



Waihi News

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Dear Parents,

On Monday at Chapel I discussed, making the most of your talents and education, aspirations, and school mottos. A strange selection of topics but bear with me I'll explain the connection between this and a Waihian.

Our chapel was built in 1879, I showed the children a shield which hangs in my office from a school built exactly 500 years earlier in 1379. I told children that this School was founded by a man named William of Wykeham (1320-1404). William was the son of a free but poor man called John Long in Wickham in Hampshire – Southern England.

As a freeman William wouldn't have expected to 'rise above his station' but he did. William went to work in the church and learnt about building. With this education and by using his new-found talents he began to progress. His big break came when he helped with the architectural work for Windsor Castle and eventually got noticed by King Edward III (one of England's most successful monarchs who transformed the country into one of Europe's most formidable powers).

Eventually William became Chancellor of England (second most powerful and wealthy man in England). He founded New College Oxford, New College School in 1379 and Winchester College in 1382. Now my connection with William (apart from our fathers having similar names), was that as a young master my first Prep School teaching position was at New College in Oxford, where the children knew all about William. New College's motto is **Manners Maketh Man**.
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IMPORTANT WAIHI OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESSES

Admissions / Logistics / Absences	Kat Thompson	executive@waihi.school.nz
Uniform orders / enquiries	Stacey Jackson	uniform@waihi.school.nz
Finance enquiries	Karen McArthur	finance@waihi.school.nz

To apply for leave for a non-school event please email headmaster@waihi.school.nz to seek approval

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The children discussed good manners: table manners, saying please and thank you, calling your elders Sir and Ma'am, however this motto goes further than that. The manners William referred to when he first established the motto are those personal "mannerisms" or characteristics, which make up who we are. There is more than a subtle difference, with this motto referring to consideration of others; a sense of fair play; doing the right thing on all occasions; Being beyond moral reproach.

Translated for our children your mannerisms and behavioural characteristics make you who you are. Every child who visits me for an enrolment interview promises to "give everything 100%" and the children know that our only rule is "do the right thing, in the right place, at the right time". That is the Waihi student.

A parent spoke to me one morning and said that her son had remarked to her that (discussing sport) "the one thing you don't want to be called at Waihi is cocky". I thought it was very satisfying that he fully realised that being a Waihian means being humble in victory and gracious in defeat (our children don't always see this role-modelled very well by adults who should know better).

We do discuss our expectations of sporting behaviour with the children, they all 'sign up' to the Waihi Players 'code of conduct'. Staff will be putting these 'codes of conduct' on Class Dojo for you all to see, please take the time to discuss them with your son or daughter. Please also take time to look at the other two 'codes of conduct' that we have, for coaches and supporters. Sport can inflame passions of us all at times but at Waihi we hold our children to the highest of standards and I am sure that all adults associated with Waihi children and teams will support us with our message that *Manners Maketh Man*.

Whether you believe that manners are right at the heart of our personalities or whether you believe that they are more of an external display of a thoughtful state of mind, there is no denying that this proverb can give us plenty of pause for thought. Simply put good manners demonstrate a sense of respect for other human beings.

I look forward to seeing most of you next Friday at our "Meet the Teacher" morning and hope you then stay and enjoy class picnics and Swimming Sports.

Kind regards

Allan Short
Headmaster

Headmaster's Thought for the Week

"Manners Maketh Man"

New College School Motto

Uniform Shop

Waihi Rugby Jersey: \$75

This is an optional merchandise item



It is not a uniform item

Please email uniform@waihi.school.nz

by **Monday 26 February 2024**

if you wish to order this optional item

Adults style **RJS**
HALF CHEST at bottom of armhole
LENGTH from HSP to hem

XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL
45	48	51	54	57	60
69	72	74	76	78	80

Waihi Strategic Planning

Parent Survey

The Waihi Board have this year set themselves the task of undertaking a Strategic Planning Review and as part of the preparation wish to survey parents regarding their thoughts on our school.

Next week a short survey will be uploaded online, and you should receive an email invitation to participate. We would very much appreciate each parent taking a few minutes to respond.

The survey should only take five or ten minutes to complete, and we encourage additional individual comments on any issue. All responses are confidential and will help to guide the Headmaster and Board in reviewing parental opinion of school performance and setting objectives for the Strategic Plans.

The survey will be open until the start of week nine, Monday 25th March, and we appreciate you taking the time to respond.

We are really keen to try and get responses from all families.

Your comments are equally as important as direct answers. If you think things are great, please tell us, equally if we can do better, we want to know that too!

Weeks Ahead...

