

November Waiheke High School  
 2017  
 Term 4 Week 36 **Newsletter**



Tena koutou katoa,

How wonderful, over the last ten days the school has celebrated two events - the Sports and Arts Awards and then the Senior Academic Prizegiving.

The Sports and Arts Awards evening is now in its second year and this evening celebrates students who have achieved either representation on the sports field, acknowledgement of good term work, technician work, individual or solo performances, song writing, waka ama, kapahaka and all things pertaining to performing arts. Our speaker for that evening was Graeme Revel. His talk was about creating a little bit of havoc and chaos being a good thing when he went on to work in the Hollywood music industry. His music started as industrial music and his speech was sincere, honest and inspirational.

Last Tuesday evening was our Senior Academic Prizegiving. It's a wonderful evening of celebrating students who have worked hard in their curriculum areas. Georgina Halstead was named 2017 Waiheke High School Dux and Eva Blok was Proxime Accessit. A number of our students gained University Scholarships and we are very proud of all students who have worked so hard to achieve those accolades.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of Andrew Walters, our former Board of Trustees Chairperson. Robyn Woodall has been elected as the new Board of Trustees Chairperson and we look forward to her leadership.

Although I am loathe to declare it, I have been assured that our new water tank farm will arrive this week and hopefully the connections within the water infrastructure will become seamless.

Junior students have sat their examinations this week and some of our Year 10's will continue with gaining some NCEA credits. Summer holidays are certainly not here yet.

At this time of year it is always sad to say goodbye to staff. Patricia Blair, our school guidance counsellor who has worked in the school for over 30 years, is retiring to do new things. Teresa Tutte is retiring from her Food Technology job of 20 years. Sam Yesli is taking up the Head of Mathematics at Marlborough Girls High School. Nick Fitness is shifting with his family to take up a position in Social Science at Taradale High School. Linda and

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**The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 5th December 7:00pm in the Waiheke High School board room**

**Term Dates**

27-28 Nov	Y10 Marae Programme	7 Dec	Junior Prom (Y7 & 8)
28 Nov	Y8 Rainbows End Trip	11 Dec	Junior Reports emailed
4 Dec	Y7 Rainbows End Trip	12 Dec	Junior Prizegiving
6 Dec	Y10 Goat Island Trip	12 Dec	LAST DAY OF TERM 4 (Half Day)

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Paul McKelvie are on refreshment leave in 2018, as is Neil Johnson. Fortunately we have a number of new staff that will be in the school in 2018. Paul Knighton will become the new Deputy Principal. Tim Cook is the Head of Technology and he will teach in Hard Materials and Design and Visual Communications. Liz Morris is our new Careers and Guidance Counsellor. Crystelle Jones is our new Spanish and Mathematics teacher. We are currently recruiting a Social Science teacher. Currently we are fortunate to say that we are fully staffed next year although there may still be some staff movements.

Thank you for all your support this Term.

Jude Young, Principal

## Year 9 Mountain Trip



## Auckland Museum Volcanoes Outreach Visit



We were very lucky to have the Volcanoes Outreach programme from the Auckland Museum come in and teach our Year 8 Science classes. The students got to identify different volcanic rocks and prepare their own emergency survival kits during a hands on workshop. Our Year 8's have been studying earthquakes and volcanoes this term and impressed our visitors with their knowledge and thoughtful questions.

Kiera Pennell, Science Teacher



## News from Piringākau

Piringākau staff and students at Waiheke High School would like to thank the Waiheke community and whānau for supporting the recent fundraising effort to attend and compete at Te Ahurea Tino Rangatiratanga held at James Cook High School, Manurewa.

Our gratitude and sincere thanks to all of you who purchased Piringākau raffle tickets towards raising funds for this event. Thank you to Jeanine Clarkin, Paora Toi Rangiuai, Glendale Rangihaeata, Anton Forde, Huhana Davis, Te Ao Marama Hau and Pita Mahaki for donating art work towards the raffle.

We appreciate the generosity of attendees at the NCEA dinner at the Batch Winery, Piritahi Hauora, Piritahi Marae, Waiheke High, Te Huruhi and Waiheke Primary School staff, members of the Waiheke Voluntary Fire Brigade, and as well as everyone else who bought tickets for our raffle. With this fundraising, we were able to purchase some costumes for our group, assist in transportation, feed and accommodate the group of 30 students and 6 adults to and from the event.

Students represented Waiheke with vitality, precision and pride as they took to the stage in the Auckland region. The money raised from whānau fundraising enabled our rangatahi to gain this memorable experience outside of the classroom.

