



WAIROA COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER

Term 1

Issue 5, April 4 2019

Message From Our Principal

Tēnā Koutou Katoa,

We have had a busy couple of weeks with many activities happening. A stand out to me was Kaumatua Day. I was thrilled and inspired by all the knowledge that was here at school that day. There was singing, kapa haka performances, guest speakers and a sit down lunch catered by our students and staff. This day was special and we will continue with this on a regular basis.

This week Edmond Otis's Resilience programme will be completed with Year 10. Next term we will focus on Year 11. Once the programme is completed we will look at how we keep the resilience footprint going in our school.

We welcome Arapeta Hautapu to our staff as our new groundsperson. Tim McCarthy will now lead the team. We thank them for all the work that they do in making our school clean, beautiful and safe.

This is the last newsletter for Term 1. This means for seniors we are over 30% through the school course work before heading into end of year examinations in Term 4. Students and parents/caregivers can use the school portal to check progress. It is important that home and school work together to support our young people.

We currently have a canteen review underway. All students were surveyed this week and the Well-being committee will analyse the information gathered before the end of term.

Remember that if you are concerned about your child's learning and well-being please do not hesitate to contact school for our assistance.

I wish you and your whānau a safe and enjoyable break.

Ngā mihi nui,

Mrs Jo-Anne Vennell

Principal Wairoa College



Students catering morning tea at Kaumatua Day

**CACTUS
LONGEST DAY**



SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Last week at our board meeting we had Lisa Carmine and Margaret Goldsmith give an outline of the current Year 9 Program. The board are excited about the various projects the Year 9 students are participating in this year and the fact that students can gain credits from multiple subjects and not just one. Each class has chosen a topic to do an integrated learning program on in Term 1. These include Reti Boards, bike repairs, shampoo production and caving.



Library renovations under way



The library renovation has finally started. Contractors are on site and if everything progresses as promised the new library will be open for all by the end of Term 2.

Another Kaumatua Day was held last week. Everyone that attended enjoyed themselves and the College has received lots of positive comments about the day from the kaumatua that attended. The students also enjoyed being involved in this day.

Policy reviews were the hot topic of the last meeting. The board are constantly revisiting our policies to ensure that they are up to date with practices in the kura.

Candidate nominations for the board of trustees are required in May. Our board consists of 5 parent representatives and one teacher representative. Please give serious consideration to standing for the board, we have exciting initiatives being planned for the kura that will improve student achievement that you can be part of as well.

Ms Karen Burger
Board of Trustees Chairperson

A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

UNIFORM

With the cold weather coming next term please get your uniform organised. There will be no gumboots; if students wear gumboots they will be asked to remove them and will be provided with the appropriate footwear. Sweatshirts are not to be worn - please ensure a correct top is worn under the school top, or alternatively wear a school jacket.

ASSESSMENTS

Completion and attempting internal assessments is really important. Every year there are a number of students who fall short of the required amount and end up catching up in the holidays. Please ensure your child discusses their learning with their teachers, deans or whānau class teachers. They are here to support them if they are struggling.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is important otherwise you start to develop gaps in your understanding and eventually this means learning will suffer. We care about your learning and expect you to be the best you can be.

YOUR

ATTITUDE
DETERMINES YOUR
DIRECTION



SEAN GASKIN VISITS N1

Last week an amazing cartoonist Sean Gaskin, came into N1 to talk to us about how he develops his cartoons and comic strips. Sean showed us all the planning and hard work you've got to do to create a perfect cartoon strip.

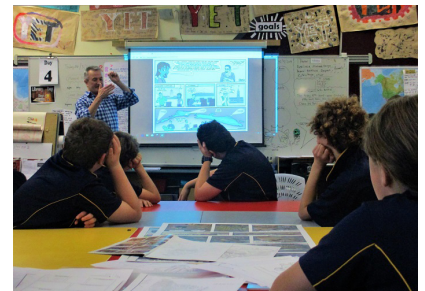
Sean works for people overseas via the internet. He also sells his comics and cartoons to people all over the world. When he is not creating and producing these, Sean spends time designing stickers for people.

