

WAIROA COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Message From Our Principal

It has been a very busy couple of weeks with lots of finals for sports. Congratulations to all students that played a sport this year. Participation in sport has so many benefits of developing teamwork skills, health and opportunities for leadership.

Over the next couple of weeks Year 12 students will be putting themselves forward seeking leadership positions next year.

According to the Centre for Creative Leadership there are 5 characteristics of good leadership

- Courage standing up for one's convictions and values while risking criticism, leaders take responsibility for their own actions.
- Caring showing sincere interest in and genuine concern for others
- Optimism the tendency to take the most hopeful and cheerful view and to expect the best outcome.

 They often contend that, with hard work, focus, resilience and a bit of luck, a positive outcome is possible
- Self-control includes personal discipline in behaviors and lifestyle. Self-control implies that as a leader you have sufficient drive and initiative, as well as a clear vision and focus.
- Communication A leader's communication casts a vision, establishes direction, shapes goals and objectives, reinforces key values and clarifies tasks.

I wish those seeking leadership positions all the best. We are expanding our leadership group for next year where other roles will be introduced so please encourage your child to put their name forward.

Ngā mihi nui,

Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell

Principal Wairoa College





ELECTION TIME



STUDENT REP FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Nominations are open now for one student representative to the board of trustees.

You must be in Years 9 – 13 to be nominated.

Nomination forms are available from Dee at the schooloffice.

Nomination; close at noon on Friday the 6th of September.

If you have any questions just pop in and see Dee at the office.



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SCHOOL CLOSED

School will be closed for a mid-term break on **Friday 6th September.**

Senior students should use this time for important study, in preparation for their upcoming exams.

PRACTICE EXAMS

Derived grade exams Week 8, Term 3 9 – 13th September

All students who are sitting External NCEA assessments will sit a practice exam during Derived Grade Exam Week, 9-13th September. The results from these exams are extremely important.

If a student is not able to sit the real exam in November it is the results from the derived grade exams that we use to determine what grade a student is awarded. This is either via the derived or emergency grade process, visit the NZQA website for more information about this: https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/

We also use the results from the derived grade exams, as well as other internal achievements, to help us award major prizes for senior prizegiving. We therefore ask whanau to support us in supporting our students to be in the best position possible when they sit their exams.

If you have any questions regarding exams please contact Miss Kimberley Mahy for more information.



2019 Derived Grade Examination Timetable.

Period		Tuesday 10th September Day 4	Wednesday 11th September Day 5	Thursday 12th September Day 1	Friday 13th September Day 2
	1	MAT101 MAC201 MAC301	HEA101	10C SSC BIO201 BIO301	PHY201
	2		HIS201 HIS301 CHE301	10K SSC	PHY301
	3	CHE201 AEN301	ASC111 ASC121	AEN101	BUS101 AEN201 LAC202
	4	MUS101	MUS201 MUS301	LAC102	
	5		SOS101 GEO201 GEO301		

All exams will be held in the Hall

STUDY TIPS

HEALTHY STUDY HABITS





Make sure you're catching those Z's. For high school students, 8 hours of sleep or more will allow you to excel in the classroom and stay alert while you study. Younger students may need 9 - 10 hours per night.

EAT BRAIN FOOD



Brain food comes in all shapes and sizes, from fruits and veggies to nuts and seeds. Avoid fatty and sugary snacks. Try broccoli for vitamin K and pumpkin seeds for zinc. Focus on getting a variety of vitamins every day.

GET ACTIVE



Exercise every day. Regular physical activity boosts mental alertness and energy levels required to study effectively. An active body is part of a healthy mind.

ENJOY YOUR TIME AWAY FROM SCHOOL WORK



When you're not in the classroom or studying, make sure you enjoy yourself. Get outside, connect with friends and have fun. Taking regular study breaks improves focus and attention.

HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT STUDENTS WHILE STUDYING

NCEA and Scholarship exams are the coming together of years of work for your child. It can also be a nervous time - for everyone.

The most important thing over the exam period is to keep talking to your child and encouraging them:

- ask them how their study is going
- keep a check on their stress levels
- talk to them after each exam about how it went
- ask them if there is anything you can do at home to help them.

Here are some more tips to get through this time:

- make sure your child has a place at home to study
- balance study and free time their study won't be as effective if they don't have breaks
- make sure they are taking care of themselves eating healthily and getting enough sleep
- check that they are well prepared they know when and where their exams are, what they need to take, and have transport plans
- talk to your child's teachers if you have any questions or worries
- celebrate their successes.

"To create the future you want, you need to study hard. This will help you reach all your goals."

