



Waihi College Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Kia ora tatou

As educators our job is to prepare our students for their futures. It is also our responsibility to prepare and support our staff for their futures.

Recently there have been a number of staffing changes!

- I was privileged to be part of a group of Waihi College staff and students who travelled to Whanganui recently to support ex Deputy Principal, **Justin Harper** and his whanau as he started his new job as Principal at Cullinane College. I extend special congratulations to **Joanne Howell** who has been appointed to replace Justin Harper as the new DP Learning Design. We are all looking forward to you joining the Senior Leadership Team and helping to guide our school into the future.

- We have employed Mr **Peter Young** to replace Ms Howell and he will start after Queens Birthday weekend.

- At the end of last term we said farewell to **Mr Reuben Wells** and wished him all the best as he heads to Australia for a years leave.

- I am delighted to announce that another of my Deputy Principals **Brendan Carroll**, has been appointed to the Principals position at Reporoa College and will leave us at the end of Term Two. I have already advertised the position and hope to have a replacement ready to start at the beginning of Term Three.

I am proud that the opportunities and experiences we have offered staff here in Waihi College has flavored their development and will help to guide them in their future.

The changing of the seasons signals the

start of a different set of sporting activities. Winter sports in New Zealand plays a strong part in our national identity, it is great to see so many students getting involved and giving things a go.

Remember to ALWAYS play to win but PLAY FAIR.

• A good player is:

- o Always looking to improve their skills.
- o More interested in improving the team than the result.
- o A humble winner and a gracious loser.
- o Respectful of the referee or umpire.

• A good spectator is:

- o Always positive, supportive and encouraging.
- o Respectful of the opposition and their supporters.
- o Recognizing of skill and talent regardless of which team displays it.

Please be aware that to participate in school-based activities including sport, students must maintain an **85% attendance** record and are **up to date with their financial commitments**. We are very aware that sometimes the costs are difficult to manage, however the school is not in a position to cover those costs. We are currently owed thousands of \$\$\$ which is becoming more and more difficult to recover so we have had to take a stance and insist that costs are paid in advance before a student can participate. Term Two is also about getting on with core learnings and understanding within every subject. Attendance at every class with all the right equipment and attitudes will significantly advance your chances of success. "Don't procrastinate".

Alistair Cochrane

Year 9 Camp



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

COLLEGE NEWS

Year 9 Camp

It was fantastic to have 92 Year 9 students attend the annual camp at Bowentown Holiday Camp during the last week of Term 1.



Despite having the camp cut short by a day due to the high winds and nasty southerly that destroyed about four tents, all students managed to complete all the activities, which included surfing, mountain biking, orienteering, raft building, sand dune restoration,



cooking, harakeke and kayaking. It was awesome having the Year 12 Camp Leaders with us all week; they worked hard to develop supportive and co-operative teams. Congratulations to all the Year 9s who gave everything their best, battled the storm and left with smiles and new friends!

David Tait

Headzup

Kahn Stevenson—Deputy Head Boy



Name: Kahn Stevenson

Position: Deputy Head Boy

Favourite subject: I have three; History, English and Geography

Role models:

Kaleb Anderson - A discovery network photography intern

Emma Gonzalez - A teenager fighting for tighter gun control

Gloriz Ghahrman - Immigrant lawyer fighting for human rights

Finn Harries - Environmentalist film maker

Favourite breakfast: Coffee!

Primary school: Central School

Scariest moment: I got lost in a maze when I was very young. I was stuck there for hours!

Goals: Complete a double degree in Law and the Arts. Eventually I would love to have my work featured in WPO and Sony World photography galleries.

How do you relax: I like to make films and take photos. I like planning, playing with lights and sounds, shooting and editing films and blogs and visual travel diaries. It's relaxing for me to be able to have my camera in hand and have an idea in mind.

What superpower would you like to have: Flying.

Do you have a motto you live by: "Carpe Diem" which is Latin for 'Seize the day'

Kelli Purcell—Sports Leader

Name: Kelli Purcell

Position: Sports Leader

Favourite subject: Catering. I'm good at it and I love food!

Role models: Definitely my Grandfather. And of course my parents.



