



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tena koutou, Talofa lava,

It is hard to believe that it is nearly the end of the second term. It has certainly been a busy term, both in school and with extra-curricular activities.

Kapa Haka

I, along with a number of other staff members, were fortunate to see our Kapa Haka group practise last weekend. A huge mihi to all the community who are actively involved with this stunning group of young and dedicated people, and a special thanks to the tutors (Matauranga Te Rauna, Riana Atama-Adams, Isjara Waiwai), Manager (Joanne Ruawai-Hawira), and Helpers (Jillian Butler-Henare, Virginia Maxwell, Jarred Ruawai and Anthony Raerae).



They have spent many noho marae practising for the Nationals in Palmerston North next week. Our group, Te Tira Whakaau, is performing on Wednesday and we wish them all the very best.

Live Reporting

Just a friendly reminder that we do not send out written reports. Instead, as students complete assessments, their teachers write comments and record grades on KAMAR (the name of our Student Management System). To view your child's progress, please log on to our KAMAR Portal. You will need your KAMAR password to do this. If you have any concerns or problems, or have misplaced your password, please contact the Office and they will be happy to help you.

Senior Study Leave

In previous years we have not given all senior students study leave at the end of the year. Instead we have kept some of them back and asked them to attend some classes to catch-up on work they may not have completed during the year.

This will not be happening this year. Instead all students will be required to have completed all their work before they leave on 06 November. There will be no formal catch-up classes for seniors at the end of the year.

GREASE Production

We have had a few hiccups with gaining the scripts and music for our 2018 school production GREASE. We had originally planned to perform it in early August. We have had to move the dates and GREASE will now be performed 17-19 October.

School Donation

Government Funding provides most of our resourcing but each year we ask for an \$80 voluntary donation per child. This donation helps provide some of the extras that we like to provide our students. We rely on your goodwill and support around this donation (which is tax deductible). If you would like to pay this donation, please contact the school office, or simply drop the money off at the office. Many thanks.

Extra-Curricular Activities

At Wainuiomata High School we offer the students a wide range of extra-curricular activities. If you think there is something we could, or should, be offering then please let us know.

Alternatively, if you would like to offer an extra-curricular activity, please contact us.

Robotics Club

A huge thank you to Mr Croft and Mr Bell, who have started a Robotics Club on a Thursday afternoon in A6.



Phe'nyx Psaroudakis and Adam Odeyemi with Mr Bell

At present there are a small number of students who are attending, we look forward to seeing this group grow.

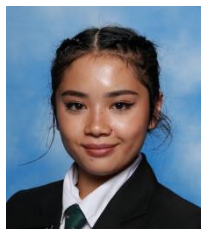
CONGRATULATIONS

Katie Atwell

Katie has been selected to attend the Innovative Young Minds (IYM) programme in Lower Hutt on 08-13 July. The selection process was very competitive with more than 90 applications. Katie is one of the 40 successful young women who have been selected.



Jasmine Inthavong



Jasmine has been selected to represent the Wellington Region in the 2018 Entrepreneurs in Action (EIA) Competition which runs from 28 June to 01 July. 80 students from around New Zealand have been selected to compete. We wish her all the best.

Moving Forward

For many years Wainuiomata High School has been a group of buildings in Wainuiomata. We are working strategically to try and open up our school to our community. Not just by encouraging our community to use our facilities, but also by our students reaching out and serving our community, and by members of the community coming into school who are facilitating learning.

We would like to think that you feel comfortable visiting us and working alongside us to provide the best possible opportunities for all our young people. We are working hard at improving the perception some members of our community have of us. We have amazing, hard-working, respectful, talented, successful young people

(and staff) at Wainuiomata High School. We are keen to hear from our community.

Enjoy the school break with your whanau 09-20 July.

Janette Melrose, Principal

Curriculum 19

I would like to take the time to thank all the staff and Year 9 students for engaging so well in our recent trials. The work that was produced was at a very high level, and the innovation our students showed through the work they produced was truly outstanding.

