



KEI KONEI TĀTOU E TŪ ANA  
HERE WE STAND

# WAIHI COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

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### CULINARY FARE

At the end of last term, we travelled to the Waikato Culinary Fare—this is a fabulous event which has grown to become the largest regional competition of its type in New Zealand.

We took out the cake class, with Deva nailing the top of class spot!

6 golds: Deva, Luisa, Hayaat, Luke, Freddy and Zara

6 silvers: Saki, Logan, Sean, Bayley, Ceylin and Romain

Chicken dish: Deva got a silver and was just one point off getting a gold, Saki received a bronze with just one point off a silver!

Barista: Hayaat received silver

We also had top 2 pizzas with Hayaat taking top spot of gold and Freddy also receiving a gold. Ceylin and Sean received silvers.

Freddy, Romain, Zara and Luisa all took silvers for their desserts and lastly we claimed 6 silvers and 1 bronze for the burgers.

Huge effort to everyone—well done!



## KEEPING WARM

We sent home a letter via email recently regarding keeping our kids warm during winter. Here is a copy for anyone that may have missed it:

Dear Caregivers and Whānau,

### Re: Keeping Warm During the Cold Weather

I would like to thank you for your efforts in encouraging your child to wear their school uniform during Term 2. As you may be aware, we had a focus on non-uniform sweatshirts and hoodies in the second half of the term. This will continue into Term 3 as the cold weather remains with us.

Our official school sweatshirt or jacket are the most suitable outerwear for maintaining warmth during break times and outdoor activities. However, we understand that some students might prefer additional layering underneath their uniform.

Here's what students can wear for extra warmth:

- Black or white thermal wear can be worn discreetly under their school shirts.

If a student doesn't have a school sweatshirt or jacket available, a note from you, the caregiver or whānau, is required. We will then provide a temporary pass for them to wear a suitable alternative for that day.

**Please note:** Hoodies (including sports hoodies) are not school uniform and so are not permitted for school.

School sweatshirts and jackets are available for purchase from the Uniform Shop. The shop's opening hours are: Tuesday: 8.00am – 9.00am and Wednesday: 1.40pm – 3.40pm

We appreciate your support in ensuring all our students stay warm and comfortable throughout the winter season.



*Let's  
stay  
warm*

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora Whanau,

Term 3 - here we come!

This term looks full and fabulous, with many options for our young people to shine! We have many sporting opportunities, along with our students in practice exams, CAA, drama production, and more.



I am continually impressed with the various pathways our students can take, and then incredible staff, who creatively facilitate these.

Over the school holidays, you might have heard of the epic achievements of the basketball team - a gold medal for our Rylee Morgan, and ex-student Aaliyah Hill, along with their team. Huge congratulations to you all ladies, your hard work, determination and grit, paid off!

Congratulations to our epic young men Xandrex and Rylan! Both of these lads have gained places at Toiahmi, to pursue their passions. Both of these young men have worked hard to 'live the pathways' to their goals. Both boys have identified their specific career pathways that they want to embark on in 2025. In order for this to become a reality, both boys are heading to Toi Ohomai for Semester 2 to complete the New Zealand Certificate in Study and career Preparation Level 4 including specific science papers that will help them in their chosen field of study.



Xandrex: Bachelor of Nursing

Rylan: New Zealand Diploma in Environmental Management Level 5 Marine Strand

Massive thanks to all the staff involved, who have encouraged them, and made this possible, by continually thinking outside the box and meeting our learners' needs! We are SO proud for you lads!

My big thanks to Grant, Matty and our property team, for their tireless work over the holidays, dealing with the multiple 'fix it' jobs, installation of our new fancy hoops in the gym and so much more - we appreciate you guys!

Have a great week whanau!

Nga manaakitanga, Briar



## SPORTS—with Jess

### Motocross

What a whirl wind month June had been for our Moto Cross tamariki.

We had the King's birthday weekend which saw the best in the country battling it out for the NZ Bike Torques King's Cup.

A huge congratulations to Alex Maitland placing second in the Senior MX2 class. A fantastic placement for a Junior Rider.

Also, many of our riders headed to Taupo to compete in the Berm Buster Cross country Ride.

Congratulations to Max Walton, Blake Smith, Lewis Hutchins and Alex Maitland for successfully completing this and having a great day out in the wind, rain and mud.

Well done Team, making Waihi College proud.



### Thames Valley Rugby

Huge congratulations to Jamie Hughes who has made the Thames Valley u14 Boys Representative Rugby Team for 2024. Badminton

The final event for term 2 ended at Whangamatā Area School for year 7&8 Thames Valley Badminton Festival -

One of our newest incentives for Thames Valley Secondary Schools Sports Association and year 7&8 students.

We had 2 teams compete on the day.

