

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

In Assembly on Monday I encouraged students to be purposeful in the way they use their time. Purposeful people dedicate themselves to meaningful activities and commit themselves to them over a period of time. With summer sports starting up, this is a good time to consider purposeful ways of using your time. Through extra curricular activities like sports we learn and develop a number of beneficial life skills such as commitment and the skills involved in competing against others. We learn about working with others in a team and sharing responsibilities. We learn about organising our time effectively and juggling multiple activities. We learn to be purposeful.

Congratulations to Dan Dooley (Year 9) on achieving a Distinction Award in the Australian English Competition.

Congratulations to Jenna Aikman, Rachel Pankhurst and Jaimee Campbell on their impressive achievements in the Hanan Shield Districts Secondary Schoolgirls Representative Rugby Team. As well, Jenna was awarded Player of the Year, Rachel was awarded Forward of the Year and Jaimee was the Most Improved Forward. Well done!

Congratulations to James Cattermole who competed in the Mountain Bike Southern Downhill Series in Bluff recently. He gained 3rd place in Race 3.

Janette Packman
Principal

AWARDS NIGHT

Friday 31 October 7.30pm

Tickets on sale at the school office.

\$6.00 or \$18.00 per family.

Book Review by Phoebe Todd

The Finnish Line

By Linda Gerber

The Finnish Line is a real eye opener for anyone who wants to be an athlete.

Maureen 'Mo' Clark is sick of her over protective skiing family. Mo just wants to get away. So when she hears about S.A.S.S (Student Across the Seven Seas) program which is offering an S.A.E (Scholar Athlete Exchange.), Mo jumps on the chance to get away and hit the biggest slopes in the world.

The Finnish Line is about all the problems Mo faces in Finland, with her skiing and fitting into a new school. Mo's adventures and struggles go up and down when a hot guy meets her eye.

This book is fantastic. Linda Gerber brings the ski jumping world to life. This book is a real page turner and I strongly recommend it to all teenage girls who struggle between sport and love. I can't wait to read the rest of the S.A.S.S. series.

More Basketball successes

Ruby Cochrane has just been selected for the South Island Under 15 Team to tour Australia next year.

At the South Canterbury Basketball Association's Awards night several of Waimate High School's students received awards.

Malcolm Elderton was MVP for the Under 13 Boys' team.

In the Under 15 Girls' team, Annaliese Wilson was most improved player, Tyla Stevenson the best defensive player and Lisa McGirr the MVP. Hayden Russell won the most improved player award in the Boys' under 17 team.

These players all received their representative awards and team photos: Elliot Wilson, Malcolm Elderton, Ruby Cochrane, Annaliese Wilson, Tyla Stevenson, Grace Williams, Lisa McGirr, Lachie Robertson, Hayden Russell, and Dan Rich.

Year 7 – 9 Aquatics / Swimming

The final component of the Year 7-9 Physical Education Programme is a Water Competency and Survival Skills unit. For this we use the town pool. In following safe practices we ask that the children wear swimwear. Rash tops are included. Other clothing is not suitable. We encourage the children to carry sunblock to protect their skin on sunny days. If you have any concerns please feel free to contact me.

Stuart Albrey
HOD Physical Education

Uniform

Waimate Knitwear wish to advise that they no longer stock Postie Plus School Tex Range. They still have school jerseys.

You will need to go to Postie Plus stores in Oamaru or Timaru for your School Tex requirements.

They wish to thank all their past customers of School Tex School wear.

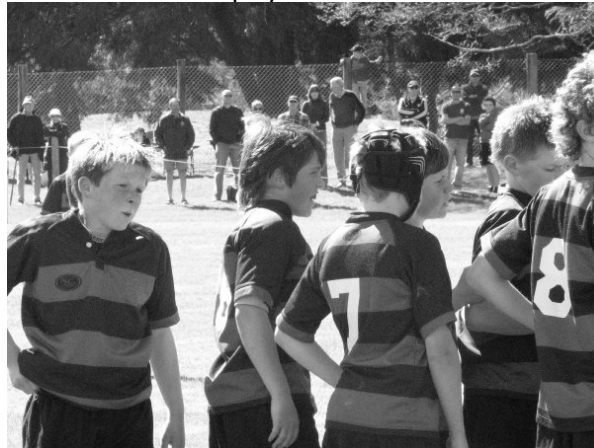
South Island Rugby Tournament



The final tournament was in Kaiapoi on Sept 28-30. In the South Canterbury under 65 kg team were Tim Caird, Bradley McGirr, Jacob Wilson, Jacob Lightfoot and Ben Richards. This team was placed 3rd overall. Tim Caird received the silver

fern award. Jacob Lightfoot was selected for the South Island team.

South Canterbury Under 48 kg Team were Jack Gibson, Dion Batchelor, Caleb Lightfoot and Rory Wilton. They were placed 4th overall and received the fair play award for their division.



South Canterbury Drama League

The Repertory section of the South Canterbury Drama League is producing "Watch out for Children" from 30 October to 8 November. Bookings at Newmans Music Works, Timaru.

Blue Light Disco Friday 31 October at St Patricks Hall, 5-8 year olds 5 pm – 7pm, 8-12 year olds 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm

Events coming up

31 Oct	Mufti Day Proceeds to Child Cancer
31 Oct	Awards evening
31 Oct	Transition Day
4 Nov	PTA Meeting 7.30 pm
5 Nov	Itinerant Soiree 7.30 pm
12 Nov	Senior Prizegiving
9-10 Dec	Activities Days
11 Dec	Junior Prizegiving

2009 School Start Dates

Thurs 29 Jan	Year 13 camp
Fri 30 Jan	Year 13 Camp
Mon 2 Feb	am Teacher only Day pm Senior course confirmations
Tues 3 Feb	Year 7 and 13 students only
Wed 4 Feb	School starts for all students
Fri 6 Feb	Waitangi Day Holiday

Term Dates 2009

Term 1	finishes on April 9
Term 2	Monday 27 Apr – Friday 3 July
Term 3	Monday 20 July – Friday 25 Sept
Term 4	Monday 12 Oct– Friday 11 Dec