

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

The teaching staff are looking forward to their Teacher Only Afternoon this afternoon, a time to focus on the new curriculum and what it will mean for our students and our school. Thank you to parents for making suitable arrangements and enabling this to happen.

A reminder to all parents and caregivers about the Values Questionnaire that we included with last week's newsletter. It is important that we consider and incorporate the ideas and priorities of all people involved in our school – the staff, students and parents. If you did not receive a copy of this questionnaire, extras are available from the school office. Questionnaire forms are due back by Monday 9 June.

Thank you to the two people who have forwarded submissions about our consultation on the services provided by the Public Health Nurse. These people will be meeting with representatives of the Board of Trustees on Wednesday 11 June at 7pm to speak to their submission.

Congratulations to our four students who competed in the Secondary Schools' Equestrian event in Orari last weekend. They were Laura Thomas, Jamie Campbell, Katherine Huggins and Chloe Gardner. They all improved on their last year's performance and are to be commended on their fine achievements in the competition this year. At the end of the dressage section they were in 4th place. Well done!

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Smokefree Wearable Arts competition. Results of the high school section were: 1st Ellen White, 2nd Jenna Aikman, 3rd Chloe Gardner. In the 8 to 12 year old section the winner was Kelsey Chamberlain. Kelsey was also the overall winner for the competition. It was great to see such an impressive standard of workmanship and creativity.



Kelsey Chamberlain overall winner

The PTA is planning to run a frozen foods fundraiser. The order form for this will be included in next week's newsletter.

Janette Packman
Principal

Picture from the senior leadership day at Atwill Park last week



What goes up, must come down.

Recent successes of two ex-pupils from Waimate High School!

Kaylee Bell, was recently one of three New Zealand representatives in the Trans-Tasman 'Entertainer of the Year' on Norfolk Island. She took out the award for 'Most Promising Artist' receiving a recording contract in Auckland. This was followed up with a 'Guest Artist' spot at N Z Gold Guitars in Gore where she was awarded a scholarship to attend the College of Country Music in Tamworth, Australia, in January, 2009.

Kurt Aikman performed at the N Z Gold Guitar Awards where he gained two finalist placings in Solo and Traditional sections.

Aoraki Cross Country Results held on Wednesday 4 June

Senior Boys

Nick Smit - 4th

Gus Patterson - 5th

Intermediate boys

Ben Messer - 6th

Gymnastics

Sam Keenan was placed 2nd in Level 7 at the SI Invitational. It was his first competition as a senior gymnast and he reached the qualifying score to attend the National Championships in September.

Moto-X

There will be a club day for moto-x at Marty and Diane Cochrane's farm this Sunday. This is a chance to see some WHS students competing. Start time is approximately 10:00am.

Dominant performance secures finals berth in Basketball

A dominant all round team effort against Craighead ensured the Y 7 & 8 girls basketball top berth in next weeks finals. Forwards Tyla Stevenson and Grace Williams dominated the scoring statistics with 40 of their teams 46 points shared between them. They benefited from excellent team pressure defence and superb feeding from the guards Annaliese Wilson and Kelsey Chamberlain. Nikita Landon-Lane and Emily Roosing also got on to the score sheet and made some telling intercepts and rebounds. Scorers were: Tyla 22, Grace 18, Emily 4, Nikita 2.

Next weeks final promises to be another tough rematch with Gleniti. The game will be played at 4.30pm at the SBS centre, Timaru and the girls would welcome as many supporters as possible.

The boys' team continued their improved form with a resounding 34-14 win over Oceanview Heights in what was perhaps their best performance of the season. Their defence was again strong with Brad McGirr, Malcolm Elderton and Jayden Butcher all hauling down many rebounds and denying shots. Jesse Milne, Dion Batchelor, and Elliot Wilson were aggressive with their defence and created turnover ball for their offence to capitalise on. Ben Richards and Lachie Robertson directed the offence successfully. Leading scorers were Lachie 19, Ben 5, Jayden 4, Malcolm 4. Next week the boys play off with Gleniti for 5th and 6th.

Waimate High School basketball players have done well in making South Canterbury Representative squads this week. Ruby Cochrane, Tyla Stevenson, Grace Williams, Annaliese Wilson, and Lisa McGirr are in the under 15 girls' team. Lachie Robertson has been selected for the under 15 boys' team and Elliot Wilson and Malcolm Elderton the under 13 boys' team.

Events Coming up

6 June Teacher Only Afternoon

9 June First Fifteen vs Roncalli

11 June Opportunity for public to speak to their submissions

11 June Yr 12 Geography Mt Cook

14 June School Ball

18-19 June Bayfield Exchange Dunedin

24 June Open Afternoon

25 June Yr 12 Geography Christchurch

3-4 July Year 12 Work Experience

4 July End of Term 2