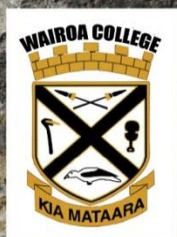


WAIROA COLLEGE

Raising student achievement through building strong foundations



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May 31, 2018

Term 2, Week 5



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Mid year exams are coming up next week for some students in a variety of subjects. This is a good opportunity for students to get valuable feedback and feedforward from teachers. Remember you can access the KAMAR portal to see your daughter or son's results at anytime. We are encouraging students to also monitor their progress through the APP.

I have met with a group of students in year 11 who have been performing at a high level academically in their assessments. I will continue to add more students to our group as others gain high academic results. We have discussed subject and year level endorsements and what it takes to reach Excellence. These conversations are important for the students to share ideas on what it takes to excel.

Students know that we are monitoring their academic achievements closely and there appears to be more discussions happening with students as to where they are placed to gain their NCEA qualifications. If at home you can also encourage these conversations we will improve their goal setting and motivation to strive for personal excellence.

We have had some great games of sport over the last couple of weeks. I have been fortunate to attend some of these games and I will continue to do so over the coming weeks. I particularly enjoyed our girls rugby win against Napier Girls' High School at Wairoa College last week. I am glad to see so many young people participating in sporting activities. The Prefect team are investigating some ideas for clubs to run as lunch time activities.



Lucknow St | Phone 838 8303

Whole school singing in assembly is sounding wonderful. This is an initiative started by Whaia Pania to enhance school spirit. We have also entered a competition for Tutira Mai.

We have started framing our curriculum review. We will be consulting with students, whanau and the community throughout the year. This will be a great opportunity for all parties to contribute to our future direction.

I would like to again remind parents that we do have a school uniform. Please do not let your children go to school wearing incorrect uniform. The uniform shop is well stocked with jackets, jerseys, shorts and shirts. The uniform shop is open from 1.15pm-1.45pm Monday to Thursday. The school jacket is a plain black zip jacket that is warm and looks smart. The only school shoe is a black shoe/sneaker that covers the toes. No jandals, sandals or gumboots are to be worn. Students can see a Senior Leader with a note from home for a temporary uniform pass. We would like students to wear the Wairoa College uniform with pride. Please support us in trying to do this. If you need help in sorting uniform, please contact the office.

Ngā mihi nui
Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees Report

On Saturday 26th May the board and Mrs Vennell met to set the Vision and Mission for the College. It was a great workshop with lots of ideas for the future direction of the school. The following statements were developed;

Vision: Wairoa College, the school of choice by engaging students in an innovative, future focussed curriculum that achieves personal excellence.

Mission: Through manaakitanga we will create a supportive environment, setting high expectations that will inspire lifelong learning.



The staff and students are being encouraged to supply feedback on these statements. The next step will be a specific focus on the school values and a graduate profile to coincide with the vision and mission. In the near future the community will be encouraged to provide feedback as well.

After a longer timeframe than what was expected the refurbishment of the music room is nearly complete. The board had a look at the progress a couple of months ago and are pleased with the result so far. A draft plan has been submitted for the library which a small committee is looking at before going out to the wider school for feedback.

ERO are visiting the school late in June for the first of three visits. The final visit is planned for about February next year. This will enable us to show progress being made in stages over this time period.

The board are really enjoying working with Mrs Vennell, especially with the level of data the board is receiving on student achievement. It is pleasing to see a lot of students are well on their way to attaining credits for NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 with quite a few Merit and Excellence marks as well. Mrs Vennell is working with some students that are aiming for endorsements.

Just a reminder to parents that our school policies are on line at <http://wairoacollege.schooldocs.co.nz>.

Our username is wairoacollege and the password is WaiCol.

If you have any questions regarding policy, do not hesitate to contact me. For day to day operation questions please contact the Mrs Vennell in the first instance.

