



# WAIROA COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

Term 1

Issue 2, 20 February, 2020

### Message From Our Principal

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Welcome to the new families who have joined us in the last couple of weeks. I hope your child has had a good start to their school year. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact their whanau teacher, dean, a senior manager or myself.



Yesterday we held our Swimming Sports. The seniors were particularly good at displaying house spirit and leadership. There was a lot of fun had and some great competition.

The 2020 Prefect group has been very proactive discussing how they would like to contribute this year in their leadership roles. They have some wonderful ideas that I am sure students and staff will get behind. They have provided service to the school by assisting staff with duty on Wednesday mornings.

This is now a time for students to focus on what they would like to achieve this year. Setting goals is very important if you want to make further progress with your learning. As mentioned in the last newsletter we are launching a career planning platform called My mahi. Staff have had some professional development with this platform and they see many benefits for students and families. Students will be able to plan and investigate pathways and set goals for learning, wellbeing and their interests.

Attendance is very important at school if you are going to be successful. Every lesson missed is a lesson missing out on learning which will have a negative impact on your child's potential academic achievement. It is very important that if you know your child is absent please ring and notify the school. We will be following up on all absences each day and consequences for truanting will be given. There is also to be no leaving the school grounds during any part of the day including lunch time without a pass from the office. Year 13 students have the privilege of leaving school grounds at lunchtime however this can be revoked if they do not meet our attendance requirements.

**ATHLETICS  
DAY**



**WEDNESDAY  
26 FEBRUARY**

If you are concerned about your child's well being please contact school so we can assist you. We do have a full time Guidance Counsellor at school and we can help with referrals to other agencies.

Ngā mihi nui,

*Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell*

Principal Wairoa College

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# 2020 PREFECTS



**Prefect Group Photo with Year 13 Level Dean Dave Ryan**

*Congratulations*

Head Girl:	<b>Monique Kirwan</b>
Deputy Head Girl:	<b>Hannah Simmonds</b>
Head Boy:	<b>Gabriel Doull</b>
Deputy Boy:	<b>Cameron Spence</b>
Academic / Learning Support:	<b>Gemma Mapstone</b>
Year 7&8 Peer Support:	<b>Tamra Stubing / Alyssa Deam</b>
Music:	<b>Kahurangi Te Kahu</b>
Sport:	<b>Bailee Carr</b>
Junior Sport Leader:	<b>Paora Edwards</b>
Patu Pounamu House Leader:	<b>Steven Haronga</b>
Ngā Taiaha e Rua House Leader:	<b>Ebony Te Kahika</b>
Manu Korotangi House Leader:	<b>Messiah Rore-White</b>
Te Toki a Tāpiri House Leader:	<b>Caroline Kyle</b>
Services and Culture:	<b>Te Mahia Keil</b>

# CONGRATULATIONS

## 2019 NCEA YEAR LEVEL ENDORSEMENTS

Level 3 Merit Endorsment	<b>Melchior Atzwanger</b>
Level 2 Merit Endorsment	<b>Gemma Mapstone, Hannah Simmonds and Monique Kirwan</b>
Level 1 Merit Endorsment	<b>Riley Stanaway and Tiana Runga</b>

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## SUBJECT ENDORSEMENT

Merit Endorsment ART101	<b>Tiana Douglas, Hunte Storey, Tane Williamson</b>
Merit Endorsment MAT101	<b>Tiana Runga, Riley Stanaway</b>
Merit Endorsment ASC112	<b>Teancum Scotson,</b>

Merit Endorsment in Both ASC111 and MAT101	<b>Ishmael Kirwan</b>
Merit Endorsment AEN101	<b>Kaia Thompson</b>

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## Merit/Excellence Certificates 2019 Year 12 Students

Excellence in Physical Education	<b>Bailee Carr</b>
Excellence in English	<b>Monique Kirwan</b>
Excellence in English	<b>Hannah Simmond</b>
Excellence in English	<b>Gemma Mapstone</b>

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## Merit/Excellence Certificates 2019 Year 11 Students

Excellence in English	<b>Kristen Thomas</b>
Excellence in Science	<b>Shanice McNabb</b>

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**The following students worked really hard last year and achieved what might seem impossible. Both of these students achieved Level 1 and Level 2 in the same year 2019:**

**Beilie Finucane  
Tiana Douglas**

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**Presentation of Top Year 10 students.** This is the first year we have recognised students who have achieved a high number of Level 1 credits while studying as a Year 10 student. This year we have 2 students who are our top students, with this they receive a \$50 Warehouse voucher.

