



# Waihi College Newsletter

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Kia ora tatou

Term Three is now in full swing and it is important for all students to settle into great work habits as the year draws closer and closer towards end of year examinations. Remember academic success comes to those students who are organized and motivated to work hard to achieve their goals and I urge parents to also adopt this approach and encourage students to be at school at every opportunity.

In an attempt to ensure that all our students are given the best opportunity to achieve an NCEA qualification we have adopted the following approach:

- **Practice Exams (Sept 12-18):** Regular classes will operate whilst the practice exams are on. Only students actually involved in the scheduled exam will be out of class.
  - o (No exam leave for practice exams)
- **NCEA External Exams:** Exam leave will be decided on a case by case basis when JHo/CGr/Dca are confident that a student will gain 80 credits towards their relevant "level" qualification. All other

students will be required to be at school and in class continuing to study.

I also extend a **special welcome** to all the international students and particularly to our new friends from Tohoku Gakuin (Sendai, Japan). We have been looking for a Japanese boy's school that we can build an exchange with to mirror the exchange we have with the girl's school from Kyoritsu Joshi Dai Ni. We are hosting the Japanese schools at the moment and our students will be travelling back to Japan in late September. An awesome opportunity for our young people.

I hope that all new students are having a wonderful time and settling into our Waihi way. Enjoy the opportunities that are available in our school.

**Winter sport** is coming to the business end of the season and I wish everyone all the best as you strive to achieve championship victory. May the skills and team work that you have learnt throughout the season have you prepared and ready for the final challenge. Whether you win or lose do it with dignity and grace. Honor and respect your opponents for the skill and enthusiasm they brought to the challenge.

*Alistair Cochrane*

## Waikato Culinary Fare 2019



This newsletter can be found on the College Website—[www.waihicol.school.nz](http://www.waihicol.school.nz)

**Waihi College – He tangata takahi manuhiri, he marae puehu.**

A person who mistreats his guest has a dusty Marae (Meeting house).

## COLLEGE NEWS

### Waikato Culinary Fare 2019

This year the Hospitality Department took 27 students to compete in the Waikato Culinary Fare on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of July.

This was a very successful year with many students competing for the first time and to an impressive standard. With over 500 competitors competition was high. Students worked hard over a full term to develop and perfect their dishes with many sleepless nights over flavour combinations and presentation. Every dish that was plated was beautiful and I would like to take this opportunity to say just how proud I am of these wonderful young chefs. We came home with a total of 7 silver medals, 18 Bronze medals and 4 merit. Here's to next year and another fantastic competition.

#### Results 2019

##### Cupcake:

Bronze medal:

Lani Johnson

Beau Crawford

##### Cold Dessert:

Bronze:

Georgia Armstrong

Michaela Malone

Mya Greenfield

Alexandra Tinsley

Tari Rawiri

Silver:

Wikitoria Rawiri

##### Savoury Pie

Bronze:

Dylan Bellamy

Kara Burrell

Matti Soellner

Holly Manukonga

Amaru Donaldson

Silver:

Brooklyn Seath

##### Café Cake

Bronze:

Brenna Atkins

Mia Brown

Brayden Shaw

Grace Gerrand

Silver:

Katie Broad

Kane Curtis

Wikitoria Rawiri

##### Cold Entrée:

Bronze:

Tereana Delamere

Silver and overall class winner

Manon Rahain



### Live Soup Dish

Silver:

Brayden Shaw

Live Creative Burger:

Bronze:

Lorien Picard

Mrs FitzGerald



### Waikato Analytical Competition

2 teams of L3 Chemistry students recently went over to Hamilton for



this annual competition. While there were no medals this time the students thoroughly enjoyed getting



some experience in University laboratories and mixing it with other scientifically minded people. Students: Aidan Roycroft, Luke Barakat, Jack Schuler, Jamie Mudford, Jaq Barnett, Sam Bayes, Mahonri Koopu, Josh Miller.

Leon Ruttersmith

### Year 10 Trip to Career Expo

All Year 10s will be attending the CANVAS Careers Expo at Bay Park, Tauranga on Friday 9th August. A permission letter has been sent home with the students. Please return this to your Learning Advisor ASAP. Students will leave school at 10.30am and return by 3pm. Transport costs are covered by the school.

