



# WAIHI COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

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### Waihi Gold Discovery Centre

This term, our Year 7 & 8 ākonga are learning about the history of gold mining in Waihi. We reached out to the Gold Discovery Centre, and they graciously offered for the Year 7 & 8 kaiako to visit. Eddie and Karen warmly welcomed us, both being a wealth of knowledge and so willing to share it with others. As a team, we learned more about what the Gold Discovery Centre offers and its role in the community. We then journeyed



down into the exhibition space. Our journey began in the mid-1800s when gold was first discovered, continued through the booming early 1900s, and concluded in the present day. It was fascinating to see the improvements in technology during this time, the growth and development in Waihi, and the increased focus on the well-being of people and the environment. We all really valued our time at the Gold Discovery Centre and were thankful for the opportunity that was given to us.

### Waihi Museum Trip



showing all of the tunnels that were dug under Pukewa were fascinating too .

During the last few weeks of school, our Year 7 and 8 students visited the Waihi Museum. Debbie, a knowledgeable and patient guide, shared valuable information about the history of gold mining with our ākonga. They learned about historical mining practices, including the process of extracting gold from quartz rock and the working conditions for miners. Highlights of the trip included the jail, miners' thumbs, and the model stamper battery. The model of Waihi in the 1920s and the display

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora Whanau,

Week 10 is here! Gracious me - looking back over the term, it has certainly been full. A highlight for me has been the restoration of our beloved Whare Maia.



Last Wednesday, many of us gathered at dawn, as the truck arrived to transport our carvings from where they had been restored, to the whare. The karanga rang out at the dawn broke, and the carvings were carefully driven to the whare, and we gathered outside, to welcome them home with powhiri and waiata.

It was wonderful to hear from Brian, Maia's father, whom the whare is named for. He spoke beautifully of his daughter, and her attributes, one being courage (and the meaning of her name) - how fitting for our young people to walk through Whare Maia's doors, being the heart of our kura, to have such a legacy to aspire to.

We honor those who have gone before us, and pay tribute to those who not only have helped shape our path to get to today, but also to the hands that have carved Whare Maia's beautiful art works. These were originally carved by one of our kura whanau, Waka, and have been restored by Richard, to be placed back on the whare, and glow as the heartbeat of our school. I am truly grateful to have been a small part of the morning, and like those there, will remember this time for always.



Later that day - we hosted the Seven Schools Sing choir - how fitting to have 84 young people, from year 5-8, and their whanau, join together in concert. They were spectacular! My thanks to all the teachers and Principals who helped the logistics happen, of bringing together 7 schools! Special mention to Dorette Hartley, Edwin Randall and Roshan Gul, for their extraordinary combination of talent, in putting together such a special community event. We are looking forward to the next one already!

Lastly, the Katikati Exchange! We warmly welcomed 130 students to participate in the day long event, with multiple sports happening all at once! Some great sportsmanship has been on display - and some fierce pride in our kura too! Well done to all our athletes, and supporters, we love seeing you shine in this way! Have a fabulous term break - we look forward to welcoming you back to kura on the 22nd of July!

Nga manaakitanga, Briar

## CAREERS & FUTURE PATHWAYS— with Carolyn & Jade

NEW ZEALAND COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC  
– 24 July 2024

A green rectangular graphic. On the left, the text 'discover career in chiropractic' is written in a white, stylized font. To its right is the logo for the 'NEW ZEALAND COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC', which includes a stylized 'S' shape and the tagline 'graduating hands, hearts & minds'. Below the logo and text, there is a white text box with the following content:

**Explore how you can make a difference in people's health.**

If making a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities inspires you, then a career in chiropractic is for you.

Learn more about this exciting and rewarding career at our information event in Hamilton.

### Chiropractic Career Talk

Wednesday 24 July, 7pm

Health Performance Chiropractic  
5/699 Wairere Drive, Hamilton



**Register now**

Scan QR code  
for more details

[chiropractic.ac.nz/events](https://chiropractic.ac.nz/events)

### DEFENSE FORCE INTAKE AND INFORMATION

January & February Intakes closing soon!

Officer roles - Pilot, Warfare and Army applications close in the next 4-6 weeks.

Non Officer roles close in September.

