# September 20th 2019 Term 3 Week 28

# Waiheke High School Newsletter







Kia ora,

The term seems to have flown by and, like all terms, it has been busy.

It is with great sadness that one of our Deputy Principals, who retired over two years ago, has died. Sue Lee came from England and was awarded the position of Faculty Leader of Physical Education, Health and Sport. She then progressed to the position of Deputy Principal. Sue had a great love for our school, our tamariki and our Island. She was a keen sportsperson with a great sense of humour. We will miss Sue for her passion, hard work, dedication and her love of adventure.

The senior school has been busy with examinations and many of them, approximately 150, are attending the school ball at Tantalus on Friday night. This evening is one of the highlights of the school calendar year and I know the ball committee has worked very hard to make this a night to remember.

During this time of year we often have staff who leave and staff who apply. Mariette Dodd, who was away in the Emirates since August 2018, has decided to stay there for a further term. Emma Musson was relieving in Mariette's role and now Emma has gained the Faculty Leader's job on English and Foreign Languages. Marie Helene Ulcoq has returned to Mauritius and Michaela Hendry is teaching Marie's classes, with Suzanne Miller taking over the Year 11 classes. Francis Carter has accepted the second in charge of English position from 2020. Fran is currently teaching at Trident High School and she has been a Dean and previous Faculty Leader.

Annie Melchior has decided to reduce her teaching load and stand down from her position as Faculty Leader of Visual Arts. A wide range of people applied for this job and Linda McKelvie has been appointed.

Gareth Moore will continue in Social Sciences next year and Stuart Halstead will come to us from Mt Albert Grammar. Currently we are fully staffed for 2020.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holidays and the expectations for our senior students to spend some time in the holidays revising because the NCEA exams begin in week 4 of Term 4.

Nga mihi, Jude Young, Principal

#### SPORTS & CULTURAL PRIZEGIVING

Wednesday 25th September 2019 7:00pm in the School Hall

All parents and students welcome to attend

The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for MONDAY 23rd September 2019, 6:00pm in the Waiheke High School board room

#### **Term Dates**

20 Sep Senior Ball

23-27 Sep Year 9 Mountain Trip (2nd)

25 Sep Sports/Cultural Prizegiving, 7:00pm

School Hall

27 Sep LAST DAY OF TERM

14 Oct FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

## From the Mathematics Faculty

#### **Mathex**



Mathex is a team "sport" where four students per team work together to solve Maths problems while competing against other teams to finish first. Each team is scored out of a total of 100. Each school can enter a maximum of two teams at each year level (7 to 10).

On Wednesday 21st August the Y9 and 10 students competed against at least 100 teams from schools all across Auckland at the ASB stadium. Our Year 9 team was Jonathan Benzur, Daniel Bim, Riley Booth and Ambrose Burke-Munns. Their final score was 75.

Our Year 10 team was Balazs Csizmadia, Aoife O'Brien, Melina Taylor and Rebecca Wayne. Their final score was 70.

On Thursday 22nd August the Year 7 and 8 students competed against about 140 other teams. We had two Year 7 teams (Griffin Clarke, Sophie Colace, Yoyo Hu,

Ronja Lewandowska Larsen, Joe Mansfield, Amy Singh, Billie Treadwell and Balam Vigil Harley). The final scores were 80 and 65.

We also had two Year 8 teams (Dan Benzur, Kate Bickerton, Ziggy Boyd, Duncan Clark, Lola Farquhar, Cristobal Forero, Aiya Kondo and Jamie Wheeler). The final scores were 85 and 75.

Congratulations to all of the students involved. You made us very proud.

#### The Great Kiwi English, Science and Mathematics Competitions

In the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3, some of our students competed in the Great Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions. The competitions are open to all Year 5 to 10 students and are run by the University of Canterbury. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand curriculum.

The following students were awarded certificates:

Seren Coghlan - Mathematics

Nika Dyblenko - Mathematics

Aiya Kondo - Mathematics

Nathan Weaver - Mathematics

The following students gained Achieved Awards, placing them in the top 50% of students nationally:

Kate Bickerton - Mathematics

Quentin Clarke - Mathematics

Nathan Weaver - Science

The following students were placed in the top 25% of students within New Zealand, and achieved a Merit Award:

Kate Bickerton - Science

Nika Dyblenko - English

Aiya Kondo - Science and English

For students in the top 10%, an Excellence is awarded. This went to Kate Bickerton for English.