Favourite breakfast: Berry smoothie with eggs on toast. Or a HOT cup of tea and a heavily salted avocado. Yum!

Primary school: The best one! Waihi East of course!

Scariest moment: I've been to hospital for surgery, tonsils and my foot. That was pretty scary.

Goals: I'd like to become a flight attendant but later on I would like to join the Police.

How do you relax: Eat, listen to music and watch Police Ten 7

What superpower would you like to have: Teleporting.

Do you have a motto you live by? Never say can't if I haven't tried.

Photos of the Memphis Centre students as Pippi Longstocking



COLLEGE SPORT

Waikato Teams Triathlon – 4th April



This event was held on Wednesday the 4th April.

Year 7 Girls

3rd Place - **Sabine Rush, Peyton TeHuia, Emily Davison**

7th Place – **Amber Church, Emily Davison, Peyton Te Huia**

Year 7 Boys

2nd Place - **Innes Hill, Roman Harries, Dominic Vautier**

Year 8 Girls

5th Place – **Lillie Tai, Ciara Hennessy, Jade Waite**

8th Place – **Lucy Walton, Ruby Church, Shilah Clothier**

Year 8 Boys



1st Place - **Noah Harries, Matt Schuler**

4th Place – **Max Baker, Oli Mathis**

U14 Boys

4th Place – **Sam Malone, Reegan Green, Jack Vautier**

U16 Boys

7th Place – **Ben Hennessy, Jared Lee, Cody Roycroft**

Thames Valley Tennis Results – 6th April

Junior Boys Doubles

2nd – **Aidon McKain & Arama Koopu**

Junior Girls Singles

2nd Equal – **Kiana Akuhata**

Intermediate Boys Singles

1st – **Mason Sas**

Intermediate Girls Singles

2nd – **Haille Strange**

Intermediate Girls Doubles

2nd – **Michaela Malone & Tari Rawiri**

Senior Girls Singles

2nd **Wiki Rawiri**

North Island Athletic Championships - Saturday 7th April

Aria Waite and Zeta Schuler qualified at the recent Waikato/BOP regional athletics meet, which resulted in selection into the Waikato/BOP athletics team to compete at the North Island Secondary School Champs held in Wanganui on the 7/8th April.



Aria placed 7th in the JG 300m sprint, Zeta placed 8th in the JG high jump. Well done girls you represented yourselves, your whanau and your school proudly.

BOP Swimming Championships – 10th April

Big thank you to Miss Roberts and all the wonderful parents who came

over to support our team. All of our athletes represented our school at the highest standard, swam well and had a lot of fun!

We are very proud of all our swimmers, remembering that even getting in the top 10 at this level is awesome.

Results:

Girls Y7/8 Relay - 3rd Place!

Alyssa Alexander, Amber Church, Lucy Walton, Te Wai Howie

Boys Y7/8 Relay - 3rd Place!

Matt Schuler, Noah Harries, Innes Hill, Roman Harries

School Relay - 4th Place!

Maya Dodd, Callum McKain, Dylan Steele, Lillie Tai

Year 7 Girls

Amber Church - 8th 100m Breast, 9th 50m Free, 11th 50m Breast, 9th 100m Free, 11th 50m Back, 8th 100m IM

Maya Dodd - 10th 100m Breast, 16th 50m Free, 9th 50m Breast

Alyssa Alexander - 20th 50m Free, 12th 100m Free, 8th 50m Back, 8th 25m Fly, 9th 100m IM

Year 7 Boys

Callum McKain - 4th 100m Breast, 8th 50m Free, 7th 50m Breast, 7th 100m IM

Innes Hill - 7th 50m Fly, 7th 50m Free, 7th 100m Free, 7th 25m Fly, 8th 100m IM

Roman Harries - 8th 100m Back, 8th 100m Free, 8th 50m Back, 9th 100m IM

Year 8 Girls

Lillie Tai - 2nd 100m Breast, 6th 50m Free, 2nd 50m Breast, 4th 100m IM

Lucy Walton - 10th 50m Free, 9th 100m Free, 7th 25m Fly, 10th 100m IM

Riley Fisher-Peet - 12th 50m Free, 11th 100m Free

Te Wai Howie - 11th 50m Back

Year 8 Boys

Dylan Steele - 4th 100m Breast, 10th 50m Free, 4th 50m Breast, 25m Fly, 9th 100m IM

