

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL 2011

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Kia ora koutou

Congratulations to Marcus Anderson and Ingrid Wilson on their fantastic achievements in the Rotary Junior Speech Competitions. Marcus was 1st overall and 1st in the Year 7 and 8 section, and Ingrid was 3rd in the Year 7 and 8 section. We will all have the opportunity of hearing these speeches at our Junior Prizegiving.



Marcus and Ingrid

On Thursday students enjoyed a concert by EXCEL School of Performing Arts. It was great to welcome back Daniel Garland who was our Arts Prefect in 2009. Daniel will complete his Certificate in Performing Arts at the end of this year. He was one of 21 students selected to go on the EXCEL tour. Well done Daniel.



EXCEL Concert

On Thursday we celebrated the sporting and cultural achievements of our students at our annual Awards Evening. Congratulations to our students on their outstanding achievements.

Our guest speaker, Luke de Soma spoke about his career in the performing arts. His advice to students was to find what excites

you and go out and do it. He said that the thing that drives him to succeed is that he loves what he is doing.

Thank you to everyone who participated in making this such a successful and enjoyable evening.



Todd and Luke

This week Year 12 students have been informed about the Prefect selection process for 2012. Applications are due to the office by 28 October and shortlisted applicants will be interviewed on 1 December. Students may apply for more than one position. The selection panel is made up of four students and four staff. I chair the process, ensuring that it is fair and correct procedures are followed, and only vote if there is a tie. The Prefects are important role models for our students and perform crucial roles in our school. Year 12 students who were not present on Thursday morning when I spoke to them, can collect information from the school office.

Thank you to parents who gave me feedback about the on-line interview bookings. About 2/3rds of bookings were made using this new system and all people who used it were very positive and commented about how easy it was to use.

Janette Packman
Principal

New Titles in Somers Library

Whisper by Chrissie Keighery – How do you know if your friends are talking about you behind your back, or if a boy likes you. They could act innocent, but you'd know from the rumours. You'd hear the whispers. Being a teenager is hard enough. But being a deaf teenager...Hard doesn't even begin to cover it.

A new Geronimo Stilton series. Meet Creepella van Cacklefur, an enchanting and mysterious mouse with a pet bat named Bitewing. In this story she is writing a chilling story for *The Shivery News*, so she and her niece Shivereen head to scary Squeakspeare Mansion to interview some ghosts. But will the spooky rooms and ghosts inside be friendly – or frightening?

Quarantine! Protecting New Zealand at the Border. As a group of islands for which Biosecurity is vital, New Zealand provides an ideal focus for this book, the world's first national history of quarantine.

Ali's Utterly Unreliable Guide to the 2011 World Cup. Ali Williams entertaining book is unlike any other guidebook to the RWC you might see this year. But just don't expect it to actually guide you anywhere – at least not with any degree of accuracy!

Made in New Zealand delves into the stories behind some of New Zealand's iconic brands. Did you ever wonder how Mr Edmonds came up with the catchcry "Sure to Rise", which one of our breakfast spreads has been banned in the USA, what's the real story behind Wine biscuits and why did people send Bell Tea tins to soldiers during World War 2?

Heart Burn, a suspense soaked novel from the award-winning Queen of teen crime, Anne Cassidy. Ashley owes Tyler a favour and now he's calling that favor in. But Tyler's done time in jail recently, and mixes with a bad crowd. Ashley knows that getting involved with him again will be dangerous, but what she doesn't know is that she could end up paying with her life!

The New Zealand Dairies Career Training Ltd Scholarship and Dempsey Trust Scholarship for 2012. Application forms are available from the school office from Monday 19 September. Applications close on Friday 7 October.

South Canterbury Amateur Athletics Club 2011/12 Season Alpine Energy All Weather Track, Aorangi Park Morgans Road Timaru.

Registration Days

**Sunday 2 October 2.00-4.00pm OR
Wednesday 5 October 6.00-7.30pm**

Come along between these times and register your interest for the up and coming season, receive an information booklet, view our outstanding facilities, catering school age to masters, come along and Have a Go!

Opening day Saturday 8 October 1 pm

For further enquiries contact Jan Lord 688 1960 or Penny Dewar 688 0424 or visit the website -

www.southcanterburyathleticsclub.co.nz

Fundamental skills taught for all sports.

Become a life-saver – each donation saves 3 lives

NZ Blood Service will be at the Knox Church Hall, Manse Street, Waimate Thursday, 20 October between 9.30am and 2.00pm. (This is during the school holidays).

We welcome donors from all the surrounding communities. Making an appointment is recommended to avoid extended waiting.

Phone 0800 GIVE BLOOD or go to www.nzblood.co.nz to make your appointment.

Waimate Amateur Swimming Club

Learn to Swim Lessons available for 5 years & over - 20 minute session between 4.45 - 5.45pm Mondays and Thursday 6 week block before Christmas, commencing Monday 7 November 2011 Continuing with 4/5 week block February.

Cost \$80.00

Development & Competitive swimming.

Must be able to swim lengths competently. Sessions 5.45 – 6.45pm Mondays and Thursdays Commencing Monday 31 October 2011. Cost \$110.00

Coaches needed
Training available

Registration Days

Wednesday 26 & Thursday 27 Oct

3.30 – 4.30pm at Norman Kirk Memorial Pool

Fees payable upon Registration

Numbers Limited

Bring togs/towel for assessment – new registrations or if required. Enquiries to Lisa Watson 03 689 5844.

Strike Force at Wigram

10-14 and 17-21 October 2011

8.30am -12.30 m (4hr) or 8.30 am -3.00pm (6.5hr) for ages5-12 years.

Cost: 4hr programme \$25 per day, 6hr programme \$35 per day or \$170 for the whole week with no added costs.

Contact the Public Programmes Team on 03 343 9504 or email them at programmes@airforcemuseum.co.nz

University of Canterbury School Holiday Campus, College and Hall Tours

Tours will be available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of the October school holidays (10-21 October 2011)

Complete the October School Holidays form or visit our website – http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/liason/campus_tours.shtml

Calendar

Fri 7 Oct End of term

Mon 24 Oct Labour Day Holiday

Tues 25 Oct Term 4 begins

Thur 27 Oct Aoraki Junior Tennis

Tues 1 Nov Soiree 7.30 pm

Thur 3 Nov Senior Prizegiving

Thur 10 Nov Exams begin

Thur 8 Dec Junior Prizegiving