

WAIHĪ COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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CULTURAL PRIZEGIVING & SENIOR ART EXPO - 29TH OCTOBER

Waihi College is excited to present its **Senior Art Expo** at 3.45pm in the Hub Space, followed by the **Cultural Prize Giving** at 6pm in the Hall both on the **29th of October**. The Cultural Prize Giving will recognise and celebrate students who have excelled in kapa haka, culinary arts, music, drama, hall tech, and art and media design, with awards presented to outstanding individuals. The Senior Art Expo offers a chance to view the impressive Senior Visual Art Folios. Everyone is welcome to attend both events, so please come along and support the talented students.



ACADEMIC PRIZEGIVING: 1st November @6pm

Earlier this week, parents and caregivers of our Seniors were emailed home important information about our upcoming Academic Prizegiving. The letters detailed as follows:

*I would like to take the opportunity to invite all parents, whānau, friends and community members to the Senior Prize Giving on **Friday 1st November at 6pm** in the Waihi College school hall. During the prize giving we will celebrate the learning achievements of students*

who have gained a 1st in class award, 1st in Year award, scholarships, student leader positions and the prizes for special character. Students in Year 13 who are graduating will also be presented with their certificates.

If your student is receiving an award for this prize giving, or if they are involved in the Year 13 Graduation, you will receive an email from me in the next few days.

Students will be expected to be in school at 5.40pm so that they can be seated at 5.50pm for the 6pm start.

Year 13 will go straight to the hall

Year 12 will meet in B9 with Mr Budgen (senior Kaiarahi)

Year 11 will meet in B8 with Mr Wallis (senior Kaiarahi)

Students in Year 11 and 12 will need to wear school uniform (no jackets or jerseys as it gets very hot in the hall). Year 13 students need to wear formal MUFTI

For students who are receiving a placing in class (2nd or 3rd) or an endeavour award, these will be presented during the Prize Giving assembly on Thursday 31st October which will be held in the school hall at 10.00am. Service awards will also be presented during this assembly as well as the House Trophy. Parents, whānau and caregivers are welcome to attend this prize giving if they would like to.

This information can also be found on our website in the Latest News section, under Keeping Informed.

STUDY LEAVE INFORMATION

Earlier this week, parents and caregivers of our Seniors were emailed home important information about Study Leave. The letters detailed as follows:

We are now heading towards the end of the timetabled school year for senior students. NCEA exams begin on Tuesday 5th November. See below a copy of the NCEA exam schedule (a downloadable pdf version can be found on our website). Please note that morning exams begin at 9.30am and afternoon exams at 2.00pm. Students must bring their NCEA examination admission slip with them to the exam (these are being issued on Monday 21st October).

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about study leave for senior students. Study leave is given to students in Year 11, 12 and 13 to prepare for their upcoming examinations.

In 2024 ALL students in Year 11, 12 and 13 will be granted study leave from Monday 4th November.

From Monday 4th November, there will be additional catch up and support for those students who have not yet passed their NCEA Level. There will be a catch up week in A3 (the old library) with the senior hub team who will work with students on any outstanding assessments and learning that will help them towards achieving their NCEA Level from 9am through to 1.50pm every day. Teachers will also be available in their classrooms should students want to work with them directly.

I would encourage students who need this additional support to make the most of this catchup, it is amazing how much you can achieve in a week with the extra support.

This information can also be found on our website in the Latest News section, under Keeping Informed.