Top Year 10 Girl	<b>Aralea Rudd</b>
Top Year 10 Boy	<b>Will Taylor</b>

***Year 10 students this is something for you to aim for in 2020.***

**Excellent  
Work**





# JUNIOR SCHOOL - YR 7 & 8

It's Week 4 already and our Year 7&8 students have had a great start to the year. We have been focusing on our school core values.

Over the last two weeks we have been working closely with the NZ Defence Force to implement our school values.

**Caring for each student (Manaakitanga),  
Working together (Kotahitanga),  
Respect (Whakamana),  
and Resilience (Aumangea).**



We have also set high expectations for our Year 7&8 students. Last week all our students sat Term 1 assessments in the school hall aiming for personal excellence.



The following events are fast approaching and our students are aiming for 100% Participation. Term 1 events for year 7&8 students:

Swimming lessons	→	Start this Week, Week 4 - Week 11
Sport HB	→	Week 3-Week 4
School athletics	→	Wednesday 26th February
Epro8	→	2nd March 5pm- 8pm
Cricket 8s	→	18th March
School swimming	→	Wednesday 19th February
School Cross country	→	Wednesday 4th March
District schools swimming competition	→	10th March
Year 7 camp - Kaitawa	→	11th-13th March

## INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL TESTING

Over the last week all year 9 and 10 students have been participating in PAT testing for Maths, English and Science. This testing is to give students an indication of strengths and weaknesses in each subject area and will be a guide for teaching and learning programmes for the year. We commend all students who have given these assessments 100% effort and exhibited appropriate exam behaviour.

# MATES AND DATES

We have been given the opportunity to be involved in a program for our Year 9 and 10 students that is run by Birthright called "Mates and Dates". An overview of what this is:

- Help prevent sexual and dating violence by teaching students healthy relationship skills and behaviours
- Five week healthy relationships programme across Years 9-10
- Taught by trained facilitators and class teachers will be present
- Running in secondary schools around the country.

This is an opportunity for our students to explore appropriate boundaries and strategies to manage situations that are sensitive. There is an opportunity to opt out of this program, please contact your child's Dean if you do not want them to be part of these sessions. The sessions will cover:

- healthy relationships
- skills and consent
- identity, gender and sexuality
- when things go wrong
- keeping safe together.

This will be starting on Tuesday 25th February which is Week Five of Term One. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions can you please call to discuss this.

## CORE VALUES

The following students were awarded this week for displaying one of our core values of:

**Caring for each student (Manaakitanga),  
Working together (Kotahitanga),  
Respect (Whakamana),  
and Resilience (Aumangea).**

The following students displayed responsible behaviour during there PAT Listening Test

Kaleb Te Amo - Hemopo - Personal Excellence  
Geina Dougherty - Personal Excellence  
Mason Hayes - Personal Excellence  
Robina Pene - Personal Excellence



