



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Each week I prepare a “Weekly Information Sheet” for staff, outlining what is coming up in the next week, and scanning through the last few makes me realise what a busy place the High School is.

We’ve had students off to Zealandia, Hutt City Waste sites, the Holocaust Centre, Massey University, Otago University, Te Papa, Pukeahu War Memorial and WelTec; students have been taking part in our Careers Expo, Nga Manu Korero Speech Competitions, Health and Safety courses, Pink Shirt Day and Ignite Sports “On Track” leadership programmes; we’ve been reviewing our Social Sciences and Maori Faculties (we review all of our Faculties on a regular cycle); our Kapa Haka group have been preparing for Regionals, and our Poly Group for a performance tonight; Stage Challenge performers have been getting ready for their performance next week; and of course, the winter sports season has kicked off.

Thank you to all of you who support our students, by:

- ✿ making sure they get to school on time, every day
- ✿ keeping them well-fed, and in the correct uniform
- ✿ ensuring they get plenty of sleep
- ✿ talking to them about balance in their lives between family, school, study, and relaxation
- ✿ tracking their progress, either by talking to them or by checking results through our database’s portal
- ✿ keeping up-to-date with what’s happening at the High School, by reading these Newsletters or going on to our website.

A reminder about three upcoming events:

- ✿ Our **NCEA Information Evening** next Tuesday (30 May), 6:00pm – 7:00pm in the Staffroom, everyone is welcome.
- ✿ Our **Teacher-Only Day** next Friday (02 June) – and of course the Queen’s Birthday holiday on Monday 05 June, a good time to recover from our Senior Formal on Saturday 03 June.
- ✿ Our Year 8 Open Day on Wednesday 07 June – because I need my staff and many of our Year 13’s as guides, we need to release our students at 11:00am. Periods 1 to 3 will run as usual, although a little shorter in length. Students who wish to stay at the High School until 2:00pm (Wednesday’s usual closing time) will be supervised in our Library.

Martin Isberg, Principal

SISTER CITY OPPORTUNITY

Sister Cities New Zealand (SCNZ) is organising a tour to Shanghai, Beijing and Xiamen from 16-27 April 2018, and is calling for interested students – who will be enrolled in a secondary school in Wellington/Hutt Valley as a Year 12 or 13 student in 2018 – to enrol by October 2017.

The fully-guided tour will cost participants a maximum of \$3,500, and fundraising opportunities will be made available. Any High School students interested should see our Librarian, Mrs Carman, for further details; or go to www.sistercities.org.nz/youthtour.

Rosalie Carman, Librarian

TEAM OF THE WEEK – RUGBY UNDER 15

The Under 15's rugby team had a good win and game last Saturday playing Newlands College. I was impressed with how well the boys showed our school value of Manaakitanga. Newlands only had 12 players, so we gave them some of ours who played hard, scoring a try and a conversion for Newlands. Some of our boys in the photo are wearing Newlands jerseys.

John MacDonald, Under 15 Coach



Rugby U15 team consists of: Sean Aserona, Zamian-Ray Blake, Senatoa Brooker, Andrew Dickson, Moses Efinger, Cole Gartner, Deegan Giles, Mathayus Haenga, Thomas Halkett, Keatan Harrison, Saxon Hohipuha, Yusaka Itofuji, Erikk Keepa-Matangaro, Kilisi Riini, Owen Riini, Jerome Ropati, Te-Heke Rurehe, Andrew Sa'u, Seth Spence, Timoti Te Kira, Setefano Tufuga, Eugene Ure, Coby Wood, Joshua Wood, James Yaxley.

SPORTS DRAW AND RESULTS

A reminder that College Sport Wellington have provided Wainuiomata High School with a link on our High School website to easily track our upcoming games and results in the Winter Sports Season.

To access the draws and results, by team or sport, go to www.wainuiomatahigh.school.nz and click on the "Sports" tab, then select Draws and Results. The page that shows is specific to Wainuiomata High School and our teams, showing a fortnight of upcoming games and the results of previous games.

Peter Cowan, Sports Coordinator

OUTREACH PROGRAMME

(for Year 11 and Year 13 students thinking of going to University)

Kia ora all! We've had added numbers begin the Victoria University Outreach Programme this week and this makes us so excited! Moving on from future planning last week, this week we took an active learning approach discussing the concerns for the future and together identified support avenues that are available to utilise when we need it.

The students found that there were countless support systems that they can draw from. We look forward to working with your children next week. Hei tērā wiki

*Hine Funaki, Māori Pasifika Outreach Advisor
Victoria University of Wellington*

CAREERS EXPO

On Wednesday the High School hosted a wonderfully successful Careers Expo in the School Auditorium and Wharenuī. This event, which we host every two years, saw over 1000 students (including the Intermediate School) attending in addition to staff, caregivers, members of the community and our exhibitors.



We hosted over 30 vendors from as far afield as Waikato and Manawatu and they represented Universities, Polytechnics, PTE's, ITO's and advisory groups such as VIBE and Youthline.



Blueprintapp which is linked to KAMAR encouraged students to sign up and also visit their state-of-the-art photo booth - it was also the first time this new techno booth was used in New Zealand.

Students had the opportunity to win prizes if they were able to successfully answer questions relating to the Careers Expo which added a fun and somewhat challenging element.



The Hospitality Faculty, headed by Sarah O'Neill, oversaw the catering for 70 exhibitors which was received with enthusiasm and high praise.



The Careers Faculty would like to thank those who made this event possible and we look forward to hosting another wonderful Expo in 2018!

*Lisa Fraser, Liz Goldsworthy and Virginia Wilson
Careers Faculty*



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- Business leadership
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- Financial reporting
- Innovative and creativity in business
- Delegation
- Negotiation
- Time management
- Organisational skills
- Goal setting
- Pitching a business idea
- ...and much much more!

Students in Year 12 & 13 can register their interest at CAREERS.

Note: MaiBiz runs 14-16 June 2017.



COMING UP

Tuesday 30 May
Tuesday 30 – Wednesday 31 May
Thursday 01 June
Friday 02 June
Saturday 03 June
Monday 05 June
Wednesday 07 June
Friday 09 to Tuesday 13 June

NCEA Information Evening, Staffroom (6:00pm-7:00pm)
Wainuiomata High School "On Tour"
Wellington Regional "Stage Challenge"
Teacher Only Day
Senior Formal at Te Papa
Queen's Birthday
Year 8 Open Day (school finishes at 11:00am for most students)
Senior Exams