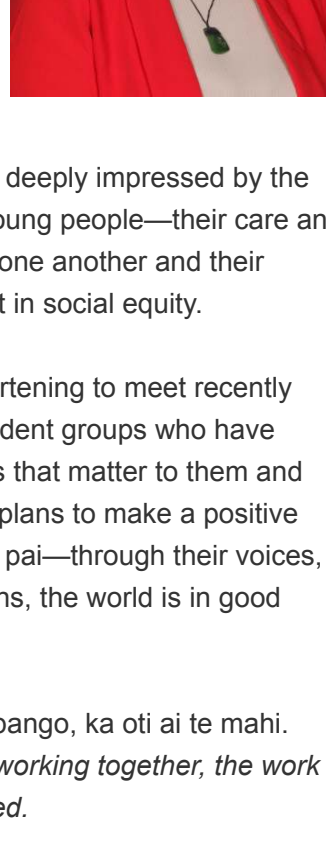


WAIHĪ COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Kia ora e te whānau,
There has been plenty happening around our kura as we continue to improve our learning environment. Recent property projects include upgrading the gym ceiling and lighting, along with installing a new fob-access system on our exterior doors. If you currently hold a master key, please return it to the school office, as these keys will soon become obsolete in many areas.



Planning is also underway for upgrades to the Music Block, including new windows and doors, and some internal modifications. Sadly, the large conifer at the front of the school will need to be removed. While we will miss this familiar landmark, watch this space as we plan the next stage of beautification for this area.

Behind the scenes, we are preparing our 2027 timetable and class options. We are also undertaking a school-wide room tidy-up so that we can begin Term 4 looking sharp and ready for another busy term.

Our students are looking forward to the Winter Sports Prizegiving during the first week back. Please mark this event in your calendars—whānau are warmly invited to attend and help us celebrate the commitment and achievements of our athletes.

This week is Te Wiki o te Reo Māori! While we strive to use te reo Māori throughout our everyday lives, this is a wonderful opportunity to make a conscious effort to give it a go. There are many fabulous resources and daily prompts available online—get amongst it and help us celebrate te reo Māori together!

Our senior students are counting down the days until the end of Week 4, when we will send them off in style to prepare for their examinations and begin the next stage of their journeys.

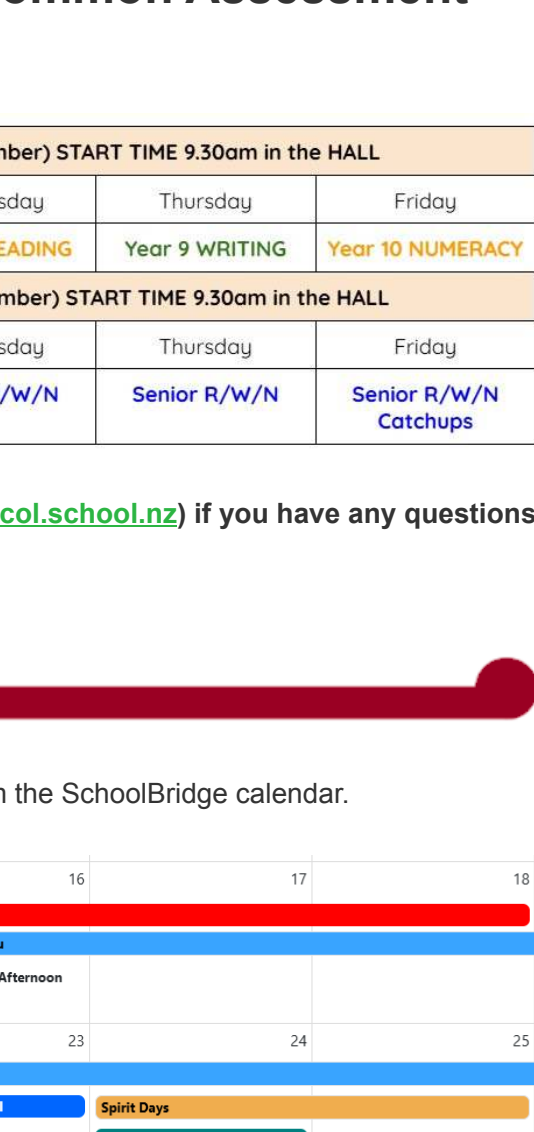
I continue to be deeply impressed by the calibre of our young people—their care and commitment to one another and their genuine interest in social equity.

It has been heartening to meet recently with several student groups who have identified issues that matter to them and are developing plans to make a positive difference. Tino pai—through their voices, ideas and actions, the world is in good hands!

Mā whero, mā pango, ka oti ai te mahi.
With everyone working together, the work will be completed.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Briar Principal | Tunuaki Waihi College



DID YOU KNOW?

Giving back has long been part of Waihi College life!

For 20 years, Waihi College students have been supporting the 40 Hour Famine, alongside many other causes through multi days, bake sales, sausage sizzles, head shaves and community events.

It's a proud tradition of **Manaakitanga in action** — our rangatahi getting behind causes that make a difference.

Literacy and Numeracy Common Assessment Activities

PRIZEGIVINGS

Our end-of-year prizegivings are always an exciting time at Waihi College! With our students shining in so many different ways, we hold a number of prizegivings to make sure their achievements, talents, service and hard work are recognised and celebrated.

Please contact Jo Howell ASAP (jo@waihicol.school.nz) if you have any questions.

COMING UP

Here's a snapshot of our upcoming month from the SchoolBridge calendar.

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