



# WAIROA COLLEGE

## NEWSLETTER

Term 2

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### Message From Our Principal

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing Board of Trustees for their support and welcome the new Board of Trustees. Thank you for giving your time to our college.

Last week I went to the Secondary Principals Association of New Zealand (SPANZ) conference in Wellington. This was a very good conference with wonderful guest speakers. We heard from Pasi Sahlberg a Finnish educator now working in Sydney, Nathan Wallis on the brain, Dr Lance O'Sullivan, Lucy Hone on wellbeing, Sir John Jones and Minister Chris Hipkins. I particularly enjoyed Pasi Sahlberg and Sir John Jones. They were very dynamic speakers with good messages on the future of education and what good leadership looks like.

Next week we will have the Education Review Office visiting our college. We are looking forward to the opportunity of showing them all the good things that are taking place.

Students are focussed on completing assessments and working hard. I have met with students who are on track to gain merit and excellence endorsements. I will meet with them every few weeks to discuss their learning and progress.

I have received resignation letters from Mrs Hardie, Mrs Jane Body and Mr Trevor Body. Mr and Mrs Body will both be retiring during Term 2 this year. Mrs Hardie will finish at the end of this year. They are all very valued staff members and I wish them all the best in retirement. They have worked very hard for our students and have been fantastic colleagues. I will have further staff updates in future newsletters.

Ngā mihi nui,

*Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell*

Principal Wairoa College



### ONGOING STRIKE ACTION



TUESDAY 11 JUNE - YEAR 10

TUESDAY 25 JUNE - YEAR 11

TUESDAY 2 JULY - YEAR 12

### OUTSTANDING SWIMMING RESULTS



Year 8 student, Kaylah McMurtrie-Reynolds recently competed at the 2019 Sundevil meet in Flaxmere where she did extremely well. She swam in 12 races, and achieved 10 personal bests, and qualified for NZ Division 2 2020 (national meet) in 3 events. Kaylah has shown improvement in her times as a result of the intense training she does weekly.

Kaylah has now qualified for 7 events for the Anchor International AIMS games this year. She also recently won Swimmer of the Year from Wairoa Swimming Club. Kaylah's goal for 2019, was to qualify for NZ Division 2 2020 by December, so with her doing it so early in the year she can only aim higher. Congratulations Kaylah on your outstanding achievements!

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# WELCOME TO OUR NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wairoa College would like to congratulate and welcome our new Board of Trustees.

Karen Burger (Parent Rep), Denise Eaglesome-Karekare (Parent Rep) and Dave Ryan (Staff Rep) are all returning for another 3 year term. We welcome 3 new Parent Trustees, Paul Hyslop, Andrew Scotson and Diane McCallum to the Board.

The Board farewelled James Baty and Angela Culshaw-Kaisa. Both have given many years of dedicated service to the Board of Trustees at Wairoa College. The College thank them for all their work and wished them all the best for the future.

My name is Karen Burger; I am the current Chairperson of the Board of Trustees at Wairoa College.



Over the last three years the Board has made significant progress to get to the position they are in today. Highlights for me include improved processes within governance so that the Ministry appointed LSM was removed, and the appointment of the new Principal who has led improvements in student achievement and implemented exciting new initiatives.

I work at QRS as the CFO, and have always been involved in various community organisations including Te Matarae o Te Wairoa Trust.

Education and development in children are key drivers for me. I am extremely passionate about this and actively promote the need to cater for different learning styles of individual students.

The development lead by the current BOT has opened a multitude of opportunities for Wairoa College to grow and embrace the changing education climate.

My name is Dave Ryan and I am the current Staff Representative on the Board of Trustees. This is my third term as Staff Rep.



I teach NCEA Levels 1-3 in both Geography and History. I am the Head of the Humanities Faculty and the Year 12 Dean.

I was born and bred in Hastings and moved to Wairoa in 2012 after teaching at Rathkeale College in Masterton. During my overseas travel I also taught in South Korea and Colombia. I am marrying my partner Cathy in July of this year.