Click here to apply and for more information - <https://www.defencecareers.mil.nz/defence-careers/>

### Base Visits (Air and Navy)

Whenuapai Air Base and Devonport Naval Base in Auckland offer base visits. If you are interested please fill out the forms in the below or contact [aucklandrecruiting@defencecareers.mil.nz](mailto:aucklandrecruiting@defencecareers.mil.nz)

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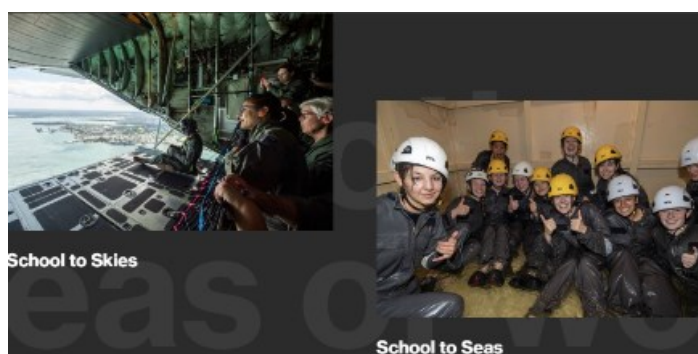


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### School To Seas/School To Skies (females only)

These are programmes for year 12 and 13 female students who are studying science or maths. These programmes are held at the Air Force and Navy bases and usually in the school holidays and last around 5 days.

Please register at: <https://www.nzdf.mil.nz/programmes-and-resources/>



### Army/Navy Reserves

This is part time and you get paid per day and basic training is a lot shorter. This is great to do while studying at university or polytech or you just want to do this part time.

Please go here to apply: <https://www.defencecareers.mil.nz/>

### QUEENSTOWN RESORT COLLEGE Information Night in Tauranga 12 August 2024

Come and hear more about our Hospitality Management and Adventure Tourism Management Diplomas, positive futures in tourism, and chat with our Future Student Adviser, Chelsea Bassett, about starting a degree at QRC with pathways from our diplomas to The University of Otago and ICMS, Australia.

Scholarships close:

- 📅 QRC presentation followed by Q&A session.
- 📅 Light refreshments provided.
- 📅 Location: Trinity Wharf, 51 Dive Crescent, Tauranga
- 📅 Date: Monday, 12 August 2024
- 📅 Time: 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Register online: <https://www.qrc.ac.nz/events/qrc-info-night-tauranga/>



## CAREERS & FUTURE PATHWAYS— with Carolyn & Jade

### UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

The Future of Accounting Information Night  
in Hamilton 14 August 2024



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**WAIKATO**  
*Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato*

## The Future of Accounting 2024

**Wednesday, 14 August - 4.30pm - 6.30pm, followed by networking and nibbles**  
**The University of Waikato, Hamilton**

Are you thinking about a future career in accounting? Join us for this special careers event at the University of Waikato on 14 August 2024 and start planning your future today!

Open to all secondary school students in years 12-13, as well as teachers, careers advisors, and parents/whānau.

### Highlights of the event:

- **Industry insights:** Gain valuable insights from business leaders and recent graduates on how the role of accountants is evolving in the digital era.
- **Career opportunities:** Discover how a career in accounting can make epic things happen! Accounting will unlock opportunities to work in a wide range of industries aligned to your interests - both in New Zealand and overseas.
- **Skills and attributes:** Find out why today's employers are seeking a much broader range of 'soft skills' and personal attributes in the next generation of accountants.
- **Study pathways:** Learn about the University of Waikato's [Bachelor of Business](#) degree, which will set you on the right path to become a Chartered Accountant. You can study in either Hamilton or Tauranga.
- **Networking:** Enjoy free nibbles and refreshments after the event, while networking with industry professionals.

To Register use the QR code or see Ms G:



## CAREERS & FUTURE PATHWAYS— with Carolyn & Jade

**TAURANGA CANVAS CAREERS EXPO – 8 August 2024**

Thursday 8 August, all Year 10 & 11 students will be travelling to Mercury Bay-park Arena, Mt. Maunganui to take part in the Canvas Careers Expo. Parent/Guardians are welcome to meet us at the expo.