Term One 2024 (weeks 5 - 8)

WEEK FIVE

Tuesday 27 February

- Wednesday 28 February Y7/8 Cricket Festival, Ashbury Park, Timaru

Thursday 29 February

Fixture vs Cathedral Grammar (away)
- Cricket, Tennis, Touch

Friday 1 March

Meet the Teacher AM
Waihi Swimming Sports PM
Diagnostic Reports emailed home
Exeat Weekend starts

Saturday 2 March

AgriKids, Winchester Show

Saturday 2 March –
Sunday 3 March

Exeat Weekend

WEEK SIX

Monday 4 March

No school on Monday
Boarders return at 5.00pm

Thursday 7 March

Southern Lakes Community Visit
Milbrook Resort : 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Friday 8 March

- Saturday 9 March

Wanaka A&P Show

WEEK SEVEN

Tuesday 12 March

- Wednesday 13 March

Food for Thought (Juniors)

WEEK EIGHT

Monday 18 March

Storylines Story Tour (Juniors)

Wednesday 20 March

Y8 vaccinations (9:45am) ****AMENDED DATE****

WAIHI SCHOOL : Value of the Week

WEEK THREE : RESPECT

Congratulations for this week go to:

Junior BW Nathan Roycroft
6NW Hunter MacKenzie
6TW Henry Back
7EH Jonty Cunningham
7JS Violet France
8NM Robbie Anderson
8PG Hunter Wright
8TC Harry Blackman



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WEEK FOUR : MANNERS

Congratulations for this week go to:

Junior BW Andy Wright
6NW Archie Kershaw
7EH Olivia Copland
7JS Ferg Oliver
8NM Matias Jenkins-Huguet
8PG Sophie Clouston
8TC Amelia Hoets
Boarding Maggie McGregor



WAIHI SPORTS

Upcoming Events | Information | Updates

St Kentigern's Exchange

As you will have noticed on the school calendar, we have St. Kentigern's arriving with us from Auckland on **Tuesday 2nd April**, following Easter weekend. I am starting to put together final arrangements for this visit and as such would love for any parents or families to get in touch, if they are able to host any of the visiting students. This would be for two nights (Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd of April).

Billeting is always a fantastic and memorable experience for both the hosting and billeting students and would therefore love to encourage families to offer their homes and hospitality if you are able to do so. I would also just like to emphasise, that even if your child is not a cricket or tennis player, this does not mean that you can not take on billeted students. If you are interested in or able to host, please email sport@waihi.school.nz confirming how many you would be able to accommodate, and we be in touch with further details.

Just to clarify, there is no space on school buses to add billeted students to bus runs, so please bear this in mind.

Winter Sports Choices

As we near the half way point of term 1, the time is coming to start considering winter sport choices. This will be requested from parents in Week 6, once we return from EXEAT weekend. Please could you begin to have discussions with your child around what their choice may be, so we can begin to gather these responses and allow ourselves as much time as possible to make arrangements for the number of teams we will have. **The choices will be; hockey (played on a Friday night) and football, rugby or netball (all played on Saturday).**

Boys... please remember you are more than welcome to join netball. There will be a taster session for the boys, on Tuesday 5th March at lunchtime. Please do come along and give it a try!

Girls' Cricket

Just a gentle reminder that Canterbury Cricket are visiting school Tuesday lunchtimes for the next 5 weeks, to take some skills lessons, with all of the girls who have registered for the programme.

It is completely free to register, and the girls receive a goody pack with their registration too.

There has only been 15 registrations so far, so it would be awesome to see this increase before Tuesday and get as many girls involved as we can.

It is such a fantastic opportunity, especially as it is all completely free! The girls do not need cricket whites or equipment for this, PE kit is absolutely fine.

Scan the QR code on the Yeah Girls poster (on page 12) for an easy registration.

For all general Sport enquiries, please email sport@waihi.school.nz

STEM :Term One Update



Years 7 and 8 have been learning how to use microscopes-we have viewed a variety of prepared slides varying from plant material to fish scales, heart, lungs, liver, fibres and even a computer micro chip!



The juniors have been looking at the requirements organisms (living things) need to stay alive. We then replicated our breathing showing we need oxygen - using a candle with a glass jar placed over the top- when the candle had used up all the oxygen in the jar it went out!

STEM

What we have been up to in the first few weeks!

MESSAGES FROM THE WAIHI TEAM

SCHOOL CAR PARKING

Can all parents please use the car park behind Pyne House AT ALL TIMES.

We appreciate it takes an extra minute or two, but for congestion and safety purposes, this would be greatly appreciated. The layout also lends itself travelling in one direction.

HOCKEY

Hockey players are welcome to bring sticks in to start practicing.

Mr Clayson will be running sessions in the last week of term. This will then have allowed boarders to bring their hockey gear back to school after second Exeat, which is also Easter Weekend.

2024 PRODUCTION

This week we were thrilled to announce **High School Music JR** as our 2024 Production.

This Disney smash hit musical promises to deliver loads of catchy songs and upbeat dance moves as we follow the story of the students at East High School. Auditions will be held in Term 2. We can't wait to get started to have this fun musical on stage in Term 4.

- Mr & Mrs Bradley



CELEBRATING OUR WAIHIANS

Our three Waihi School Highland Dancers (Florence, Annabel & Pip) are back into competition mode, the most recent being Timaru and Waimate competitions.

The girls danced extremely well and came homewith a number of ribbons & medals.



Congratulations to Pip Neal on winning the South Canterbury U14 Highland Reel Championship in Waimate.



There are plenty more competitions to come, with the girls building up to Nationals being held in Ashburton in July.

