

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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### 23 May Newsletter:08:2:3

#### The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

At assembly this week I spoke to students about the language they use here at school. Unfortunately we have grown accustomed to hearing bad language on some television programmes and movies but that does not make it okay. Bad language is offensive when other people hear it and indicates lack of control. Bad language is unnecessary and unacceptable here at school. Swearing is not okay at school and I encourage all students to make an effort to use appropriate language.

On Tuesday night the PTA Annual meeting was held. Congratulations to the following office bearers who were appointed: Mrs Nicola Smith, Chairperson, Mrs Jill Wilson, Secretary and Mrs Trish Davis, Treasurer. Thank you in advance for the work you do in supporting our school. A huge thank you to the outgoing committee Mrs Sandra Mulqueen, Chairperson, Mrs Trish Davis, Secretary and Mrs Sheryl Butler, Treasurer. We certainly appreciate your work over the years. We are most fortunate to have such a supportive group of parents.

I plan to hold a Principal's question time next Friday afternoon. Parents are most welcome to come along any time between 1.30 and 3.30pm, Friday 30 May, to discuss our school and ask me any questions that you may have. If this time is not suitable please call and make an appointment. If emailing is your

preferred means of communication please contact me at [principal@waimate-high.school.nz](mailto:principal@waimate-high.school.nz).

Congratulations to Nam Wahn, our exchange student who recently returned home, and who has informed us that she has been made head girl at her school in Thailand.

Janette Packman  
Principal

**Apologies:** In last weeks newsletter it was said that the Teacher only afternoon was 24 June but it is Friday 6 June and Tuesday 24 June is the School Open afternoon.

#### Uniform

A reminder that year 7 to 10 boys may wear black, dark green, dark blue or grey t-shirts/polyprop under their regulation grey winter shirt.

#### Japanese Students - 2008

We are seeking 5 families willing to host a student from Takudai-Ichiko High School, Tokyo, for three weeks from the beginning of term 3. These students arrive on Sunday 20 July and leave on Friday 9 August. All are able to speak and understand a good deal of English.

For your part you will be asked to accept a student as part of your family during their time here. Regulations will also require any adult 18 or over living at your home to undergo a police vetting check. For our part we provide full pastoral support for the host

family and student and pay a retainer for the time they are with you.  
If you are able to help here please leave your name, address and contact number with the school by **Wednesday 28 May**.

### **Moto-cross Cross Country at Nelson on April 26**

Congratulations to Rory Wilton who won overall in his class of 12 -16 yrs, 4 stroke, up to 230cc. This is one of the South Island Series of races and the first of the NZ Series. Brodie Wilton was 9<sup>th</sup> overall and 5<sup>th</sup> in his class of 12 – 16yrs, 4 stroke up to 300cc. The next round of this event is at Tarras on the 18 May.

NZ Junior Moto-cross Championships were held over three days (26 – 28) April at Otoruhunga. Tom Cochrane and Michael Pankhurst competed in this event. Both boys made the cut to gain entry to the final event which was pleasing. Tom ended in 33<sup>rd</sup> place (out of 80) in the 14 -16yr, 250cc class and Michael was 32<sup>nd</sup> in 15 -16 yr, 125cc class. Congratulations for these great results

### **Moto-cross Cross Country at Tarras on May 18**

Brodie Wilton was 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and 2<sup>nd</sup> in his class of 12 – 16yrs, 4 stroke up to 300cc. This was in spite of riding much of the race with a flat tyre. James Morgan was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the same class and 4<sup>th</sup> overall.

Rory Wilton who was 7<sup>th</sup> overall, and 1<sup>st</sup> in his class of 12 -16 yrs, 4 stroke, up to 230cc. Apologies to James Morgan for leaving him out of the last report. He was placed 7<sup>th</sup> after having a flat tyre.

### **Y7&8 Basketball**

In last nights basketball action from Timaru the Y7&8 girls carried on with their winning ways by defeating Craighead 50-6. Coach, Marty Cochrane, used this game as an opportunity to give his bench players a good run leading up to the semi-finals and they all performed creditably. Leading scorers were Grace Williams 22, Tyla Stevenson 16, Ruby Cochrane 8, Emily Roosing 7.

The boys team after a good first half performance looked set to win their game against Waimataitai, however a lack of

composure and shooting blues under the basket saw their lead disappear and they slumped to a six point loss. The team actually dominated all facets of the game, especially the rebounding but need to work hard to improve their shooting inside the key. The final score was 26-20 to Waimataitai.

### **WHS Photographic Competition**

Categories "Our people at Work and Play" & "The Science of Farming"

Students can enter 2 photographs per category in Black & White, Colour or both photos not to be larger than A4.

\$50 prizes for each category; sponsored by Kolourcare photography, Waimate.

Closing date for entries is Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. Please ensure your name is on your entry.

Winners and commended photographs will be forwarded to the Perry Foundation National Photographic Competition.

In the National competition there are many more prizes to be won such as digital cameras and canvas copies of your original photos.

The overall winner of the Colour Secondary Category will receive a year's scholarship to study Media Arts at WINTEC.

Anyone interested please see Mrs Willoughby for further details.

**Main School Hot Lunches** start on Monday 26 May. See Jo at Main school office for forms.

### **Events coming up**

**27 May** Board Meeting 7pm

**28 May** Written Submissions from Community due

**29-30 May** Yr12/13 OE/PE Leadership

**30 May** Principal's question time in the afternoon

**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

**24 June** School Open Afternoon