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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Over the past few weeks we have celebrated the achievements of our students at three Prizegivings (Cultural, Sport and Academic). It is awesome to see the talents that our

students possess and the levels at which can achieve. I send special congratulations to Siobhan Hare and Matthew Hart who were awarded the Supreme Awards at the Cultural and Sporting ceremonies respectively and to **East** and Josephine Davna Mueggenburg who were named 'Proxime Accessit' (Runner Up) and Dux at last evenings Academic Prize Giving. I would like to also congratulate all students who were recognised and wish you all the best for the future.

I am also delighted to announce and congratulate the following Student Leaders for 2015:

Academic Leader: Amy Fry Sports Leader: Storm

Murray-Faulkner
Service Leader: Justine Hollis
Cultural Leader: Josaye Frew
Deputy Heads: Alyssa Thurston

and Marc Everson

Head Students: Kate Dunstall and Cruize Murray-Faulkner

NCEA exams start on Monday 10th November and I wish all students the very best with these external assessments. I hope that you have prepared yourselves well and the exam results reward your efforts throughout the year.

To all those students not returning to Waihi College next year I hope that your journey through life is rewarding and positively exciting. Remember that you have become part of our community, you have helped to build our Turangawaewae (Our place to stand) so we look forward to your return, to catching up and sharing your journey. Kia kaha (Stand tall and be proud).

A reminder to parents that the **End of Year Junior Prize Giving's** are scheduled as follows:

Year 9 and 10 Prize Giving—1.45pm Wednesday 10th December

(Y9/10 students are not required to be at school on Thursday)

Year 7 and 8 Prize Giving—9.30am Thursday 11th December

(Buses will run at approximately 11.15am.) *Alistair Cochrane*

Cultural Prize Giving and Elite Sports Awards



Supreme Cultural Award 2014 Siobhan Hare **Supreme Sports Award 2014 Matt Hart**

This newsletter can be found on the College Website—www.waihicol.school.nz

COLLEGE NEWS

2014 Waihi College Cultural Awards Night



In its second year as a stand-alone event, the Cultural Awards Night was a spectacular way to celebrate success in the Arts at Waihi College. The night was sprinkled with drama, art and music and was fun... especially spontaneous dancing! As well as recognising student achievement, acknowledged Mrs Carol Hayden for her Significant Service to the Arts at our school. Carol



directed and produced a huge number of school productions during her 28 years with Waihi College. Past students may recall some of them: Oliver Twist, West Side Story, Annie, Bugsy Malone, Brigadoon, Guys and Dolls, and Dracula Spectacular, just to name a few.

Carol spent many hours, including holidays and weekends, on the choreography of these major school productions. Waihi School of Dance was already established, so many of the lead dancers were Carol's students. Expectations were high, but Carol always took the time to help students during

auditions, often modelling the dance or the acting roles for them. Mrs Carter recalls Carol as always being professional - even when Mr Paton was making smart quips, talking, burping and being generally musically disruptive in background. She would just focus her task. ianorina completely. One ex-student describes Mrs Hayden as being a strong and admirable woman, who with discipline compassion. One student told us this, "she was someone I wanted to please because she was someone I respected".

Thanks to the team of very keen Year 12 and 13 students who were a HUGE help with the setting up, running and then packing up of the event! Many thanks to Mr Paton, Mr



Devery, Mr Oudes & Wayne for all their fabulous help.

Group Awards:

Troupe Waihi....



Dramatic Performance-Abby
Fraser-Jones
Most Improved - Narada Bury
Contribution - Dash Mackel
Best Self-Devised Act - Siobhan
Hare

Top Tech Award - Nora Winkler



Rock Band Wellington Tour....
Most Outstanding - Keegan Brown
Most Improved - Nyah Frew
Contribution - Siobhan Hare
Supreme Cultural Awards:
Musician of the Year - Keegan

BrownDramatic Performer of the Year - **Siobhan Hare**

Maori Performer of the Year - **Tyler Tamati**

Performing Group of the Year - Rock Band

Supreme Cultural Award 2014 - Siobhan Hare!

Significant Service to the Arts - Mrs Carol Hayden



Jenny Twidle

COLLEGE SPORT

Waihi College Sports Awards 2014

On Tuesday 21st October the Senior Sports Prize Giving assembly was held. Congratulations to all of the sporting teams and individual athletes who competed for Waihi College in 2014.

The recipients of the awards were:
MG Hall Cup—Te Huia Apaapa
Madsen Cup—Matt Hart
Fair Player of the Year Award—
Shakka James
Service to Sport—Dayna East
Multi-discipline Cup—Matthew Hart

Elite Sports Awards 2014

This year's Elite Sports Awards were again held at the elegant Fairview Estate. A great night was had by all that attended with entertainment by our quest speakers Ariana Bayler exuberant and the Graham. The Senior Band members also showed us what fantastic talent they have. It is wonderful to see the athletes getting dressed up and being rewarded for the hard work they have put in during the year. The night is where we present our top sports awards and also the school Blues.

