

**19 March
2021**
Term 1 Week 7

Waiheke High School Newsletter



Kia ora koutou,

Thank you so much to the parents who came to Nigel Latta on Tuesday night. He was very well received. After school on Tuesday he spoke to the teachers from Waiheke High School, Te Huruhi and Waiheke Primary School. His style can be confronting for some, but I think he boldly discussed sensitive and challenging issues and there certainly were some pearls of wisdom.

This week we hosted Rutherford High School for an inter-school exchange with us. Six games were played across a variety of codes. Although we lost, the games were competitive, spectator interest was high and the whanaungatanga and manakitanga of both schools was hugely noticeable. Rutherford and Waiheke High are keen to have this as an annual calendar fixture.

Jude Young,

Principal

Coming Soon from the Drama Department!



Term Dates

24 Mar	Beach Sports
26 Mar	Photolife school photos
31 Mar	Parent/Teacher Meetings
2 April	EASTER HOLIDAY

5-6 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAY
16 Apr	LAST DAY OF TERM 1
3 May	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2

Piringakau Trip to Queenstown

Piringakau Kapa Haka Seniors' trip to Hawaii was replaced with a South Island exploration of the beautiful and stunning sights of Queenstown Taahuna.

Ten students embarked on a journey of the rich history of the Kai Tahu iwi, the amazing views of the Taakitimu (Remarkables) maunga, freezing waters of Lake Wakatipu, adrenaline-filled jet boat ride on the Kimi-aakau awa (Shotover River) and the breathtaking views of Piopiotahi (Milford Sounds).

It was an amazing trip had by all and we would like to thank the Waiheke Community for your support on our Hawaii/Queenstown journey. It was a trip of a lifetime.



Year 7—13 Parent/Teacher Meetings—Wednesday 31st March 4 - 7 pm

Due to Covid lockdowns we had to cancel the junior school 'Meet & Greet' evening, and this will now be incorporated into the Parent/Teacher/Student interviews on 31 March, between 4.00 pm & 7.00 pm. These will be short interviews, 5 minutes each, and the emphasis is on teachers, parents and students connecting.

To book a meeting time, parents need to go to:

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code 8jg82

or use the link <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=8jg82> which will take you directly to the booking page.

Athletics Day 2021



Our annual Athletics Day took place last Wednesday 24th February. Congratulations to Ponui who took out the title this year, with the highest score for both participation and event wins.

As ever, this was a fantastic whole school event showcasing some of our top sporting talent, as well as grit, effort, and enthusiasm from those chasing the important participation points. The number of students entering the 1500m 'fun run' was a highlight of the day, as well as the nerve-wracking 100m finals that took place in front of the whole school.

The day ended with relays, with 50 points on offer for 1st place in each year group race. We finished with the staff v prefect relay, but sadly our staff team lost this year!

Congratulations to Sacha for breaking Dylan Smith's shot put record from 2004. A special shout-out also goes to the Year 13's who were excellent role models to our younger students this year. They demonstrated leadership and positive attitudes throughout the day which can be seen within many of these photos.

Well done to all of those involved.

Rebecca Cunningham-Rose,
Faculty Leader of Physical Education, Sport and Health

Important Career Dates for 2021

At Waiheke High School, our students are fortunate enough to have access to DreamCatcher, an online career management tool. This career planning portfolio stays with them until they leave school. Students use DreamCatcher to set goals, input work experience, and research occupations. They are able to save information about jobs and where to train beyond school.

We provide students with a range of career exploration opportunities including our Year 8 Career Day, Year 9 and 10 career lessons, Year 12 and 13 Taster Days, Careers Evening, Gateway work experience, senior interviews, and STAR short courses.

Careers Evening (Wednesday 30 June):

Parents/caregivers and students Year 10 -13 invited.

Career Taster Days:

Students try out a job of interest for a day.

Year 13 = Wednesday 23 June

Year 12 = Friday 25 June

Career Awareness Days:

Self-assessments, career research, speakers, CV building, and networking.

Year 8 = Thursday 1 April

Year 11 = Wednesday 23 June

Year 12 = Thursday 24 June

Year 13 = Friday 25 June

Scholarship Information Session (Week 2, Term 2):

After this, write applications during Term Two and holidays.

Applications generally open at the start of Term Three.

Cut-off dates vary for different scholarships.

Halls of Residence Information Session (Week 2, Term 3):

Halls of Residence Applications open August 1st until September 15.

You will need a reference (CCRF), apply for this online.

Year 10 Subject Selection Day (Wednesday 4 August - periods 1-3)

Information about growth industries and subjects offered at WHS. Opportunity to discuss career ideas and relevant subjects with deans, HOFs, and career advisors.