Kia ora koutou, my name is Denise Eaglesome-Karekare. I am Wairoa born and bred, and I have a deeply vested interest in our community and its future.

I have served one term on the board and want to continue to build strong foundations that lead to student achievement and their personal growth.

I hold a number of governance and community roles which include Deputy Mayor, Wairoa CACTUS Coordinator, Chair of Te Wairoa Tapokorau Whanui Trust and Deputy Chair of the Wairoa Young Achievers Trust, etc.

My purpose is simple – to encourage, promote and support youth in order for them to achieve their potential and to become successful and responsible adults who make positive contributions to our beautiful community.



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My name is Paul Hyslop and I am married to Dianne Downey. Together we own Kopu Road Orchards, also known as "The Limery".

I bring to the role a wide and varied back ground in business, having worked in a number of Global Companies in senior roles at either director or national sales level being responsible for large numbers of staff, fiscal management and human resources.

On the social front, I have been president of the Te Aroha Business Association, a rugby referee and have a lifelong passion with the sea including both fishing and sailing.

On the Wairoa College Board, it will be my desire to see that good governance is being achieved, that sensible common sense decisions are being made for the benefit of both students and staff and the wider community.

My name is Diane McCallum, and until the end of Term 1, 2019 I was Principal at Tiaho Primary School.



My work across Wairoa has given me insight into many of our Early Childhood Centres, and schools. I have the utmost admiration for the work of our teachers and Tumuaki-Principals, in Wairoa, and see this as an opportunity for me to be able to use the knowledge and skills I have developed over the years to continue to support those that are making a difference for our learners.

I am passionate about the learning and achievement of tamariki across Wairoa – our children are the most amazing young people and deserve the best opportunities possible. I believe that we can achieve that by working together – kura, families, whanau and community. I am honoured to have a chance to play a role in that journey.



Kia Ora, my name is Andrew Scotson. My mother is a Hakopa from Wairoa and my father is from Scotland. Although I grew up in Levin, Wairoa always felt like home to me. After graduating from Church College in Hamilton I went overseas to Hawaii to study social work and psychology. Following that I completed my Master's Degree in Social Work in Utah. During that time, I met and married my wife Taazbaa who is Navajo and after spending 22 years in the USA our family returned home to Wairoa last October. We have 3 children attending Wairoa College, 3 at Wairoa Primary and 2 pre-schoolers. My professional background and training is in social work and mental health, and I have a passion for working with children and youth. I also serve as Bishop in the Wairoa Ward of the Church of Latter Day Saints. I coach the Senior Boys Basketball team at Wairoa College.

## ONGOING STRIKE ACTION

As you may have seen in the media, negotiations between the Ministry of Education and the Post Primary Teachers' Association, (PPTA) / New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI) has still not resulted in a settlement. As a result, the PPTA has announced a schedule of rostered days at home for each year level. These are as follows:

**TUESDAY 11 JUNE - YEAR 10**

**TUESDAY 25 JUNE - YEAR 11**

**TUESDAY 2 JULY - YEAR 12**

We ask that you keep your child at home on the relevant day as their normal scheduled classes will not be running.



# 9R MUSEUM VISIT

As part of 9R's transport unit, the class visited the Wairoa Museum to have a look at ways of transport such as horses, waka, and steamboats.

After their visit to the museum, the students walked down to Spooner Point where they had lunch and then they released their own boats to determine, speed, distance and time as part of their research.

*Dear Wairoa Museum,*

*I would like to thank the Wairoa Museum for their help in keeping Wairoa history alive and for allowing us to go and learn about our ancestors and the history of all that's happened in Wairoa.*

*I only hope that people learn from their mistakes. As I have.*

*One day Wairoa may become a city and the museum will be a big part of it. I had fun. Thanks for having us.*

*My favourite exhibition was the Maori heritage you have truly done it justice. Thank you.*

Owen Verner  
9R, Wairoa College.



