

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2009

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

We come to the end of a very busy term. One that has been full of outstanding student achievement across a range of areas. These include camp experiences, swimming and athletics competitions, and academic learning activities.

Congratulations to Ruby Cochrane who won the discus competition at the South Island Secondary Schools Champs last weekend.

A parent contacted the school recently to ask what the donation that families make to the school is used for. Thank you for asking this question which I am happy to answer, as there are probably other people who are wondering the same thing.

Your school donation is a small contribution to the many things that we want to offer our students that are not covered by the funding received from the Ministry of Education. These include: the school magazine, transport for student activities, library books, outdoor education camp subsidies, pastoral care activities, sports equipment, general equipment replacement, prizegiving expenses, badges and engraving, visiting performing arts groups, production subsidies, catering or inter-school competitions, sports uniforms and subsidies for all sports.

We offer these activities because we believe they are an essential part of the education opportunities that we want to offer our students.

On 14 May we are holding a forum about healthy food choices called 'Nurture the Health of Our Future'. This is an ideas sharing and planning day

that we are encouraging teachers, parents and students from the Waimate community to attend. We need your views on what you think are the barriers to healthy eating so we can all work together in ensuring a healthy future for our children. The day will be facilitated by Community and Public Health. For more information please contact Di McKenzie here at school.

I hope you all have a Happy Easter and an enjoyable holiday break.

Janette Packman
Principal

Uniform Room

A reminder that all students must be in correct winter uniform from the beginning of term 2. Janice Mehrtens will be at the Uniform Room on Wednesday 15 April from 10am to 2pm. Please phone her to make an appointment if this time is not convenient, 689 1089.

Year 12 Leadership Course

This was held on the afternoon of the 6 April and morning of 7 April. Laura and Anna from the Lincoln University Recreation Centre came down to hold a leadership course with the year 12 students. The course consisted of learning about our different personality types, whether we were dominant, conscientious, influencing or stabilisers, and from this we came up with and discussed the pros and cons of each of the groups.

To finish off the course we played a series of competitive games to build our leadership, communication and many other skills even further. Overall it was a very fun and successful course that I know we all learned from and gained some very useful skills for the future.

By Lauren Attewell

STRIKE Performance

We are very excited to be hosting a concert by the modern percussion group STRIKE on **5 May** at 2.15pm. The cost to students is only \$2 as the school is subsidising the full fee. It is not often that we can confidently offer such a high quality performance, so all interested students in Years 7-13 are encouraged to attend. Parents, please support your child to experience this live performance as part of their Arts programme.

Tots and Toddlers Course

Last week 19 Year 11 and 12 students were involved with a 'Tots and Toddlers' course run by Plunket. Karen Gowan, from Christchurch, presented the day, which involved the students having the opportunity to complete a Unit Standard covering the basic needs of young children.

Our thanks go to the Waimate Plunket who organized five mothers and their young children to come along and give the students some hands-on experience. This involved observing children at play and also bathing them. They also had the opportunity to sample some baby food and to learn some of the developing stages children go through.

Thanks also go to the Waimate Fire Brigade for allowing us to use their meeting room as a venue.

Glamour meets Gloss Fashion Parade Friday 15th May 7.30pm

Held at the Criterion Hotel Tickets \$15.00pp
Supper Provided. Drinks available from the Bar. Come along and enjoy a great night out and view the Glamour from groundFLOOR Eclectic Design from Timaru and the Gloss of Amanda's Bridal Service from Waimate. Tickets available now from WHS Office and Amanda's Bridal Services.

PTA AGM Notice Thursday 7th May 2009

A note for all Committee members to mark the AGM date on your calendars.

This will be followed by a short PTA Meeting. We will have coffee and cake after the meeting. Thanking you.

Netball

We are looking for a Netball coach for the Year 9/10 team playing in Waimate. They will have training once a week when it suits you and games start first weekend in Term 2. Any inquires please contact Alice Westgarth.

Trapshooting Fundraiser

A big thank you to everyone who supported our recent Spring Bulb Fundraiser.

Note: High School Trapshooting starts early in Term 2. Tuesdays at 3.30 pm.

Community Education Term 2

Yoga – Tutor: John Guthrie WHS Library

Sewing – Tutor: Jo Sullivan

Starts 6th May (8 weeks)

Upholstery – Tutor: Reg Bartlett

Sat 4, Sun 5 & Mon 6 July

Woodwork – Tutor: Lindsay Marshall

Starts 6th May (8 weeks)

Community Law - Timaru

May 2009 (Covers Consumer law, Crimes, Domestic Violence, Wills, ACC, WINZ benefits etc)

Mosaic – Tutor: Lyn Keen & Kirsty Clayton.

WHS Art Room Sat & Sun 27-28 June

Please register your interest for courses coming up in 2009

Digital Photography

Organic Gardening (Sept/October) Private

Investigation

(includes surveillance, tracing adoption search, crime scene investigation & store detective work)

Any ideas for new classes are welcome

Please enrol and pay at the school office before commencing your class.

Enquiries to Marie Phone 689 8920, Fax 689 8925 or email mjohns@waimate-high.school.nz

Tamariki, Pakeke, Rangatahi, Wananga

Theme – Mahinga Kai at Waihao Marae 21-24

April for information contact Amy or Sally 15 Augustine Street, Waimate or txt or ring

027 724 0814

Hot Lunches

Waimate Main School are again offering hot lunches to x-Main school students attending Waimate High School. These are available from Monday 25 May until Friday 31 July. Forms detailing menu and a pre-booking form are available from our school office or Main school office.

Calendar

Mon 27 Apr Term 2 begins

Tues-Thurs 28-30 Apr Yr 13 Bio Trip Portobello

Fri 1 May Yr 12 Bio Field Trip

Mon 4 May Dunedin University Open Day

Tues 5 May Strike Performance Period 5

Tues 5 May Stage Challenge

Wed 6 May Aoraki Squash Champs

Sun 10 May Soccer ASSS Champs (Girls)

Thur 14 May Nurture the Health of Our Future 9.15am to 2.45pm at the Waimate Golf Club