- Melchior Atzwanger, Wairoa College Academic Prefect, 2019

YEAR 10 TRIAL ASSESSMENTS

Over the next few weeks, and the beginning of Term 4, the Year 10 students will be starting to move towards NCEA Level One.

Each department will be trialling an assessment with students so that they have an understanding of what assessment conditions are like, and to ensure students have a base of approximately 20 credits before they start Year 11 next year.

Teachers will also be explaining to students what credits are, how assessments work, and how many they will need to complete Level One.

It is important that over the coming weeks, students attend all of their classes and work hard to establish a good foundation for next year.

YEAR 13 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



Wairoa College Year 13 Scholarship Information

Wairoa College offers a number of scholarship opportunities to students intending to undertake tertiary education in 2020.

To be considered for these scholarships students must meet the following criteria:

- currently be a Year 13 student
- be participating in tertiary study in 2020
- attend whanau class regularly
- wear the correct uniform
- follow the school rules
- have 85% attendance or higher

Application forms are available from the office or Miss Mahy. Completed application forms are to be accompanied with a copy of the students most recent report, an NCEA record of achievement and a letter outlining:

- The students hobbies, interests, goals, and aspirations
- What and where the student plans to study next year
- How a scholarship will help the student meet their goals
- Any significant achievements

Completed applications are to be handed into the College office by **3pm Friday 20**th **September 2019.**



WRITTEN NOTES REQUIRED FOR ABSENCE

The Ministry of Education require us to report on attendance.

Therefore we ask that for **Friday 30th of August, Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd of September** you write, or email an explanation for your child/ren if they are absent.

Please send all emails to: info@wairoacollege.school.nz



The Ministry will not accept acknowledgement of phone messages for those days. It must be in writing.

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

NEWS FROM YEAR 9 & 10

YEAR 9 FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Students from 90 prepared a Healthy Dutch apple cake last week as part of their Year 9 food technology. Mrs Wilson was very impressed with the high standard of presentation and design of the cakes.

They have also enjoyed the Master-chef Burger Challenge. What talented young chefs we have here at Wairoa College!





YEAR 10 PICNIC TABLES

In the past 8 weeks, two classes of Year 10 students have built 5 large, solid picnic tables for use of students around the school.

The students did all the work themselves, from unloading the truck and storing the wood, to all the cutting, drilling, assembly and painting.

Hard Materials Teacher, Mr Thomas, says he was very impressed by how the students worked, and the quality of the finished work. "It was interesting to see the team dynamics and who came out as leaders".

There is some real talent in the young people of Wairoa, he said.

Thanks to Mrs Vennell, and the board of trustees. for supplying the materials for the project.



An arm wrestle challenge underway on the picnic tables these students constructed themselves.

YEAR 10 CATAPULT CHALLENGE





Last Term, a group of Year 10 technology students were given the task to design and create a catapult that would propel an object the greatest distance.



Students came up with some fantastic designs. They trialled and made some modifications to their creations.

Will Taylor had the longest launch, which was about 6m! They also had some fun launching marshmallows into the mouths of their classmates using their

catapults.



Well done to Bailey Prentice who managed to catch one of the catapulted marshmallows in his mouth!

2019 ASPIRING LEADERS



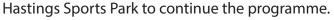
Last week we had Raun from the Hawkes Bay Community Fitness Centre Trust, visiting our 2019 Aspiring Leaders group. Raun spent the day with the students teaching them about importance of nutrition. The students discussed with Raun some of the barriers to eating healthily and how they can

overcome these barriers. The students visited the local supermarket and learnt how to read the labels on the foods they buy, which foods were more cost effective and purchased some ingredients to make themselves a healthy,



nutritional, cost effective lunch.

The students also did some great problem solving and team building activites during the day with Raun. Next week the students will be heading down to the



SPORTS NEWS

RUGBY FIRST XV

The First XV Rugby Team have again had an outstanding season this year. The team had played 12 games won 11 and lost 1, earning Wairoa the top spot in the A Grade division. The highlights for the team was winning back the Kim Karangaroa Memorial Cup off Te Aute First XV and the Hawkes Bay Co Ed Shield off Central Hawkes Bay College First XV. It was an unfortunate finish to the end of the season in the Unison Shield final against Central Hawkes Bay where even though we drew 31 all at the final whistle, we were edged out by a technical decision by the first try scored in the game which was Central giving them the win. The Unison shield has again alluded Wairoa College for the 3rd time in 5 years.

A huge congratulations must go to some of the players who made higher honours this year. Outstanding captain **Hugh Taylor** made the Hurricanes Under 18 Team, the first for any player from Wairoa College and still only a year 12 student. **Jacob Paku, Lennox Rogers** and **Gabriel Doull** were selected for the Hawkes Bay Under 18 Saracens Team. **Kaihau Pasikala** was selected for the Hawkes Bay Under 16s Team. Well done Boys.

