

Wairarapa College

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Dear Parents/caregivers/Friends of the College

We are now in the second half of a very busy Term Three, and it is very pleasing that we have had many successes on the sporting and cultural front. I would like to acknowledge you as parents and supporters of the College for assisting us in providing such outstanding opportunities for our young people. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the staff and cast who were involved in the outstanding production of Disney's High School Musical. Mrs Carey and Mrs Mabey and team, you did a superb job in giving our young people the opportunity to excel in the performing arts. It reminds us that not all learning takes place in the classroom, these are valuable opportunities for our young people to learn not only things associated with the curriculum such as key competencies but also to be able to test their own limits and experience what it means to go beyond their personal best to a new level. I think this is a vital part of learning at school.

Another 'exciting' thing we have had this week was the lockdown. This was again something that our students had to rise to the occasion on. We are very pleased that we engaged in a drill earlier this year which allowed our students and staff to know how to respond. The feedback from Police was very positive. They thought the school was secure and quiet and that we had provided an environment that was as safe as it could be under those circumstances. This is very heartening for us to know; however, we are also undertaking a review of our systems to ensure that we have used the opportunity to learn and improve our response. I would also like to thank you for the many messages of support from the community at what was a time of great stress for us as a school. I have also had a number of inquiries from parents as to how to respond. I understand it is truly a frightening situation to hear that your young person is in school in a lockdown situation. I ask please that you would consider the following:

- Please don't come to the school site at that time. You could place yourself or others at risk.
- If your young person does text or call you, please encourage them to remain calm. Their calmness will be the key to behaving in ways that will keep them safe. Tell them to remain calm, stay quiet and to follow the instructions of the teacher or staff member.

In this way you can truly help us make sure your young person is safe.

Another thing I would like to touch on is the upcoming practice exams in week 9 for our seniors. One of the things we know as a school is that where some of our young people can sometimes not achieve to their fullest academically is in their external exams at the end of the year. Some of our students also make decisions around the number of credits they have and what they do and don't need to sit. This is taking a risk that they may not achieve to the standard they are capable of.

Although many of our students, Year 13 most notably, are a little bit over assessment by the time they get to their externals at the end of the year, it's not the time for them to be pulling out of these. For many of them it might mean they gain an extra few credits to ensure they reach their goal or can mean they achieve excellence or merit endorsements. For you as parents, what you can do at that time is to ensure that you know where your child should be for their practice exams and externals and when. Information on this is available on the Portal. All of our senior students should now have a study planner to use to help them manage their revision. You can also ask to see this and help them work out when they can study. We know that the best results for our young people are achieved when all of us do our part. Thank you for your support of our school and our young people.

-Shelley Power, Principal, Wairarapa College

Upcoming Events

September

Mon 3-Fri 7:

11PED Trip,
Tournament Week &
Year 12/13 Transition
Work Experience.

Mon 10-14:

11PED Trip

Sun 16:

Ski trip

Mon 17-21:

School examinations

Thurs 27-28:

REAP Kapa Haka
Festival

Fri 28:

LAST DAY OF TERM



Message from the School Nurse

They're back—check your child for head lice

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

If your child had head lice, you can easily treat is using cheap conditioner. Put conditioner onto dry hair and comb or massage it through before using a fine tooth comb to remove the lice and their eggs and rinsing the conditioner out. Repeat the process every few days until there are no lice or eggs for three days.

Please continue to check your child and other family members hair and repeat the treatment if needed. If we all do this, we are more likely to stop head lice spreading further.

Head lice isn't fun for kids (or parents!), so please play your part in keeping our students and college as nit-free as possible. If you need more information, we have a handy flyer on treating head lice in the office if you'd like a copy.

Influenza

In the last few weeks Regional Public Health has been notified of influenza outbreaks in a number of schools and early education centres in the Greater Wellington Region.

Their symptoms of influenza are fever, cough and sometimes vomiting or diarrhea in younger children. Influenza spreads quickly in schools, to reduce further spread in schools and communities:

- Advise a member of staff if your child has an illness as described above.
- Check that your school has your correct and up-to-date contact details in case they need to contact you.
- Keep sick children at home until feeling well and symptom free (3-4 days but can take up to 7).
- Use tissues to cover coughs and sneezes and be diligent with washing and drying hands thoroughly.
- If anyone in your family has influenza please don't visit hospitals or community care homes or see people who may be at high risk of serious illness, such as pregnant women, young babies, or anyone who has cancer, lung and heart or kidney conditions.