Board Chair
Karen Burger

PPTA MEETING

New Zealand is faced with a critical shortage of secondary teachers. As a result of this, the PPTA will negotiate with the government later this year to find ways to address this shortage. To prepare for these negotiations, the PPTA will hold paid union meetings around the country. These meetings will be held under the provisions of section 26 of the Employment Relations Act 2000.

**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

The meeting for Wairoa College PPTA members will be held in Gisborne on **Tuesday 5th June 2018**. For this reason, the PPTA branch of Wairoa College would like to notify parents / caregivers that staff will be attending this meeting and advise caregivers that a limited number of teachers will be available for instruction from **11:30am** onwards on this day.

Students living in town may go home at this time. If bus students can be catered for we would appreciate this but students who wish to remain at school will be supervised by staff.

Buses will run at their usual times.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Wairoa College Ball

The 2018 Wairoa College Ball will be held on the 6th July in the school hall. The theme is 'A Night in Greece' However, you are not required to dress to the theme.



Photo from 2017 Ball "Stary Stary Night"

WE NEED TO SELL 50 MORE TICKETS BEFORE JUNE 15 FOR THE BALL TO GO AHEAD. Tickets cost \$40, you can purchase these from the office.

The Ball is for Year 12's and 13's. Year 11's are allowed to go if accompanied by an eligible senior. If you are wanting to bring someone not from our school you must set up a meeting with Mrs Vennell to ensure they are suitable and will respect the school and our morals. They must also be 19 or younger.

Please purchase your tickets this week!!!!



English 1.1 – show understanding of visual and/or oral text(s) through close viewing and/or listening, using supporting evidence

***Achieved with Merit* - Kuata Folau**

English 2.10 – Analyse aspects of visual and/or oral text(s) through close viewing and/or listening, supported by evidence

Achieved with Merit

Melchior Atzwanger

Jessie Hema-Westcott

Jacob Paku

Shyanne Smith

Zoe Solomon

Jacky Zhuang

Biology 2.8 – Investigate biological material at the microscopic level

***Achieved with Merit* -**

Jessie Hema-Westcott

Diijon Lewis-Eraha

Chemistry 3.1 – Carry out an investigation in chemistry involving quantitative analysis

***Achieved with Excellence* - Lauralee Bramley**

Mya Mataki

English 3.9 – Respond critically to significant aspects of visual and/or oral text(s) through close reading, supported by evidence

***Achieved with Excellence* - Lauralee Bramley**

Achieved with Merit

Mel Folau

Mya Mataki

Mya Williams

Wade Tohiariki-Williams

2018 Mid-Year Practice Exam Timetable

	Tuesday 5 th June (Day 4)			Wednesday 6 th June (Day 1)			Thursday 7 th June (Day 2)		
	Class	Supervision	Venue	Class	Supervision	Venue	Class	Supervision	Venue
1				L1 English (69)	- TOG - TG	Hall			
2	PHY301 (10) GEO301 (18)	- DVE - JS	Hall		- KM - AH		GEO201 (12)	- DWR	Hall
3				AEN301 (23)	- KM	Hall	BIO301 (11) L2 English (33)	- KM - JRT	Hall
4				- TOG	- TOG - JS				
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2018 Mid-Year Practice Examination Timetable

- Students should assemble for period 2 exams at whanau class time
- Students should assemble for period 3 exams at 11.05 (end of interval)

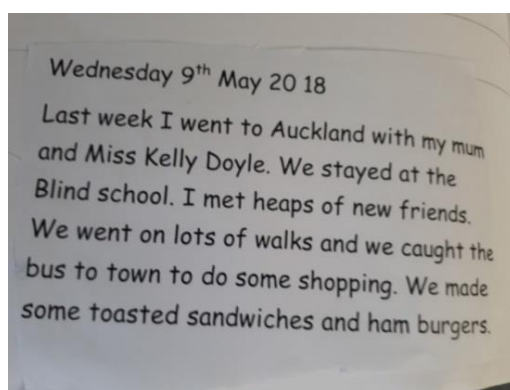
BLENNZ Trip

Wairoa College student Ivory Kinita and his mum got to visit Auckland recently with BLENNZ (Blind and Low Vision Education Network NZ) Resource Teacher of Vision, Kelly Doyle. The trip was about meeting other students with vision impairment from around Aotearoa and staying at the Homai Campus together in Manurewa. All the students involved were of the age where understanding how to be independent and to care for themselves in the big, wide world is the learning focus.

