



NEWSLETTER

Monday 12th February 2018 Term 1 Week 2

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

A very warm welcome to you all to the start of school year.

The PB's had a lovely break away thanks in the North Island visiting family and friends. It was hard getting back into the swing of things! However, it was certainly made easier seeing and working with the staff prior to school starting. It was also great seeing familiar and new faces - our children have started the year with a real purpose. I'm please to say that there is a real buzz in the air with a positive vibe.

Our new students and staff members who have started this year, have made a great start - congrats to you all.



I was also really pleased to hear about how well all our 2017 NCEA students went. Mr Maloney will share with you their results.

Over the New Year break, I couldn't help but reflect on last year. WAS is certainly progressing and there are many

many areas to celebrate. Thank you for attending your

child's WAS end of year prize-giving - it was a lovely way to finish off the school year. The way you all stayed around afterwards to chat and also the positive turnout was heart warming. Thank you again for your positivity and support during the year - it certainly does make a difference.



Our Year 7&8's have transitioned well into B Block - the primary area. They appear to be excited about their learning opportunities and initiatives coming up.



This Friday, we'd like to invite you all to a BBQ, at the school, starting at 5:30pm. The school will provide the sausages and bread. If you could bring something for the table to share please; salad, potato dish... something! If you'd like to bring some of your own meat, then all good, we can cook it up on the BBQ. It'll be a low key time where I can introduce new families, walk around the school and share with you a few goals/plans etc. Hopefully a game of cricket, touch, football or BB occurs - weather permitting!

Parent Interviews will start in Week 3 - Tues and Thurs. Same format as last year. 3:15 - 6pm = time slots of fifteen minutes. Please complete the form and send it back to school asap thanks.

Then we can let you know your confirmed time and day.

The interview will be another golden opportunity to let your child's teacher know if there are any health issues, how things are going on at home, homework expectations, reflecting on 2017 and their end of year report/results, setting goals and anything else we need to cover.

The correct uniform needs to be worn now. The weather appears to have settled! We encourage children to be sunsmart by wearing a hat/cap during Terms 1&4.

However, we expect them to take them off in class as a matter of respect. We understand that uniform is an expensive business. Therefore, it's ok to wear any kind of black shoes which are comfortable. If cold, sweatshirts/hoodies can be worn under our Warriors jacket if you don't have a school jersey/top. We have black shoes, black socks and Warriors jackets which we can give to students - these have been donated by Kidscan.

We are still working on getting sponsorship and grants to replace our school top for boys in Years 1-10 and girls in Year 1-8. We'd use the same type of top for our sports top when rep WAS - to keep things simple and affordable moving forward. I will let everyone know when we've raised the funds to kit every child out. We are hoping that our funding will come through for our new tracksuits too... Fingers crossed!



Please check the upcoming events etc above. If you're unsure then please text me or ring the school. We'll be more than happy to give you more details.



Our 'overnight sleepover' on Thurs 22nd Feb is designed to provide our children with a mini 'el cheapo' camp. We'll have activities on Thurs afternoon and Friday. Our Year 1&2's - we're thinking that they maybe a bit too young to stayover? However, we're happy to chat more about this and naturally would need those parents concerned to help us out. Set tents up, classroom

sleeping arrangements, spotlight, swimming, movie, activities around the town... More details will be out soon.

In Term 4, we'll be having camps! The staff and I will confirm this with you very soon. Then we can start planning and perhaps fundraising for them. Room 1 & 2 will have day trips and Room 3, 4 and our Year 9&10's will have proper camps. Our Year 11+ students will have something in connection to their Wilderness programme.

Please feel free to give me a text with some camping options etc.



Regards **Andrew Pardoe-Burnett**

NCEA Newsletter

Waiau Area School is pleased to celebrate the success of our senior NCEA students in 2017. Overall 83% of our participating students gained an NCEA Level (either Level One, Two or Three) in 2017. This is above the average for comparable schools with a similar decile of 77%.

We are also delighted our results from the External exams that students sat in November. Of the standards that were attempted, 90% resulted in achieved or higher grades.

These results reflect the efforts of many people. Firstly a big well done to the students, their teachers and their families for their hard work and efforts. Also thanks to the Waiau and wider Southland community for their support of our school. Many different people and businesses have given their time and effort to give our students the opportunity to learn in a practical setting. We really appreciate your support.

In 2018 our students have a great range of options to choose from. Aside from Mathematics and English, students can choose Woodwork Technology with Mr Wayne Edgerton, Art with Ms Hannah Wilson and Physical & Outdoor Education with Mr Richard Bennett and Mr Edgerton. Also available is the Gateway programme where students earn qualifications

working with an employer during school time (usually one day a week). Many other subjects are available through Te Kura (the Correspondence School). Students studying through Te Kura have a Te Kura teacher and have support from several teachers at WAS. Also all our senior students are studying Maori with the support of Hine Wensor. We'll be aiming to celebrate their success, by having a get together with NCEA

families and students, at some stage this term - perhaps the night of our overnight stay which is the 22nd Feb.