If you are worried about your child's symptoms or they have long-term health problems, then you should phone their usual doctor or Healthline 0800 611 116 for further advice.





Speech Competitions



It was with a sense of anticipation and excitement that Mrs Major and I sat down to judge the Year 10 inter-class speech competition. The venue was the library and the audience were informed, entertained and enlightened with a choice and variety of subjects. The topics were once again varied and wide ranging, from 'Air New Zealand promoting a non-meat beef burger', to 'Why drug testing should be mandatory in College sports'. However, unfortunately there can only be one winner, and this year it was Tiana Graham speaking on the very emotive subject of 'Depression'. Georgia Higinbottom was placed second with her talk on the 'ANZ non-meat burger', with Clay Jenkinson third with 'The menace of the Western Honey Bee'.

Both Mrs. Major and I were impressed with both the standard and quality of all the participants. This is the fifth year I have judged the Year 10s and the quality and depth of the speeches just keeps getting better and better. A hearty congratulations to all the competitors.

Tiana will go forward to represent the College at the Inter-College speech competition in September, I am sure that we wish her all the very best.

Mr. Veitch.

The English Department had a busy week at the beginning of August running the Junior and Senior Speech Competitions. It is so encouraging to see young people queuing up to take part in what some may consider a dying art. Not at our school. Each level of the competition takes over two periods to complete and the invited classes sit in silence as they are stunned by their peers' impassioned presentations. This year the range of topics proved our young people are tackling local and global issues, challenging us to take their voices seriously. Thirteen Year 9 speakers spoke on topics as wide ranging as global warming, allergies, self-confidence and success. The Year 10s took interesting angles on drug testing, non-meat burgers and the menace of the Western honey bee. We also had a powerful dramatic performance from the character called Depression. We were impressed with the research involved and the structure of the content as well as the confidence displayed in their delivery. We congratulate them all on the time and effort they put in to this.

The seniors always surprise us, and this year was no different. Challenging, yes, but also humorous and entertaining, with engaging performances all round. It was a difficult task choosing the winners and we want to congratulate all speakers, many of whom are juggling so many other commitments, for the way they continue to push the boundaries and amaze us with deep, critical thinking about important topics for the 21st Century.

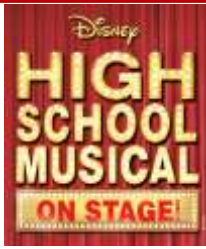
Our winners:

Year 9 – 1st Hannah Donald, 2nd Millie Higinbottom, 3rd Anika Stewart

Year 10 – 1st Tiana Graham, 2nd Georgia Higinbottom, 3rd Clay Jenkinson

Seniors – Top Male Speaker: Jackson Burling, Top Female Speaker: Anisha Satya, 3rd place: Grace Hancox. Jackson will be representing us in the inter-collegiate speaking competition.

Mary Major
English Department



What team? Wildcats! Getcha Head in the Game!



That's exactly what the cast, musicians and crew of High School Musical did over a 12 week rehearsal period.



The story: Girly swot meets basketball dude at a New Year's party, fall in love, fall out because of peer pressure to "Stick to the Status Quo", manipulated by the jealous Diva and her twin, peers realise they've got it wrong and all's well that ends well. That's pretty much it in a nutshell (with a shaving cream cake in the face for the Diva just before half time).

Bit by bit, the jigsaw came together and resulted in performances to record crowds including primary schools, Idea Services and the elderly who all loved the show. Several students received Instagram messages from excited youngsters and a truly lovely letter from an MIS student.

The Production incorporated around 100 very diverse students: actors, dancers, backstage crew, set builders, musicians and tech crew all with their own crucial part to play. They were ably supported by a range of adults who worked with them to showcase their many talents.

It wasn't without its challenges though, as students battled tiredness and illness. We're truly grateful to Mrs Eckford who filled in on two occasions for our talented Will Hancock who, despite his dedication, became too unwell to continue playing.

Each performance was loaded with energy and whilst it was sad when it finished, it was great that it ended on a high.

