

Wairarapa College

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Dear Parents/Caregivers/Friends of the College

After a busy term it's good for all of our students and staff to be able to have a break and enjoy some family time over Easter in the next couple of weeks. It has been a difficult term in a number of respects although we are pleased to see that our young people have coped by and large by being supportive of each other and of the staff. For all of us, one of the most difficult aspects of the last month or so has been the events in Christchurch which have taken a toll on the Nation as a whole. Like the rest of the Nation, this has affected our students and our staff here at Wairarapa College, however, I would like to share with you all something which made me aware again of how lucky we are to have such a great bunch of young people to work with every day.

On Friday the 22 March when the Nation held its two-minute silence in support of the Christchurch victims, we had a quandary around how the school would respond to this given that the timing was for lunchtime. We decided to rely on what we know of our young people which is that they are, in the vast majority, compassionate, caring and responsible young people. So, we simply let them all know that there would be an opportunity for them to join with staff at the front of school at that time and we left it to them to decide whether they would participate.

I have to say that we were greatly impressed to see the vast majority, if not the entire school, quietly make their way to the front of the school at that time and we all joined together in the two-minute silence. Again, I would like to say that this made me extremely proud to be the Principal of a group of young people who, of their own volition, wished to participate in something that interrupted their lunchtime and yet was so important for us all.

In spite of these events, we have been able to enjoy a superb term. One of the most recent highlights for us in the Arts was the variety concert which took place on Thursday 4 April. We are again, reminded of what an amazing, talented group of young people we have here at Wairarapa College. There was talented piano, dance, bands and singing. Our young people really can put on a wonderful show of their talent and it was widely enjoyed by many. I would like to acknowledge our Performing Arts and Music Department for their ongoing support of these students. I would also like to acknowledge those of you who have been involved in other activities in our school. This term the Sports Foundation and College joined together to host what was both a thank you for our sports coaches and managers and an opportunity for them to give some feedback around their experiences in their roles in sport at WaiCol. Some of the ideas that came out of that relate to how we as a College can support those who are willing to put their hand up to work with other people's children and young adults to help them succeed in their chosen sport or activity. This is something we are giving considerable thought to. We feel that people need to be able to volunteer, knowing that they will have the support of not only the College but of the other parents who are involved in the sport or whose children are involved. This will be something we will be working on in order to encourage more people to be coaches, managers, refs or umpires.

On the academic side of things, an important consideration for us at the moment is student attendance and students who are late to school in the morning. It's very important that your young people do attend school everyday and I know that while we have a 90% expectation, I acknowledge the fact that it would be far more beneficial for students to have a 100% attendance. I am aware that a number of our young people are involved in a number of activities both inside and outside school and I do encourage you as parents to monitor closely your young person's overall commitments.

A number of our seniors have talked about feeling under pressure this term with their academic studies and assessment requirements. Although I know it seems sensible to allow your young person to earn their own money by working outside of school, and sport and other activities are important, it is also vital to remember that for many this is the only time in their life that they can devote most of their time to gaining the qualifications that will see them set up for their future. Please allow them to have the time to be able to meet those commitments and support them in making good decisions about where they need to put the majority of their time and effort.

During the holidays, there will be the very important occasion of ANZAC Day and Wairarapa College will be present with other students to pay our respects. In the meantime, I would like to wish you all a happy Easter break and to our students a happy and restful holiday.

-Shelley Power, Principal

Upcoming Events

April

Tues 9:

Regional Shakespeare Festival

Fri 12:

PITA Year 11 field trip

Last day of Term One

Mon 29:

TERM TWO BEGINS

Top Sports teams and Cultural group expectations

We have high expectations for students who are selected in top sporting teams and cultural groups. These groups include the following:

Sport	Cultural
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st XV Rugby	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Production
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st X1 Football – male / female	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jazz Band
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st Basketball team – male / female	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cantate
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st Netball team	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pognologists
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st Hockey team – male / female	

The students in these groups will be identified leading into the first game / performance, ***the data for attendance only*** is analysed and discussed. The students below 90% attendance rate will be identified.

Behaviour: Being a member of an elite group at Wairarapa College brings with it an expectation of high behaviour always, this includes classroom behaviour.

Winter Uniform Change over

During term 2 & 3, all students wear winter uniform. Please take the up and coming holidays to check the uniform is all sorted and ready to be worn correctly on day one of term two. The Wairarapa College school uniform can be purchased from the New Zealand Uniform shop. Below are the outlines for the winter uniform:

Junior Girls' Uniform

Junior Students are in Years 9 and 10.