Our thanks and gratitude to those who made this possible.

Pita Mahaki,  
Poutakawaenga  
Head of Māori, Waiheke High School



## Te Toki Voyaging Trust - Haunui Waka Field Day



A group of students were given the opportunity to embark on a field trip at Piritahi Marae that explored astronomy, science and waka workshops. Their expertise ranged from maramataka - calendar readers, marine biologist, environment scientist and voyagers. The students rotated around 6 different workshops with 2 spectacular star-doms situated in the wharekai and wharenuui. The students highlight was being able to board the waka and look around it.



Thank you to the team who put this project together and we look forward to many more encounters with these talented group of people.

Te Ao Marama Hau



## From the English Department

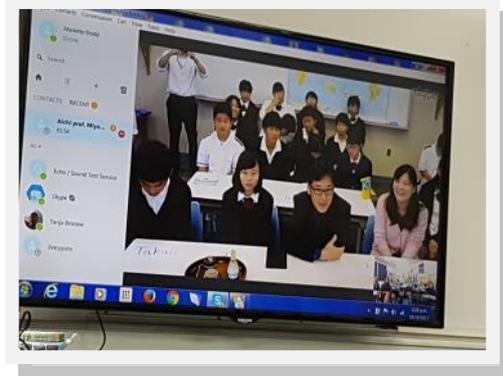
### International Links: Aichi Prefectural Miya Fisheries High School (Japan) and Waiheke High School (NZ)

At the end of August, Kayo Maruchi and Machi Yamane, teachers of English in Japan, visited our campus to learn a bit more about our school and teaching and learning in New Zealand in general. Discussions around establishing a Skype conversational exchange between our students and theirs resulted in our first "chat" during the last week of Term Three. The WHS Level Two English and Literature students were given the opportunity to exchange ideas with a group of 17 year old Japanese students. There were many hilarious moments during the exchange as accents, mime and sign language came into play to communicate meaning effectively.

The exchange between our two schools were also covered by the press in Japan. Here are the links to some of the articles: <http://www.higashiaichi.co.jp/news/detail/1735> and <https://www.tonichi.net/news/index.php?id=63261>

We look forward to continuing our relationship with Miya Fisheries High School.

(Mariette Dodd: FL: English and Foreign Languages)



## 2017 PPTA Annual Conference



The PPTA (New Zealand Post Primary Teachers' Association/Te Wehengarau) is the professional association and union of New Zealand secondary teachers. As such, it ensures that teachers are provided with the conditions to grow and to improve, which benefits each and every learner in every secondary school in New Zealand. Held in Wellington every year, the PPTA annual conference is the decision making authority of PPTA. This is where elected representatives decide PPTA policy. This year the decision making topics included - 2018 negotiations for pay and conditions, the NCEA review, Flexible learning spaces, CoL, and more ...

I was delighted to represent Waiheke High School at the 2017 conference as an observer and member of the Auckland delegation. The conference took place at the Brentwood Hotel in Wellington from 3 - 5 October. Twelve papers were tabled for discussion from a range of diverse topics, such as "Whanau, Hapu, Iwi, Maori communities and schools working together", "Day relief teachers as victims of casualisation",

"Communities of learning and the slippage between planning and implementation", as well as the PPTA industrial strategy for 2018. Key note speakers such as PPTA president, Jack Boyle, and Welby Ings, professor at AUT and author of the acclaimed "Disobedient Teaching", provided delegates with insights for rich discussion and contemplation.

My "maiden speech at conference" was very well-received and I was thrilled to discover that I had made the grade as a quoted speaker on Twitter (see pic). But the highlight of the conference had to be meeting NZ's 40th Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern, who arrived for the pre-conference dinner cocktail party to show her support for our profession. She was more than willing to pose for endless photos, and her presence at conference certainly delighted delegates.

Subsequent to the annual conference, I have taken on the role as co-convenor for the Eastern Ward of the Auckland region of the PPTA and I am looking forward to becoming more actively involved in ensuring better teaching and learning conditions for all teachers and students across secondary schools in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Mariette Dodd

## Important Health Information from the School Nurse

Here is some information on Whooping Cough, Chicken Pox and Mumps:

### Whooping Cough

There have been several confirmed cases of whooping cough identified on the Island recently.

Watch for signs of whooping cough.

The early signs of whooping cough include a runny nose, fever, or cough (often worse at night) which gets worse over time turning into long coughing bouts that may end in gagging or vomiting. Most people begin to feel unwell 7-10 days after exposure.