Our young men and women did the school so proud; they looked and sounded fantastic and worked as a team even packing out on the last night in double quick time. The feedback from Mrs Evans, who has been involved in the Production for a number of years, is



that this group is the best she has worked with. We're so proud to see them display the LEAD values in many aspects. I can't speak highly enough of them and am so lucky to have had the chance to be part of their team.

Cathy Mabey—Director

Hoskins Energy Systems Electrical Visit

On August 15th YETE (Youth in Education Training or Employment) organised a careers visit to Hoskins Electrical. The students also visited a Solar and Battery site, the Masterton Effluent plant and Matahiwi Winery. Thanks to all the organisers, the students really enjoyed the day.



Looking for an after school job?

Tirohana Estate restaurant in Martinborough is looking for weekend staff as we come in to high season!

Would suit a student who is keen to work a Saturday and/or Sunday day and/or evening shifts in this busy restaurant.

Some additional shifts will become available midweek as the season progresses with lots of hours generally available through summer holidays.

Must have own transport (or be able to be dropped off and picked up) and be well presented, hard working and personable.

WaiCol Cricket Update

Pre-Season cricket trainings have been underway for two weeks and there has been some good progress made early on. There is a focus around the 3 F's – Fitness, Flexibility and Fielding, and there has been some emphasis around basic batting techniques early on. Pre-season trainings will continue every Sunday from 9-11am at Wairarapa College. We will be moving from the gym to the oval and nets as the weather improves, so come prepared. All WaiCol cricketers are welcome and it is free of charge!

There has been a significant amount of planning done for Term 4. The 1st XI Boys have 3 pre-season games in the holidays, a 2-day game vs Newlands on Labour Weekend and the CWC competition starts on the first week back at school. The 1st XI Girls have a schedule built around preparation for their CD knockout matches in late October. They will be also be in action on Labour Weekend against the Colts in two T20's. There is also a focus around the 2nd XI boys who have a proposed 2-day match against Kuranui 1st XI on Labour Weekend before they head into their Term 4 competition. The Colts have interschool fixtures against Kapiti College, Newlands College and Rongotai College during Term 4.



If there are any students wanting to sign up for cricket, please email the TIC Cricket, Mr Alistair Payne – apayne@waicol.nz or see Mr Sorrell the Sports Coordinator.



Netball News August/September 2018



- ◆ Congratulations to the following players for making Tournament Teams: Aja Walker (North Island U15 B-Grade) and Paris Potangaroa (Gold Coast Netball Carnival Barbarian Team);
- ◆ Good luck to the Senior A team who head to Palmerston North on 2nd September for the LNISS Netball Tournament and the Junior A who head to Palmerston North for the Horizons Tournament on 9th September.



Senior A LNISS Netball Squad receiving new gear from ANZ. A huge thank you to ANZ for the bottles, balls and bags.



In the July school holidays we had a netball team travel to Australia to participate in the Gold Coast Netball Carnival. The tournament was a fantastic experience for all involved.

Netball finals are Saturday 1st September—good luck to all teams!



Wairarapa College Netball Prize Giving 2018

All players, coaches, managers, parents/ caregivers and supporters are welcome.

**Tuesday 11th September @ 4.30pm
Wairarapa College Hall**

All players are to provide a plate of afternoon tea to share.



Interested in coaching in 2019? Please contact Kath Houlison (TIC Netball) khoulison@waicol.nz



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Get your nominations in! We have so many amazing and talented people in the Wairarapa - Let us hear about them all!



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Tickets for this night can be purchased from the Netball Wairarapa office or by contacting 080 076 66 0077. www.netball-wairarapa.co.nz



Rugby news



The regular season has drawn to a close with only tournament week fixtures for the 1st XV and Under 15 Colts remaining. The 1st XV ended up finishing in 5th place in the Wellington Premier Division – taking down St Bernards 26-22 in the 5th vs 6th playoff match. The boys' were unlucky to miss out on semi finals and needed other results to go their way after they gave themselves every opportunity by beating Scots College away 28-22. A match which has been one of the highlights of the season. Another highlight was the thrilling 8-5 win over Rathkeale played in very wet conditions that went down to the wire.

The 1st XV remain in contention for the national co-ed tournament and have a playoff match with Fielding High School in Palmerston North Saturday 1st September for qualification. If we do not qualify then we will take part in the traditional Captains Trophy Tournament to be held in Levin defending a title we have held since 2014.