#### **Education Perfect Maths Championships**

Between the 30th of July and the 6th of August Waiheke High School students were entered into the Education Perfect Maths Championships. Students from 27 different countries were tested on their Maths skills, including algebra, number and geometry. They gained points by answering questions. Over 80,000 students were involved in this competition worldwide.

To get a Credit Award a student would have to be in the top 20% of the 80,000 competitors. The students from Waiheke High School that gained a Credit Award were:

Yasemin Atamer

Lola Farquhar

Shani Matthes

Billie Treadwell

To gain an Emerald Award a student would have to be in the top 1% of all competitors globally. This award was gained by Kate Bickerton. An outstanding achievement. As a school, Waiheke High School's achievements were:

- 143rd overall globally (out of 1,589 schools)
- 71st overall in New Zealand (out of 409 schools)
- 23rd overall in the 251 500 students category (out of 368 schools)
- 8th in New Zealand for the 251 500 students category (out of 70 schools)

Nesrin Kennedy, Maths Teacher

#### **Christmas Child Shoe Box**

This year a group of Year 12 Health students are taking action to promote Hauora and have decided to take action that will help to develop a greater social conscience as a school and help to develop global awareness and citizenship in Waiheke High School Students by making a difference in the lives of others.

Christmas Shoebox Action will allow students to experience a positive engagement with others with in our school and with those who receive the boxes. This year we have decided to keep it simple and local, so boxes will be distribute to families in need on Waiheke Island. The age group has been extended to 18 yr olds.

#### Here is how you can help:

Donate new and used gift items so we can make up the gift boxes

Make up your own shoe box already full of gifts- decorated and labelled -state if it is for a boy or girl and what age.

Donated items can be placed in the boxes at the front of the office area by the end of week 1 term 4 which will give you time to have a good clear out or get to the shops over the school holidays

We hope you are able to donate items or make up a shoe box.

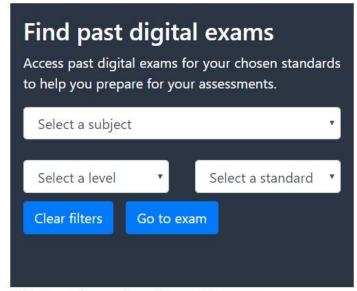
Thank you, Mrs Richeux



# Student Exam Hub



Welcome to the Student exam hub, the quick and convenient way to find and access everything you'll need through your NCEA journey



NB: Search results will open in a new window/tab

Past paper exams and other resources are available here.



Learn what you need to know about external exams here.

NZQA -Student Exam Hub is a one stop shop for students re NCEA external exams.

Timetable / Past papers / Digital exams / Q +A / Exam rules etc

https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea/

#### **Junior Social Studies**



On Tuesday 17th September Year 9 students finished their Civics unit in Social Sciences by participating in the Youth Voting Scheme administered by Auckand City Council.

Students had been looking at issues pertaining to both local and central government and especially related to Waiheke and our community. Sarah Cotton and Anthony Blom from the Council and AT came and discussed the timeline on electric buses, the future of cycle ways and both light rail and Auckland's new subway system (as well as tricks to using HOP cards as a youth, such as weekends being free travel). It was exciting for them to cast an official vote for the first time, and for

their teachers to see the issues that are most important to youth, such as the upgrade to Ostend skate park. Gareth Moore, Social Studies Teacher.

## From the Careers Faculty

#### School Leavers' Information

#### **Student Loans and Allowances**



Students and parents can check their eligibility and apply online for student loans and allowances. Visit Study Link: <a href="https://www.studylink.govt.nz/">https://www.studylink.govt.nz/</a>

#### **RealMe Accounts**



Create a RealMe Account (verified identity) to support applications for tertiary studies, loans and allowances: <a href="https://www.realme.govt.nz/">https://www.realme.govt.nz/</a> Set up the account online. The final step (providing a photo and ID details) can now be completed using the RealMe Now App.

#### **Tertiary Study**

Tertiary institutions are accepting applications for 2020 now. Students are encouraged to apply wide so that they have options to select from. Most applications are online through the institutions' websites.

#### Halls of Residence

Applications are open. Apply online with the institution you would like to study with. Students also need to request a Common Confidential Reference Form (CCRF) online.