2024 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Examinations available digitally shown in blue.					
Date	Session	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Tue 5 Nov	AM	Lea Faka-Tonga	Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM	Gagana Samoa Spanish	Biology	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Statistics
Wed 6 Nov	AM			English	
	PM	Geography	Spanish	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	German
Thu 7 Nov	AM		English		Latin
	PM	Reo Māori Kōkī Arai	Accounting	History	French
Fri 8 Nov	AM	Mathematics & Statistics		Chemistry	Accounting
	PM		Music		History
WEEKEND					
Mon 11 Nov	AM	French	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoa
	PM	Commerce	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Media Studies
Tue 12 Nov	AM	English			Physics
	PM	Korean	Drama	Samoa	
Wed 13 Nov	AM	Science	Chemistry	Drama	Geography
	PM	Gagana Tokelau Vagahau Niue	Geography	Biology	Art History
Thu 14 Nov	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	PM	History	Chinese	Accounting	Agricultural & Horticultural Science

CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 15 Nov)					
WEEKEND					
Mon 19 Nov	AM	Te Reo Māori	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangitira	Chemistry
	PM	Japanese	Health	Economics	
Tue 19 Nov	AM	Chemistry & Biology	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangitira
	PM	Health Studies	Business Studies Cook Islands Māori	Health	
Wed 20 Nov	AM	Chinese (Mandarin)	Te Reo Rangitira	Lea Faka-Tonga	English
	PM	Social Studies	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Thu 21 Nov	AM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Latin	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	PM				
Fri 22 Nov	AM	Religious Studies	Economics	Business Studies	
	PM	German	Media Studies		Biology
WEEKEND					
Mon 25 Nov	AM	Digital Technologies	Japanese	Geography	
	PM		Earth & Space Science	Religious Studies	
Tue 26 Nov	AM		Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	PM		German	Home Economics	
Wed 27 Nov	AM		Social Studies	French	Japanese
	PM		Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Media Studies	
Thu 28 Nov	AM		Education for Sustainability Samoa	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
	PM			Music Studies	
Fri 29 Nov	AM				Spanish
					Earth & Space Science

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora Whanau,

We are thrilled to be celebrating our fabulous students this term at all our various Prizegivings. So far we have enjoyed the Team and Champions Prizegiving as well as the Elite Sports Prizegiving. Next up we have the Cultural Prizegiving, the Endeavour & Service Prizegiving for Seniors then the Senior Academic Prizegiving. Phew - so much to celebrate!

Later in the term we can look forward to the Junior Endeavour & Service as well as the Junior Academic. All the dates can be found on our website (and in this newsletter) so make sure you come along to celebrate with us. Photos from the events will be uploaded to our School Photos section as usual, as well as shared on our Facebook Sports page and Facebook Arts & Service page. Nga manaakitanga,
Briar



CRAZY COLOUR RUN - 6TH DECEMBER

We have decided to host a Crazy Colour Run for our Juniors in December. Next week students will bring home sponsorship forms and a parent letter to explain how you can get involved.



The event will be held on **6th December** and we'd love as many people on the day to cheer the kids on as possible! We're also looking for some helpers, so if you're available please email the school on wendys@waihicol.school.nz. We are fundraising for an outdoor fitness area/school playground so let's do this!

YEAR 7&8 SPEECHES

This week, eight courageous students stood in front of their peers, and delivered persuasive speeches. The topics ranged from why we should watch Gravity Falls and the

importance of learning to cook to why carrots are the best vegetable and why brain rot is a problem.

Our speakers were two Year 7 and two Year 8's from each waka.

- Year 7 finalists: Marlie Cochrane, Jaycee Serenado, Jimi Randell, and Jack Kayes.
- Year 8 finalists: were Ryan Fletcher, Reuben Carey, Sam Davison, and Samara McHardy.

Isla Freeman and Brielle Mi were our MC's, ensuring the event ran smoothly.

We were really grateful to have Kate Morley and Michael Wallis, from our English department, to judge each performance on their delivery, content and audience engagement.

They were looking for topics that were personal to the speaker and had a clear message to the audience.

Despite some tough competition and well-written speeches, a winner and runner-up was decided for both Year 7 & 8.