Sam Morrison 50 Caps

A big thanks to Stan Wright, Nathan Couch and Mike Geenty for all their efforts with the team this season.



The 2nd Xv fought bravely but went down to Makoura College 35-48 in a see-sawing contest. The second year in a row we have been runner up in this competition. Thanks to Ryan Wilson for his coaching efforts with these boys.

The Under 15 sides – Gold, Red, and Blue finished 3rd, 4th, and 5th respectively, with Gold and Red suffering semi final defeats to Rathkeale College Teams. Again thank you to Greg Paku, Jackie Reiri, Johnny Richardson, Bex Flaws, Matt Duncan, Phil Bargh and

Andy McHardy for all your efforts with these teams this season.

Our Under 15 Colts are now up and running and gained a measure of revenge against Rathkeale Colts, winning 36-27 in atrocious conditions. This was after a limited build up after two traditional fixtures had defaulted last minute. The Under 15 Colts will be defending the Quadrangular Trophy (which we have held since 2017) against Dannevirke Monday 3rd September.

A mention must go to our newest and most successful team—the boys under 55kg. Although opponent options were limited, all who stood against them were defeated! We will definitely look to take this grade forward into next season as it is a fun, competitive grade that builds confidence in our lighter players and prepares them well for the Under 15 grade.

Finally a big congratulations to the following finalists in the Wairarapa Bush Rugby Awards:

Sam Smith – College Player of the Year (Winner!)
Kelsey Watt – Female Player of the Year
Mike Geenty – Volunteer of the Year



Laughing Owl



Wairarapa College Boys Football 2018



This season we have had the most boys participating in football ever! 125 boys were part of 8 teams. All the boys have been coached by proven coaches that have demanded lofty standards from the players. Add to this the supervision of WaiCol managers and the boys have had plenty of guidance to help them enjoy their football.

The Junior teams of WaiCol Yellow, Blue and Red, playing in the local Division C competition have found plenty of close football with heaps of goals. Yellow and Yellow were hard to separate with both teams having an even win/loss record.

A huge thank you must go to Foppe De Vries (Red), Radha McGlashan (Blue) and Alex Britton (Yellow) for coaching these teams. Also, to Cathy Mabey and Mark Williams for managing the blue and yellow teams.

WaiCol Gold and The UFO's played in Division B this season. WaiCol Gold have been the main feeder team for the 2XI so have had a few of their best players unavailable some weeks. This has meant that they finished 3rd in the competition. A fair effort for such a young team. Thanks must go to Dan Grace and Paul Reid for looking after this team this year.

The UFO's were out to have fun and play football. This has clearly worked, as they Won the Division! With 41 goals for and only 22 against in a 10-game season. This team was organised by students and managed by James O'Connor. A fantastic season for a bunch of boys just wanting to enjoy the game. Thank you, Trey, Wills and James, for your efforts this year.



The top local Division had two WaiCol teams in it. The 2XI and the 3XI. The 3XI were a student organised team that were very surprised to find they were good enough for Division A! James Thompson and Dylan Major have done a fantastic job of getting the boys to enjoy the game and perform at this level. Their manager, Mary Major, also needs to be mentioned! Thanks so much for your input this year.



The 2XI had a great start to the season. With some solid wins against the local power houses. This enabled them to finish a credible 4th in a competition full of year 13 boys. This young team, will be pushing for places in the 1XI next year. Congratulations must go to Zac Te Maro and Hadley Wiramanaden who have had game time with the 1XI this season. Their coach, Dan Pawson, has done a fantastic job getting the boys playing some attractive football. Thanks Dan!

The 1XI are preparing to go to tournament on September 3rd. They have been competing well in the Wellington Premier Division, scoring some good wins against Rongotai and Tawa Colleges.

As part of their fundraising efforts they have been running a raffle. To that end I would like to thank: Terence O'Hara at [Fagan Motors](#), Sam Hepburn at [House of Travel](#), Copthorne Solway Park, Tom Roseingrave at [Lone Star Masterton](#), Julie Naysmith-Burling at Julie Naysmith Hair Studio, Francelle McPhee at Café Istanbul Carterton, and Trust House. Without these generous people our game cannot function to the level it does.