Winter

Skirt:	'Blue Watch' tartan, length below the knee
Blouse:	Long-sleeved, sky blue
Tie:	WaiCol Traditional Tie
Jersey:	Blue V-necked with monogram.
Hose:	Black 50 denier pantyhose, over knees or tights.
Footwear:	See separate footwear section for new regulations

Junior Boys' Uniform

Junior Students are in Years 9 and 10.

Winter

Trousers:	Long black with yellow braiding on the back pocket
Shirt:	Grey, long sleeved with crest
Tie:	WaiCol Traditional Tie
Belt:	Black - Optional
Jersey:	School V-necked grey with monogram.
Socks:	Regulation black with blue and gold striped top.
Footwear:	See separate footwear section for new regulations

Senior Girls' Uniform

Senior Students are in Years 11, 12 and 13.

Winter

Skirt:	'Blue Watch' tartan, length below the knee
Blouse:	White long-sleeved regulation.
Tie:	WaiCol Traditional Tie
Jersey:	Blue V-necked with monogram.
Hose:	Black 50 denier pantyhose, over knees or tights.
Footwear:	See separate footwear section for new regulations

Senior Boys' Uniform

Senior Students are in Years 11, 12 and 13

Winter

Trousers:	Long black with yellow braiding on the back pocket
Shirt:	White, long sleeved with crest which is tucked in
Tie:	WaiCol Traditional Tie
Belt:	Black - Optional
Jersey:	School V-necked grey with monogram.
Socks:	Regulation black with blue and gold striped top.
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School Regulation Footwear

Sample photos of school regulation footwear are shown below. They are available from Hannahs, Number One Shoes, The Warehouse and The Vault.



Please note that these will be the only style of footwear that is permitted for the whole school.

Please also note that Haviana sandals, gladiator-style sandals, along with ballet flat-style and boot-style shoes are not permitted footwear, and Rugged Shark style sandals must have the back strap attached to the shoe to comply with Wairarapa College uniform rules.

Rainwear

1. School jacket with monogram, available only from the New Zealand Uniform Shop.
2. Plain black jacket (no brand name on jacket)
3. School Sports team jacket.

Optional Extras

College scarves and blazers are also available from the New Zealand Uniform Shop, for all students to purchase.

Pam Redpath
Deputy Principal

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Sports Dispensation

Any student who is representing Wairarapa College at a sport and wishes to play for a club team, must apply in writing to the Principal. These applications will be considered on a case by case basis, alongside consultation with Senior School Leadership, Sports Co-Ordinator and relevant coaches.

We have guidelines to follow and a dispensation may be granted for a student to play at a higher level than what the College can offer, if it is considered of benefit to that student. As always, College sport takes priority in the event of any clashes.

As a school, we will be adhering to the policy and this may involve changes or tightening up on our policy. Feedback from a range of TIC's and coaches has raised concern about the impacts of extra trainings/games upon some of our students ability to perform to their best ability.

We aim to make decisions based on the best interest of the student and of the development of Sport at Wairarapa College. Please contact the Principal's PA if you are interested in applying.



Congratulations!



Ella Goodin has been selected to attend the 'Female Defence Careers Experience' in the April holidays (15-18) at Linton Military Camp.

Tama Paku has been successful in applying for the University of Otago On Campus Experience (OCE)

The OCE is a programme that enables a group of Year 13 Māori students to travel to the University of Otago to experience what it is like to live and learn in Dunedin. This year we are running two OCE programmes, from 5 – 9 May and from 9 – 13 June.

Successful applicants were selected based on their all-round academic ability, their attitude to learning, a character reference from the school, and an essay highlighting their involvement in their school and Māori community, as well as their aspirations to attend the University of Otago.

The OCE covers costs for: Return Airfares , Accommodation, Meals and 'Light' Entertainment.

The University of Otago, being passionate about promoting opportunities for Māori secondary school students.

Kayarna Jones-Dennes was presented with the Student Contribution to Cricket and Coaches Award for U18 reps at the recent Wairarapa Cricket Awards evening.

Well done Ella, Tama and Kayarna!



Health

Get ready for winter!

Winter is on its way with shorter days, colder nights and the usual rounds of winter colds and illness. There are lots of things you can do now to help stay well during the colder months:

- ⇒ Get a flu vaccination—it's one of the best ways to stay well!
- ⇒ Stock up on any regular medication i.e. asthma inhalers.
- ⇒ Keep yourself and your home warm.
- ⇒ Wash and dry your hands thoroughly to help keep the germs away.
- ⇒ If playing winter sport, remember to warm up before games and cool down afterwards. Drink water before, during and after games.
- ⇒ Avoid slips, trips and falls—check paths and driveways for moss or plants that need trimming.

Head Lice

They're back! Those pesky pests are back with a number of students found to have head lice. Please check your child's head on a regular basis for signs of headlice or their eggs.