Congratulations to the following:

Year 8 Winner: Sam Davison

Year 8 Runner Up: Ryan Fletcher

Year 7 Winner: Jimi Randell

Year 7 Runner Up: Jack Kayes



SPORTS PRIZEGIVINGS

This is the time of year when Waihi College hosts a series of prizegiving's to recognise and celebrate the achievements of our students. Recently, we focused on sports, honoring our teams and individual champions. We were thrilled to have ex-student and current Black Fern Ariana Bayler with us and offer our students a piece of information as a high performance athlete. You'll find photos from the event on our website in the School Photos section under "Keeping Informed." Although many of our students were quick to cross the stage, we've captured the moments as best we could. Congratulations to all athletes who received an award and to all our future athletes remember if you believe, you can achieve!! There are so many team and champion results to celebrate; please head to the Waihi College Facebook Sports page for the breakdown of results.

Details of our Elite Sports Prizegiving will be in next week's newsletter (and shared to Facebook Sports page)



JUMP START - THANK YOU!!!

HUGE thank you to Oceana Gold, Phil Salmon, the Jump Start Navigators and Carolyn Graveson for getting their 100th student through the Jump Start driving programme. This programme shows just what a community can achieve by working together. Thank you to everyone involved.

EAR VAN SCHEDULE

If you would like to take your child to the Ear Van during term 4, please head to our website to download the schedule. It can be found in the Latest News section, under Keeping Informed and is downloadable as a pdf document. **www.waihi.col.school.nz**

COMING UP

Prizegiving Dates:

- 29th October: Senior Art Expo @3.45-5.45pm in the Hub Space
- 29th October: Cultural Prizegiving @6pm: Waihi College Hall
- 31st October: Senior Endeavour & Service Prizegiving @10am: Waihi College Hall
- 1st November: Senior Academic Prizegiving @6pm: Waihi College Hall
- TBC December: Junior Endeavour & Service Prizegiving: Waihi College Hall
- 12th December: Junior Academic Prizegiving: Waihi College Hall

These can be found on our website under Keeping Informed (Important Dates) and are being updated as the term progresses.

St Josephs School Waihi

SCHOOL FAIR

FACE PAINTING

FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS

MARKET STALLS

COFFEE CART

GAMES

CASH ONLY

TICKET

RAFFLES

BOUNCY CASTLE

November 2 10am – 1pm
At the school field 20 Mueller Street

Armistice Day 2024
Commemoration of the 105th Anniversary

Monday 11 November 2024

NZ Tunnelling Company Descendants

You are invited to an Armistice Day Remembrance at the Tunnellers Memorial, Gilmour Reserve— 10.45 am.

This year we will have an informal Armistice of Remembrance and invite you to join us, as we remember – Let us forget. Bring a picnic lunch and share some more memories afterwards as we continue to enjoy the memorial at Gilmour Reserve. Instead of the traditional wreath laying, you may wish to lay a posy of white flowers as a tribute.

This is a joint project for
NZ Tunnelling Company Descendants & Waihi Heritage Vision

Contact Vicki & Pete Beveridge
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LEST WE FORGET
11TH NOVEMBER

WAIHI COLLEGE

Waihi College - International

Connecting Families | Sharing Cultures | Improving Learning

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

EVER THOUGHT OF HOSTING AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?

WAIHI COLLEGE IS LOOKING FOR NEW HOST FAMILIES

INTERESTED?

CONTACT: Magdeleen Green
magdeleeng@waihicol.school.nz

You receive weekly payments for hosting!

SPORTS WITH JESS AND JO

Mens Netball Nationals

Last term Chace Tawhiti competed at the Men's Nationals Netball Tournament in Tauranga

Squash The School

Squash Championships took place at the Paeroa Squash Club. While we had a lower turnout than

Runner up Byron

Perkinson. Seniors (DNP). Congratulations to you all. A big thank you to Anne Hughes and the Paeroa

with his team Tamaki Makaurau 2. It was great to be able to head over and watch a game or two as Men's Netball is on the rise. Chace started playing in the defence and then was advanced into the shooting circle. As the highest point scorer in the Senior Boys Development Basketball Team, this is where he really shone. Well done to Chace and his team mates.

expected, the students made the most of the opportunity, having fun and learning a lot along the way.