WAS - 2017 Prize-giving List

Year 1 Awards

5 Year Boys Athletics Champ: Hamiora Larson
 5 Year Girls Athletics Champ: Tamzyn Verdon
 5 Year Boys Swimming Champ: n/a
 5 Year Girls Swimming Champ: n/a
 Diligence: Harmony Cairns
 Most Improved: Tamzyn Verdon
 First in Class: Kathryn Hammond



Year 2 Awards

6 Year Boys Athletics Champ: Max Tilby
 6 Year Girls Athletics Champ: Kylie Gardyne

6 Year Boys Swimming Champ: n/a
 6 Year Girls Swimming Champ: n/a
 Diligence: Kylie Gardyne
 Most Improved: Tyler Kennedy
 First in Class: Kiara Baldwin

Year 3 Awards

7 Yr Boys Athletics Champ: Ashton Edgerton
 7 Yr Girls Athletics Champ: Aaliyah Thomason
 7 Yr Boys Swimming Champ: Ashton Edgerton
 7 Yr Girls Swimming Champ: Sofie Templeton
 Diligence: Sofie Templeton

Most Improved: Lukcas Byron
 First in Class: Luca Unahi

Year 4 Awards

8 Year Boys Athletics Champ: Aidan McDowell/J Thomason
 8 Year Girls Athletics Champ: Elektra Harding
 9 Year Boys Athletics Champ: Harrison Erskine
 9 Year Girls Athletics Champ: Emily Templeton
 8 Yr Boys Swimming Champ: Aidan McDowell
 8 Year Girls Swimming Champ: Di-Anne Keast
 9 Yr Boys Swimming Champ: Harrison Erskine
 9 Yr Girls Swimming Champ: Emily Templeton
 Diligence: Kirsty Rutland
 Most Improved: Abbey Erskine
 First in Class: William Devery

Year 5 Awards

Junior Sch Public Speaking Cup: Emily Templeton
 Most Improved: Jazaiah Thomason
 Diligence: Tahlia Kennedy
 First in Class: Emily Templeton



Year 6 Awards

10 Yr Girls Athletic Champ: Nevaeh Thomason
 10 Year Boys Athletic Champ: Peter Devery
 10 Yr Girls Swimming Champ: Nevaeh Thomason
 10 Year Boys Swimming Champ: Peter Devery
 Most Improved: Nevaeh Thomason
 Diligence: Ella Erskine
 First in Class: Peter Devery

Year 7 Awards

Under 12 Boys Athletics Champ: Ethan Parsons
 Under 12 Girls Athletics Champ: Alyssa Harding

Under 12 Boys Swimming Champ: Ethan Parsons
Under 12 Girls Swimming Champ: Alyssa Harding

Mainfreight Award - Excellence & Attitude (Yr 7 or 8):

Jazmin Ballard

Most Improved:

Mikayla Cairns

Diligence:

Ethan Parsons

First in Class: Alyssa Harding

Year 8 Awards

Howden Badminton Trophy Year 7/8 Boys: n/a

Under 13 Boys Swimming Champ: n/a

Kokay Mem Cup Pub Speak: Malakai Mangion

U13 Girls Swimming Champ: Hailey Thomason

U13 Girls Athletics Champ: Hailey Thomason

Howden Badminton Trophy Year 7/8 Girls: n/a

Diligence: Malakai Mangion

First in Class: Malakai Mangion

Year 9 Awards

Under 13 Boys Athletics Champ: Josh Thomas

Junior Boys Athletics Champ: Liam Pierce

Junior Boys Swimming Champ: Liam Pierce

Junior Girls Athletics Champ: Holly Hammond

Baldwin Family Trophy for Achievement in Technology

Middle School: Connor Egerton

Netball Jub Trophy Most Imp: Holly Hammond

D.T. King Cup Yr 9-10 Speech: Holly Hammond

Junior Girls Swimming Champ: Tekoa Mangion

Most Improved: Josh Thomas

Diligence: Tekoa Mangion

First in Class: Holly Hammond



Year 10 Awards

Intermediate Boys Athletics Champ: Bruin Roe

Intermediate Girls Athletics Champ: Alex Pardoe-Burnett

The Swale Family Badminton Trophy: Bruin Roe

The Chambers Family Trophy for Squash: Bruin Roe

Football Player of the Season: Bruin Roe

D McCracken - Ach in Middle Sch Mathematics: Alex PB

First in Class: Alex Pardoe-Burnett

Senior Awards

Best Sportsperson - Senior Girls Fair-Play Award: Moon Roe

Senior Girls Athletics Champ: Moon Roe

Senior Girls Swimming Champ: Amanda Baldwin

Konica Minolta Most Val Player (Area Schools): Moon Roe

Tui Health & Gift Shop Sch Spirit Award: Destiny Thomason

Sen Boys Badminton Cup Champ - Swale Family: Jack Sobels

The Gerken Trophy for Mathematics: Angela Pierce

Mick Eason Outdoor Education Trophy: Amanda Baldwin

Senior Boys Athletics Champ: Brook Hutchby

Hewitt Award for Ach in Distance Learning: Angela Pierce

DT King Cup Achievement in Senior Sciences: Angela Pierce

Mick Knowler sportsmanship boy and girl trophies (2

trophies): Brook Hutchby, Amanda Baldwin

Yr 13 Graduates: Tagan Waihape, Jimmi Knapp & Jack Birch

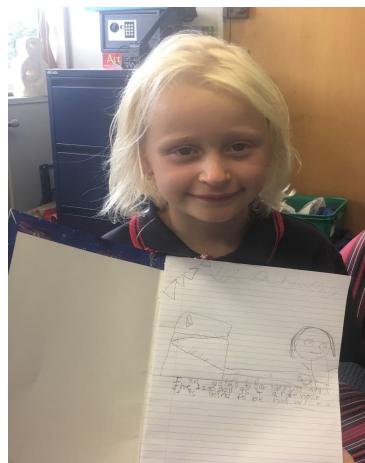
House Award: 1st place Rowallan - 1259

2nd place Dean - 1037, 3rd place Longwood 988

Senior Scholar 2017:

Angela Pierce

(*)- Not necessarily for that age group



Kylie displaying her lovely story

Hockey

Hockey Southland Development Programmes are starting up for the season. The U15 and U13 clinics start on 23rd February.

Under 13 clinics are Friday's 4 – 5pm at the Invercargill

Hockey Turf at a cost of \$25.00 per term. Please note - The

U13 clinics are for year 7 and 8 players only. There will be

clinics for year 5 and 6 players later on in the year.

Please see the Hockey Southland website below for more

details about the clinics.

<http://www.hockeysouthland.co.nz/Player-Development/Development-Clinics>

Email manager@hockeysouthland.co.nz to register your name and details to take part.

For more info contact Tracey McCall , General Manager

Hockey Southland, Work: 03 217 9032, Cell: 027 516 4011,

www.facebook.com/HockeySouthland

If you are interested in carpooling for these clinics please let me know. 027 7151809 Rosanne Allen

New Students

We welcome the following students to WAS. All the very best to you all - we're here to help!

Amelia McPherson Y1	Lochlan Davidson Y1
Maiken Rutland Y1	Fraser Henry Y4
Alisha Parsons Y6	Lauren Walker Y6
Lachlan Parsons Y5	Tiffany Henry Y7
Caleb Drummond Y7	Ainslie Henry Y9
Renee Johnson Y10	Kaitlyn Johnson Y12
Shaydin Pennicott-Machon Y11	Ethan McCallum Y11

PARKING

Please park at least 10 metres away from the school drive entrances allowing the buses to go in and out safely.

LUNCHES

Four Square Orders

Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Fish and chips Wednesday only. Order to be written on named envelope with correct money sealed inside and placed in office box by 10:00am thanks. Students collect their orders from the office.

Heat Ups

Are on a Tuesday and Thursday. The heat-ups must be in named packaging (glad wrap usually), suitable for placing in our pie warmer. Our blue basket is in the office - please place your heat-ups in the basket in office by 10:00am. Our students collect their heatups from library at lunchtime..

PHONE CALLS

Our school is charged business rates for phone calls. Students

will not be allowed to phone home unless it's for an important reason. Wanting to ask a parent to top up their cell phone is not important!

School Based HPV Immunisation Programme

All boys and girls in Year 8 are able to have the HPV (Human Papillomavirus) vaccine at school to protect them against future infection from nine types of HPV that lead to cervical, anal, genital, mouth and throat cancers, as well as genital warts. The HPV vaccine is the final immunisation given as part of New Zealand's free childhood immunisation programme.

All year 8 students will be given a consent form to take home which includes detailed information about the immunisation. Please complete the consent form, either consenting or declining to the school based immunisation programme, and return the form to school before Friday 16th February.

For more information: www.health.govt.nz/hpv, contact the HPV Immunisation Team at WellSouth (03)214 6436, 0800 800 249 or hpv@wellsouth.org.nz.

Waikaia School Family Trail Ride

Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th March 2018 Glenaray Station, Piano Flat Road, Waikaia.

Junior Trail Bike Ride Specifically designed for riders 16 yrs and under. Suitable for the whole family! Registrations from 8:30am -1pm, Tracks open 9am-4pm, \$20 entry per day (5yrs+) \$10 entry per day (under 5yrs).

Free overnight camping. Make the most of this 2 day event and spend Friday and/or Saturday night amongst the stunning scenery! BBQ lunch available to purchase both days!

For more information and registration details: www.myrides.co.nz, Waikaia School Family Trail Ride facebook page, Nigel Baldock: 027 495 8032 or Tina Mann 027 562 9915.