If your child develops any of the early signs of whooping cough in the three weeks following their exposure or if they have a cough that has lasted for more than two weeks See your GP. Call ahead and let the practice know you think you may have whooping cough so they can be prepared.

Stay away from babies, children under 12 months, and pregnant women until you have seen your GP.

Stay home from school until they have completed 5 days of antibiotics (or three weeks from the start of cough if no antibiotic treatment is given) to prevent them spreading the infection to other children.

Immunisation is the best way to protect against whooping cough. Please see GP or school nurse for details.

### Chicken Pox

Here's some information on Chicken Pox. There are students at Waiheke High School with chicken pox currently.

Chickenpox (varicella) is a very contagious (catching) disease. It causes small itchy blisters on your skin. Chickenpox can also spread through touching the blisters and then touching objects or other people. The chickenpox virus is spread through the air by infected people when they sneeze or cough. People with Chicken Pox are infectious from 5 days before the lesions appear until the lesions have crusted (usually 5 days), please keep home from school whilst infectious.

Other symptoms of chickenpox are tiredness, fever and general aches and pains.

If there are no complications:

Adults generally have the chickenpox infection for 3–7 days

Children are usually ill for about 5–10 days.

Teenagers and adults are more likely to have complications or feel sicker from chickenpox than children.

Chickenpox is also serious for pregnant women.

### Mumps

Mumps is an acute viral illness. Usually, a few cases occur each year in New Zealand, but in 2017 an outbreak of mumps affected over 700 people. I don't believe there are many cases of Mumps on Waiheke Island, but I am not certain of this.

If you or your child has mumps, the symptoms are: pain in the jaw, fever, headache and swelling of the glands around the face. It can lead to meningitis in about 1 in 10 people.

Mumps is spread through the air by breathing, coughing and sneezing, or through contact with infected saliva (ie, kissing, sharing food and drink).

If you've caught mumps, it usually takes 12–25 days before you get sick. You'll be infectious from 1 week before swelling appears until 5 days after.

#### Stop mumps spreading

If your child has mumps, they should be kept home from school or early childhood services for 5 days after swelling develops. This will help prevent the spread of mumps in your community. If your child is still unwell after this 5 days they should remain at home until they are well.

The best protection against mumps is the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. Two doses of MMR vaccine protects about 85 percent of people from mumps. A small number of people who have been vaccinated will still catch mumps, but they are less likely to be seriously ill.

If you have any questions you may contact me at nurse@waihekehigh.school.nz, or by phoning the school.

Maggie Leithwaite, School Nurse

## From the P.E.Department

### Central Zones Touch



We had two Touch teams competing at the Central Zones Touch Tournament, both teams played really well and improved throughout the day. The boys team placed 11th with some great tries scored by Ashley Mutize. Player of the day for the girls was Georgia Ivory and player of the day for the boys was

Leroy Lewis. We have some exciting talent coming through. It is great to see Touch becoming a popular sport for both the seniors and the juniors at Waiheke High School.

Kiera Pennell, Health & P.E. Teacher



### Heke High WINS Cathedral Cove Challenge!



On Sunday, 12 November, our waka ama team took part in the 10km Cathedral Cove Challenge in Whitianga. Students travelled to the Coromandel on Saturday, 11 November, and had a glorious day exploring Whitianga, Cathedral Cove and Hot Water Beach. A wonderful time was had by all. Everyone enjoyed the "fish 'n chips family dinner" and our movie night.

On Sunday we were up early to be ready for race briefing at 9. The Waiheke Island Waka Ama Motu Mix team members, coach extraordinaire (Tony Parker), and experienced mentor, Fraser Munroe were all present to encourage, support and provide last minute tips for the team. Felix Blaha, who was steering the waka, was our "starter" and had to run from the beach to the waiting waka at the sound of the

siren. Felix's dash across the sand set us up for a fantastic start, with captain Beau Coxhead and team members Alice Hailstone, Aurelia Cottett, Arion Harrison-Hughes and Tane Wikaira committing to a hard, strong paddle over the 10km course. Rebecca Cunningham-Rose, who was on a SUP covering the same course, stopped to send a text message to team manager, Mariette Dodd, at the halfway mark to tell the waiting supporters that WHS were "miles ahead". I suspect that the yells of jubilation could have been heard right across NZ!

What a thrill when the team arrived at the finishing line, with Tane tumbling out of the waka and then sprinting to the time keeper to record their fabulous time of one hour and one minute! (At this stage of the race, there was much shouting, jumping for joy, celebrating, and some tears of happiness!).