The results were:
Year 7&8 Boys Champion Lachlan Hewlett, Runner up Jack Kayes. Year 7&8 Girls DNP, Junior Girls Champion Leah Kelly. Runner up Rylee Kuizinas, Junior Boys Champion Dominic Bismark.

Squash Club Committee for making this possible and supporting our students in their squash championship. Thank you to Chris Astwood for your support as well. If Squash is something your tamariki are interested in competing in the @Paeroa Squash Club is starting up a Junior Club in 2025. More details to follow.

Bay Of Plenty Rugby

The following students Mitchell Paynter, Marlo Nopper, Harrison Muir, Dallas Tither-Runga, Xavier Gread and Blake all participated in the Bay Of Plenty Rugby Union Junior Development Tournament last term. They all played well and had fun. The Bay Of Plenty selector did a paper selection for a year 7&8 open weight division and Mitchell Paynter was selected. Mitchell also got awarded player of the tournament for the Northern/Valley team. Well done boys.

Waihi Athletics

More Rugby success for our tamariki. Our Waihi Athletic Under 12s competed at the New Zealand Junior Rugby Taupo Tournament last term. The team won the Overall best team award which was picked out of 134 teams and 67 clubs Nationwide as well as a team from Australia. Our Waihi College tamariki were: Joel Crockett, Jordan Holmes, Lachlan Hewlett, Logan Cooper, Noah McNeil, Elijah De O'Campo, Lebron Taulu, Realm Whitika, Lennox Fathers, Jackson Van Etten, and Zeplyn McKenzie. Well done boys!!

Reo Mano Korero

Thank you to all Captains, Coaches, and team Managers who submitted a korero for the Reo Mano

Volunteers Evening

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who came to our dinner the other night. We have such wonderful people in our community that help with sports, culture, driving, clubs, teams, Jump Start - so many areas. THANK YOU!!!





Thames Valley Rugby

Well done to our u16 Boys Aidan Butler, Andre Buskermolen, and ex students Johnston Coll, and Micah Frew who had 1 win, 1 loss at their u16 NortheRn Regions Rugby tournament in Te Awamutu today. The team finished in 4th Place. Also well done to our u16 Girls Gracie Tempelmeyer, Palace O'Brien, and Rylee Morgan who brought it to the field. The game against Northland was an amazing second half with everyone finding their second gear. They then played Northland for 3rd and 4th and were determined to seal the deal finishing off in 3rd place.



Surfing

Jack Kayes headed over to Gisborne to compete at the Sticky Johnson Primary Schools Championships. He came away with a 3rd placing in the first heat, 2nd next heat, although he didn't advance from there it is always a highlight to get amongst it. Well done Jack.

Beau Fitzgibbon surfed his way to a 3rd placing at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Scholastics Championships. What an incredible performance by Beau and an amazing result. Congratulations Beau!! We are so proud of you and your achievement. Beau was also part of the Coromandel Team who took second place.



Waihi Community Sporting Codes

Athletics started on Monday with a give it a go night. If your tamariki are 14 years or under - this is for them. Spring Netball commenced on Tuesday. If your tamariki is keen to play please reach out to Jess as we can get them into a team.

Touch started last night. Whilst some players had to withdraw due to sporting clashes it was great to see so many turn up to jump in a team. Please remember that your boots must be touch boots or you are able to play in bare feet. Boots must not have metal sprig's as it's dangerous for players without boots.

COMING UP

- Tuesday 29th October Waikato Tennis Championships
- Tuesday 5th Nov Waihi/Te Kauwhata Sports Exchange

LUNCHES

Week 2 (21-25 Oct)

Meatball Pasta
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Cheesy Tomato Pasta

Week 3 (29-31 Oct)

Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Cheesy Tomato Pasta
Pasta Bolognese

Beef & Veggies
Cheeseburger Wrap