



Waihi College Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT



Term Two is all but over and what a term it has been. Covid 19 has had a significant impact on all our lives and as the term has progressed and students have been required to return to school we have had to quickly adjust to the new normal.

I would like to acknowledge all those supportive parents and caregivers for all their efforts and care of our students during these often anxious and uncertain times. I would also like to acknowledge our school's hardworking and caring staff for going out of their way to not only provide learning opportunities but also for looking out for the wellbeing of every child. This has been tiring and emotionally taxing and I applaud your efforts and hope that you take some time during the holiday break to relax and recharge the batteries.

School life has quickly returned to a new normal (sort of!!) and with winter sport back

on the schedule it is great to see many students getting into it. Please remember to maintain high standards of hygiene and if unwell stay home and if necessary get an opinion from your doctor. Covid 19 is still present in NZ and it is important that we all stay vigilant.

Well done to all those parents who managed to meet with the teachers on **INTERVIEW** day. If you missed the opportunity please feel free to contact the school and we will endeavor to set up an opportunity with the appropriate teacher. principal@waihicol.school.nz

To any international students heading home. Thank you for being part of our lives over the past few months and I hope you travel safe. We have all got to know each other better and I thank you for adding diversity, culture and friendship to our lives.

I hope you all have a good midyear break. See you back at school on July 20th.
Alistair Cochrane

Super Tuesday Police Studies Course



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

Waihi College – He aroha whakatō, he aroha ka puta mai.
If kindness is sown, then kindness is what you shall receive.

COLLEGE NEWS

Super Tuesday Police Studies Course



Senior students on the Super Tuesday Police Studies course have found themselves truly tried and tested over the past few months. The Police Studies programme, run in conjunction with the New Zealand Police, gives students the chance to achieve the Learning Preparation course that new police recruits must pass before attending The Royal New Zealand Police College. Whilst this course is traditionally offered to new recruits via Distance Learning, this hands-on initiative is a new



approach that is being trialled in Secondary Schools. Waihi College was fortunate enough to be invited to get involved; students from Katikati College are also attending. The programme, which offers 24 Level 3 credits, prepares students for a career in the police force. Aspects covered include fitness (the entry requirements are very demanding!), career pathways, communication and interviewing skills, and responding to incidents and crime scenes. Every week the course is supported by police officers – we are so very grateful to Senior Constable David Grant, Community Constable Harley North, Constable Melissa Whiteman and Constable Tracey Lemon for all the time and energy they are putting into our students' growth

and development. As well as providing valuable programme content, these constables have become the students' mentors and friends. Personal Trainer and Wellness Coach Victoria Lemon, who specialises in preparing candidates for the Police Physical Appraisal Tests, has also been working with the students on their fitness, goal setting and mind mapping as they approach fresh challenges.

Volunteering experience is an essential for a successful police application – and because of this the course includes an introduction to Lifeguarding, the Fire Brigade and Search and Rescue. Students will get the opportunity to attend the Blue Light Police/Defence Force Leadership Camp in August, and to sit their Lifeguard or Patrol Support exam in September.

It's fair to say that so far, the course has challenged everyone involved. Our students have been tested physically and mentally, our local



constables are doing a great job with the teaching, and everyone has realised that the more they commit, the greater the reward.

Kate Morley

English Department News Writing Competitions:

Good luck to our students who are entering the Sargeson Writing Competition.

We have another competition to look forward to, the World Tales competition, this is open to 12-18 year olds from around the world. The title is "Once Upon a Time in my Future" and could include references to equality, justice, climate change and or international solidarity.

Your story should be 250-500 words long, and the deadline is 15th October.

Any questions to Mrs Barrow in B9.

Poetry Competition

The **National Schools' Poetry competition** is closing soon, entries in Te Reo or in English should be sent to:

<https://schoolspoetryaward.co.nz/enter-competition/>

Debating

We are hoping to start up a debating club in Term Three, ready for the end of year competition in Tauranga. Please contact Mrs Barrow if you are interested.

Jacqui Barrow

Food Bank

Waihi College teamed up with the Salvation Army over the last few



weeks to collect much needed food for the Food Bank. Kids dressed in mufti and brought a 'can instead of a coin' and raised a huge amount of



tins, dried food, school snacks and more to give away along with the community and staff who all got behind it too.

Well done to everyone involved – especially our Service Leader, Catlin Cumming and our juniors Zoe-Beth Naisby, Lucy Beach, Bella Paulsen and Kate Townsend (not pictured but very much part of the team!) who were the masterminds behind this great project.

Wendy Shave

COLLEGE SPORT

Waikato Basketball League

Congratulations to our Senior Girls A Basketball Team for making the Premier Division of the Waikato League.



Our Year 7/8 girls went through to Cambridge on Friday to support them and had a great time!