#### Careers Calendar

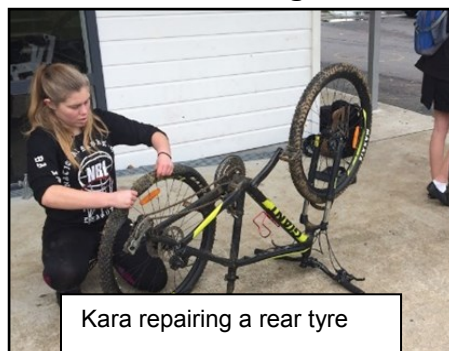
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 12.30pm in Deans Room – Otago University

### University Chemistry



liaison here to do course planning. **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 11.00am** in Deans Room – Waikato University liaison here to do course planning. *Brian Hennessy*

### Outdoor Education - Year 11 Mountain biking



Kara repairing a rear tyre

Congratulations to all the Year 11 students who recently completed two mountain biking standards. Students spent most of Term 2 learning about safe mountain biking, riding technique, appropriate clothing and equipment, and basic mechanics including tyre and chain repairs. Students practice their skills on both our own school MTB track as well as the Black Hill track. While they began the term with a huge range of abilities, all students are encouraged to push themselves to the edge of their limits. Needless to say even the good riders will 'eat some dirt'. Nice work Torban!



Torban doing a close track inspection

*David Tait*



## COLLEGE SPORT

### WC Badminton Champions

#### Year 7/8 Boys

Champion - **Druss Mercer**

Runner-up - **Kade Gill**

#### Year 7/8 Girls

Champion - **Alana Gleeson**

Runner-up - **Kimi Hawkes**

#### Junior Boys

Champion - **Jason Yeh**

Runner-up - **Dylan Steele**

#### Senior Girls

Champion - **Michaela Malone**

Runner-up - **Mia Brown**

#### Senior Boys

Champion - **Royce Mercer**

Runner-up - **Daniel Su**

### NZ Inline Hockey Reps

#### Jamie Mudford

NZ Junior Women travelled to Barcelona and placed 7<sup>th</sup>.

At the end of June I travelled to Barcelona with the NZ 18U



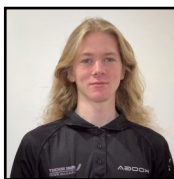
Junior Women's Inline Hockey Team to play at the World Roller Games. I was privileged to be named Assistant Captain and have another opportunity to play for New Zealand. Going into the tournament we were placed in a pool with India, Sweden and Finland. We came away with two wins and a loss. A win against India 6-0, a win against Sweden 8-0 and loss against Finland 5-1. We advanced into the Quarterfinals but unfortunately we went down to a strong Canadian side 2-1 which ended our chances of making the top 4. After that we played Columbia to decide whether we would play off for 5th and 6th or 7th and 8th. We fought hard with a nil all draw at full time which meant we had an extra 10 minutes of overtime. With only three minutes remaining our defence slipped and the Columbian side were able to put the puck into the back of our net. The girls gave it everything but unfortunately it meant that we would be playing off for 7th and 8th that same evening against Great Britain. This was also a nail biter with a 2-2 draw at full time taking us again into extra time. 10 minutes wasn't enough and by the end of the game the score remained 2-2. We then moved into a penalty shootout to decide the game. My team

mate Sammy and I scored during the penalty shootout and our goalie Lily was able to shut out their attempts at goal, resulting in a win for us. We finished 7th and were very proud of our close, well matched games throughout the tournament and how well we gelled as a team. Personally I had a great tournament scoring 5 goals as well as one in the penalty shootout. Barcelona was an amazing city and I am very grateful for the opportunities I have had to travel and play hockey.

#### Luke Barakat

NZ Junior Men travelled to Barcelona and placed 14<sup>th</sup>.

At the end of June, I headed to Barcelona to represent New Zealand in the World Roller Games. I played for the 18U G Junior Mens Inline team. We played some dope hockey and faced some rad teams. Although we didn't do as well as we had hoped, we ended up on a high by smashing Australia placing us in 14<sup>th</sup>.



#### Bree Heays

NZ 14U travelled to Hawaii AU Junior Olympics and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Tier 1

Going to Hawaii was definitely a great experience on the rink and off the rink, I enjoyed looking at all the different sights. It was really cool getting to represent NZ and play against all the other countries and was a bit different playing over there because of the heat and rink size.



#### Zac Willams

NZ 12U travelled to Hawaii AU Junior Olympics and placed 3rd.

This is a thing most people would not get a chance to experience in their life, but I was lucky enough to get picked to represent my country and play the thing I LOVE. It was a cool experience because you could meet other countries like Mexico



and America.

#### Brayden Burr

NZ 12U travelled to Hawaii AU Junior Olympics and placed 3rd.