Congratulations to all of those who were nominated, the finalists and the winners.

Awards went to:

Sportsman of the Year - Matthew Hart



Team of the Year - College A Girls Basketball



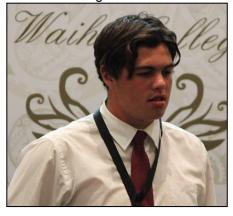
Sportswoman of the Year - Emily Manktelow



Coach of the Year - Tracy Te Wake Photo with manager Karen Ralph



Blues Awards - Ahren Watene-Jones - Surfing



Significant Service to Sport



Awarded to **Mrs Heather Price** for her contribution to Hockey - over 15 years at Waihi College as PE Teacher, Sports Coordinator and Coach.

Well done to everyone.

Outdoor Education



Congratulations to all those who completed their camping and tramping unit standards last week with an overnight camp which included a five hour tramp the following day in the Maratoto Valley. It was great to see the understanding of the skills and principles taught over the last two terms in action.



Students organised and prepared nutritional meals, camped with environmental sensitivity and demonstrated sound preparation and navigation skills on the tramp. Well Done.

David Tait

Basketball News

Bradley Colman made the second

cut as a trialist (only 30 chosen) for the Under 16 Boys for the New Zealand Basketball Team.
Well done Bradley.



COLLEGE NEWS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

BYOD

A plan is currently being drawn up for the next three years and this includes Bring Your Own Device. The plan will include purchasing of new equipment, how to encourage the use of ICT in classrooms, security of BYOD devices etc. Further information will be out shortly. Currently, all Year 11 to 13 students can bring in two devices with permission, there is an internet agreement form for them to sign which allows access to the school wireless.

If you are planning to purchase a device for your child over the next couple of months here are some suggested specs:

- 2GB RAM
- 10inch or Larger Screen
- Windows 7 or Higher
- Keyboard
- Web Browser
- Battery life of great than 5 hours

Brendan Carroll

Keeping Safe Online

Upcoming Events

November

10th-2nd

10th-14th

12th-14th

17th-24th

21st-24th

1st-5th 2nd

4th-5th

3rd

10th

11th

December

7th

13th

18th

18th

19th

21st

Don't be tricked into downloading malicious software. Think before you open attachments or click links in emails of IM, or on a social network—even if you know the sender. Confirm with the sender that the message is authentic. Don't click links or buttons in popup windows.

Calf Club group Day

Year 8 Self Defence

Year 6 Interviews

Year 7/8 Athletics

Volunteers Evening

Year 9 Health Science

Y9/10 TV 3x3 Basketball

Y10 Maori Pacific Taster

Y9/10 Ultra Rip Rugby

Year 9 Homunga Walk

Primary School Tours

Year 9/10 Prize Giving Year 7/8 Prize Giving

Year 7/8 Triathlon

Documents Day

NCEA Exams

Year 10 Camp

Year 13 Camp 2015

(This year's Year 12 students)

Where: Aongatete Camp When: January 28th, 29th, 30th

Cost: \$70.00

\$30.00 deposit is due by Documents Day, 3rd December

please.

This is a compulsory camp.

Brian Hennessy

Spirit Days Photos



GREAT TEETH FOR FREE FREE dental care up to 18 years All year 8 students need to enrol for FREE dental care for year 9 onwards Complete the enrolment form Choose a dentist from the list We will do the rest For more information visit www.waikatodhb.health.nz/dental or phone 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583)

Children's Free Mobile Ear Treatment Service

At Waihi Central School, Moresby Avenue, Waihi on Wednesday 5th November and Thursday 11th December —9.30am—2.00pm. Closed for lunch – 12.00-1.00pm For these services:

- Glue ear assessment and management
- Treatment of discharging ears
- Grommet checks
- Wax/foreign body removal
 All children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

For enquiries phone 07 838 3565.

Driving Instructing and Defensive Driving Courses

VINZ Driver Training and Defensive Driving Courses. Registered with the AA and NZTA. For more information phone Vin Allen on 07 562 2188 or 027 757 1849.

Drama Classes

Acting Out School of Drama offers drama classes to children aged 5 to 12 on Thursdays between 4 and 5pm in the village, Waihi Beach. The emphasis is on fostering fun, confidence and imagination. Term 4 classes began on the 16 October and cost \$70 for the term. We will be working towards performing in the Santa Parade and carols in Pohutukawa Park. To enrol phone Paula on 863 4993 or email paulagaley@rocketmail.com





