



# WAIROA COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

Term 2

Issue 6, 9 May 2019

### Message From Our Principal

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Term 2 has started with a flurry of activity. Students are involved in a wide range of activities this week including winter sport, a regional chess tournament, Learners Licence course, cross country practice, catering for Age Concern and the Year 11 Road Safe Youth Expo in Taradale just to name a few.



I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful work our staff are doing at raising student engagement and achievement. A noted strength of Wairoa College is the committed and caring staff, who strive to get the best for, and from, their students.

A big part of this is also due to the outstanding support staff who are always there to help. They not only support teachers and students but are also often the first person parents/caregivers will hear on the end of the phone. Next week there is a Support Staff day. We will be providing morning tea as a small token of our appreciation.

Term 2 is a very busy term for students as they knuckle down with their learning and assessments. It is very important that they hand in their assessments completed and on time. Please talk to your children about what assessments and learning they are doing. This will help keep you informed and keep them on track. If you are wanting some feedback or you have some concerns regarding their achievement please do not hesitate to call their Dean for an update. Reports will also be issued at the end of the term. Remember you can access the KAMAR portal to see your daughter's or son's results at anytime. We are encouraging students to also monitor their progress through the APP.

I would like to thank June Norris for the work she has done as Year 11 dean. Ms Norris has stepped down from this position and Mrs Dianne Broomfield has been appointed. I know Mrs Broomfield will build a relationship with the Year 11 students and caregivers quickly as you all work towards a common goal.

### SCHOOL FINISHING EARLY



**Monday 13th &  
Tuesday 14th May  
school will not be  
open for instruction  
from 2:05 pm.**

I have also appointed Ms Rebecca Haderbache as Head of the English learning area. She will begin Term 3. Ms Haderbache is looking forward to moving to Wairoa and its environment as she is a keen tramper. She visited our school last week and commented how polite and friendly the students were and that she could not wait to teach here.

Ngā mihi nui,

*Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell*

Principal Wairoa College



Students supporting Gumboot Day as part of Mental Health Awareness week in Term 1

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# MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Welcome back to Term 2, everyone. This term is packed with activities and learning experiences that we are sure the students will enjoy.

Nomination forms for the Board of Trustees election are in the process of being mailed out. Please give standing for the board your consideration. As a board member it is rewarding to be able to work with the principal and senior leaders to enhance the learning environment of the College.

I must remind all students that the board has a zero tolerance for bad behaviour and drugs within the school. Last term saw an increase in disciplinary meetings which was very disappointing. The school rules are well known to students and parents. We hope that this kind of behaviour will decrease for the remainder of the year.

Congratulations to the students and parents who completed Cactus in Term 1. A special thank you needs to be made for Paul Bailey, Noui Whaanga, Jeremy Harker, Denise Eaglesome-Karekare and Bev Jury for the time they give to Cactus to ensure students successfully graduate from the program.

## WAIROA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES' ELECTION



Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives to the board of trustees, from 12 noon on Friday 10th, May.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

Eligible voters can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself.

Both parts of the form must be signed.  
Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

**Nominations close at noon on the 24th of May, 2019** and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

**Voting closes at noon on the 7 th of June, 2019.**

Bernadine Hamlin  
Returning Officer



Our staff have been given the opportunity to train in a mindfulness program called Pause, Breathe, Smile. The training will be across year 7-10 staff. It is being delivered by a professional group of staff travelling from outside the district called the Mindfulness Education Group.

This is a program to help staff assist our students with developing their resilience and well-being.

**On Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th May the school will not be open for instruction from 2:05 pm.**

Any bus students remaining at school will be supervised in the hall until 3pm when the buses arrive.

This professional development is essential for our staff to help grow and support our students as they navigate the sometimes difficult terrain of growing up. We thank you for the support of our staff.

If you have any concerns please contact the office.

