

## **WAIROA COLLEGE**

**NEWSLETTER** 



## **Message From Our Principal**

Tēnā Koutou Katoa,

It has been a very busy few weeks with NCEA exams and the completion of another academic year. It is also a very exciting time of year as we look ahead and prepare for 2019. It was wonderful to meet so many of the 2019 Year 7 and 9's at the parent interviews.

The Year 7 and 8's have been enjoying the many activities that have been organized for them in the final weeks of term. Students have had the opportunity to attend a Science Wananga, put on by the University of Otago, the HB Museum ran an interactive programme exploring the 1931 Earthquake, along with Volvo sailing, and a trip to Splash Planet this week. It's an enjoyable way to end the year for the students, and I would like to thank those who have helped make the events happen.

I am looking forward to celebrating junior student's achievements with the Junior Prize Giving next week.

To the Board of Trustees, thank you for all your support in my first year as Principal at Wairoa College.

I would also like to thank the staff and students for all your support and hard work this year. 2018 has been a very successful year with many students achieving their goals, while others learning lessons along the way, ready to strive and achieve again in 2019.

Until then, I wish you all Merry Christmas, and a very safe and happy holiday

#### **JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING**



**WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER, AT 1PM**  Ngā mihi nui,

### Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell

Principal Wairoa College





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## **WAIROA AIMS TEAM WIN AT SPORTS AWARDS**



TeArani Edwards, Tahlia Eriha, and Swayde Paea, accepted the trophy for 'Sports Team of the Year' award on behalf of their team, at the 2018 Wairoa Sports Awards.

Congratulations to the AIMS team who won the "Sports Team of the Year" award, at the Wairoa Sports Awards. The College AIMS team were nominated after having a very successful year:

- Year 7/8 Hawkes Bay Intermediate Netball Day Tournament Winners 2018
- Winners at the Kurangaituku Intermediate Netball Tournament
- 1st Place in A Grade Gisborne Intermediate Netball Competition

## **ACL LEADERS FINAL ADVENTURE FOR 2018**



Last week Active Leaders (Friday group) embarked on their final trip for 2018. This excursion was more significant as it was the last trip for many students being Year 13, but also for Friday courses (Day 0). Many of the students began in the Friday course LeaderFIT, which later evolved into ACT and now ACL. This senior course focused on building leadership skills through individual, group and community activities. The final adventure with this years group, was to tramp around the Northern Circuit (around and over Mt Ngaruhoe and Mt Tongariro) in the Central Plateau of the North Island. It was a four day, three night feat walking 45km in total. The elements were not always our friend but we all came out the other end with many stories to share.













## **STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY**

It was great to see our students and future leaders giving up their time, to show respect and care for others in their community at this weeks Age Concern's Christmas Party.

Our students served tea and coffee, and sung a selection of songs for the local Wairoa Age Concern organistaiton. Our students then got to hear the members enjoying themselves singing a few traditional

Christmas songs, before Santa arrived to hand out some parcels.



Shannon Tahuri, and Matariki Olsen-Smith



Waimarie Pouwhare, Rangiatea Tahuri-Cotter and Shyanne Smith



Paige Rore-White and Shyanne Smith

## **EXPLORING THE 1931 EARTHQUAKE**



This week at Wairoa College, students from Year 7 – 10 had the opportunity to explore the 1931 Earthquake in a programme brought to us from the Hawkes Bay Museum. The programme included some great interactive equipment which allowed students to explore history, using modern technology. A highlight was the "green screen" technology where students used iPads and stood in front of a green screen, to set themselves in a scene after the 1931 Earthquake. The students were then asked to stage TV news reports 'live' from the scene of the 1931 Earthquake.

Keep an eye on the Wairoa College facebook page over the next few weeks for recordings of these interviews by the students: https://www.facebook.com/wairoacollege





## **SCIENCE WANANGA**

This week Otago University came to Wairoa and held a Science Wananga for students from schools around the district. The purpose was to provide students with an opportunity to gain practical scientific skills and knowledge in real-life contexts, working alongside University Scientists, Postgraduate Students and the local Māori community as inspirational role models who respect the mātauranga that students bring.

Over the three days students were involved in the Science fields of Genetics, Health Science and Physics. Representatives from Rocket Lab also did a presentations and involved the students in launching water propelled rockets.

Many thanks to Otago University for their superb organisation of this wananga and to Takitimu Marae for their hospitality. There is a well-known proverb "Nau te rourou, naku te rourou kia ora ai to tatou taiao!" ... with your knowledge and our knowledge our environment will have a positive future.

#### Genetics

The theme was that all living things have DNA which is a blueprint for everything that happens inside an organism's cells. DNA tells an organism how to develop and function.









**Physics** 

Students built camera obscura and explored the connection

between electromagnetism and electricity.

"Jacob inspired me to learn more about astro-physics"



#### **Health Science**

The students had a mixture of hands-on activities relating to clinical, oral and emergency skills. One of the goals was to familiarise the students with several common clinical examinations performed in an everyday doctor appointment.