Loans and Allowances Information Session (Week 8, Term 3):

Find out whether you are eligible for loans and allowances, how to apply, and get started.

University Open Days (May-Sept):

Auckland [Saturday 28 August](#)

Otago (days) [Sunday 23 - Monday 24 May](#)

Otago (evening in Auckland) [TBC June](#)

Waikato [TBC May](#)

Canterbury [Thursday 9 September](#)

AUT [Saturday 28 August](#)

Lincoln [Saturday 17 April](#)

Massey [Virtual Open Days](#)

Victoria (day) [Friday 20 August](#)

Victoria (evening in Auckland) [23 June](#)

Unitec [Saturday 4 September \(online\)](#)

MIT [Experience days \(details online\)](#)

Course Applications

Applications for many tertiary courses open in April (especially Music, Art, Design, and Dance where auditions or portfolios may be required).

If you have any questions, please email Tanique Deacon: deacont@waihekehigh.school.nz

MAY DAY MAY DAY MAY DAY CALL TO THE COMMUNITY
EXPERIENCED AND SKILLED VOLUNTEERS WANTED
OUTDOOR EDUCATION AND SEA SPORTS AT WAIHEKE HIGH SCHOOL



Smoke signal, Morse Code, Flares, Maritime signal flags, drawing in the sand, message in a bottle, Channel 16 and semaphore were all considered as effective means of communication with the community until it was suggested just to write an article for the School Newsletter.

Outdoor Education and Sea Sports at Waiheke High School is continuing to grow in popularity and is a point of difference when choosing Waiheke High School for students' education.

Sea Sports at Waiheke High School continues to go from strength to strength with a total of 32 students participating at Level 2 and 3. The programme covers Snorkelling, Dingy Sailing, Stand up Paddleboarding, Kayaking, Fishing, Scuba Diving, Keel Boat Sailing on the Steinlager, Day skipper, Boat Master and VHF.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED : *(VICTOR KILO - I require assistance, I wish to communicate with you)*

The Level 2 course will soon be starting the practical rotations and we are looking for Volunteers to help with the teaching of Dingy Sailing in Lasers, Sea Kayaking, Stand up Paddle boarding and Fishing with the one and only moocher hunter, Tony Wood. Practical sessions take place on Thursday from 1.30-3pm. There will be a lead Teacher present who will be responsible for the instruction and organisation of the students.

We need volunteers who can assist with helping students to rig the Lasers and when on the water to be in the Laser to help teach them the ropes.

If you have skills and experience in any of the 4 activities and are able to give up some time on a Thursday afternoon then please contact Mrs Ronie Richeux Teacher in Charge of Sea Sports at richeuxs@waihekehigh.school.nz or 021 257 1924

Waiheke High School would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their ongoing support :

Fullers - Travel
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Waiheke Rotary Club - Science/Robotics
Gulf Foods Waiheke Island

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Jude Young

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9AM-1PM
21ST - 23RD
AND
28TH - 30TH
APRIL



KIDS BASKETBALL CAMP



GAMES
MATCHES
MUSIC
PRIZES
FUN!

WAIHEKE, WE'RE BACK! THIS APRIL WE WILL BE RUNNING OUR SECOND BASKETBALL CAMP! GET READY FOR ACTION PACKED DAYS FULL OF GAMES AND MATCHES. LEARN NEW SKILLS FROM TWO EXPERIENCED COACHES, HAVE FUN AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE A BASKETBALL EXPERT OR JUST KEEN TO TRY SOMETHING NEW - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

LOCATION: WAIHEKE RECREATION CENTRE

AGE: 7-13 (SCHOOL YEARS 3-9)

WED 21, THUR 22, FRI 23, WED 28, THUR 29, FRI 30 APRIL

COST: 40\$ PER DAY (30\$ FOR SIBLING)

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!

FOR BOOKING, PLEASE EMAIL JESS ON

jessicaaustino1@gmail.com



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Starts Thursday 4-5pm
March 25th - April 29th
\$108

Contact us for start dates!
022 186 0181
info@waihekepilatescentre.co.nz

Yoga for Teens 6 - Week Course



Conservation Dog Visit



Te Korowai o Waiheke is excited to be hosting Miriam Ritchie with three of her conservation dogs at the Ostend market this Saturday March 20th from 9am to 10:30am.

Miriam is a trainer/handler, certifier & mentor of pest detection dogs in the Conservation Dogs Programme NZ, run by DOC. She's been involved in most of the island pest eradications around NZ for the last 18 years, doing post eradication monitoring with her dogs. Three years ago she took two of her dogs to South Georgia, to do the post eradication monitoring after their rodent eradication, which is the biggest successful rodent eradication in the world so far - a very exciting project to be involved in.

Students and others are welcome to come along and meet Miriam and the dogs and ask questions about the work they do.