

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2011

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The Principal's word

Kia ora koutou

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Christchurch and we will be looking for ways to give support in the weeks and months to come. A number of us have friends and family staying and we presently have nine students who are attending our school temporarily. Our students have welcomed them into their classes and we certainly hope they enjoy their time with us during this difficult time. If you are aware of any high school aged students who are in the district please encourage them to contact us. We are providing uniforms for the students while they are here.

What a boring world it would be if everyone were the same! In assembly on Monday I spoke to the students about our need to respect differences in other people. Respect is one of our values.

Our hair, eyes and skin colours are different. Some people may speak differently or with an accent because they are from another country. Some people may not be able to afford brand new clothes. Some people may wear glasses or braces. Some people may need a wheelchair or walk with a limp.

All of these things mean that we are all very different in many ways. We need to value the

differences among us and not put down other people simply because they are different to us. We must not judge others as less than ourselves because of the way they may look, or think, or believe just because we don't understand the difference. It's not okay to make others feel bad about themselves by making nasty comments.

I get really upset when I hear that people at this school are making racial comments. It is not okay to call someone a name. At Waimate High School we have zero tolerance for racial comments and zero tolerance for any other put down that is negative.

That means that teachers will be treating very seriously any reports or complaints about put downs and racial comments. No one at this school has the right to make someone else feel bad. I want to hear from you if this sort of thing is happening to you.

Congratulations to Elise Blundell who was 1st in the South Island Endurance Champs for horse riding. She won her junior section in a gallop to the finish line against 6 other riders after a 90km ride that took 6 hours 12 seconds.

Congratulations to all students who participated fully in our school athletics on Thursday afternoon. It was great to see students participating for House points and competing in their events. Unfortunately the weather was against us today. We plan to

hold the Athletics next week and will confirm the day on Monday.

Janette Packman
Principal

Eastern District Swimming Competition

Congratulations to Brianna Butcher who won a bronze medal in 50m breaststroke and Jayden Butcher who won a bronze medal in 200m breaststroke. Dylan Mead qualified for Division 2 in 50m butterfly.

Urgently required donations of WHS uniforms; especially jerseys, dresses, larger size boys grey shirts and shorts and senior boys green shorts plus white shirts.

Any donations would be gratefully accepted to support students coming from the Christchurch quake zone.

Netball

Interested in Netball and keen to see the development of our High School players from Year 7-13? Please attend a meeting to be held on Wednesday at 4.30 pm in the music room, where a Waimate High School Netball Committee will be formed to assist with the efficient management of all things Netball within our school.

Also if you are wanting or know of someone wanting to COACH or MANAGE a team please contact Alice as well.

C team from last year we are trying to locate the trophy that you won as they wanted it returned last year! HELP!

Enquiries or apologies to Alice Westgarth at school or awestgarth@waimate-high.school.nz or Tina Stevenson 6898963.

Celebrate Children's Day

Rain or Shine

Norman Kirk Memorial Swimming Pool
Sunday 6 March, 12:00 -5:00 pm

Half price admission for all children, free sausage sizzle, spot prizes and games.

Register with the Waimate Pool Attendants 689 6336

Free Federated Farmers Farm Day, Sunday 13 March (10am-3pm)

A free and family focused event to experience the sights and smells of a working farm and learn about pastures and animals. Guided farm walk and demonstrations plus interactive activities for children.

Host Farmer: Andrew and Vicky Steven

Location: 494 Rolling Ridges Road, Rosewill, Timaru.

Visit www.farmday.org.nz for details and map to farm.



Cropping farmer Rutherford Wilson talks about weeds and their control to Y12/13 Agriculture students.

Yogi Bear Movie Centennial School Camp Fundraiser Saturday 26 February 2.30 pm.
All tickets \$7

Information Update

We would appreciate if families could inform the school on any changes to your contact details so that our school records are accurate. In particular, parent and caregiver cellphone numbers.

Calendar

Mon 28 Feb First Aid training – Gateway & Outdoor Pursuits students

Tues 1 Mar District Swimming Sports Yr7&8

Tues–Wed 7–8 Mar Yr 9 Aquatics

Thur-Fri 10-11 Mar Yr 13 Biology Portobello Trip

Thur 17 Mar Country School Athletics

Sun-Tues 20-22 Mar Yr 13 History Trip

Wed 23 Mar Aoraki Athletics - Ashburton