Thank you so very much to Rebecca Rose and Kiera Pennell for looking after the team, driving and navigating, and being so encouraging, and a huge thank you to the Waiheke Waka Ama Club for their ongoing support, mentoring, and guidance. A big shout out has to go to "T-Dawg", Tony Parker, who has selflessly given so many hours to coach this team.

We returned to Auckland on Sunday afternoon, tired, but happy. We are also looking forward to many more great races and exciting trips.

Mariette Dodd, (WHS Waka Ama Manager)



## SPORTS TIMETABLE – TERM 4 2017

	Morning	Lunch	After School
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Volleyballl Academy: Development Players (GOD)</b> 7am-8am: Rec Centre	<b>Boys Basketball Training: Year 9 -13 (GOD)</b> Rec Centre	<b>Mountain Biking Club: (ROS)</b> 3.30-4.30pm: OSP  <b>Athletics: (Troy)</b> Lunch time: 1:20-2pm 3.30-4.30pm: Track and field  <b>Kickboxing: (Deja)</b> 5.15-6.15pm: Upstairs of Rec Centre
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Police PCT Training: Year 8 (PEN)</b> 7am - 8am: Upstairs of Rec Centre  <b>Volleyballl Academy: Academy Players (GOD)</b> 7am-8am: Rec Centre	<b>Volleyball: Development Players (GOD)</b> Rec Centre  <b>Touch Training: Year 7 &amp; 8 (PEN/HEN)</b> Touch Field	<b>Fitness Circuit Training: (HEN) TBC</b> 3.30-4.30pm: Weights Room & Rec Center starts week 3  <b>Sailing : Team Racing (not for learners) (HEE)</b> 4.30- 7pm: Oneroa Beach (middle)
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Running Club (FIT/ROS)</b> 7am-8am: Meet at Rec Centre  <b>Volleyballl Academy: Academy Players (GOD)</b> 7am-8am: Rec Centre	<b>Senior Netball Training: Year 9 - 11 (FOS)</b> Rec Centre	<b>Kapa Haka: (MAP, HAU)</b> 3.30 – 4:30pm (D7)  <b>Kickboxing: (Deja)</b> 5.15-6.15pm Upstairs of Rec Centre
<b>Thur</b>	<b>Police PCT Training: Year 8 (PEN)</b> 7am-8am: Rec Centre	<b>Volleyball: Academy Players (GOD)</b> Rec Centre  <b>Touch Training: Seniors (PEN, CAR, OTO)</b> Touch Field	<b>Waka Ama Training with WAIHEKE WAKA AMA CLUB</b> <b>4:15 - 5:30 (DOD)</b> <b>Touch Rugby Local Comp: (PEN/WOO/CAR)</b> 6.00-7.30pm: Waiheke Sports Club  <b>Fitness Circuit Training: (HEN) TBC</b> 3.30-4.30pm: Weights Room & Rec Center starts week 3
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Volley Academy: Development players (GOD)</b> 7am-8am (Rec Centre) Rec Centre	<b>Touch Training: Year 7 &amp; 8 (PEN, HEN)</b> Touch Field  <b>Prefects Tournament (SIM)</b>	<b>Badminton: All Years (YES)</b> 3:20 – 4:00 Rec Centre



**WAIHEKE DENTAL CENTRE**

2 Putiki Road, Ostend. 372 7422

Free dental treatment is available for students starting year 9 until their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, under the government funded scheme, at Waiheke Dental Centre.

We have a full-time Oral Health Specialist, Melanie Mitchell, who specialises in adolescent dental care and hygiene treatments. Melanie is here Monday to Friday.

All you need to do when moving from year 8 to year 9 is to contact us to register. Don't worry, we will sort out the paperwork!

Maybe you know someone that goes to another school, or is already working, that lives on the island, they are welcome to have their dental treatment here too as there are no 'zones' as to where you can attend.

Waiheke Dental Centre has been offering this service for over 20 years and we pride ourselves on our proactive, preventative approach to adolescent oral health.

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Coffee morning 10 am 2 December 2017 @ Waiheke Community Library  
Call 0272890362



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Join us for a splendid afternoon tea! **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November '17**  
We will treat you to a taste of Arts and Play Therapy in Education (APTE), and bribe you with delicious treats to join our cause!  
2-5pm

Come and share in our vision and passion for this exciting new project. We are looking for supporters and future APTE champions. With your help, we can bring these crucial and beneficial services to children in need.

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- Waiheke Rotary Club**

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