## NCEA EXCELLENCE AWARDS



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

### Excellence in Chemistry 1.1

**Carry out a practical chemistry investigation, with direction.**

Riley Stanaway

### Excellence in Physics 2.1

**Carry out a practical physics investigation that leads to a non-linear mathematical relationship.**

Gemma Mapstone

### Excellence in Physics 3.1

**Carry out a practical investigation to test a physics theory relating two variables in a non-linear relationship**

Melchior Atzwanger

## 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).

Aaron Crayford - Kotahitanga  
Abby Morunga - Manaakitanga  
Syncia Jury - Manaakitanga & Respect  
Mystique Harris - Manaakitanga & Respect  
Bethany Kerley - Manaakitanga & Respect  
Rawiri Haliburton - Kotahitanga



# SPORTS NEWS



Winter Sports are well underway, we have teams travelling to Gisborne and Napier as well as local games, to compete in their competitions. We appreciate the commitment from coaches, managers, students and whanau, to ensure our students can compete in the sport they enjoy.

Deputy Principal, Lisa Carmine is often on the sidelines cheering on our students as well as taking some great pictures. These shots were captured by Mrs Carmine at recent Basketball games at the Centennial Hall, in Napier.

If you take photos of students participating in sports or events outside of school hours, please feel free to share them with us. You can email them to: [rad@wairoacollege.school.nz](mailto:rad@wairoacollege.school.nz), or send them via private messenger to the Wairoa College Facebook page.



## LOST PROPERTY

**Non uniform / mufti items that have been handed in throughout Term 1 and 2, need to be collected. If your child is missing some clothing, please pop into the office and have a look through our lost property.**



# TERM 2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JUN

Tue	4 - 7	Mid-year Practice Exams
Thu	6	Restricted Drivers to Gisborne Elite Shearing Training Visit
Fri	7	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Mon	10-13	House Competition in Table Tennis
Tue	11	Police Recruitment Evening Year 10 Strike Action
Wed	12	Catering for Age Concern Restricted Driving Wairoa
Fri	14	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Fri	21	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Mon	24	Defensive Driving Course
Tue	25	Year 11 Strike Action
Mon	24-26	Learners Licence Course
Wed	26	Defensive Driving Course
Fri	28	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms Learners Licence Test Day

## JUL

Mon	1	Defensive Driving Course
Tue	2	Combined Schools Music Festival Year 12 Strike Action
Wed	3	Defensive Driving Course Incubator Programme Hawkes Bay
Fri	5	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms <b>LAST DAY TERM 2</b>
Mon	22	<b>FIRST DAY TERM 3</b>
Fri	26	Trades Academy Gisborne Trades Academy Napier Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms
Sat	28	Hawkes Bay Tough Guy/Girl Competition

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Raising Independent Twins & Teens

with Media Personality Yvonne Godfrey

**PARENTS DISCOVER:**

- Stop nagging and gain co-operation
- Parenting traps and how to avoid them
- Develop resilient kids

**PLUS MUCH, MUCH MORE!**

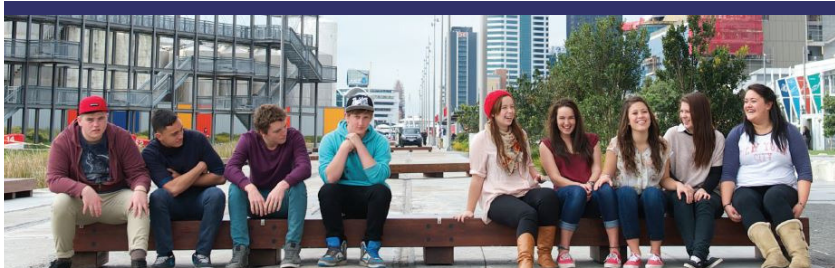


**DATE : WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE • 7.30 - 9.00PM**

**VENUE: THE BLYTH PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE, IONA COLLEGE**

**TICKETS: \$15 AT [MIOMO.COM/EVENTS](http://MIOMO.COM/EVENTS) - [CLICK HERE](#)**

*This event is suitable for parents, caregivers and educators - no children please.*



## 2019 Hawkes Bay Secondary School Ski Races

The 2019 Hawkes Bay Secondary School Races (HBSS) are being hosted by Havelock Ski Club, Saturday 14 September at Whakapapa, Ruapehu.

