May** at the High School hall, all entrants are expected to have someone to model the design and be available at **4 pm**.

The competition will start with the 5-8 year old section and be judged straight after this is completed. The same will happen for the 8-12 year old section with the High School section featuring last on the programme. (Parents this is to allow the younger students to go home if they wish after they are finished).

Y7 & 8 Girls grind down gritty Gleniti

In this weeks game the Y 7& 8 Girls basketball time were forced to work extremely hard to subdue a dogged Gleniti side . The sides were even for much of the first half until a burst of scoring by Ruby and Grace gave them a haltime lead of 10 at the break. Early in the second half Gleniti clawed back the deficit well led by Natasha Boa, a fine point guard with Waimate connections. Fortunately the Waimate girls withstood this onslaught, consolidated their defence and went on to win comfortably by 41-27. Ruby Cochrane had perhaps her best game of the season proving rugged on defence, dragging down many rebounds and scoring heavily. Tyla and Grace also impressed again with their work inside the key at both ends.

Leading scorers were Ruby 24, Grace 11, Tyla 6.

Yr 7 & 8 Boys Basketball

The boy's team had their best game of the season despite losing narrowly to the highly ranked Highfield side by 31-26 in a tight tussle. Their defence was solid throughout the game and it was only costly turnovers and poor shooting at vital occasions that denied them the win. Jayden Butcher, Malcolm Elderton and Ben Richards led the scoring this week. Bradley McGirr had a great all-round defensive game and is growing in confidence. Lachie hauled down numerous rebounds, made several assists and along with Ben distributed the ball effectively from the guardline.

Leading scorers were, Ben 8, Malcolm 8, Jayden 6, Lachie 4.

Waimate High School Trapshooting AGM will now be held on Monday 19th May in the school interview room at 7.30pm

Reminder

PTA (Parent Teachers Association) A.G.M to be held on **Tuesday 20 May** at 7.30pm in the school video conference room in A Block. Interested parents & caregivers most welcome. Wine & cheese to follow.

Real Nutrition Seminar in WAIMATE

Learn the TRUTH about real health presented by Rachel Tomkinson (HCH writer and author).

Thurs 22nd May, St Johns Hall, Shearman Street, Waimate 7pm to 9.30pm.

Cost: \$20 per person, door sales available on the night.

Info please ring 0800 WHOO HOO (9466 466), or visit www.betterbods.co.nz/ events page.

Events Coming up

21-23 May Yr 13 Biology Dunedin

27 May Board Meeting 7pm

28 May Written Submissions from Community due

29-30 May Yr12/13 OE/PE Leadership

2 June Queens Birthday Holiday

4 June Aoraki Cross Country

6 June Teacher Only Afternoon

11 June Opportunity for public to speak to their submissions

11 June Yr 12 Geography to Mt Cook

14 June School Ball

18-19 June Bayfield Exchange Dunedin

24 June Open Afternoon