



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Many of you will have seen recent media coverage about a Wellington secondary school, focussing on concerns around respectful relationships and sexual consent between teenagers.

As a school that operates in a co-educational setting, we regularly notice that many mutually respectful and supportive friendships are developed between our male and female students and there is a natural regard for each other.

To further develop this, in 2016 we introduced a programme called “Mates and Dates” to our Year 9 and 10 students in their PE/Health classes. The focus is on respect and consent, and the programme was developed by the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) following the so-called “Roastbusters” incident that gained considerable media attention a few years ago.

The programme is delivered to us by staff from Lower Hutt’s VIBE organisation, under contract to ACC. We will be continuing the programme in Years 9 and 10 this year, and are considering introducing it to our Years 11-13 students in Manaaki Time, again facilitated by VIBE staff; please contact me by email ([martini@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz](mailto:martini@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz)) if you have any thoughts on this.

Our Manaaki Leaders have also received training on respectful relationships which they impart in their Manaaki Classes; and of course **Respect** is one of our core values.

My Guidance Counsellor, Sue Mortimer, has sourced an interesting and watchable video on the subject of consent, called “Cup of Tea”, produced by the UK’s Thames Valley Police. Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gp6allALDHA> – or perhaps more easily go to YouTube and type “Tea and Consent” in the search box. If you want to have a discussion on consent with your child, this is an easy way to start any conversation.

Finally, remember that if you or your child has any concerns about any relationship they may be in, or any worries around sexual harassment, they can talk confidentially to our Guidance staff (Sue Mortimer and/or Richard Knox) or their House Dean.

*Martin Isberg, Principal*

## GOT YOUR DRIVER’S LICENCE?

As a move to encourage young people to gain their Driver’s Licence (which in turn enhances their ability to gain employment) the Government, via NZQA, has decided to award NCEA credits to those who gain their licence while at school:

- 🚗 A Learner’s Licence gains two (2) credits at NCEA Level One
- 🚗 A Restricted Licence gains four (4) credits at NCEA Level Two
- 🚗 A Full Licence gains two (2) credits at NCEA Level Two.

If your child has gained any of the Licences above for a car (motorcycle licences don't apply) since 27 February 2012, or gains one in the future, they should take their licence to our Main Office, where a photocopy of the licence will be made, and an application form completed.

## HUTT VALLEY ATHLETICS

Last Friday, 40 Wainuiomata High School students attended the Hutt Valley Secondary Schools Athletics 2017, competing against seven other secondary schools from around the Lower Hutt region. Wainuiomata High School placed sixth, with HVHS winning the overall competition.



Congratulations to the following students: Ebony Vole (9AMI) who placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the 100m Junior Girls, Tamzin Toa (9NJR) placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the 200m Junior Girls, Jyordanna Davey (9NIN) for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in High Jump Junior Girls, Precious Auimatagi (12TRS) placing 2<sup>nd</sup> Shot Put Senior Girls, and Joel Carman (13RFE) for 2<sup>nd</sup> 1500m Senior Boys and 2<sup>nd</sup> 3000m Senior Boys.



*Ebony Vole*



*Tamzin Toa*



*Jyordanna Davey*



*Precious Auimatagi*



*Joel Carman*

The Wellington Regional Athletics will be held on Thursday 23 March at Newtown Park, where the following students will be representing Wainuiomata High School: Precious Auimatagi (Shot Put), Joel Carman (1500m and 3000m), Abigail Riini (100m), Tamzin Toa (200m), Ebony Vole (100m) and Callum Blackman (AWD 100m, 200m, 400m). We wish our participating students all the very best of luck in their chosen fields.

*Peter Cowan, Sports Coordinator*

# DodgeBall

Dodgeball **tournament** March **27th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st** every **lunchtime** in the new gym.  
**Come down and earn points for your house!**

**WAINUIOMATA**  
HIGH SCHOOL

## WAINUIOMATA ATHLETIC & HARRIER CLUB (INC)

Your local walking and running club

**Meetings: Saturdays,  
2.00pm, at our clubrooms  
in Richard Prouse Park**

**Open Day -  
Saturday, 18 March**

To register your interest visit:  
[www.sporty.co.nz/wainuiomataaahc](http://www.sporty.co.nz/wainuiomataaahc)

For more information contact:  
**Club Secretary, Karen: 021 129 4070**  
**Mens Club Captain, Alan: 021 129 4070**

## SPORTS UPDATE

The Wainuiomata High School Winter Sports pre-season is cranking up now. Below is a breakdown of which sports have started pre-season training and trials. All Winter Sports competitions start at the beginning of Week One in Term Two and it is not too late for students to register their interest by advising the Main Office, or just turning up to pre-season trainings/trials.

*Peter Cowan, Sports Coordinator*

SPORT	TEAM / GRADE	DAY	TIME	VENUE
Basketball	Senior Boys	Mondays and Wednesdays	6:30pm – 8:00pm	Gym
Basketball	Junior Boys	Tuesday and Thursdays	5:30pm – 7:00pm	Gym
Basketball	Senior Girls	Mondays and Wednesdays	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Gym
Basketball	Junior Girls	Mondays and Wednesdays	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Gym
Rugby	Junior Boys	Tuesday and Thursdays	3:30pm	Field
Rugby	Senior	Tuesday and Thursdays	3:30pm	Field
Rugby	Girls	To be confirmed		
Football	Senior Boys	Wednesday	4:30pm	Field
Football	Senior Girls	Wednesday	4:30pm	Field
Football	Junior Boys	Wednesday	4:30pm	Field
Hockey	All	Wednesday	2:00pm	Courts
Netball	Senior Girls	Trials – Thursday	6:30pm	Gym
Netball	Junior Trials	Trials - Wednesday	2:00pm	Gym
Badminton	All	To be confirmed		
Rugby League	All	Starts September		