Football

We would like to congratulate Year 13 student Mason Sas who has been selected for the NRFL Reserves team, he will be competing in the Northern League off the back of a National Youth League summer competition.

The hard work and dedication you put into your sport is commendable we wish you luck for your upcoming season.

**Congratulations
Hennessy!!**

Ben



New Senior Boys X Country Record of 19.49m (old record Tate van Duyvenbooden 21.25m).

X Country House Points

- 1st - Amaranth 168
- 2nd - Empire 131
- 3rd - Royal 95
- 4th - Dominion 89

2020 X Country Champions

Year 7 Girls

- 1st - Nevaeh Vautier (A)
- 2nd - Celeste Rush (A)

Year 7 Boys

- 1st - Koby Kelland (A)
- 2nd - Aidan Butler (A)

Year 8 Girls

- 1st - Brooke Kelly (A)
- 2nd - Olivia Malone (E)

Year 8 Boys

- 1st - Will Baker (D)
- 2nd - Mahe North (D)

Junior Girls

- 1st - Emily Davison (R)
- 2nd - Sabine Rush (A)

Junior Boys

- 1st - Dominic Vautier (A)
- 2nd - Wes Cameron (E)

Intermediate Girls

- 1st - Tyla Millar (R)
- 2nd - Kyla Walker (R)

Intermediate Boys

- 1st - Jack Vautier (A)
- 2nd - Max Baker (D)

Senior Girls

- 1st - Mia Morgan (A)
- 2nd - Tasmin Skinner (R)

Senior Boys

- 1st - Ben Hennessy (E) Rec
- 2nd - Zinzan Coop (D)

Congratulations to all that participated.



Congratulations Jade Waite

Who has been named in the NZ U16 Mixed Touch Squad.



Awesome work Jade!!

Sports Fees

A reminder that all sports team fees are due. If you need support in this please contact the front office.

**Have A Great Season! Remember
Play Hard, But Play Fair!**

Rachael Hall

COLLEGE NEWS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Waihi College Ball

As you will have heard, the ball is back on and the date is set down for 26th September. Times and prices haven't changed (6.30pm-11.30pm and \$75 for single or \$140 for a double) – but the theme has! We are now happy to be hosting 'A Night of a Thousand Lights'.... The kids are all in planning mode and we are all looking forward to the big night.

Ball Dresses, Shoes and Suits

We are starting to collect some lovely suits and dresses here at the school for any students that may want to have a look. We will post more about this as we get closer to September, but in the meantime, feel free to pop in and check out what we have in Wendy's office.

Arts, Music, Culture and Services

Follow our page or head along regularly to keep up to date with what's happening in the school. Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/theArtsandServicesWaihiCollege/>
or Insta@WaihiCollege.

From the School Librarian

Below is a link to a story about our students doing wonderful things for research using Library Catalogue and the National Library to help them with sourcing information for their assessments.

<https://bit.ly/waihicollgelibrary>

Control click to open.

Michelle Sutton

Give Rowing a Go!

Bay of Plenty Coast Rowing Club presents Give Rowing a Go!

When: Sunday 2nd August—1.00pm—2.30pm

Who: All students Year 8-13

Where: 369 Wairoa Road, Tauranga

Bring: Weather appropriate clothing, Drink bottle, Socks.

More Info: baycoastrowing.co.nz
Recruiting.bopcoastrowing@gmail.com

Free Mobile Ear Treatment Service

At Waihi Central Primary School, Waihi on Friday 7th August—12.00—1.30pm.

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



Upcoming Events

July

3rd	Defence Force Visit
3rd	Kereru Stream Study & Trapping
3rd	End of Term 2
20th	Start of Term 3
22nd	Snr Badminton Champs
29th	Jnr Badminton Champs
30th	TV Senior Badminton Champs
31st	Science Roadshow

August

3rd-4th	Te Arawa Cycle Trip
6th	TV Junior Badminton Champs

Congratulations to our volunteer lifeguards who have achieved greatness during the 2019/20 season.

You are most deserving and we are all very proud of your accomplishments.

There are many other contributors to the lifesaving movement who have given up their time and energy to keep our beaches safe.

To everyone we say thank you.



Taylor Brothers Cup
Newly-qualified Lifeguard
of the Year 2019/20
Rian Butler

ARGOS Gymsport School Gymsport Festival



Years: 3 - 6 - Thursday 24 September 2020 Entries due: Friday 28th August

Years: 7 & 8 - Friday 25 September 2020 Entries due: Friday 28th August

Venue: 32 Koromiko Street, Judea, Tauranga

Hosted by: ARGOS Gymsport

Cost: \$10 per student per code

For further information contact: office@argosgymsport.co.nz
Phone: 5770603



Events:

Artistic Gymnastics
Rhythmic
Trampoline
Tumbling (only Year 7 & 8)