Matt Schuler - 7th 100m Breast, 16th 50m Free, 8th 25m Fly

Noah Harries - 7th 50m Free, 2nd 100m Back, 7th 100m Free, 7th 50m Back, 8th 100m IM

Daniel Kennedy - 9th 100m Free, 13th 50m Back

Rachael Hall

COLLEGE NEWS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Waihi College Fees

School Accounts

The College is funded by the government to cover staffing, capital purchases, basic equipment, running costs and maintenance. There is not sufficient funding to cover material charges and optional choices by students.

Accounts are sent out each term. These statements show what is owing on your student(s) account. Some of you will have paid money in advance and may have a credit balance. This will be allocated to this year's course costs.

School Donation

The donation in 2018 is \$33.00 per student with a maximum of \$60.00 per family. Families are encouraged to contribute because the donation helps to pay for extra student facilities and equipment.

Course Costs

These are charged dependent upon which subjects your student chooses. (NB: all students in our junior composite classes take all subjects offered.) The charges made for subjects are solely to contribute towards the cost of the materials used by your student for

items that can be taken home or consumed (gone are the days of bringing your own egg and flour to cooking classes)! The charges in Years 9-13 are based on the subjects which your student has chosen. These charges are compulsory if the student is taking the subject.

Activity Charges

These charges relate to any extra-curricular activities your student chooses to do. This includes all sporting activities/teams/events, drama activities, kapa haka, itinerant music lessons, optional school trips, etc. The charges relate directly to the costs involved in the activities and therefore are compulsory if the student takes part in the activity, they are also required to be paid in advance of a trip/activity taking place.

Paying your Fees

Fees can either be paid by placing an envelope into the box at the school's Student Centre or to the Main Office by cash or EFTPOS (no credit cards), or they can be paid online (please use your child's name as reference) - our bank account number is: 02 0472 0019594 00.

Alternatively you may wish to set up an automatic payment (AP) to pay a regular amount into your child's school account over the year. Many parents find APs are a great way to pay off school accounts, particularly if students are involved in a lot of courses, sports and other school activities. If you wish to set up an AP you can pick up one from the school office or contact Sue and she will email one out to you. Take it to your bank, or you can set up an AP online.

We understand that, for a variety of reasons, people can go through very difficult financial times. If you are unable to meet the compulsory charges in one go, automatic payments of instalments from as little as \$5.00 per week will be accepted. Please phone the school office to see what can be arranged.

Children's Free Mobile Ear Treatment Service

At Waihi Central School, Moresby Avenue, Waihi on Wednesday 30th May—9.45am—2.00pm.

Clinic will be closed for staff breaks. These will be noted on clinic door.

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 regarding this service phone 07 838 3565.

Upcoming Events

May

7th-11th	Inter-house Sports Week
7th	TV Ripa Rugby
9th	Chess Tournament
14th-15th	L3 Outdoor 1st Aid
15th	Get Ahead Careers Day
16th	SPED Rafting
18th	BOP Y7/8 Amazing Race
18th	Pink Shirt Day
18th	Waikato Uni Open Day
21st	BOT Meeting
22nd	WC Cross Country
22nd	Mike King Visit Y9-13
30th	TV Cross Country

June

1st	Kaitao B/B Tournament
2nd	School Ball
4th	Queens Birthday
6th	Waik/BOP Cross Country
7th	TV Squash

MIGHTY PUCKS

LEARN TO SKATE



WAIHI MINERS INLINE HOCKEY

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 16TH MAY TO WEDNESDAY 20TH JUNE

TIME: 5.00PM TO 6.30PM

WHERE: WAIHI EVENTS CENTRE
HASZARD STREET, WAIHI

COST: \$20 PER PERSON (FOR THE 6 WEEKS)

WHO: ALL AGES WELCOME

HOW: REGISTER ON THE DAY

BRING: SOCKS, WATER BOTTLE, BIKE HELMET. SKATES AND ALL OTHER GEAR IS SUPPLIED.

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