Team Bad-Min-Slams

Lachlan Hewlett, Logan Cooper, Jordan Holmes, and Joel Crockett

Team Shuttle Busters

Jenny Yeh, Zephlyn McKenzie, Jimi Randell, and Alex Nidogma

### **Katikati School Sports Exchange**

The annual school sports exchange with Katikati was yet again another huge success. We had over 320 students in total participating which is one of our biggest exchanges in a long time.

### **Results from the Waihi/Katikati School Sports Exchange are below.**

#### **Football**

7&8 Mixed 14-0 KKC

1st XI Boys 4-0 KKC

1st XI Girls 6-0 KKC

#### **Netball**

7&8/Diamonds 22-11 KKC

Prem 1/Waihi College A 33-21 KKC

Year 10 26-17 KKC

Year 9A 3-28 WC

WC Senior Girls Development/College A 16-50 WC

#### **Basketball**

7&8 Boys 31-22 KKC

Senior Boys Devel/College A

52-43 KKC

Junior A Boys 45-50 WC

College A Boys/Senior Boys Prem 56-57 WC

#### **Ultimate**

Open Girls 4-7 WC

Open Boys tbc score KKC

#### **Volleyball**

Junior Girls 50-39 KKC

Junior Boys 40-27 KKC

Senior Girls 34-39 KKC

Senior Boys tbc score KKC

#### **Rugby**

Unsure of result KKC

Overall bragging rights go to Katikati College.

Thank you to our coaches, managers, umpires, refs, code coordinators and supporters for making the day a positive experience for our tamariki.

### Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge

Before the end of term 2 we had 24 year 7&8 students compete in the annual Tough Guy & Gal Challenge. All students got into it, finishing with mud, grit, and enthusiasm. Thank you to our volunteers on the day we couldn't do these things without your support.

### Secondary Schools Rugby League

We had a great day at the Secondary Schools Rugby League Regionals last term. We entered an u15 Boys Composite Team under Waihi College.

Coach/Trainer Daniel Paul is really happy with our boys' performances throughout the day. Playing 12 players against 13 and no subs, due to a couple unwell and still coming away with the win was unreal.

We committed to keeping our middles strong and no one broke our middle line. We did let try's in but they were nothing burrow from dummy half try's. This tournament tested our defence out. Being one player down, the boys had to work extra hard to protect their mates insides.

Attack was scintillating.

The back-door plays run from our halves was crispy to watch. Our big boppas ran hard and devastated the opposition team's through the middle.

2nd rowers worked for every metre they got and a few tries we got was on the back of good strong line running and dragging one or 2 defenders.

Walter and Micheals' conversions helped and kick offs and penalty kicks were gaining us massive advantages.

Nationals here we come. Well done to our Waihi College Boys Kortez McLeod, Rā-Anthym Selwyn, Tayte Porter, Andre Buskermolen and the rest of our team.

We also had x4 girls play in a composite team with Matamata College; Brea Peka, Palace O'Brien, Maeva Ainsley, and Gracie Tempelmeyer. They had 2 losses and 1 win.

### Rugby

Congratulations to our Waihi College Boys Aidan Butler & Micah Frew and the Paeroa College U18 Rugby Team for winning the Patron's





## SPORTS—with Jess

### Basketball

During the holidays Rylee Morgan finished the Footlocker u16 Representative Basketball Nationals campaign with her teammates UNDEFEATED.

The ladies played Wellington in the grand final coming away with the win 110-80 securing them the GOLD medal.

Tauranga City Basketball Association last secured a Gold Medal win over a decade ago (under WBOP) so this is HUGE NEWS!!

Waihi College is so proud of you Rylee Morgan and team!!! National u16 Girls Representative Basketball Champions 2024

Congratulations to our Rylee Morgan, ex Waihi College student Aaliyah Hill, Coaches, Manager Andrea Hill and to all players!!! Your hard mahi, dedication to training, travel, sweat and happy tears all paid off.



## NURSES CORNER

**WAIHI COLLEGE HAS A SCHOOL NURSE  
AVAILABLE MONDAY-THURSDAY ALL DAY**

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  
MARGIE GOLDSWORTHY / SCHOOL NURSE FOR  
WAIHI COLLEGE



Ngā mihi, with kind regards  
Margie (She/Her)

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## SCHOOL LUNCHES—COMING UP

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

### WEEK 1

*MONDAY - Meatball Pasta Served Hot*

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

*TUESDAY - Ham Sandwich*

Oatilicious 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 - Cottage Pie*

*FRIDAY - Butter Chicken Curry Served Hot*

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

### WEEK 2

*MONDAY - Mac & Cheese Served Hot*

Pasta with vegful cheese sauce, ham and mixed veggies

*TUESDAY - Ham Sandwich*

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

*WEDNESDAY - BBQ Chicken Pizza Served Hot or Ambient*

Pizza slice with pizza sauce, chicken and cheese topped with BBQ sauce, carrot sticks, corn chips and slice

*THURSDAY - Rissoles & Gravy Served Hot*

Beef & Veggie Rissoles with veg loaded potato and gravy

*FRIDAY - Mex Mince Served Hot*

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