The First XV wish to thank the following people for their awesome work towards the team. Head Coach, Brent Mokomoko, Assistant Coach and trainer, Guy Taylor, 2nd Assistant Coach, Reg Keil, Manager, Rita Ross, Assistant Manager, Makareta Keil, Sports coordinator, Toby Taylor and all the parents and caregivers that supported the team. Once again, congratulations to all the players in the Wairoa College First XV this year.







COLLEGE ONE NETBALL

This season Wairoa College Prems have been travelling every Tuesday to Taradale to Play in the Unison Super 12's. With a lot of hardwork and dedication, Wairoa College managed to win their finals against Flaxmere College, 36 - 24. Their hard work is not yet over as they are preparing for Lower Norths which is held in Wellington, next week.

A huge thank you to our management team for putting in the extra mile to get us to where we are now. Also to our families, and our supporters. My girls - you've made this season yet another great one!

By Waimarie Pouwhare









UNDER 15'S RUGBY

This season our Under 15's played in the D Grade, Hawkes Bay competition. They played some great games, and the team has lots of potential and will continue to develop over the next 2-3 years. Unfortunately, they were unable to the build momentum they could have, due to the other teams defaulting when they were due to play in Wairoa. However, our boys really enjoyed the travel down to the Bay each week, there was always plenty of comradery on the trips. They made it through to the semi final against Hastings Boys, and whilst they didn't come away with the win, they have played a great season and we look forward to watching them continue to grow and improve, next year.

A very big thank you to coach Mr Taylor and Mr Waldron for helping us improve our skills and taking us to the Bay every week to play.



PLEASE RETURN ALL WINTER UNIFORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

MATHS CHALLENGE

A big thanks to all who participated in this years Challenge. I certainly enjoyed seeing students "Run for Maths".

I realise our calendars get very full throughout the year and it is certainly a commitment to participate in all the activities that happen within our Wairoa community.

For me the positive feedback about how the students enjoy themselves and watching and listening to the discussions that take place at the tables during the challenge are simply priceless. Listening to how the kids think and being able to ask questions of them to guide their thinking while solving problems is enjoyable. I can say there are some great thinkers out there, many of whom are the quiet ones that struggle to get their voice heard in such pressure cooker situations.

The results for the night are as follows Years 5/6

1st - Nuhaka - Lavinia, Chevy, Oliver, Ben

2nd - St Josephs - Moby and Co

3rd - St Josephs

Years 7/8

1st - Te Mahia - Jayden, Toby, TJ, Hineira

2nd - Nuhaka

3rd - Ohuka

Constructions Merit

Pippa Heath - Double Hexagonal Pyramid,

Frasertown Yrs 5 & 6 Cuboctahedron,

Te Kura Kaupapa o Te Wairoa - Truncated Tetrahedron.













Posters Merit St Josephs, - Rosa, Kasey, Abby, Natasha Nuhaka - Chevy & Lavinia St Josephs Yr 7 and 8

A big congratulations to all involved.

By Milky Hamblyn







NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY



Last week Piri Mckenzie and Ms Ettie Tuahine came to bless our new library space that has been under construction for the past few months.

Our Librarian Sheryn Smith is very much looking forward to the new space being ready for students to come in and browse the collection for their class work and of course their pleasure reading.

She is also sure that the lunchtime numbers will get back up to the numbers that use to come in the old Nelson Block. After being in a much smaller space while the construction was underway, Mrs Smith is eager to be able to help students find books much faster, and have things readily available to them. There are many boxes of books to unpack and furniture to arrange so watch this space for the grand opening coming soon!

CORE VALUES

The following students were awarded this week for displaying one of our core values of: Caring for each other (Manaakitanga), Working together (Kotahitanga), Respect (Whakamana), and Resilience (Aumangea).





Cassie-Maree Carroll showing great leadership and teaching her house, Nga Taiaha, the actions to Tutira Mai

Cassie-Maree Carroll - Personal excellence
K-Lyn Morris - Respect, Kotahitaga, and Manaakitanga
Amelia Pasikala - Respect, Kotahitanga, and Manaakitanga
Rhylie Horua Edwards Hartley - Personal excellence
Tom Kerley - Personal excellence
Kefir Kirwan - Personal excellence

NCEA EXCELLENCE AWARDS

These students have exemplified our message of personal excellence by achieving excellence certificates in their learning.