At the end of his first visit he showed us a character which he developed a while back, that is going to be re-designed into a little fluffy toy called Ballyhoo Burny.

N1 thought this was amazing and really enjoyed it.

We are making cartoons ourselves now, which Sean has helped us with. Each cartoon is based around our knowledge of the Treaty of Waitangi. We started designing a cartoon from a poem about the Treaty. The Treaty of Waitangi has been one of our major learning topics during this term. Our cartoons have already started to develop. We have been working away at these, just like paid cartoonists! Our cartoons are going to be super after all the help and advice from Sean. We've learnt lots!

By Grace Cooney
Student N1



PAL'S PROGRAMME

Students from Wairoa College participated in the PAL'S programme, which is designed to develop students as leaders in a sports setting.



The programme offers opportunities for students to develop skills and confidence. It increases opportunities for positive interaction with older school students and peers through participation in physical activity and fitness.

12 students from the Year 7 & 8 department spent the day at the community centre with the team from Sports Hawke's Bay. Students learnt a variety of new games and skills that they will be able to deliver back to their peers and classrooms in a leadership role.



STUDENTS DEMONSTRATING CORE VALUES AND PERSONAL EXCELLENCE

This week, the following students have been recognised by their subject teacher for **Personal Excellence** or demonstrating one of Wairoa College's core values: **Resilience, Manaakitanga, Respect, Kotahitanga.**

- **Rhythm Jury** - Respect
- **Sativa Pari** - Respect, Kotahitanga & Personal Excellence
- **Zekaya Te Paora** - Respect & Kotahitanga
- **Zack Christie** - Resilience & Respect
- **Zai Weekley** - Personal excellence
- **Bethany Kerley** - Respect
- **Ebony Te Kahika** - Respect, Manaakitanga, & Kotahitanga
- **Cheyden Puanaki-Boynton** - Personal Excellence
- **Joedy Wheeler** - Personal Excellence
- **Arthur Thurston** - Personal Excellence & Kotahitanga
- **Kaylah McMurtrie-Reynolds** - Respect, Resilience & Personal Excellence
- **Abby Morunga** - Kotahitanga
- **Regina Riesterer** - Personal Excellence
- **Grace Cooney** - Personal Excellence
- **Polly Tuahine** - Manaakitanga
- **Jeziah Stevenson** - Respect, Kotahitanga



"This is what I think about school.
School is a good place for making new friends and meeting new people or even just to learn new and more interesting things

about people.

Other than friends, these are some of the other good things I like about Wairoa College. Of course school is for learning and trying to get good reports and grades. But, here's some of my opinions about school.
In my opinion, I think school ain't just for learning, I think it's also for taking risks, trying new things, stepping out of your comfort zone, and trying your best in everything you intend to do and always giving 100 percent towards EVERYTHING, not just sport but learning too and your attitude in class towards class and outside class.

In my opinion, if you try to be the best, you can be the best".

By Kaylah-McMurtrie-Reynolds

FUNDRAISER FOR CHRISTCHURCH

Mrs Carmine spoke to the students at assembly regarding the Christchurch attack:

"Last Friday was a sad day for our Christchurch brothers and sisters and marks a very difficult day in our history, for a country that prides itself on its core value of Kotahitanga - working together as one. We have had this very foundation challenged by an extremist who came to our country with the intent to harm.

This week we show our respect by flying our flag at half mast. We intend to have a black mufti day where all students wear black and donate to our christchurch families through 'Give a Little'. This will be this Friday.

Mrs Vennell and myself would ask that in support of the families that have suffered from this horrific act that you practice kindness. Kindness is the one gift that is free and by giving kindness you make people feel loved and cared about. Kindness has no harsh words or tone. Kindness is when we help someone who has fallen, when we give a hug to someone who is upset, smile at

someone and wish them a good day, offer to help and asking if someone is OK if they are looking sad. When you give the gift of kindness scientists have proven that it is good for you and that feel good factor of "yeah I did that" helps you stay healthy. Practise kindness today and tomorrow and every day...."