If your child has lice, you can treat using cheap conditioner. This can be put onto dry hair and comb or massage through before using a fine tooth comb to remove lice and their eggs before rinsing. Repeat process until no more are left.

Head lice isn't fun for kids (or parents!), so please play your part in keeping our students and our College as nit-free as possible. If we all do this, we are more likely to stop head lice spreading further.

Water Bottle Sharing

A friendly reminder not to share water bottles. A number of students have been seen sharing water bottles. This can help spread viruses such as cold, flu and other communicable diseases.



Dentist

With the school holidays upon us, now would be a great time to get those pearly whites checked! It is important to keep our oral health in check and ensure our mouths are as healthy as can be. Dental check ups are free of charge to children under 18 years of age.

Time to get your flu vaccination

Now is the best time to get a flu vaccination before the onset of winter. Contact your medical centre to book an appointment and see if you're eligible for a free vaccination. You can also get a vaccination at some Wairarapa Pharmacies.

Physio

From Term Two every Tuesday morning from 8am Davide Castorina, a senior Physiotherapist from CAPE Physio Masterton, will be available at WaiCol for students who have been injured. Davide has been a physiotherapist for eleven years and he's currently the Physiotherapist for the Wairarapa Bush Rugby Team and also looks after the NZ Heartland U19 Rugby Team. Please bring \$10 cash to your appointment. You can book either via the nurse or give CAPE Physio a call on 06 657 0102.



Boys Football



Team Information:

We have selected the 1XI, 2XI and U15 teams for the season. Thank you to all the boys that trialed for this squad. It was great to see so many of our footballers wanting to get into these teams. Congratulations to the boys that have made it.

1XI:

Caleb Anstis
Jackson Burling
Cayden Cameron
Brad Clark
Brodie Dick
Shea Fowler
Nahum McPhee
Max Mitchell
Sam Murray
Scott O'Connor
Alex Smith
Zac Te Maro
Hadley Wiramanaden
Jake Young

2XI:

Byron Burns-Kennedy
Ryan Butler
Nick Estreich
William Evans
Wills Harbord
Lian Jordaan
Josh Lock
Nic McLaren
Xavier Oh
Oscar Southey
Felix Stephens
Bhulvhai Taua
Sam Tortoza
Jacob Watkins-Reid

U15:

Travis Bartlett
Lennox Broderick
Max Cayless
Jayden Fennell
Jack Hunter
Olly Jones
Arapeta Kingi
Zam Landers
William Larkin
Jarden Parata-French
Jayden Riddell
Corban Surtees
Makaia Sutton
Jayden Watt

The 1XI will again, be grading in the Premier 1 and 2 College Sport Wellington competition. They have a few preseason games lined up, including the WCSF Tournament in the upcoming school holidays.

The 2XI will play in the local Sport Wellington Competition. They will grade in Division 1 along with many 1XI's from the local colleges.

The local Grades will start on Saturday the 4th of May.

The U15 team is a new team for WaiCol. In partnership with Douglas Villa AFC, we have managed to get a Junior team into a Wellington competition. These boys are looking forward to the season. They start their season on Saturday 13th of April vs Island Bay United at Wakefield Park. (kick off at 10.45am). The first home game is on the 27th of April here at WaiCol. Kick off at 10.45am. It would be great to see a lot of support for this team!

All other teams will be sorted before the end of the term and players will be notified via email. The information about the fees and season structure will be sent out to the registration email.

Boys are asked to purchase the "WaiCol Reversible Sports top" and WaiCol socks from NZ Uniforms as soon as possible. So that all players are ready to go for the season.

There is a shortage of coaches for some teams this year. If you can coach a team (or manage one) then I would really like to hear from you!

For further information, please contact:

Mr Hansel Wiramanaden (TiC Football)

hwiramanaden@waicol.nz

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North Island Mountain Biking Champs

On Saturday 30 March and Sunday 31st March we had a strong and enthusiastic team who represented WaiCol in the North Island Mountain Biking Champs in Wainuiomata. The Waiu Trail Park was hot and the track was fast. The top riders from the North Island came from near and far and were there to take the top prize in three categories: Cross Country (XCO), Enduro (Downhill), and Cross Country Teams (XCR). For some of the WaiCol team, this was the first Mountain Bike race they had ever been in so a massive step up and they had reason to be nervous. Thankfully, there were no crashes and everyone raced their hearts out. Our highlights were the silver medal in the Mixed U20 Cross Country relay and Jack Hunters bronze medal in the Enduro U15 Boys race.