Excellence in Physics 1.1

Carry out a practical physics investigation that leads to a linear mathematical relationship with direction

Riley Stanaway

Ruby Mildon

Tiana Runga

Pollyanne Tuahine

Excellence in English 1.4Produce creative writing

Riley Stanaway

Excellence in Physics 2.5

Demonstrate understanding of atomic and nuclear physics

Riley Stanaway

Ruby Mildon

Excellence in Mathematics and Statistics 2.3Apply sequences and series in solving problems

Hema Men

Gemma Mapstone

Caroline Kyle

Excellence in Physics 2.5

Demonstrate understanding of atomic and nuclear physics

Riley Stanaway

Ruby Mildon

Excellence in Chemistry 3.2

Demonstrate understanding of spectroscopic data in chemistry

Jessie Hema-Westcott

Melchior Atzwanger

Excellence in Mathematics and Statistics 3.3
Apply trigonometric methods in solving problems

Melchior Atzwanger



NEWS FROM THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT

HEALTH CAREERS EXPO

On Tuesday 15th August, careers staff took 2 vans of our lovely students down to the Health Careers Expo. This was at the HB Hospital and run by Health Care Hawkes Bay.

It was a fun, hands on expo - students got to experience dressing up as a surgeon, doing sutures on fake skin, cutting bones, inserting drip lines, looking through microscopes at blood samples and many other things that are part and parcel of the huge range of careers available in the health field. Our students are part of the Hawkes Bay programme 'Incubator' which fosters the interests and needs of students that want to be involved in health as a career.





TERTIARY TRIP TO WELLINGTON

Last week, a group of Year 12 and 13 students travelled to Wellington to visit Victoria University. On our way







down there we made a stop at Massey University in Palmerston North. We looked around the halls of residence which were mostly mixed boys and girls. They had a common room where you could gather on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for socialising.

Then we went to Victoria University which had many options for study such as engineering, music, design and many more. While we continued to explore Victoria, a group of students went to the hospitality school at WellTech where they experimented with molecular gastronomy and made spheres for bubble tea drinks, made mango smoothie mocktails in the bar, also made flatbreads in the kitchens. They then had a tour of the NZ School of Tourism, and collected information on their courses.

We then had a bit of free time where we went into the city, went to a shopping mall, and had dinner. The next day we made the long trip home. I would recommend this trip to any student who gets the opportunity to do this next year.

By Melchior Atzwanger

FLIGHT ATTENDANT COURSE

Last week some of our Year 12 and 13 students who have career interests in tourism attended a 2 day Flight Attendant Course, run by the International Travel College of New Zealand based at the conference centre in Napier.

The students learnt tricks of the trade for flight attendants, how to greet people, cope with their specific needs, check-ins, and even how to use the phonetic alphabet.

Students thoroughly enjoyed it and have all passed with a certificate and Level 3 NCEA credits.









Thank you to Karen Hayward for organising this STAR funded course for the students.



TERM 3 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUG

Thur 22-23 Wellington Tertiary VisitsFri 30 Trades Academy Gisborne

Trades Academy Napier

SEP

Mon 2 - 6 Netball Nationals - Wellington

Tue 3 District Cross Country

Wed 4 Science Roadshow

Thur 5 Open Day

Fri 6 School Closed

Mon 9-13 Senior Derived Grade Exams

AIMS Games (Tauranga)

Wed 11 Age Concern Catering

Tues 17 Whanau Music Concert

Thur 19 Earn and Learn Health Expo

District Gymnastics Festival

Sat 21 CACTUS Longest Day

Mon 23-27 Adventure Challenge

Tues 24 Yr8 Immunisations

Weds 25-26 WOW Trip

Fri 27 Last Day Term 3

OCT

Mon 14 Start Term 4

Fri 18 Age Concern Catering

Fri 25 School Closed - HB Ann.

Mon 28 School Closed - Labour Day

Thur 31 Senior Minor assembly

NOV

Fri 1 Senior Prizegiving

Mon 4 Study leave for seniors

Wed 13 Age Concern Catering

DEC

Fri 6 Junior Prizegiving

WAIROA COLLEGE

OPEN DAY



Year 7-13











Wairoa College Principal, Mrs Jo Vennell will be hosting an Open Day, to provide information on the opportunities available to students at Wairoa College in 2020.

Date: Thursday 5th September

Time: 3:30pm - 6:00pm Location: Wairoa College

We welcome you to come along, and see what college life is all about. You will be given a guided tour of the school and the opportunity to talk to staff and students.









Our Vision: Wairoa College the school of choice by engaging students in an innovative future focused curriculum that inspires personal excellence.

FROM THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT



What will you do after you finish school?

Will you study? Get a job? Learn a trade?

No matter what you're planning to do after you finish school, now's the time to get up to speed on the options that are available to you, where to get help, what it will cost and how you're going to pay for it.

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