## REPORTING ABSENTEES

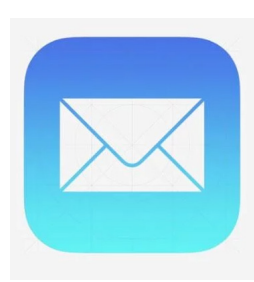
If your student is absent from school it is important you notify the school by either;



OR



OR



OR



Phone the  
absentee line on  
838 8303 and  
press # 1

Send a text  
through to  
027 808 3670

Email  
[info@wairoacollege.school.nz](mailto:info@wairoacollege.school.nz)

Via the School  
App

In all instances leave your students name and reason for absence as well as a date they will return to school.

This information will help ensure that your students attendance is correct and their percentage rate doesn't hinder their chances of playing sport etc.

## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The Defence Driving Course starts at the end of June.

The cost for the course is \$80.00

You MUST hold a Learner or Restricted licence

Completing the course takes 6 months off the time required to get your full licence.

See Ms Hayward in T9 for more information.



# NCEA EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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

## Excellence in English 2.1

Analyse aspects of visual and/or oral text(s) through close viewing and/or listening, supported by evidence

Kristine Wesche

Monique Kirwan

Hannah Simmonds

June Doyle

Caroline Kyle

Gemma Mapstone

## Excellence in Chemistry 2.2

Carry out procedures to identify ions in solution

Caroline Kyle

Gemma Mapstone

## Excellence in Year 10 Batting Sports (PE)

Quentin Clarke

## Excellence in Mathematics and Statistics 3.2

Apply linear mathematic methods in solving problems

Jessie Hema-Westcott

Mel Atzwanger

## Excellence in Mathematics and Statistics 3.15

Apply systems of simultaneous equations in solving problems

Mel Atzwanger



# PĀNUI FOR HOUSES



Pānui for houses is an inter-house competition that has been running from the start of this year. Students can gain 10 house points for each book they read, and then do a verbal review for. If students write a brief review they go into the draw to win a prize. At last weeks assembly this was drawn and the winner, Rebekah Cammock, received a \$30.00 voucher for Books On Parade.

Ms Hayward also selected the "Most Enticing Book Review." These students, Montana Kirby and Aralely Rudd were also awarded \$30.00 vouchers for Books on Parade.

Our librarian, Mrs Smith, has continued to enjoy the interaction with readers who have participated and shared their reviews on Accessit (our school library system).

### Shadow, by Michael Morpurgo

*This book is an amazing book about a very brave boy called Aman and his Mother, on their escape from Afghanistan to England. On the way they meet a dog called Shadow, who was once a bomb-sniffer dog for the British Army. Little did they know Shadow was trying to help them. My favourite character of this story is Aman, my favourite part is when Aman and his Mother finally get to England, but they have to live in prison. I loved this book.*

- Montana Kirby - Year 7, Winner of the Most Enticing Review for Years 7-9

### The art of being normal, by Lisa Williamson

*I hated it. It was so good. It kept the characters secrets locked deep into the unknown. I had to keep reading. It kept me in suspense. When things started to unravel I had to stop myself from squealing. Great book, the end.*

- Aralely Rudd - Year 10, Winner of the Most Enticing Review for Years 10-13



# CORE VALUES

Wairoa College's vision of "Wairoa College the school of choice by engaging students in an innovative future focussed curriculum that inspires personal excellence", is underpinned by our 4 core values of; Caring for each student (Manaakitanga), Working together (Kotahitanga), Respect (Whakamana), and Resilience (Aumangea). Students who are seen demonstrating our core values around the school, or achieving personal excellence, are celebrated at assembly and rewarded with selecting a prize from The Jar in Mrs Carmine's office.

During Term 1 we had a focus on Respect (Whakamana).

*"Respect is: Treating others nicely, using manners, team work, working well together, having a positive attitude, care for our buildings and other people's property, being kind to teachers, talking in a positive way, looking and listening, treating people the way that you would want to be treated, and kindness."* - Year 9 Students at Wairoa College

*"Respect is: Mana - manners, cultural acceptance, valuing each other, accepting others differences and diversity. Recognising each person as a person, treating others the way you want to be treated. Mutual kindness. Knowing and valuing all ways of being, knowing and doing. Respect deadlines and timetables, respect school expectations."* - Teachers at Wairoa College

During Term 2, we will be focussing on Resilience. Everyone is on a journey and sometimes it gets hard, Resilience is the ability to get through the hard stuff that happens, learn from it and move forward to tomorrow.

