

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2008

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

We hope all students have started back to school after the term break feeling refreshed and focused on their learning.

This week staff have been supporting the students in setting individual goals. All students have been asked to set personal and academic goals which they will work on throughout the term. Students were encouraged to refer to the information given in the report you received at the end of last term, for areas of focus. We will also refer back to these goals when students evaluate their progress on the end of term report. I encourage parents to talk to their son / daughter about their goals and about how you can assist at home.

The Head Prefects, Emma Porter and Kurt Rooney, represented Waimate High School at the ANZAC service during the holidays. They spoke in the service and presented a wreath. It was fantastic to see a number of our students participating on this special occasion.

A reminder to all parents about the Health Education Information Evening on Wednesday 14 May at 7pm. This is the first part of the Board's consultation with our community about our Health Education Programme and whether or not there should be an extension of the Public Health services. More detailed information about this was sent to you with your child's report at the end of last term. Kate Balfour, our Public Health Nurse will present information and parents will have the opportunity to ask her questions.

The 40 Hour Famine booklets have been issued to 170 students who wish to participate in this World Vision fund raiser. It would be great to have even more students involved in this very

worthwhile cause. The Famine takes place on 23 to 25 May and students have a number of options about how they participate. These could include:

- No food for 40 hours
- No electronic devices for 40 hours
- No talking for 40 hours
- Living in a cardboard box
- Only eating one bowl of rice per day

Information about Schools Plus has been sent to schools. This is a new government initiative that is open for discussion and feedback by 31 May. The stated goal of Schools Plus is to ensure that all young people are in education, skills development, or structured learning, relevant to their needs and abilities. It is proposed that all students would remain on the school role until age 18. This has huge implications for schools and it is important for all people involved to have a say about what they think about this proposal. The full Schools Plus Discussion Document can be seen on <http://www.schoolsplus.govt.nz/index.html>. I welcome the opportunity to discuss this with parents and would like to include your ideas in the submission our school will be making.

Congratulations to Billy Direen in 8YL who competed in the Novice Full Contact Kyokushin Karate Tournament at Mosgiel during the holidays and achieved 1st place for his age group. Well done Billy!

Janette Packman
Principal



Emma and Kurt at the ANZAC service

Community Education

Digital Photography Course starts next Tuesday 7-9pm.

Register now as there are still vacancies.

Girls Soccer results

Our girls' soccer team have played 4 games and are unbeaten

vs Pleasant Point 2-1

vs Timaru girls 4-2

vs Roncalli college 3-1

vs Mountainview 13-0

Goalscorers: Emma Porter, Jenna Aikman, Beth Cawood, Meg Cornick and Lucy Mehrtens

Arno Rifle Club

Opening Night – 12 May 08 at 7.30pm

Moto- cross Cross Country at Nelson 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 9th overall and 5th in his class of 12 – 16yrs, 4 stroke up to 300cc. The next round of this event is at Tarras on the 18th May.

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

Malcolm in the Middle dominates Mighty Midgets

In last night's Y 7 & 8 basketball action in Timaru big Malcolm Elderton was dominant in his side's resounding 56-18 demolition of the Mighty Midgets. He not only scored 22 points but also hauled down many rebounds at both ends of the court. He received good support inside from Jayden Butcher who made two outstanding shot blocks, and Brad McGirr who had a solid all round game. Guards Lachie Robertson and Ben Richards directed traffic well and distributed the ball effectively. On defence Jesse Milne, Elliot Wilson and Dion Batchelor forced many turnovers with their tenacious man on man marking. Leading scorers were: Malcolm 22, Lachie 10, Jayden 6, Jesse 6, Brad 4, Ben 4, Elliot 2

The girls Y7 & 8 team continued on their unbeaten run with a comprehensive 43-16 win over St Josephs. Ruby Cochrane lead all scorers with 16 points as well as proving too strong on defence for her less experienced opponents. Tyla and Grace continued their dominance of the boards although they would be the first to acknowledge a less than accurate shooting night. Annaliese Wilson, Nikita Landon-Lane and Kelsey Chamberlain created many turnovers with their tight defence and fed the forwards well. Emily Roosing picked up some good rebounds in what was a solid team effort. Leading scorers were: Ruby 16, Tyla 13, Grace 6, Annaliese 6.

Waimate High School Trapshooting A.G.M. Tuesday 13 May at 7.30pm in the school interview room.

All interested parents welcome.

Note Date Change

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.

Events coming up

11-13 May Karitane Yr 13 Geography

14 May Information Evening Public Health Nurse

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

11 June Opportunity for public to speak to their submissions