

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2010

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## 22 October 2010

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#### The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

We welcomed the Education Review Officers to our school in assembly on Monday. They have been working in the school this week, talking to trustees, teachers and students about the work we do here and reviewing our documentation. I was delighted to hear that they found our students to be very willing to engage in conversations when approached around the school.

Mr Crossan reminded students about The Waimate Way where we show respect, responsibility and real honesty in all we do. We refer to these as the three R's.

The Board of Trustees has appointed our new Deputy Principal, Mr David Shea. Mr Shea will be coming to us from Greymouth High School where he is presently Acting Deputy Principal. We look forward to welcoming him into the school at the beginning of next year.

**Congratulations** to the following students on their outstanding achievements at the South Canterbury Basketball Prizegiving last weekend. Malcolm Elderton received the South Canterbury trophy for Best Defensive U15 Boys and Junior Male Player of the Year. Jarrad Richards was Most Valuable Player, U15 Boys for 2010. Tyler Stevenson was Most Improved Player U17 Girls. Well done!

**Congratulations** to Nathan Williams on his Distinction achievement in the Australian Mathematics Competition and well done to others on their great results (listed below). It was great

to see so many students choosing to participate in this competition and making that extra effort to achieve academically.

At this stage the PPTA industrial action is set to continue. This means that each week one year level will be rostered home on the following days:

Wed	20 October	Year 9
Wed	27 October	Year 10
Tues	2 November	Year 9
Thurs	11 November	Year 10
Thurs	18 November	Year 9
Tues	23 November	Year 10
Wed	1 December	Year 9

On these days teachers who are union members are not available to teach that year level. We would appreciate that, if possible, you make alternative arrangements for the care of your sons and daughters. Some supervision will be available at school if this is not possible at home and we ask that you ring to let us know if you will be sending your child to school on a roster home day. We are hopeful that negotiations between the PPTA and Ministry of Education will result in a speedy settlement and will keep you informed.

I'm looking forward to watching some of the Waimate 50 races over the next couple of days. Congratulations to the organisers on bringing this event back to Waimate. I hope you enjoy the long weekend.

Janette Packman  
Principal

**Awards Night - Friday 29 October** starting at **7pm**. Tickets on sale from Monday from the school office. \$4.00 each or \$15.00 for an immediate family. Ticket sales cease on Thursday 28 October at 3pm.

### **Australian Maths Competition**

The results of the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Australian Maths Competition held on 5 August are now available. Hundreds of thousands of students from over 40 countries entered.

The AMC, which started in 1978, is believed to be the largest competition of its kind in the world, with more than 1100 prizes and 60 medals awarded annually. It tests everything from basic numeracy skills through to advanced problem solving.

Waimate High School entered 15 students. Nathan Williams received a Distinction certificate (top 15%), and Stafford Dennison, Ben Richards, Lachlan Robertson, Dan Dooley and Sam Walton entered a Credit certificate (top 50%). Proficiency was met by Dylan Mead, Daniel Botica and Casey Dennison.

All other students gain a Participation certificate, and every entrant is provided with an individual performance report.

### **PTA Garden Walk and Kitchen Tour**

A very successful fundraiser was held last Sunday, the rain holding off long enough till all was over. Our garden walk would not have been made possible without the help of our high school parents.

A big thank you to those who helped on the gates, (in sometimes blustery conditions), those that helped by providing afternoon tea and also serving the hungry ticket holders at the school hall.

Thank you to the following people that opened their beautiful homes or gardens to the public, without your great support it wouldn't have happened. We have had a very positive feedback.

Ann & Gary Dennison, Te Kiteroa; Brent and Janette Packman; Hilary Chisolm & John Botting; Dorothy and Charlie Ruddenklau; Linda & Rob Schofield; Ron & Rosalie Batchelor; Jan & Sian Wilkinson; Des & Phil McMaster.  
From PTA Committee.

### **Takudai-Ichiko Exchange.**

**Years 10-13 students:** A reminder that if you wish to apply for this exchange you now have

**two weeks** in which to do so. Application forms may be collected from Mrs J Bailey at her office and close on **Monday 8 November**.

### **Youthtown Term Four Programmes for Secondary schools**

Something for everybody with 14 programmes available this term. Enrolment forms at your school office. Fill out and return in provided envelopes to office for collection by Wednesday 20 October.

Scholarships available which cover 50% of the after school programme fee. Form at your office. Every person that enrolls on a term four programme will receive a free game of ten pin bowling at the Captains Alley (Galleon Complex) Oamaru.

For those interested in the Reel Film – TV production has a new start date of 26<sup>th</sup> October as minimum numbers are required for all programmes to run.

Bikes and safety equipment available for those wishing to take part on Mountain Bike Ventures, GA Mountain Rush, Dynamic CBK programmes.

Four bowling balls to be given away for those taking part in the Nitro Ten Pin Bowling programme also this term.

Contact Mike 03 4346473 or text 0272299198 email [oamaru@youthtown.org.nz](mailto:oamaru@youthtown.org.nz)

**Norman Kirk Swimming Pool** will open for the season on Saturday 23 October from 12-5pm.

### **Calendar**

**Mon 25 Oct** Labour Day holiday

**Fri 29 Oct** Awards Night

**Mon 1 Nov** Board Meeting 7pm

**Mon-Tue 1-2 Nov** Yr 7 trip to Christchurch

**Wed 3 Nov** Itinerant Soiree 7.30 pm

**Mon-Wed 8-10 Nov** Yr 10 Fw Camp

**Tue 9 Nov** Seniors last day  
Senior Prizegiving

**Wed-Fri 10-12 Nov** Yr 10Fh Camp

**Wed-Fri 10-12 Nov** Senior Tutorials

**Thu 11 Nov** Scholarship Exams start

**Mon 15 Nov** NZQA Exams start

**Mon-Wed 15-17 Nov** Yr 10Fs Camp

**Wed 2 Dec** Clearance day for Seniors

**Tue-Wed 7-8 Dec** Junior Activities

**Thu 9 Dec** Junior Prizegiving 1.30 pm