It is pleasing to see the core values becoming second nature for students. This is a busy term with senior assessments and exams taking place, along with all the winter sports. We know when students have a solid foundation of values they can, and will, succeed.

Students who were recognised at the end of Term 1, and during week 1 of Term 2:

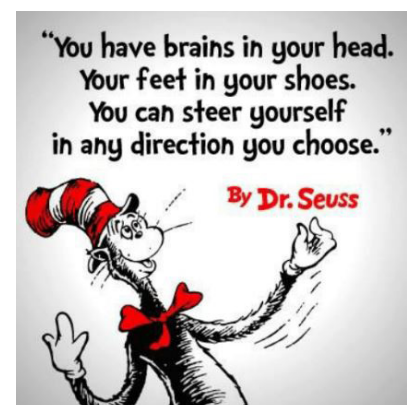
Abby Morunga - Kotahitanga  
Alyssa Deam - Resilience  
Arthur Thurston-Chandler - Personal excellence, & Kotahitanga  
Bethany Kerley - Respect  
Caroline Kyle - Personal excellence  
Cheyden Puanaki-Boynton - Personal excellence  
Custom-Lee Rigby-Grace Resilience  
Ebony Te Kahika - Respect, Manaakitanga, & Kotahitanga  
Gabriel Doull - Personal excellence  
Gemma Mapstone - Personal excellence  
Georgia McCracken - Personal excellence  
Grace Cooney - Personal excellence  
J-Dacea Douglas-Waikawa - Personal excellence  
Jeziah Stevenson - Respect, & Kotahitanga  
Joedy Wheeler - Personal excellence  
Julian Hati - Kotahitanga  
Kael Thompson-Maxwell - Personal excellence  
Kayahdem Weekly - Personal excellence  
Kaylah McMurtrie-Reynolds - Resilience, Respect, & Personal excellence  
Mason Hayes - Respect  
Messiah Rore-White - Personal excellence  
Mokai Karauria - Respect  
Monique Kirwan - Personal excellence  
Polly Tuahine - Manaakitanga  
Rankin Hema - Kotahitanga  
Reagan Paramore - Personal excellence  
Regina Riesterer - Personal excellence  
Ricky-Jay Spooner-Waiwai - Personal excellence  
Ronan Gemmell - Respect  
Ryka Swann - Respect  
Rhythem Jury - Respect  
Sativa Pari - Personal excellence, Respect, & Kotahitanga  
Shadae Howard - Personal excellence  
Shamrock Bristowe - Personal excellence  
Te Ruihi Rore-Keefe - Respect  
Zack Christie - Resilience, & Respect  
Zekaya Te Paora - Respect, & Kotahitanga

*Working together (Kotahitanga)*

**RESPECT (WHAKAMANANA)**

Resilience (Aumangea)

**CARING FOR EACH STUDENT (MANAAKITANGA)**



# SPORTS NEWS

Winter Sports are now well underway, it is great to see so many students getting involved in a variety of sports. We would like to thank the coaches and managers who give up their valuable time week after week to train and coach the students.

It is always great to see whanau and friends out there watching and supporting our College players also.

## BASKETBALL

It is great to see plenty of Basketball teams this year;

Senior games are on a Friday

Junior games are on a Monday

Year 7-8 games are on a Thursday

## HOCKEY

A great start to the season on Monday night, they played against Lindisfarne at Park Island, with a draw 2 all.

## RUGBY

The First XV celebrated a win in their first game against NBHS 3rds, score 48-7.

**ANY INTERESTED UNDER 15  
RUGBY PLAYERS?!**

please contact

Sports Co-ordinator Toby Taylor  
027 658 5916



Congratulations to College Netball One who made the Unison Super 12, their games are played weekly on a Tuesday night at the Pettigrew Green Arena.