# EIT TRADES ACADEMY

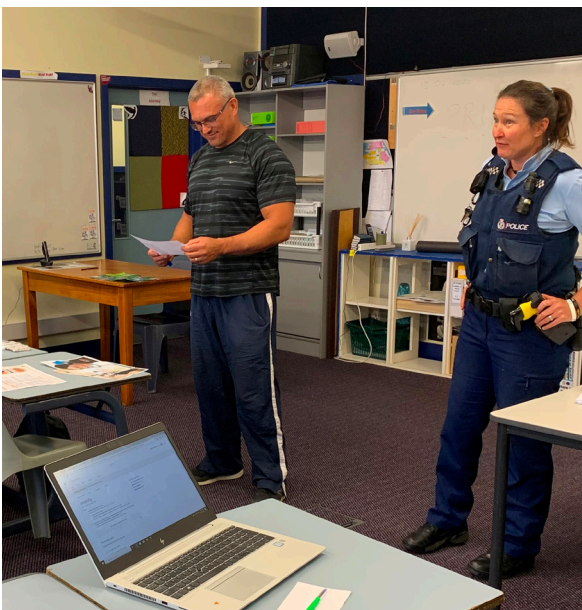
The EIT Trades Academy has started up again for the year - we have 18 students enrolled in a range of courses at EIT in Gisborne - Hospitality, Agriculture, Trade skills, Building, Hair and Beauty, Computing, Automotive. These courses continue for the full year. Students are transported to Gisborne each Friday to get a taste of Tertiary study. Trades Academy is coordinated at our school by Karen Hayward.

Another popular course that we are repeating this year is Agriculture for Year 11 students - we have two groups enrolled - 20 students altogether, a good mix of male and female students - and they go out onto farms each Thursday and Friday. The students are supervised, taught and assessed by qualified EIT tutors, Tahi and Warren. They are hosted on Ohuia Station by Mike Lloyd, and on Swanns Farm by Paul and Sonya Swann. We are very grateful to have these farmers provide great learning opportunities to our students this year and in the past. Students will experience fencing, shearing, crutching, livestock care, and learn how to stay healthy and safe in the work environment. The courses provide 3 terms of learning with 22 credits attached, and are STAR funded. According to the bunch of students that have started this week they are going to really enjoy themselves this year. Further details about this course can be gained by contacting Karen Hayward.



## POLICE PROGRAMME

Don't be alarmed if you see Police cars here at school. The secondary school Police Programme has started at Wairoa College this year as a new initiative between us and the NZ Police. The aim of the programme is to provide students with knowledge, skills, attitudes required to join the NZ Police Force. They will spend several days a week with members of our local police, they will do physical fitness and will also spend time doing bookwork to meet their NCEA requirements - the course is Level 3 and offers 30 credits.



We currently have eight Year 13 students enrolled in this course which is facilitated by Karen Hayward, Shelley Murphy, Noui Whaanga, and Nicki Davies (Wairoa Police) and the Services Academy.

Students will develop a better understanding of the role of a police officer, they will learn about core values, leadership, interview skills, the NZ Court system, career possibilities within the Police, law and legislation. It is great to have our local officers on board with this. There is no cost to schools to do this course.

Students will more clearly understand the recruitment process when applying to join the Police Force.



# ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMME

Tairāwhiti REAP and Wairoa College have been working with GOT Drive regional coordinator Cherie to make this happen. The simulator (photo attached) will be situated at Wairoa College on the 24, 25 & 26 Feb (Mon-Wed) and 27 & 28 in the community - WCC and hopefully Marine Pde (tbc). The students and community members are able to sit in the simulator - select an appropriate driving experience prog - based on their level of driving and be taken through roading scenarios. We hope to put through between 8 - 14 ppl per day realistically as the program times vary from 10 - 15 mins long.

For those who have never driven but coming up to sit their learners, there is a program that doesn't have vehicles on the road but gives them an experience behind the wheel, what it will feel like, learn how to hold the steering wheel, feel the pressure of accelerator and watch out for distractions.

For those on their restricted/full - open road and more instructions required from a supervisor.

For those who are going for their full license - a lot more of driving in a town, traffic lights and hazard awareness etc...

For community - distractions. The driver will receive txt messages, respond and will get a print out of the difference made to their control when distracted, apparently, this is a real eye-opener for avid texters!!



This initiative requires a collaboration of organisations. We are looking for staff who can offer to do sections of the week-long schedule. For this to be successful we require individuals who can supervise between - College, REAP, Police, KE and SHB. Cherie will do a brief training session for us all on Monday, 24 February at the College from 9.30 - 10.30 and apparently the technology is easy to pick up. NZTA will be here on Friday, 28 February which could be a good time to discuss Wairoa's needs in terms of Road safety while he is here!