Whether you're interested in a career in innovation, science, medicine, engineering, beauty therapy, tourism, or the arts, becoming a tradie, working in the corporate sector, or you want to explore your entrepreneurial skills – this is the expo for you! Connect with and learn from members of the workforce about their experience, talk to universities or training providers, engage with industry sector representatives and have a whole lot of fun exploring your dream career. Leaving school or wanting to retrain or change careers completely? Canvas Careers Expo has got that covered too.



QR Code: To view all 77 exhibitors.



[www.canvascareers.co.nz/expo](http://www.canvascareers.co.nz/expo)

**AUT LIVE OPEN DAY! 24 August 2024**



Register online or see Ms G.

Web Link: <https://www.aut.ac.nz/live>



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## SPORTS—with Jess

### Equestrian

Evah Carey competed in the express eventing at the Waikato Equestrian Centre at the weekend and secured 1st in the 80cm. Well done Evah

### Cross Country

Congratulations to Brielle Michalchuk who made it to the Bay of Plenty cross country and came top 22 out of 65 runners. This is an amazing achievement, well done Brielle

### Rugby League—Hauraki Trials

Rep training for U13,U14, U15 boys and girls this Sunday 10am Start at Rhodes Park,Thames



### Palace

O'Brien and her team Te Kaweitiki competed at the Australia/New Zealand Māori Rugby League Nationals in Rotorua over the long weekend. The team was made up of young ladies from Australia and New Zealand, they finished 6th overall. Well done to all the young ladies involved

Good luck to Rylee Morgan who heads to Nationals in the school holidays with her Tauranga City Representative Basketball Team

We hope you all have a safe and happy holiday. Please remember to email through any sporting events that your tamariki has or are competing in via email [jesso@waihicol.school.nz](mailto:jesso@waihicol.school.nz)

## COMING UP

- ⇒ Monday 1st July - Waihi/Katikati College Sports Exchange
- ⇒ Wednesday 3rd July - Thames Valley Golf, Tough Guy & Gal Challenge, Secondary Schools Rugby League Regionals
- ⇒ Thursday 4th July - Year 7&8 Thames Valley Badminton Festival

## Message from the FARM UNIT

Just a heads up for staff & students that the pines across the stream will soon be taken down by logging contractors. We've Caution taped the stream gates & the West gate to the paddock as a precaution, so that nobody ends up in the paddock when machinery is working. Access to the stream is now solely via the vehicle bridge from the small paddock behind Hollis hut. Usual precautions re electric fences apply.

Have a great final week of term. Nga mihi nui

Geoff W, Waihi College Farm Unit



## SEVEN SCHOOLS SING



The Seven Schools Sing concert was a huge success – well done to everyone involved; from the organisers and supporting primary teachers, to the student's whanau and friends. It was a massive effort from everyone and it paid off with a sensational performance much to the delight of the audience. Lastly, big ups to the students who all totally shone – you should be really proud of yourselves

To see all the photos, head to the [School Photos](#) section under Keeping Informed

## NURSES CORNER

**WAIHI COLLEGE HAS A SCHOOL NURSE AVAILABLE MONDAY-THURSDAY ALL DAY AND A DOCTOR WEDNESDAY 9AM-11AM**

POP IN TO THE BUILDING NEXT TO THE TREE OF LIFE  
WALK IN APPOINTMENT, OR TEXT/PHONE TO  
0272983787

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IF YOU HAVE  
ANY HEALTH NEEDS OR QUESTIONS



Ngā mihi, with kind regards  
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## SCHOOL LUNCHES—COMING UP

Please note meals and/or ingredients are subject to change without notice

### WEEK 10

*MONDAY Mex Mince Served Hot*

Mild Mexican flavoured beef & bean sauce, served on rice and topped with cheese sauce. Served with corn chips

*TUESDAY Ham Sandwich*

Oatlicious bread filled with ham, cheese and salad. Served with yoghurt (and fruit for high school students).

*WEDNESDAY Ham Pizza Served Hot or Ambient*

Pizza slice with pizza sauce, ham and cheese, carrot sticks, corn chips and slice

*THURSDAY Meatball Pasta Served Hot*

Beef meatballs in a vegeful tomato sauce on pasta and topped with cheese sauce. Served with a garlic roll

*FRIDAY Butter Chicken Curry Served Hot*

Rice topped with a mild curry sauce with veggies and chicken. Served with a roti wrap