#### **Driving Lessons**

Students can sit their Learner's Licence at the Old Surfdale Post Shop on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Driving lessons are available through Waiheke Adult Learning (WAL). The WaiDrive initiative previous at udent lessons at \$650/lesson. It is possible for at udent to be all lessons.

initiative provides student lessons at \$50/lesson. It is possible for students to book lessons during school time on Fridays.

https://www.wal.org.nz/waidrive/

#### **Employment Notices**



If you would like to advertise part-time or full time employment opportunities, please email Tanique Deacon deacont@waihekehigh.school.nz

It is best to advertise before the end of October, as senior students are on Study Leave from early November.

Tanique Deacon, Careers Advisor

#### **USEFUL NUMBERS AND WEBSITES from the School Guidance Counsellor**

**Emergency 111** 

Your GP

Oneroa (09) 372 311

Ostend (09) 372 5005

Piritahi Hau Ora (09) 373 0022

Crisis team (24/7) 0800 800 717 - mental health emergency number

Kari Mental Health (9-5) (09) 623 4646 – Youth mental health support office hours

Need to Talk (text or call 24/7) 1737 – you will talk to a qualified counsellor

Whatsup 08009428787 www.whatsup.co.nz - Barnardos helpline/webchat for children & teens

Youthline 0800 376 633 free txt 234 or Youthline.co.nz - focus on young people

Thelowdown.co.nz or free txt 5626 - phone/call or chat online if anxious/down or depressed

**Aunty Dee** <a href="https://www.auntydee.co.nz/">https://www.auntydee.co.nz/</a> - Aunty Dee is a free online tool for anyone who needs some help working through a problem. It doesn't matter what the problem is, you can use Aunty Dee to help you.

#### Ollie's Great Achievement



In August Ollie Russ-Davies represented Waiheke High School in a Speech Competition held annually in Hamilton for all of the students who are on Resource Teacher of the Deaf caseloads, from as far south as Taupo and as far north as Kaitaia. The age group Ollie competed in was for Year 7 and 8 students.

Ollie had the choice of doing a Research based or a Persuasive speech.

Ollie chose to do a Persuasive speech titled 'Why I Can't Live Without Music'.

This was the first time Ollie had taken part in this competition and he was awarded third place for his outstanding speech.

Ollie won \$20.00 and a beautiful medal for this commendable achievement.

Well done Ollie!

### From the Science Faculty

#### **Trip to the Devonport Navy Base**



A group of eight Year 12 and 13 Physics students were recently invited to spend a day at the Devonport Navy Base. This was a unique opportunity to learn about the wide range of careers that the New Zealand Navy has to offer. The students were greeted by Sub Lieutenant Jemal Bowler, who spent the day showing them around the Base. This included a tour of the Recruitment Training Squadron. Students currently studying engineering at university gave a presentation about their individual experiences that led them to consider joining the Royal NZ Navy. The benefits included having their degrees paid for while earning a wage at the same time. Most students we met were part of the officer training programme and had come in during their semester break to show us around.

The second part of the visit included a tour around the HMNZS Wellington, with an emphasis on the engineering spaces of the ship. Students learnt about options for direct entry into the engineering and technical trades programmes. The day concluded with a tour of the MESTE "Marine Engineering Synthetic Training Environment", which provides simulated training to the marine engineers, with an emphasis on the field of mechatronics. There were opportunities for students to participate in hands-on activities using the computerised equipment, in a variety of simulated scenarios.

The students described their experience as amazing, and a fantastic opportunity to be able to see the machinery and simulations of the technical aspects of the ships first-hand. A big thank you to Commander Wayne Burtton for making this visit possible for us.

https://www.defencecareers.mil.nz/navy/careers/browse-roles/

Students are welcome to wear a 'loud shirt' next Thursday 26th September. Loud Shirt Day is the annual fundraising appeal dedicated to raising money for deaf children with cochlear implants or hearing aids.

If your student wears a Loud Shirt please have them bring a gold coin donation for this fundraiser.