Our mufti day and sausage sizzle, was a great success. We raised \$720.00 for the Christchurch families.



YEAR 9'S CROSS CURRICULAR PROJECT



9C and 9O and 9S are involved in the 'Shampoo Project'.

The project links Maths, Science, English, Health and Social Studies to a fun unit where students can apply what they are learning in a fun and creative way.

Students will be carrying out tests on shampoo, delivering presentations, visiting our local supermarket to investigate branding, pricing and marketing. They will be designing and creating their own labels and enjoying a makeover.

A big thank you to those in the community who have helped make this happen for our students, New World for allowing us to visit the supermarket to carry out our investigations, and to those who have helped with the makeovers.

9K are going to Mohaka with their Reti boards early next week, and 9R are off to Managone Caves beyond Nuhaka for the day, on Tuesday 9th April. 9R have been studying the caves themselves, the soil in and around the caves, the local environment and landscapes, the Māori history of the area, as well as engaging in a creative writing project and presentation of their learning as part of their project.

Keep an eye out in the upcoming Newsletters for more on these great projects!

STUDENTS AWARDED CANTEEN VOUCHERS

This week during assemberly Mrs Carmine drew 3 names from each house out of a hat. The following Students were called and rewarded with a canteen voucher:

Nga Taiaha

Levi Manuel
Kashya Ruwhiu
Jonathan Rumble

Te Toki

Matai Wanoa-Manawatu
BJ Stewart

Patu House

Te Aniwa Robertson
Anaru Rore-Keefe
Rangawairua Moeau

Manu House

Jack Delaney
Gemma Mapstone
Jonelle Amato

Be The
Change
You Wish To See
-Gandhi
In The World.





TERM 1 HIGHLIGHTS



FARMING THROUGH GATEWAY

The Gateway program offers senior students the chance to try something different outside the realms of the classroom, enabling them to gain knowledge, skills & credits in a formalised learning environment set in the workplace. It's a great way to strengthen the pathways to employment, allowing students the opportunity to see what it's really like in the work force before they leave school. We currently have students out on placement one day each week doing things like Beekeeping, Farming, Automotive Engineering, Childcare & Hairdressing.

Last week Ngaire, was lucky enough to be able to spend a few hours with Year 12 Student, Jack Delaney. Here is a snippet of the opportunity Jack has as part of the Gateway programme:

"Every Monday after school Jack Delaney catches the bus out towards Cricklewood, about half an hour from Wairoa, spends two nights there then catches the bus back in to school early on Wednesday morning. This place is very familiar to Jack after spending some time there last year so he's returned again to learn everything he can about the farming way of life. If he's lucky he gets to go out deer hunting for the evening & after a good nights sleep he gets up early to do a full day out on the farm.

Jack gets to experience every aspect of farming under the careful guidance of Paul & Sonya Swann & any students who are fortunate enough to gain a placement with these great people are really lucky. During his time there he will experience & gain the skills required to perform things like livestock handling (sheep & cattle), shearing, mustering, lambing, fencing, tractor driving, killing & preparing a sheep for dog tucker & so much more.

When I arrived Jack had already moved some bulls & was working hard drafting ewes in preparation for crutching before being put out with the ram. I joined him in the yards & we drafted out those that needed doing. From here we moved them in to the shearing shed where Jack was able to show off his ability to crutch these sheep like he'd been doing it all his life. It's hot, hard work & for a young guy he is doing a great job! I played the part of rousie, sweeping away the dags & filling the pens for them.

Lunch was another experience again, with home made salami as part of the menu. These guys kill & process all their own meats, so much nicer than straight off the shelf!

I also met 'Myrtle', who was given mouth to mouth straight from the womb, has never met another deer & appears to be more dog than deer. She makes herself comfortable on the deck overlooking the valley & trying to get inside any chance she gets.

Back to the shed to finish crutching & back to school for me. Jack still has a few hours work ahead of him before he can head out to look for another deer or some goats. Working on the land, out in the fresh air, this young man has landed himself a great job. It's obvious that Jack loves this opportunity that he has been given & he's making the most of it.

