

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

In assembly this Monday we farewelled Nami Yamamoto. We have thoroughly enjoyed having Nami at our school and we wish her well for a safe return to Japan.

At the end of term 1 all of our students completed an on-line survey called Te Hononga. This survey provides us with information about students' sense of connection and belonging to the school. The survey was totally anonymous. In summary, a large majority of students at Waimate High School report that they have two or more friends (95%) and that they want to achieve at school (89%). House points were frequently mentioned as a motivation for getting involved in school activities. There were many positive comments about peer friendships and relationships with teachers. The following is a small sample of comments made in response to the statement – The best thing about my school is

"All of my friends I have made and the activities that you can join to make other friends."

"My friends are lots of fun"

"The fact that if you have a problem you can always turn to a helpful, loyal, respecting teacher"

"All the opportunities we get because it is a small school"

"I love how friendly the whole senior school is"

"It is like one big family environment".

A reminder about the Senior Interview Evening on Wednesday 6 – 8.30pm. Please return the appointment form to the office as soon as possible. We encourage students to attend these interviews with their parents as it is great opportunity to discuss progress with your teacher.

Well done to our students who participated in the sports exchange with Bayfield High School. I have enjoyed hearing lots of positive comments about the way in which you represented our school both on and off the sports field.

A successful Open Day was held on Tuesday afternoon. We appreciate families coming to see the school despite the very cold weather. Well done in particular, to our Year 9 and 10 tour guides and Prefects who all did a great job. If people are aware of anyone who was unable to attend on the Open Day I encourage them to make a time that is suitable for them to come a see our school. We will be happy to show them

around and answer any questions they may have.

Congratulations to Kurt Rooney on his selection in South Island Secondary Schools Rugby coaching clinic, to be held in Christchurch during the July holidays. This is Kurt's second year at this clinic and we wish him good luck for his trial for the South Island Secondary Schools team.

Congratulations to Elliot Wilson and Malcolm Elderton who play in the South Canterbury basketball team. Last weekend their team played in Gore and were placed 3rd.

Congratulations to Victoria Wilson and Phoebe Todd who gained 3rd and 4th place(respectively) in the South Island Highland Dancing competitions recently.

Congratulations to our Soccer team. They complete in the South Canterbury Women's Second Division and have finished the first round top of the league. The league is now split in half for the second round of games. Best wishes.

Janette Packman
Principal

PTA fundraiser for outdoor seating area

Regent Theatre - Fri 4th July
Indiana Jones and Kingdom of Crystal Skulls - rated M
Children - \$8.00
Adults - \$10.00

Come along to see a great movie and support your local high school.

PTA Food Fundraiser

A big thank you to all the families and staff that purchased from our food fundraiser. We have made a \$720.00 profit so well done. With such a good

profit we will look at doing it again next term.

Just a reminder that the food will be available on **Wednesday the 2nd July** at 10.00am from the school hall. This must all be collected at this time as some of the products are frozen and some need to be kept chilled.

Once again a BIG THANK YOU FROM THE PTA.

Parenting Seminars

Title : Growing Boys

Date : Tuesday 5 August

Title : Raising Girls

Date : Wednesday 6 August

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Centennial School Hall, Edinburgh St, Waimate.

Presenter : John and Naomi Cowan, from Parents Inc., Auckland

Costs for both seminars is a gold coin at the door. Waimate and area residents get one free seminar book free per family.

Registrations to the Waimate Resource Centre, phone 689-6226, or to John Begg 689-7679.

Silent Auction – 2008 Season Pass – Mt Dobson Ski Area closing 12.30 pm Thursday 3 July 2008. Contact Leigh at the office.

Photographic Competition

Perry Foundation Photographic competition entries have to in to Mrs Willoughby by the 22 July, either as prints or in electronic form. The entries have to be in Hamilton by the 25 July.

Events Coming up

2 July Yr 11-13 Parent report evening

3-4 July Year 12 Work Experience

4 July End of Term 2

20 July-21 Aug – Japanese School visit

21 July Term 3 begins

24 July Yr 7 & 9 Parent report evening