"Reuben inspired me about Health Science and about taking care of our teeth"

"Health Science inspired me to watch out for my well-being and hygiene"







#### **Rocket Lab**

The representatives from Rocket Lab talked about Rocket Lab's mission to open access to space to

improve our lives. They talked about what satellites are, what they are used for, how they stay in orbit, how rockets work and why we go to space.

## PE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

- 7C **Kayahdem Weekley,** for a positive attitude and being helpful in class.
- 9R **Kamryn Down,** for consistently being well-prepared and always showing good sportsmanship
- 9C **Damian Smith,** for always giving things a go and great sportsmanship in Physical Education
- 9O **Lexus Te Kahu-Brown,** for 100% participation and having fun in Ultimate Rounders
- 9K **Henare Tawhai,** for consistently participating and contributing to all PE practical lessons.
- 10R **Keighan Horua-Neilson,** for excellent umpiring in Ultimate Dodge Ball
- 100 **Rhiley Ribbon,** for 100% participation in Ultimate Rounders.
- 10C Amelia Pasikala, for continuously having a positive can-do attitude and always encouraging others in PE.
- 10K **Julie Quenneville,** for using your initiative and having the confidence to speak up in front of a large group of people.

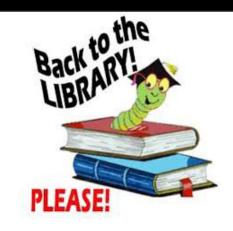
#### Week 7

- 7C **Kayle Preistley**, for being consistently wellprepared and helpful and always giving 100% in class.
- 9R Aaliyah Bristowe, for joining in and having fun in Ultimate Rounders
  Kale Baty, for 100% effort and great sportsmanship in Ultimate Rounders
- Jodie Huata, for 100% participation and having fun in Ultimate Rounders
   Tobias Hornby, for 100% participation and having fun in Ultimate Rounders
- 9C **George Cox,** for leadership and sportsmanship in Ultimate Rounders
- 10R Alexis McIntyre, for 100% effort and great sportsmanship in Physi cal Education.

  Louis Raroa, for 100% participation and effort in One Touch.
- 100 **Fagan Hook-Robertson,** for 100% participation and excellent fielding in Ultimate Rounders.
- 10C **Tamara Stewart,** for consistently having a positive attitude in PE
- 10K **David Malcolm,** for using your initiative and getting on with the PE lesson. Well done.

## **OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS**

There are a large number of outstanding overdue library books still issued to students. Can you please ask the students in your care, if they have any they need to return. If you are unsure, you can talk to Mrs Smith (Librarian), please ring the school. We would appreciate the return of any books you find at home.



## **IMPORTANT DATES**

# 2018

## DEC

- 7 Splash Planet Trip
- 12 Junior Prizegiving
- 13 Last day of school

# 2019

## **JAN**

- 23 Office Open 8am 4pm
- 24 Uniform Shop 8am 4pm
- 25 Uniform Shop 8am 4pm New Enrollments 9am - 12pm
- 28 Uniform Shop 1:15pm 1:45pm
- 29 All Year 9 Students Orientation Day with subject teachers Year 11-13 Students to confirm subjects with Deans
- 30 Whole School in attendance

## **FEB**

- 6 Waitangi Day Public Holiday
- 13 Athletics Day
- 27 Swimming Sports

## FROM THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT



#### **MĀORI EDUCATION TRUST**

#### **2019 SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships and Criteria	Value
Edward Carlton Holmes Memorial Scholarship  Available to secondary students who are a registered beneficiary of the Ngāti Kahungunu Ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui ā Rua Post Settlement Governance Entity (PSGE).	Varies
RJ Graham Scholarship  Available to Year 12 and Year 13 Māori students with academic merit studying Te  Reo Māori and either mathematics, information technology or science. (Science is defined as physics, chemistry or biology.)	\$500 40 recipients
Rose Hellaby Scholarship  To assist Year 9 Māori students with the purchase of school uniform or textbooks.  Available to students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude.	\$500 80 recipients
Sister Annie Henry Scholarship Available to a Māori student who is a direct descendant of Reverend John George Laughton or of Tūhoe descent, to assist with education or training costs.	\$700 1 recipient (in total, at Secondary or Tertiary level)
Ti Maru Māori Trust Secondary Boarding Scholarship  Available to Year 9 Māori students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude, who attend a secondary boarding school.	\$1,000 20 recipients
VW & LM Rosier Scholarship  Available to Year 13 Māori students with demonstrated financial need and NCEA  Level 2 with Merit or Excellence Endorsement.	\$500 6 recipients
Regina Rudland Memorial Scholarship  Available to a Year 13 Māori student who is undertaking study in the field of Agriculture or Apiculture in 2018 at Level 3 or higher.	\$500 1 recipient

Applications will be available to download from the Māori Education Trust (MET) website in Whiringa-ā-rangi (November) 2018. Alternatively, call, text or email the office and an application form will be sent to you.

NOTE: Applications and supporting documentation must reach the Māori Education Trust by 4.30 pm, Friday, 1 Poutū-te-rangi (March) 2019.

Feel free to contact the office for further information.

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