Results:

3rd Jack Hunter U15 Boys Enduro

25th Cameron Bell U15 Boys Enduro

6th Sophie Cusack U17 Girls XCO

18th George Searle U16 Boys XCO

2nd Mixed U20 Team XCR (Sophie, Bailey, and George)

4th U16 Boys team (Cameron, Jack, and Charles)

The results were not unexpected for us, but may have surprised the well-experienced mountain bikers who have put in hours and hours of training. Well done to all who took part in this awesome event and a big thank you to the parents who helped transport, support, and feed our riders.



Netball News April 2019

Team Information

This year we have 18 netball teams competing in the local competition. Teams are displayed on the Sports Noticeboard. Some teams have begun practices and others will commence in week one, term two. Practice days and times will be displayed on the Sports Noticeboard, daily Student Notices and on the Wairarapa College Netball Facebook page.

Season Dates: (for all grades except Prem 1)

- Start Saturday 11th May (second weekend of Term 2)

Grading	11 – 18 May
Round 1	25 May to 27 July (7 games)
Round 2	3 August to 17 August (3 games)
Semi Finals	24 August
Finals	31 August

Round 1: No games Queens Birthday Weekend or during School Holidays

Fees and uniform

Fees are \$120 per player and are to be paid before the end of term one, either at the college office or via internet banking (account information can be found on the Netball page on the Sports Portal). If you cannot pay the fees in full, please set up a payment plan at the college office.

Netball dresses can be purchased at NZ Uniforms; second hand ones are often for sale on Wairarapa Garage Sale's Facebook page.

WaiCol Sports Foundation (WCSF) Tournament

Our Senior A and Senior B teams will be competing in this annual tournament on the 25th and 26th April (second week school holidays). The tournament is being held at the Colombo Road Courts and we encourage you to head there and watch our teams in action.

Ati Awa Tournament (Taita, Wellington)



For further netball information contact:

Kathryn Houlston (TIC Netball)

khoulston@waicol.co.nz

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Our running dates are from the 15th – 18th of April. All volunteers are provided with a free lunch every day and great company! Hope to hear from you all soon!

For further information or to volunteer call 06 379 4081



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Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth

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As a Rotary Youth Exchange student, you'll spend a year living with host families and attending school in a country other than your own. You'll learn a new way of living, maybe even a new language, and a great deal about yourself.

As you're learning, you'll also be teaching the people you meet about your country, your culture, and your ideas. You'll be a young ambassador, helping to bring the world closer together and making some good friends in the process.

If you're ready for the challenge and the rewards of living in another country as an exchange student, then you're ready to discover new worlds through the Rotary Youth Exchange program.



WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world.

Rotary clubs carry out service projects that address critical issues such as poverty, hunger, illiteracy, substance abuse, and pollution. Service to youth is a major emphasis among Rotarians. Working with and for tomorrow's leaders, Rotary clubs sponsor service clubs for youth and young adults and offer career development and mentoring programs.

Rotary Youth Exchange is administered by Rotary clubs and districts. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 32,000 clubs worldwide, creating an extensive network of volunteers to provide the necessary support for the program.

HOW DO I QUALIFY?

Rotary Youth Exchange programs are open to students ages 15-19. To qualify, applicants should be above-average students who have demonstrated leadership in their community. Candidates should also possess qualities such as flexibility and a willingness to try new things that will enable them to fully experience life in another country and become excellent cultural ambassadors. All applicants must be sponsored by a local Rotary club and complete a written application and in-person interview.



HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Costs vary from one Rotary district to another. Typically, students and their parents or guardians are expected to cover the following expenses:

- Round-trip airfare
- Health and accident insurance that meets the requirements of the host club and district
- All travel documents, such as passports and visas
- Clothing and spending money
- An emergency fund for unexpected expenses during the year
- Ancillary travel and tours

For specific information, contact your local Rotary club or district.

WHAT WILL I DO ON MY EXCHANGE?

During your exchange, you'll live with a host family and attend school. To gain a greater understanding of your host country's culture, you will live with at least two, preferably three, host families during your stay. The host Rotary club will conscientiously screen and select your host families. You will make friends and get to know the area where you're living.

WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

As a Youth Exchange student, you agree to

- Act as an ambassador of your own country
- Be open to new experiences and cultural differences
- Abide by all program rules of your host Rotary club and district
- Accept the supervision of the host district, host club, and host family
- Ask questions of your host family and Rotarian hosts and be an active participant in your exchange

WHERE WILL MY EXCHANGE BE?

Youth Exchanges take place in nearly all of the 200 countries and geographical areas where Rotary clubs exist. Contact your local Rotary club for more information on where its program operates and whether you may request a specific country.

Wherever you go, you'll discover that the world is smaller than you once thought and that you can gain a great deal from the unique experience of being a Rotary Youth Exchange participant.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Contact your local Rotary club for details.