I had a great day out & am looking forward to my next on site visit already. Thanks for showing me how it's done Jack! You're doing great!"

If you think this is something you'd like to try or perhaps you might be able to offer a student a work place opportunity, you can contact Ngaire Begley-Dean at the school, nbd@wairoacollege.school.nz or 8388303 ext 728 for further information.



VOLLEYBALL



Over the course of the first term, the Wairoa College Mixed Volleyball team have taken part in the Hawke's Bay Volleyball senior secondary competition at Pettigrew Green Arena in

Taradale. Games have taken place on Wednesday nights and every week the team improved. The relatively green Wairoa team, consisting primarily of Year 11 and 12 students, performed remarkably well against more experienced teams from both Division 1 and 2.

The coach would like to extend a huge thank you and congratulations to all players involved this term.

2019 WAIROA JAB RUGBY WEIGH IN AND COACHES COURSE

WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL

WEIGH IN - WAIROA PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL, Campbell Street
START TIME: 3pm - 4pm

All children who intend playing in the 9th (Primary Grade), 10th, 11th and 12th grade must be weighed in.

This applies for all children who are 9 or older on the 1st January 2019.

COACHES COURSE
START TIME: 5.30pm

Coaches course also to be held in the Wairoa Primary School Hall.

Every team must have a coach OR two who have completed a 2019 coaches course.

All participating coaches will be given coaching tips including special Log ins for the rugby smart website.

NETBALL COACHES NEEDED FOR YEAR 7-8

After very successful trials, four netball teams have been chosen for the local Thursday competition. All students who trialled were put into a team.

These wonderful teams now need coaches please!! Without a coach they will not be able to play. If you are interested in helping out please contact Toby Taylor: 027 658 5916 or 06 838 8303.

COLLEGE RUGBY DAY

Date: Sunday 14 April, 2019

Venue: Park Island Grounds, Napier
Ground 1

10.30am Dannevirke v Wairoa College

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APR

Fri	5	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms 9C Shampoo Day
Sat	6	CACTUS longest day
Mon	8 - 12	Basic Leaders Course - Services Academy
Tues	9	Careers Expo 9R trip to Managone Caves
Fri	12	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms LAST DAY OF TERM ONE
Mon	29	FIRST DAY TERM 2
	29 - 3	Basic Leaders Course - Services Academy

MAY

Tue	7	Learners Licence
Wed	8	Age Concern Catering
Fri	10	RoadSafe Youth Expo Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne
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

JUL

Tue	2	Combined Schools Music Festival
Fri	5	Trades Academy Taradale Trades Academy Gisborne Year 11 Agriculture on Wairoa Farms LAST DAY TERM 2



Wairoa Basketball Development Days

Coaches: Monday 15th April

Kiwihoops and Community Coach Courses

Referees: Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th April

Miniball, Intermediate and Secondary training

Players: Tuesday 16th April

Skill Development for Year 7 – 13 players

Wairoa Community Centre

10am start each day

\$10 per player / coach / official

Register at www.hawkesbay.basketball

- FREE -

Family Planning

Education workshops - a
positive experience

The aim of the workshop is to give and share information in a supportive and informal environment.

The workshop focus is on:

- Recognizing the crucial role of parents in the 21st century
- Clarifying own attitudes & values
- Practice responding to questions
- Understanding sexual development & age appropriate behaviours
- Examining influences & messages that children are exposed to
- Relevant facts & figures
- Resources, printed, digital and local organisations



Open and Honest
Talking to your child about
sexuality

A Family Planning workshop

*Do your children ask tricky questions
about sex & sexuality?*

*When do you talk to your child about
sexuality?*

*Do you want to feel more confident
answering your child's questions?*

Children are building ideas about their sexuality every day. They learn by observing their parents, how they relate to others, how they express loving, caring, feelings, how they respect other people's differences – including different values.

Children learn from many sources including friends and the media.

Family Planning supports the importance of parents / caregivers as the first educators in children's lives.