

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2011

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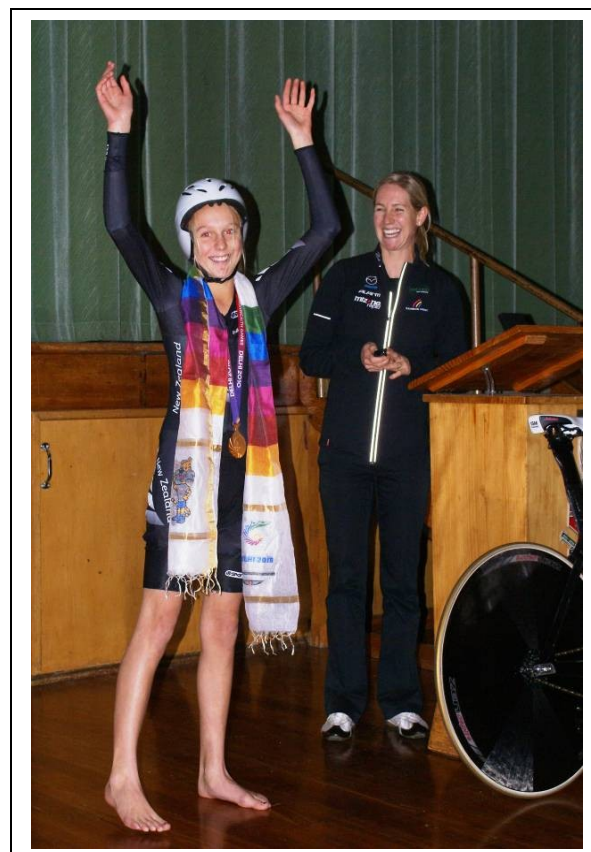
**The Principal's word**

Kia ora koutou

A special assembly was held on Monday to share special memories of Mr Watts, acknowledging his contributions and commitment to his 'school family'. Although this was a sad occasion, he did not want his passing to be mourned. Mr Watts had an impressive tie collection so it was great to see so many staff and students wearing crazy ties.

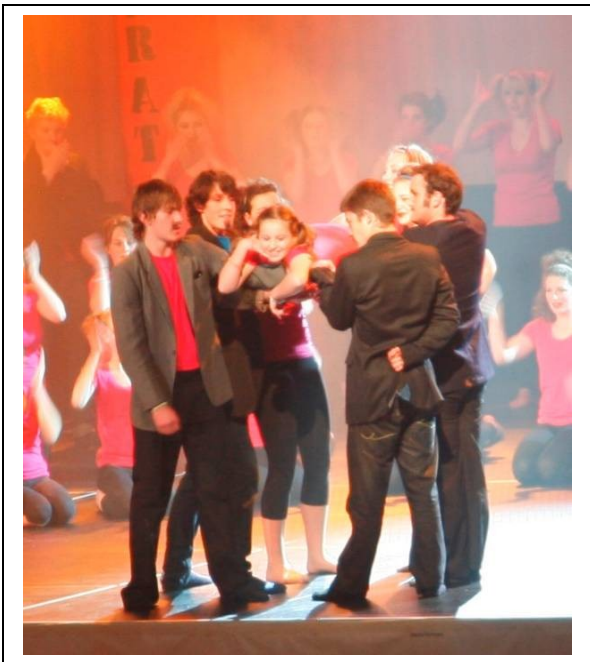


On Tuesday our Year 7 and 8 students had the privilege of meeting Alison Shanks, gold medal cyclist. The talk was also attended by students from Centennial and Waimate Main Schools. Alison told the students about her training and described what it felt like to ride that medal winning race. She also brought along her bike and Brianna Butcher tried on her suit, helmet and gold medal. Brianna was surprised at how heavy the medal felt. Alison told us that her next goal is the Olympics in London, for which she now has 444 days to train.



Last Thursday 81 students left school at 6.30am for the Stage Challenge in Dunedin. I was very proud of the sensible and caring way in which our students looked after each other during the preparations and how they really gave their all for the performance on the night. All that hard work and time rehearsing paid off and it really was a team effort. Special thanks to the staff involved: Ms Walshe, Ms Parkins, Ms Harvey and Mr Schumacher.

At the prizegiving Waimate High School was awarded a participation trophy and the Award of Excellence for Visual Enhancement. The judges commented on how much fun and enjoyment the performers looked like they were having during their performance. Well done!



Beatrice O'Brien, Chloe Banks and Emily Johnston were accompanied by Mr Schumacher to MUNA, the Model United Nations Assembly competition, in Dunedin during the weekend. Our first year of entering this competition, this was a great learning opportunity. Our team represented Indonesia in the 'assembly' and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to network and build relationships with other students. Our special thanks to Waimate Rotary for their support in enabling us to participate.



Thank you to parents who attended the NCEA Parent Information evening on Thursday. If you were unable to attend and have queries about the senior assessment procedures, please contact Mr Lindsay Robertson.

Janette Packman  
Principal

## **Canteen News**

A new school menu starts on Monday 16 May. Main changes to our menu are our daily options including Waimate High School burgers, noodles and BLTs.

The canteen is also selling other food items that aren't on the canteen order form. Cinnamon pinwheel scones, savoury scones, lolly cake, carrot cake, chocolate cake and caramel slice.

## **Careers Expo 2011**

The Careers Expo this year is being held on Monday, 23 May at the SBS Centre, Morgans Road, Timaru.

This is a great opportunity for our students to look at the various institutes and other training providers that are available to them for their future careers.

We would expect that all Year 10 students will take advantage of this opportunity as it relates directly to the career projects they will be working on in Health and The Real Game they are doing in Social Studies. Goal setting this term has also been given a career emphasis.

It is also a valuable opportunity for any Year 11, 12 and 13 students to investigate their career pathways and to collect valuable information to help them made decisions on their futures.

The Expo also has public sessions as follows:

Sunday, 22 May	1.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Monday, 23 May	5.30 pm – 7.30 pm

## **Miniball**

Miniball begins for Y 7 & 8 students on Wednesday 18 May. In order to finalise teams we need all permission forms and payments to be submitted. These are now overdue. If you wish to find out

more about Miniball please contact Mr Robertson.

## **Parent Teacher Association AGM**

Our school PTA have set down **Thursday 19th May** for our **Annual General Meeting**. This will be held in the staff room **at 7.30pm**. All Parents & Caregivers welcome.

We have a small committee of parents who would like to see some new faces, so if you are interested please contact Trish Davis 689 7983.

## **Youthtown term two programmes**

**Last week to win.** All term two enrolments go into the draw to win Soul Surf and Skate and Amen clothing gift vouchers. Don't wait, sign up and try something new this term. Places are still available for all programmes International kitchen, Funky Fashion, Your Unique Self Makeup and Styling, YT22 Rugby Academy, Test you Altitude (Rockclimbing). Also opportunity to win \$50 cash prize and Youthtown vouchers when you come along and participate on the Friday TGIF sports programme. Places available for Queenstown Rush Mountain Bike trip which is now May 20, 21. Enrolment forms at your school office.

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

## **Calendar**

Tues 17 May Work Choice Day Year 12  
Wed 18 May Otago Liaison 2pm  
Wed 18 May College Day 1<sup>st</sup> XV to Christchurch  
Mon 23 May Careers Expo Timaru  
Tues 31 May Halogen Jnr Leadership Day  
Wed 1 June Aoraki Cross Country  
Thur 2 June Halogen Snr Leadership Day