Please Support these Businesses – As they support WaiCol Football!

On Tuesday the 28th of August we had our Football Break up. The following players received awards for this season.

Well done!

WaiCol 2XI Boys:	WaiCol 2XI Girls:	WaiCol 3XI Boys:
MVP: Hadley Wiramanaden Most Improved: Max Mitchell	MVP: Millie Elworthy Most Improved: Hailey Robson	MVP: Eric Bargh Most Improved: Ash Rothery
WaiCol 3XI Girls:	WaiCol Gold:	WaiCol UFOs':
MVP: Gabriella Hughes Most Improved: Smita Chandra	MVP: Kasey Cox Most Improved: Jacob Watkins-Reid	MVP: Lochie McNab Most Improved: Davey Williams
WaiCol Red	WaiCol Blue	WaiCol Yellow
MVP: Alex Clark Most Improved: Adam Boyles	MVP: Zam Landers Most Improved: Joel Hodgkinson	MVP: Josh Sherwood Most Improved: Isaiah Ngatoro-Toki



BNZ Closed for Good

Once a year BNZ close their branches to allow their staff to go out into schools to do community service about financial literacy.

We were lucky enough to have them visit on Wednesday 8 August. A team of five BNZ employees came and worked through a financial literacy app with a range of classes.



Students used the app to work through a hypothetical series of challenges around the use of money. The app is called "my moni" and it continues with the challenges every 24 hours to remind you about financial decisions.

The students really enjoyed their time and learnt a lot about managing money and how to avoid debt.:

"I learnt a lot" – Molly

"We learnt a lot about how to manage money" – Max

"I now know not to use credit cards in the future" – Marshall

A big thanks to Mrs Pottinger for organizing these very useful sessions.





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Quick fire Connections Event 2018 – Business & Youth

AIM

Provide an opportunity to strengthen and grow effective sustainable supply lines of skilled labour in the Wairarapa.

Support young people to develop a greater understanding of the interview process including developing practical interview skills, to assist in gaining meaningful employment.

Connect businesses with young people interested in employment in their industry and share their knowledge of industry challenges and benefits.

Develop positive relationships through this connection, potentially resulting in part/full-time employment.

WHAT IS REQUIRED

Employers:

- Attend a preparation workshop to understand what is required at the event, understand today's young people and improve the opportunities to employ young people successfully.
- Conduct short mock interviews with a small group of young people and provide general feedback about what they did well and what they could improve.
- Gather CV's and contact details of any young person who they wish to follow up with to discuss potential employment opportunities.

Educators: Support and prepare a group of young people to develop the skills to interview for employment.

Young people: Be prepared for a mock interview by bringing a CV, dressing tidy and being able to articulate strengths, experience and skills including why they want employment in the industry.

DETAILS

Manufacturing, Technology & IT Industry

Date	Event	Location	Time
Wednesday 29 August	Preparation Workshop	Rangitumau Room/REAP	5 – 6pm
Wednesday 12 September	Quickfire Connections	ASB Masterton (upstairs)	5 – 6.30pm

REGISTRATION

Please email Maria at admin@yete.nz by Wednesday 22 August . Please note, in order to attend the Quick Fire Connections Event, you must also attend the Preparation Workshop.

Further information

If you would like further information about the event, please contact Josie on 021 649 383 or projectlead@yete.nz



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Open Youth Development – Wellington / Kapiti Term 3, 2018

Security Mandatory Training

1day workshop with pre-assessment project - \$270
30th August, 9am – 5pm - Wellington

Interview Skills

1day workshop - \$135
19th September, 9am – 3:30pm - Wellington

Leadership 101

2day workshop - \$235
20th & 21st September, 9am – 3:30pm - Wellington
2nd & 3rd October, 9am-3:30pm - Kapiti

Introduction to Logistics & Distribution

2day workshop with pre-assessment project - \$270
27th & 28th September, 9am – 3:30pm Wellington

Café, Bar and Service skills

4day workshop \$347
1st – 4th October, 9am – 4pm – Wellington
8th – 11th October, 9am – 4pm - Kapiti



"I have had great feedback from the Leadership 101 course my students did last term. They really enjoyed the practical exercises, and some were surprised how the quiet ones stepped up for the activities – the type of thing I was hoping they would get out of a course like this!"

- Erin – St Johns College

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