Harvey Metcalf had a great time attending a recent Rodeo Camp, coming away with newly refined skills, increased confidence, and great relationships within the supportive rodeo community.

Harvey was presented with the **Most Improved Steer Rider with a never Give Up Attitude Award**.

RIDE 'EM HARVEY!



A DOGS LIFE PHOTOGRAPHY

Henry Marsden had a busy weekend last weekend playing Tennis for the South Canterbury 10 years and under team.

South Canterbury played Southland, Southern Lakes and Otago in a regional tournament.

South Canterbury came second overall, and Henry had some great wins.



AgriKids, Kurow : Sat 17 February 2024

This year saw an early start for many as we made our way to Kurow to be part of the FMG New Zealand Young Farmers regional finals for AgriKids. We entered eight teams of three children, with 34 teams competing in total. The day was a hands-on day of practical modules based on the food and fibre sectors of New Zealand farming. Lots of questions were asked of the children, and they all gave their best. Knowing that only the top three teams from each Regional Final would move through to the Grand Final to battle it out for the title of AgriKidsNZ Champions, the pressure was on. The teams showcased their leaf blower, gate building, PPE, feed allocation, fire safety, and worming skills amongst many other skills.

After the modules, it was revealed that the Waihi Pups (Harry Ewing-Metcalf, Katie Rollinson and Ashlee Bolt) and the Waihi Bulls (Jack France, Arthur Redfern and Henry Phillips) had made it into the top 7, which meant they were through to the race-offs. With great excitement, the teams had to complete many tasks while racing the other teams, knowing that the top three teams would need to compete in Hamilton only added to the suspense. From dressing a scarecrow in PPE to racing go-carts, it was a nail-biting race. There were high-fives all around when the Waihi Bulls took out third place. The Waihi Pups were hot on their heels in fourth place. A great day was had, and now we look forward to Hamilton. Good luck to Jack, Arthur and Henry, I am sure you will do us proud.



Girls Cricket Festival : Wed 21 February 2024

The day began with me and 9 of my Waihi cricket girls (Grace Moore, Poppy Mawle, Sophie Williams, Alice Johnston, Sophie Clouston, Penny Bell, Tilly Lovell, Stella Harley and Hazel Rickard) heading into Timaru to Ashbury Park to take part in the **South Canterbury Girls T20 Cricket Festival**.

Our first game was against Waimataitai. We won the toss and decided to have a bat first. Grace and Poppy opened the batting, and man, did they set us up! Creating a partnership of 65 runs. The rest of the girls held their own, gaining us a score of 112. We managed to bowl extremely well, reducing Waimatitai to 42 runs.

Next, we played the Winner of Craighead vs Pleasant Point, putting us up against Craighead. We won the toss and decided to have a bat first again. Craighead put on a tight bowling innings, keeping us at 77 runs, but the girls did not let that worry them. Our bowling attack was spot on. The girls fielded well, Poppy and Grace wicket-kept outstandingly, and our bowling was perfect, keeping the score extra low, some girls even bowled a few maiden overs. We managed to restrict them to 54 runs.

The girls represented Waihi with pride and deserved the overall win.

Well done Waihi Magicians!

- Miss Sharp



WAIHI SCHOOL

TUESDAYS | Lunctime 1pm-2pm | Year 4-8

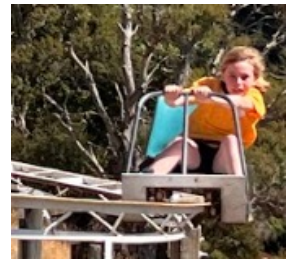
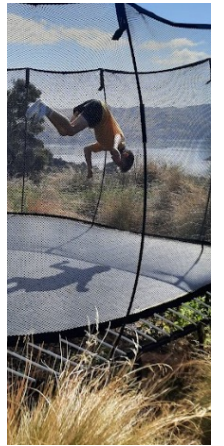
27 Feb - 26 MARCH

FREE

REGISTER AT: www.yeahgirls.nz | rgillett@canterburycricket.org.nz

2024 JUNIOR CAMP : LIVING SPRINGS

MON 19 – WED 21 FEBRUARY





Waihi School 2024 Directory Advertising Acceptance Form

Company Name:	
Contact Person:	
Contact Address:	
Contact Phone Number:	
Contact Email Address:	

I wish to include the following advertisement in the 2024 Waihi School Directory.

I understand I will be invoiced in March 2024 for the advertising fees.

	Type of Advertisement	Price
<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter Page Colour – A7	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Half Page Colour – A6	\$250.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Full Page Colour – A5	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Front/Back inside Glossy Cover – Half Page Colour A6	\$350.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Front/Back inside Glossy Cover – Full Page Colour A5	\$700.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back Glossy Cover – Half Page Colour A6	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back Glossy Cover – Full Page Colour A5	\$1,000.00

Advertisement Layout	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I will provide an advertisement in a print ready (pdf) format
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay the additional \$150.00 <u>in order to</u> have my advertisement professionally formatted. Further fees may apply for re-work or specialised design work.

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/____