We run the HBSS races as part of our club races so there will be all levels of skiers participating – many for the first time. Please encourage students to give it a go and pass this email onto any other schools / students who are keen to take part. If schools can't make up a complete team, individuals are welcome to enter. You can find all the race criteria online.

Time to begin sorting teams - and enter online!

Click on the link to our online application form. <https://www.sporty.co.nz/hbsss>

Happy to answer any questions

Regards,

Sue Wilson

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## RECRUITMENT EVENING



We welcome the community to join us

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

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constable Nicki Davies on 021 191 3513



# Embark on one of the most exciting and rewarding experiences of your life



## HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

- ✓ Experience a new culture
- ✓ Learn a language at home
- ✓ Rediscover and share the beauty of New Zealand

Students arrive in January, April, June and July and stay for 3, 5 or 10 months.

All students have a wide range of interests and hobbies.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today  
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[www.studentexchange.org.nz/hosting](http://www.studentexchange.org.nz/hosting)



You can learn more about our exchange students by visiting our website. Below is just a small outline of the students who will be arriving.

**Australia** - 15 year old Adam is a student from Australia. His biggest passion is BMX bike riding, this occupies most of his free time. Adam hopes to continue riding his BMX while in New Zealand and is also looking forward to experiencing a new culture, some city life and meeting new people. His parents tell us that he'll be happy to participate in household duties, he makes a good barista coffee and that there are no 'airs' and 'graces' with him. He describes himself as quiet, modest and good humoured.

**Denmark** - Sara is a 15 year old student from Denmark who also speaks some German. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, cooking, watching Netflix and hanging with her friends. She also goes to Rhythmic Gymnastics twice week, works in a Bakery and looks after two small children. All this and fitting in her homework too. Sara has travelled extensively with her family and is looking forward to experiencing the New Zealand culture and meeting new people. Sara describes herself as energetic, fun, aspiring, caring positive and competitive. At home, Sara helps cooking once a week, mowing the lawn and doing the dishes.

**Finland** - 16 year old student Aino from Finland also speaks Swedish. Her hobbies are hiking, scouting, snowboarding, climbing and jogging. Aino describes herself as a happy and helpful person. She is very active and is looking forward to joining in some new activities with her host family and improving her English while in New Zealand. She helps look after the family dog and general cleaning around the home.

**France** - Clemence is a 14 year old French student who also speaks Spanish. Her favourite subjects at school are English, History and Sport. In her free time, Clemence enjoys cooking, drawing, dancing and DIY. While in New Zealand she looks forward to experiencing the culture, nature and the warm people. Clemence describes herself as quiet, helpful, sociable and organised. At home, she helps with the cooking, keeping her room tidy, vacuuming and clear the table.

**Germany** - 15 year old German student Frieda also speaks Spanish. Her favourite subjects at school are Art, Maths and Geography. In her free time, Frieda enjoys swimming, drawing, painting, playing board games and going to the movies with friends. Her activities include playing the guitar, dancing all styles, basketball and volleyball. She tells us that she is excited to learn about a new culture, country and lifestyle while in New Zealand. Frieda describes herself as happy, relaxed, social, friendly and curious. At home, she helps by cleaning her room, grocery shopping and helping out in the kitchen.

**Italy** - 16 year old Italian student Stella also speaks German. She tells us her subjects at her school are very hard and include, Ancient Greek, Philosophy and Latin. In her free time, Stella spends her time with her friends enjoying a coffee downtown and hanging out. She is hoping to see as many places as possible while in New Zealand and looks forward to improving her English and meeting new people. Stella describes herself as curious, kind, independent and responsible. At home, she helps set the table, stack the dishwasher and walk the dog