# HOSPITALITY CATERING FUNDRAISER

# AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY TO NETWORK WITH SKILLED HOSPITALITY STUDENTS

We have the pleasure of hosting students from North Shore International Academy. These chefs are currently completing their level 4 in culinary arts and will be working with Waiheke High School Hospitality students under tutelage of chef Jon O'Shea to produce high quality canapes. Providing fine cuisine for an evening of entertainment and networking. Guests will enjoy a talk on the industry and experiences by guest speaker Anthony McNamara and a performance from Piringakau kapahaka. There will also be a photographic art exhibition. All funds raised will go towards equipment for the hospitality and catering kitchen. If you are in hospitality, an employer of students, interested in the industry or a fan of Anthony's grab a ticket and come along to our event.







# Waiheke High School Hospitality Fundraiser

THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2019
HIGH SCHOOL HALL COMMENCING AT 6PM
\$50 PER TICKET - PHONE 09 371 9000 RSVP FRIDAY 20 SEPT
EMAIL: ENQUIRIES WAIHEKEHIGH. SCHOOL. NZ
RAFFLES & CASH BAR - PLEASE BRING CASH







# ROBOTICS CHALLENGE YOURSELF to build, code, and re-design a robot these school holidays and take part in a

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The main fundraiser for the Waiheke High School Robotics Club.

Our sponsors:





# 3 OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM:

- 4 DAYS (Mon-Thurs) Build-a-Bot, \$200
- 1 DAY (Fri): Programme & Play (pre-built bots), \$65
- OR DO BOTH! (Mon-Fri), \$235

October 7 - 11

9am-3pm, Waiheke High School Limited to 12 participants in School Years 5-8

(A minimum number will be required to run the programme)

For more information or to register, please email waihekerobotics@gmail.com Or contact Kelly on 022-6879-113

# **Measles Update**

Currently, we know of one confirmed case of Measles on Waiheke Island, this is not a student at our school and Waiheke High School has not been notified of any suspected or confirmed cases at our school to date.

There is an outbreak of measles in Auckland. If we get a confirmed case of measles at the school, we have been advised by the Auckland Regional Public Health Service to follow up with certain procedures. Part of these procedures is for us to know who is immunised.

All I need you to do at the moment is review your child's immunity status.

See the information below:

Who has immunity to measles, mumps or rubella?

- People develop immunity to measles, mumps and rubella either by catching the disease or being vaccinated with the measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine.
- People are considered fully immune to measles, mumps and/or rubella if:
  - i. They were born before 1969 (measles), born before 1970 (rubella) or born before 1981 (mumps).
  - ii. They have been previously diagnosed and recovered from measles, mumps or rubella, or
  - iii. They have received two documented doses (recorded in a Well Child/Tamariki Ora or Plunket book, or with their GP practice) of the MMR vaccine after their first birthday

Just to reiterate, if we get a confirmed case of measles, which could well happen, whether your child is immune or not becomes very important. For any close contacts to a person with confirmed measles, there will be quarantine requirements if they do not have documented immunity to measles.

See the fact sheet following for further information.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Maggie Lethwaite,

ADHB funded Registered Nurse

Email: nurse@waihekehigh.school.nz



# Measles, mumps, rubella and the MMR vaccine

- Measles, mumps and rubella are infectious viral diseases.
- Most people recover from these diseases, but there is a risk of hospitalisation, long-term complications or even death.
- Antibiotics will not treat these infections as they are caused by viruses.

#### What are the symptoms?

Measles: Fever, cough, runny nose, sore red eyes followed by a rash that starts on the face or neck and spreads to the rest of the body.

Mumps: Fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness, and loss of appetite followed by painful swelling of the salivary glands on one or both sides of the face, cheeks or jaw.

Rubella: Fever, tiredness, runny nose, sore throat, and swollen neck glands followed by a rash that starts on the face and spreads to the rest of the body.

Some people may not be aware they are infected with these diseases because they have mild or no symptoms. They can therefore spread the illness without realising.

#### How are measles, mumps and rubella spread?

- They are spread by an infected person's saliva or mucous from coughing, sneezing or talking. They can also be spread via face-to-face contact, or by touching an object such as a used tissue or keyboard, infected with droplets.
- Measles can also be caught by breathing the same air as an infected person, such as sitting next to them on the bus.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For measles only, 95% of people will be immune after one dose of MMR.

#### Aims Games for Intermediate Students

AIMS games started slowly for the small 11-player Waiheke High School squad as they took on the top two teams in their pool. Their first games were against Highlands and Otumoetai. The Waiheke team was badly beaten by both of these well-disciplined, big and well-trained sides. The next opponent for Waiheke was Kristin Intermediate School.