## NETBALL COACHES NEEDED!!

**We are in need of coaches for our Year 7 & 8 Netball teams. Their games are every Thursday, at the local Wairoa Netball Courts, from 4pm.**

**We have 4 teams that are in desperate need for coaches, without coaches they won't play.**

**Please contact Sports Co-ordinator Toby Taylor 027 658 5916**

## NUHAKA CHESS POWER TOURNAMENT

9 students participated at the recent Chess Power tournament held at Kahungunu marae in Nuhaka. The team had been practising one a week every Thursday lunchtime as a build up to the tournament. They were coached by year 11 students Te Kauhu Barber and Amelia Pasikala. Kayla Wairau and Riley Stanaway also helped with the team's preparations. All students enjoyed the experience and participated really well Wairoa College gained the following awards.

**Senior Team Section:** 3 rd overall – Amelia Pasikala, Kayla Wairau and Riley Stanaway.

**Intermediate Team Section:** 3 rd overall – Nate Douglas, John Grant, Kaya Keefe-Taeoalii, Kayahdem Weekley, James Vennell, Diamond Tipuna-Stevens.

**Intermediate Section:** Bronze Medal for most Team points scored – John Grant, Kaya Keefe – Taeoalii, Kayahdem Weekley, Diamond Tipuna-Stevens.



**The Wairoa College Chess team would like to acknowledge the help from Miss Esta Wainohu and Mrs Keil who organised practises and the trip to Nuhaka.**



# YEAR 9 CROSS CURRICULAR PROGRAM

## RETI BOARDS - MY VERSION OF THE RETI BOARD STORY, BY ZACK CHRISTIE 9K

**Why this all begun:** The reason why this all begun is that we read a book called the remarkable reti. We read this story because we were learning about our identity. The story was based out of Mohaka which is part of our area. The story we read was written by Duane Culshaw and Kiwa Hammond from Mohaka. The story was about Colin Culshaw explaining about the tikanga and taonga of the ngati pahauwera iwi about the reti board and how to fish out of the Mohaka river. We asked the authors to meet us so we could learn about the reti board and why they wrote the story.

**Organised by team 9k:** to organise this we had to send letters out to our Deputy Principal, Principal and B.O.T. asking for permission to go to Mohaka and for some money to get our wood to make reti boards, ingredients for our burgers and transport. We sent a letter to Toby looking for a van to book and how much it would cost to get us there. Then we sent a letter and email to Colin Culshaw and Duane Culshaw asking if we would be able to meet them and talk about reti boards and why Duane wrote the book. Also before our guests arrived we made thank you cards and organised some food to share with them.

**Talking with the author:** when Colin and Duane arrived in our class room we started to talk about the reti boards that they had made. We looked at their lures that they made out of paua shells and some old spoons. They showed us an old photo that we had their house that they lived in at Mohaka and the history behind it.

We were able to ask them some questions that we had posed to ask them about writing the book and reti boards. At the end we gave them our thank you cards and shared some food.

**How we made our reti board:** when we got our piece of wood we had to shape it and cut it out. After we had to sand and sand till we thought it was perfect. After that we had to drill out the holes for the rope and for the lures.

**Disappointed but we were resilient:** we couldn't go on our trip in the end because it rained. So we were resilient and we made our burgers at school and we did water testing for science with Erica Smith from the regional council in the class-room instead of at Mohaka.

Team 9K are going to go on their trip to Mohaka later in the year.



*The RETI Boards the students made*



*Listening to the stories being told by Duane and Colin*



# ANZAC POPPIES by N1

Students from N1 have created these wonderful pieces of artwork which are for sale, and are being displayed at our local Eastend Cafe. All works are acrylic paint and charcoal on paper. These poppies were produced to commemorate our ANZACS.

Each work is for sale at \$20. Proceeds will go to each individual artist and towards a class trip. Head on down to Eastend Cafe to have a look!