Ivory got to meet lots of new friends, learned about; money and budgeting, how to make healthy toasted sandwiches, finding his way around a big shopping mall, travelling on a bus, reading a menu and ordering a meal at a restaurant, ordering a taxi, singing in a band, swimming and going to a gym. It was an action packed week!

While away, Ivory did a fantastic job representing Wairoa College. He led karakia, showed appreciation through haka and was helpful and kind to his friends as well as adults.

Ivory wrote about his adventure when he got back to Wairoa College.



Fundamental Journalism Class

Students from the Fundamental Journalism class, which runs every Friday at Wairoa College, have interviewed Ms Patricia Gammeter and have collaboratively crafted a profile feature on who she is and why she has joined our community.

Patricia Gammeter is a new face around the school who has recently joined our community in Wairoa. She is originally from Switzerland and has Irish and Swiss whakapapa. She has come to Wairoa from Hamilton where she has lived for more than 20 years and has been studying at Waikato University towards gaining a Masters in Teaching and Learning. She had visited Wairoa before deciding to settle here and has already bought some land. She took this opportunity because she wanted to have something she loves; she believes it is "important to have something to call your own".

At Wairoa College, she intends to become the "best teacher [she] can be". Patricia is training as a student teacher so you will be seeing her friendly face around the school and in Mr Gledhill's classroom (A5). Ms Gammeter is on her way to becoming a teacher of English and French, she is also a passionate learner of linguistics studies. She can fluently speak English and French and is able to get by with some German, Italian and Arabic.



Profile Feature: Patricia Gammeter Friday 25 May 2018

Whilst she was born in Switzerland, and has lived in other countries such as Ireland and Australia, Ms Gammeter feels that she has been able to call Aotearoa her home since 1994. She says that she is loving

the experience at Wairoa College so far and has found the students and staff to be friendly, accepting, encouraging, and positive. Patricia loves reading novels, especially mysteries and stories by Jane Austen. She also loves knitting socks and shawls as well as dyeing fibre and yarn; she likes to weave scarves and would like to try weaving blankets. She loves funk music and enjoys a nice cup of coffee. She has a 21-year-old son, Yaniv, which means *the tree that grows from the earth and bears fruit*.

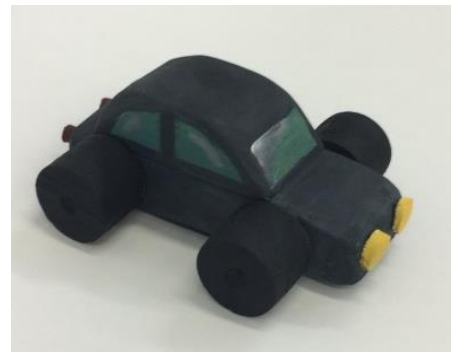
We look forward to discovering new things about Patricia Gammeter during the time she spends at Wairoa College and will encourage her during her journey to becoming a teacher.

Written by: Charnce Clair, Shamron Edwards, Liah Fitzgerald, Shadae Howard, Monique Kirwan, Gemma Mapstone, Jayden Samuels, Yaam Shukrun, Hannah Simmonds, Tamra Stubing, Courteney Thomas, Arthur Thurston-Chandler, Gardian Tipuna, Daniel Wesley.