The Waiheke team was also beaten by this side, but managed to narrow the gap to 4-1. The first goal of the tournament was knocked in by Adam during this game. The second day resulted in another two losses for the Waiheke team. Day three was a better day, with Waiheke losing their first game 8-1 with a goal to Quincy. After so many losses, they were determined to get a win and almost succeeded against an evenly matched side. The final score was 4-5 and the other team managed a close victory because the referee added an extra seven minutes onto the game time. Waiheke's four goals were two from Duncan, one from Dominic, and one from Harry. That record put Waiheke in the fourth division.

The Waiheke team was motivated to place first in their division with games on Thursday and Friday. The first game was a 2-1 victory over St. Marks, with goals from Dominic and Duncan. The second game that day was the semi-finals. Waiheke vs. Royal Oak Intermediate which ended full time 1-1 with a sole goal from Duncan. With a draw at full time, the game ended in a penalty shootout which Waiheke won on the 6th penalty to advance to the division finals. The division finals ended 1-1 with a goal to Harry and yet again went into a penalty shootout. Waiheke won on the 5th penalty securing 49th place and winning their division.

The Waiheke team were underdogs in every match and were pleased with their performance, especially considering they had very little training time and had to recruit four rugby players to form the team. A big thanks to the parent helpers who spent the week down in Tauranga with the team, and also for all the planning that went in to it

Another thanks to Angus, the coach, and to all the players on the team – Chris, Dan, Dominic, Duncan, Ed, Jasper, Liam, Lucas, Adam, Harry and Quincy. It was great week and hopefully Waiheke can compete again next vear.



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

Fullers - Travel
Sealink - Travel
Waiheke Rotary Club - Science/Robotics
WISCA - Breakfast Club
KB Distributors - Breakfast Club

Countdown Supermarket - Breakfast Club/ Matariki Gulf Foods - Matariki Humble Pie Village Butcher & Deli- Matariki

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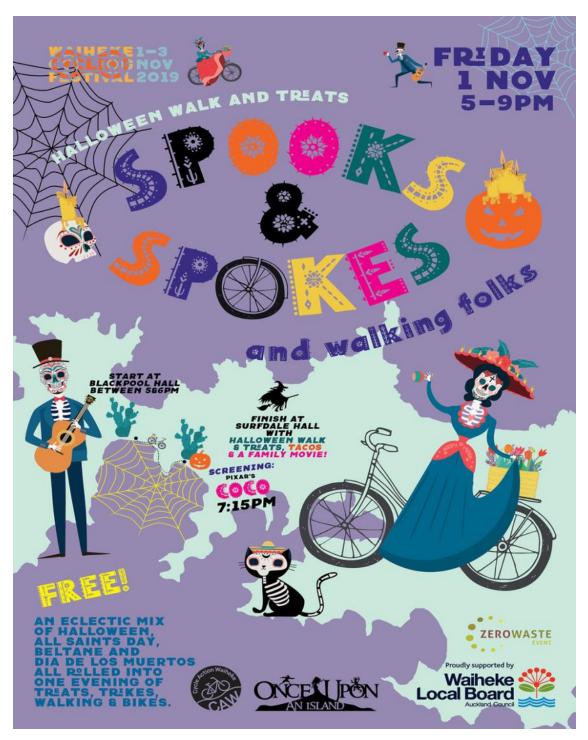
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Hi! I am really excited about the Halloween event this year. I am working with Tanya Batt and she has added a Day of the Dead theme. The kids will walk/bike from Black Pool, along the causeway meeting characters and end up at Surfdale Hall in the gardens for the Halloween Walk. After the walk and games there will be tacos for dinner and a screening of Coco in the hall. I have many new ideas for characters!

We will meet on Thursday, October 31st, Halloween, to figure out the costumes. Please come to Surfdale Hall at 3:30 after school. We will meet on Friday, November 1st at 3:30 for the event which will start at 5:00. All helpers will get a taco at the end of the Halloween Walk. You are also welcome to watch the movie as well which starts at 7:15.

It is a wonderful opportunity to acquire volunteer hours!

Hope you are able to help. Please let me know if you are available and pass on to your friends!

Thanks, Anne Simone, awstsh@icloud.com

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