## CACTUS

CACTUS 28 started on Monday 10th February and will run for the next 7 weeks of this term ending with the gruelling longest day on Saturday 4th April. A total of 27 students have signed up as the 28th intake and will partake in a number of physical activities every morning on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.



# TERM 1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## FEB

24 to 28	-	Community Road Safety Event
25	-	Mates N Dates
26	-	Athletics Day
27	-	EIT Agriculture
28	-	Trades Gisborne

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## MAR

2 to 3	-	EPro8
3	-	Mates N Dates
4	-	Cross Country
	-	Immunisation Yr 7 & 8
5 to 6	-	EIT Agriculture
	-	NZST Liason
6	-	Trades Gisborne
10	-	District Swimming Year 7 & 8
	-	Mates N Dates
11 to 13	-	Year 7 Camp
12 to 13	-	EIT Agriculture
13	-	Trades Gisborne
16	-	Queenstown Resort College
17	-	Mates N Dates
	-	Immunisation Yr 7 & 8
18	-	Cricket 8s
19 to 20	-	EIT Agriculture
20	-	Trades Gisborne
24	-	Mates N Dates
26	-	EIT Agriculture
	-	White Ribbon Presentation
27	-	Trades Gisborne

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## APR

2	-	Inzone Event
2 to 3	-	EIT Agriculture
3	-	Trades Gisborne
	-	Careers Expo
7	-	Careers Expo Yr 12 & 13
9	-	EIT Agriculture
	-	Last Day of Term 1

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# VOLUNTEERS

The Gaiety Theatre in Wairoa, has several movies coming out in the next week which are restricted titles. We are breaking the law if we supply an age-restricted movie to someone who is not legally allowed to access it. We won't be able to sell a ticket for an age restricted movie to those who are unable to provide their ID. Student Id can be purchased from the school office for \$3.

At the Gaiety we rely on volunteers to help run the theatre. We currently have two permanent shifts available for volunteers. The shifts that we have available are Saturdays 5.00pm and 8.00pm. The volunteers would need to arrive half an hour before the start of the movie to help to open up the theatre, make popcorn, serve customers, sell food and drinks. They are able to watch the movie and have free popcorn after all of the customers are seated and then they would help to tidy up the theatre and box office after the movie. It would be good experience for a student and would look excellent on their CVs. I need students who are reliable. I already have a number of your students that volunteer at the Gaiety and they are an invaluable part of the team here.

Please contact the Gaiety if you are interested.

# NAVY



The poster features the New Zealand Navy logo at the top left, with the text 'NAVY' and 'TE TAUA MOANA O AOTEAROA' below it. In the center, there is a silhouette of a naval ship with the text 'SCHOOL TO SEAS' overlaid. Below this, the text 'TECH AND MARITIME CAMP FOR GIRLS' is written in a stylized font, followed by the dates '13 – 19 April 2020'. On the right side, there is a circular inset photo of two young women in white naval uniforms, smiling. At the bottom left, there are three social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) with their respective handles: '@nznavy' for Facebook and Twitter, and '@nzdefenceforce' for Instagram. At the bottom center, the website 'schooltoseas.co.nz' is displayed in a yellow font.

**NAVY**  
TE TAUA MOANA O AOTEAROA

**SCHOOL  
TO SEAS**

**TECH AND MARITIME  
CAMP FOR GIRLS**

**13 – 19 April 2020**

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The marine industry offers something for everyone, whether you want an adventure on the oceans or a career onshore!

***The Royal New Zealand Navy is excited to offer Girls in Year 13 a hands on experience with STEM careers***

**13 – 19 April 2020 @ Devonport Naval Base**

#### WHAT YOU WILL GET TO DO:

- Learn about life on a Ship
- Get hands-on with machinery, robotics & electronics.
- Plan and execute a real navigation exercise.
- Learn how to translate maths & science subjects into real career opportunities!
- Develop your leadership and resilience skills in our specialist workshops.

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Parental/Guardian permission to attend
- Studying NCEA Level 3 Maths AND science
- Fund your own travel to and from Devonport (We will take care of all other expenses!)
- Applications close on Monday 2nd March.

***Apply now!***  
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