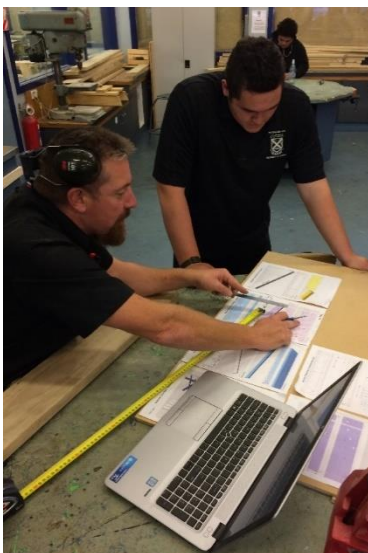
Hard Materials Technology



Rural students designing their cars at the "Design Bench"



Fun cars made by Year 8 Wairoa College Students



Mr Damon Thomas explaining a new woodwork project to a senior student



Cheeseboards and pokerwork by Year 8 Students



Student poker working his coffee table

SPORT

Wairoa College Sports Results 14 – 18 May

Rugby

Division 3 vs NBHS Yellow 44 - 12 to Wairoa College
1st XV vs HBHS 3rds 21 -17 to Wairoa College
Girls vs HGHS 30 - 45 to HGHS

Netball

Year 11s vs NGHS 15 - 5 to Wairoa College
Year 10s vs St Josephs Maori Girls 42 - 3 to Wairoa College
Netball 1 vs NGHS 29 - 18 to Wairoa College

Hockey

Boys vs Lindisfarne Colts C 7 - 0 to Wairoa College
Mixed vs Central HB Mixed 5 - 0 to Wairoa College

Basketball

Junior Girls vs HGHS Junior A 0 - 79 to HGHS
Junior vs TeAute Juniors 26 - 14 to Wairoa College
Senior Girls vs Karamu Senior Girls 40 - 10 to Wairoa College
Senior Twos vs Lindisfarne 34 - 17 to Wairoa College
Senior Boys vs NBHS B 62 - 73 to NBHS
Snr Boys vs NBHS C1 53 - 90 to NBHS

Badminton

Badminton Girls vs Taradale & Karamu
Played 6 Games, won 4, lost 2
Netball



PE Student of the Week

Week 3

- 7C Uniquequa Rongo for a positive attitude and giving it a go.
- 9R Kathleen Johnson for participation and being a great team player in Ki O Rahi.
- 90 Jaxon Ruawai for always being prepared, having a positive attitude, being helpful.
- 9C Custom-Lee Rigby-Grace for being prepared, participation and being a great team player in Ki O Rahi
- 9K Avon Hawkins for actively participating and working hard in PE
- 10 R Shanice McNabb for participation and having a go at a new sport.
- 10 O – Diezel Gore for always being prepared, 100% participation and positive attitude.
- 10C – Tamara Stewart for displaying a positive attitude and demonstrating good leadership qualities in PE
- 10K – Riverlee Vanpraseuth for consistently demonstrating good leadership qualities through key Competencies in PE
- L1 – Hugh Taylor for working hard to complete your PE written assessments
- L2-Te Wharekura Ropitini for demonstrating good leadership qualities when coaching Ki-O-Rahi
- L3 – Taurion Colquhoun for using your initiative and asking for advice when coaching Ki-O-Rahi

Week 4

- 7C Zade Thompson – Maxwell for stepping up and representing the college at gymnastics.
- 9 R Brandon Carr for 100% participation and effort in Ki-O-Rahi
- 90 Dennis-Desmond Bricknell for 100% participation and a positive attitude in netball.
- 9C Rangi Te Kahika for 100% participation and a positive attitude in netball.
- 9K Lishae Peipi for actively participating and working hard in PE
- 10 R Tenaya Smerdon for being a great team player and giving it a go.
- 100 TJ Wright for always being prepared and being a great team player
- 10C Jessie Haenga for displaying a positive attitude and demonstrating good leadership qualities in PE
- 10K Kalaney Ruwhiu for consistently working hard to achieve the key competencies in PE
- L1 Monique Kirwan for consistently demonstrating self - management strategies during PE lessons
- L2 Jack Te Amo for demonstrating positive work ethic when coaching
- L3 Devine Tavai-Waitoa for consistently communicating positively with year 8 students during Ki-O-Rahi