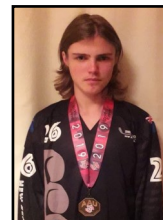
My trip to Hawaii was for the Inline Hockey Junior Olympics. When we stepped out of the airport in Hawaii, the first thing I noticed was how hot it was. After 4 days staying in Waikiki the Hockey competition started. Our team was made up of players from all over New Zealand. First we played in the Club tournament against teams from Australia, Mainland USA and Hawaii itself. We ended up getting 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Club tournament. Next was the International tournament, against teams from Mexico, Australia, USA and Hawaii. Unfortunately we got knocked out of the competition in the quarter finals by Australia. My favourite part was receiving the Bronze Medal because it was a major achievement. It was definitely worth all the hard work in the build-up.



#### Honza Andrews

NZ 14U travelled to Hawaii AU Junior Olympics and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Tier 2.

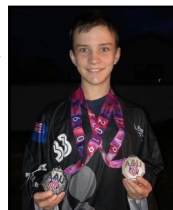
I really enjoyed my time over there.



#### Connor Torrens

NZ 14U travelled to Hawaii AU Junior Olympics and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Tier 2.

Hawaii was fun. We played hockey for 6 days and for 4 days we had free time. The best day was when we vs the Aussies. It was the 5<sup>th</sup> day and we all expected it to be a close game, but we wanted to win mostly because there was a big punch up with the other NZ team and the Aussies so that meant we had more pressure on us. The period starts and about 3 minutes in they get a quick goal, but straight after that we get 5 goals. At the end we beat the Aussies 5-2.



## COLLEGE NEWS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

### NZ Police Non Emergency Number

NZ Police recently launched a new non emergency number, 105. We've done this to make it easier to get hold of us in the event of non-urgent situations or 'Things which have Already Happened', which don't require Police assistance immediately.

You can call us on 105 for all non emergencies, or you can go online at [105.police.govt.nz](http://105.police.govt.nz) to report things like:

- Lost property
- Theft for a public place or car
- Intentional property damage
- Or to get an update or add info to a previous report

In the event of an emergency, always call 111 - Things that are Happening Now.

### Upcoming Events

#### August

2nd	BOP Jnr B/B Champs
4th-6th	Y11 PED Ski Trip
5th-7th	Gateway Sports Course
6th-7th	NZ Surf Champs
6th	Tohoku Trip
7th	9A Netball Tournament
7th	Chess Tournament
7th	Coromandel Roadshow
7th	TV Y9/10 Jnr Badminton
9th	Y10 Careers Expo
13th	Auckland Hospitality Champs
13th	Team and Cultural Photos
16th	BOP Senior B/B Champs
18th-21st	Year 13 Ski Trip
21st	NCEA Evening/Straw Polling
21st	TV Girls Football Champs
23rd-26th	Inter Students Trip Ruapehu
23rd	NCEA Straw Poll Closes
27th	Gateway Heights Course
29th	TV Boys Football Champs
30th	Talent Quest
31st-8th	Tournament Week
31st-3rd	Jnr Zone 2 B/B Premis

#### September

2nd-6th	UNISS (Netball)
4th-7th	Snr Zone 2 B/B Premis

### WAIHI AA Defensive Driving Course

Reduce the time on your restricted licence and become a safer driver.

Starts 13th August, places limited, book now!



(screenshot of e-drive online learning)  
- 9 hours learning time in total with 4x two hour face to face evening group sessions

- Individual one on one driver tuition for one hour
- AA Defensive Driving Course NZTA approved certificate (great for your CV)
- BONUS! e-drive online learning for home study!

Book now – see our website or facebook for bookings!

w: [thamesdrivertraining.co.nz](http://thamesdrivertraining.co.nz)

f: [thamesdrivertraining](https://www.facebook.com/thamesdrivertraining)

**AA Motoring**

**Driving School**

### Absence text phone number

You may have noticed that we are using a new system to contact parents/caregivers for unexplained absences. If your student is absent and we have not heard from you, we will send a text and email asking for an explanation. If you need to text the student centre with an absence please use the following number: **022 590 3714**. This number can be used for **absence texts only**. The old student cell phone number (021 830 055) is still valid but we will be moving away from using the old cell phone.

### Trophies

We are starting to prepare for prize giving again. If your student received a trophy at prize giving last year, please return it to the Student Centre.

### Free Mobile Ear Treatment Service

At Waihi Central Primary School, Waihi on Tuesday 13th August — 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.

Please note clinics may be cancelled without notice due to unforeseen circumstances.

### News from Netsafe

Netsafe have recently launched a great new resource for parents and whānau, the 'Online Safety Parent Toolkit'. This interactive PDF offers parents and whānau practical tips and tools to help them talk to their children about online safety. It includes:

- quickstarter tips for parents, whānau and young people
- information to enhance digital parenting knowledge
- details about the online risks and challenges their children may face
- advice about how they can help their children.

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Online-Safety-Parent-Toolkit-R2.pdf>

### More Culinary Fare