1. Rangi Ereata 2. Charli Tata 3. Bonny Akuhata-Gemmell 4. Regina Riesterer 5. Grace Cooney SOLD 6. Suraiya Haidari



7. Abby Morunga SOLD 8. Rylee Burton 9. Julian Hati SOLD 10. Uniquequa Rongo 11. Joshua Hagen 12. Quinten Baker

All purchases and enquires are to be made at the counter. Eastend Café is open Tuesday – Sunday 7am - 4pm

## YEAR 7 & 8 SPEECHES

This term Year 7-8 are starting up speech topics, here is a sample of work from Year 8 Student, Grace Cooney

*Does homework help to grow my brain?*

In my opinion homework is great, it helps with everything. I think all students should have to do homework. Since I have done homework non-stop I have found things a lot easier. It is important to do homework because it can improve our thinking and memory. Homework also develops positive study habits and skills that will serve us well throughout our lives.

I have noticed my reading has improved since I've been dedicating twenty minutes of reading time each night. Also if you have homework it gives you a reason to get off your play stations, iPads, iPhones and bums to do homework. If students don't do their homework, they will lose out in the long run.

I really enjoy doing homework because I gain new knowledge, and become aware of current events around the world. Students who do homework will find learning a lot easier, whereas students who don't do homework will most likely struggle in some subjects. All students who disagree with homework should persevere and they may eventually enjoy it.

I believe homework helps grow our brain and develops good work habits. I took the best road for my brain which is doing homework every night. If you want to succeed at school, and later on in life, then homework can help. Homework is one of the best things you can do because it keeps your brain turned on twenty-four seven. I've noticed by doing regular homework it has helped my brain, and general knowledge. So if you want to be the best that you can be, then try to do your homework, it's really fun!

- By Grace Cooney, Year 8



# WAIROA COLLEGE SCHOOL APP

## How to install the Wairoa College App:



ANDROID

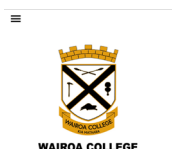


APPLE

1. First, visit the APP store to download the SchoolAppsNZ app



2. Once installed, you can access the app from this icon on your phone's homescreen



3. Simply open the app and search "Wairoa College".



*Your selection will be remembered by the App for future visits*

## SchoolApp can be used by Parents, students, staff and the general School community to:

- Subscribe to alert groups and receive alert notifications from the School
- Read the School Newsletter and other important School notices
- View and share upcoming School events
- Fill out the School absentee form to notify of a students absence
- View links to websites such as the school website, Facebook pages, NZQA site and other important online material
- Click to call/email contacts at the School

## TERM 2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# MAY

Fri	10	RoadSafe Youth Expo Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne
Mon	13	School Closed from 2.05pm
Tue	14	School Closed from 2.05pm
Wed	15	Cross Country Run
Fri	17	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne
Mon	27 - 31	Services Academy Bush Craft

# JUN

Mon	3	Public Holiday
Tue	4 - 7	Mid-year Practice Exams
Fri	7	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Fri	14	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Fri	21	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne
Mon	24	Defensive Driving Course
Wed	26	Defensive Driving Course

# JUL

Mon	1	Defensive Driving Course
Tue	2	Combined Schools Music Festival
Wed	3	Defensive Driving Course
Fri	5	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms LAST DAY TERM 2

## RECRUITMENT EVENING



We welcome the community to join us

**Tuesday 11 June**  
**5.30pm – 7.30pm**  
Age Concern  
Lahore St,  
Wairoa

Learn more  
about an  
extraordinary  
career



For more information please contact police  
constable Nicki Davies on 021 191 3513



# Wairoa Community

## Nathan Mikaere-Wallis

Presents;

**An understanding of how positive adult interaction helps  
improve well-being for children.**

8:30am to 10:00am

**The impact of early adult-child interactions on brain  
development and child outcomes.**

10:30am to 12:00pm

**Evidence-based strategies for supporting positive behaviour  
in children.**

12:30pm to 2:00pm

## Tiaho School Hall

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Parking directly at Tiaho School and surrounding street



nathanwallis  
*conscious intelligence*