My favourite piece of feedback from the trials was from Sarah O'Neill, one of the trialling teachers, who shared *"The learning engaged in by the Year 9's during the trials was by far and away more substantial than what Year 9's would normally produce in her classes"*. This comment is very exciting as producing a greater depth of learning is a key reason of why we are changing our curriculum.

Surveys have been completed by students and staff, and the learning we have gained as a result will make next year even better. Leading staff have also fed-forward their experiences to allow the staff to benefit from their experience. In Term 3 we will be completing another trial, this time of the My Personal Learning Day structure (MPLD). MPLD is the other learning structure that will be implemented in Curriculum 19 and involves students learning through an inquiry process.

If you have any questions or would like to know more, please don't hesitate to contact me via email at phillipk@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz.

Phillip Kauika, Deputy Principal

WAINUIOMATA HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wainuiomata High School understands the importance of developing student leadership; and is leading a transformational change at the High School, with the development of student-centred educational pathways and a major property rebuild. We have exciting times ahead. Would you like to be part of it?

We invite expressions of interest to be a co-opted member of the Board of Trustees. Please contact the Board Secretary, Hayley Lawrence, if you would like more information, phone 04-9383224 Ext 7003 or email hayleyl@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz.

AGANU'U 2018

Four of our students participated in Aganu'u 2018 recently, where they attended a two day programme and presented their project.

Aganu'u is designed to encourage young Pacific students in Secondary School to normalise success combining and bringing together their cultural identity and New Zealand upbringing as Pacific young people to influence positive change not only for themselves but equally among their peers, within their family and wider community regardless of socio-economic background



Congratulations to Precious Aumatagi, Lopeti Uhi, Vanza Peni and Sopovasa Aiolutepoa who are valued cultural ambassadors for Wainuiomata High School.



LOWER HUTT EVENTS CENTRE & TOWN HALL OFFICIAL OPENING

SATURDAY 14 JULY
10.15am - 2pm
Laings Road

Join us to celebrate as Lower Hutt Mayor Ray Wallace officially opens the new centre and refurbished historic Town Hall at 10.15am.

Explore the new facility and be entertained by local performers from 10.45am-2pm.



Careers Update

We are starting to head into a busy time of year for our Year 12 and 13 students. Not only are there lots of assessments due but also University Scholarships are all opening.

If your child knows what university or universities they are planning on applying to please encourage them to apply for a scholarship.

On the subject of university, a number of enrollments are now starting to open on line and if students are planning to stay at halls of residence, they need to look at applying for these. We are more than happy to help with these applications.

Year 10 Work Week – Towards the end of term 4 year 10's will be expected to do a week of work experience (26th to 30th Nov). Please talk to you child about possible work placements and encourage them to ask family and friends during the holidays. If your child manages to secure a job for work experience please ask them to see Lisa in Careers.

Cherie Holmes, HOF Careers

GUITAR LESSONS AVAILABLE

If you have a student who is interested in learning guitar or bass, Dean Rossell has over 13 years guitar-playing and musical experience and can teach guitar and bass guitar to secondary school students in the High School Music Room on Wednesday afternoons from 2:00pm (after school finishes at 1:55pm).

Dean offers practically-based lessons that centre around musicianship, the understanding of chords, rhythm and scales, songwriting and learning how to interact with other musicians. Some theory is incorporated, relating to the practicalities of guitar playing. This results in more enjoyment for students, as theory knowledge can always be acquired as a student desires it.

Cost: **\$15 per student per ½ hour (group of 3)**
 \$17.50 per student per ½ hour (groups of 2)
 \$25 per student ½ hour lessons (individual).
 (Payments to be made directly to tutor).

In addition to the tuition cost, there may be some photocopying costs and you would be required to purchase a clear file or folder to keep lesson handouts in. Guitars are available for use initially, but to see any real progression in your child's musicianship they would be require to purchase their own so they can practice

If you have an interested student, please feel free to contact Dean on 022-3605651, or if you would like to book a lesson, please call the office on 04-9383224 or email office@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz or you can contact the High School Music Teacher, Hazel Fenemor at hazelf@wainuiomatahigh.school.nz or you can leave a message for her on 04-9383224. Forms are also available at the Office for students to collect and complete.