Gymnastics

Members of the newly formed Gymnastics Club travelled to Gisborne last week to compete in the annual gymnastics festival. This was the first time competing for most of our team and they all conquered their nerves to compete in all three disciplines. (Floor and vault, bar for boys, beam for girls). Our Intermediate B Grade competitors did particularly well with Te Arai Smith and Abby Morunga achieving joint second place in the Girls event and Zade Thompson-Maxwell second place in the rural boys event. Teams from all over Gisborne District entered the event over a two day period. Thank you to everyone who supported our team and gave up their time to coach at lunchtime, after school at the weekends: Mrs Hardie, Esta Wainhou and Hayley Mitchell as well as Mr Robinson from Sport Gisborne. A special thanks to Tiaho School who loaned us their gymnastics equipment to practice on.



Wairoa College Gymnastics Team



Te Arai Smith Yr 8 completing her beam routine

Netball

Te Arani made Yr7 Gisborne Netball Centre Rep team and Swayde made GNCRT Yr8. They have a tournament in Gisborne on the 3rd June and one in Whakatane on the 10th June. They are both members of Netball Aims team which plays every Saturday in Gisborne. They are also members of Wairoa's Achievers netball Team.



Active Leader Group

On Friday the Active Leaders group took to the tracks at the new Wairoa Mountain Bike park. Special thanks to the Adventure Wairoa Club for providing the mountain bikes for our students and to Mr Robertshaw for taking us through the tracks. A great day had by all.



If students are interested in learning more about mountain biking. Please come and see Mr Robertshaw.

ALSO

A big thanks to the Napier Marathon for allowing us to be a part of this international event. They allowed us to volunteer in the registration process - where we saw 2000 / 5000 participants during the time we were there.



Fitness & Training!

On Tuesday, the Level 2 & 3 Physical Education class participated in a fitness training session which was run by a group of students from EIT Tairāwhiti. The group of students who are enrolled into the Certificate in Health and Fitness course in Gisborne travelled to Wairoa to carry out a Fitness Training session as part of their own learning towards completing their qualification. It was great to see local ex Wairoa College student Hyrum back at Wairoa College, catching up with his peers and carrying out his activities as part of the Certificate in Health and Fitness course he has just about completed.



The level 2 and 3 PE students found this session to be very beneficial to their own learning and training. There were a variety of fun and interactive fitness activities which created a competitive atmosphere and learning environment.

The PE students are currently in training for one of their NCEA assessments, Tough Guy Tough Girl which will be taking place in Term 3.



The PE students were quickly put into two teams and the rivalry began! A few activities involved in the session were a warm up activity “Paper, scissors, rock” with an added component of different dynamic stretches. Physical skills were also a part of their session, having the two teams battle it out to complete the different skills such as hopping to one of the cones holding a basketball between their legs. Speed was a factor in another activity with each person running the length of the gym to complete a riddle (matching the muscle groups with the correct exercise) while the rest of their team had to go through the pain of completing a wall sit while they wait for their turn.



A circuit was put in place for the students which tested their mental toughness and then a basketball drill to finish. It started off with the rules being that the winning team had to win the best out of 3 rounds which quickly turned into 4, 5, 6 and 7 as the students were thoroughly enjoying their lesson.

A very big thank you to the students from EIT Tairawhiti! You were all very professional, the learning was purposeful and the students really enjoyed participating in your activities (and being awarded some spot prizes which were won by Hinehea and Carlos for their hard work throughout the lesson). We look forward to our next session!



Miss Goldsmith

Healthy Relationships Workshop

LOVES ME NOT WORKSHOP – is a healthy relationships workshop. This is for Year 13 Students on the 26 & 27 June in the Wharenuui.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, 4 June	Queens Birthday – School Closed
Tuesday, 5 June	PPTA paid union meeting Gisborne
Tuesday, 5 to 7 June	Mid-Year Exams
Tuesday, 12 to 15 June	Learner Licence Course
Thursday, 12 July	Whizz Bang Science Show

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Dr Graham's Whizz Bang Science!



Launching **marshmallows** out of vacuum cleaners, building **rockets** from common household items, sending **teddy bears** into space with liquid nitrogen? Is there nothing **Dr Graham** can't do?!!

Prepare yourself for a thrilling science show that explodes through chemistry, physics with bubbles, booms, bangs and occasionally, fire!

Dr Graham Walker is a dab hand at science shows. For the past 16 years he has thrilled audiences around the globe with his unique brand of entertaining and engaging teaching.

Appealing particularly to primary school children, all are welcome to attend, however, children under 14 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

These shows are FREE, but space is limited. Avoid disappointment by booking you and your children's tickets at:

royalsociety.org.nz/our-events

RUATORIA

Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Waiū o Ngāti Porou Hall

9:30am Wednesday 11 July

GISBORNE

Gisborne Girls High School Hall

4pm Wednesday 11 July

WAIROA

Wairoa College School Hall

12pm (noon) Thursday 12 July

LOWER HUTT

Walter Nash Stadium, Taita

10:30am, 1pm, 3:30pm Friday 13 July

We gratefully acknowledge the support of our partners in presenting these family fun events.



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Karen Haywood

Wairoa College

Dear Karen,

Victoria University of Wellington warmly invites you to our Gisborne Information Evening on **Thursday 21 June** to be held at **Emerald Hotel and Conference Centre, 13 Gladstone Road**. The aim of this evening is to help students, parents, whānau, and anyone from your school and community find out more about studying and life at Victoria and learn what sets us apart.

The evening will be organised as follows:

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| 6-6.20pm | Light refreshments will be served as people arrive. A faculty expo will run throughout the evening. |
| 6.30-6.55pm | Studying & Accommodation at Victoria session. |
| 7pm onwards | Faculty sessions |

An **earlybird** session for Māori students and whānau will take place from **5.15pm**.

Be sure to pick up a detailed programme when you arrive!

Enclosed are some posters for you to display on your school's notice boards to let your students know about this upcoming event.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more, please call us on **0800 VICTORIA (842 867)**, or email info@victoria.ac.nz.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Student Recruitment & Orientation

The Hillmac Electrical Junior Contest is on Thursday at 6-8pm at the National Aquarium of New Zealand on the 30th of August.

The Hillmac Electrical Intermediate Contest is on Thursday at 6-8 at the National Aquarium of New Zealand on the 6th of September.

The 'Talk' poster is designed to help the students decide on a topic, help them with research, discussion, planning and structuring their speech.

So instead of writing it all out word for word they can write down their three main points and their 'hook' and ending. it's a three minute speech. The best speaker from each school enrolled gets to compete at the National Aquarium in Napier. There is a \$100 prize for the winner, plus prizes from the aquarium. To enrol please email Anna Coleman from the Confidence Company confidencecompanynz@gmail.com

Anna is a confidence coach and teaches public speaking at Karamu High School, in Hastings. She has a passion for growing confidence in kids. This is the third year of the Hillmac Electrical Speech Contests but the first time that Wairoa Schools have been involved. She offers an hour's **free** workshop of fun oral language games and tips on how to structure a speech in a simple, quick and easy way.

This year the focus of the speech is 'Biodiversity in my Backyard'. Biodiversity Hawke's Bay <https://www.biodiversityhb.org/> has just started up and is there to help us look after kiwi, native plants and our waterways especially our river.

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