

August 9th

2019

Term 3 Week 24

# Waiheke High School Newsletter



Kia ora koutou

Term Three has begun well as our senior students have been busy with their internal assessments and getting ready for their end of term examinations.

These examinations are important because the grades they get will be used if they are unwell during the NZQA NCEA examinations in November. All senior students must attend our school examinations.

In week 2 we had Whanau Week which included a Grandparent's morning and morning and evening visits for new entrants and their families. I would like to thank all of our new whanau for attending.

I would like to reiterate that as a Decile 7 school we are successful with our NCEA results, every year:

	Waiheke High School	Other Decile 7 Schools
Level 1	86%	78%
Level 2	90%	83%
Level 3	77%	73%

Currently the High School is reviewing our Year 7 and 8 programmes for 2020. We want to personalise the learning more so that students will enjoy and pursue projects or areas of interest. Mentoring and self-monitoring will be part of this new and innovative teaching programme. We will let you know more about our future focused curriculum in future newsletters.

Ngā mihi nui, Jude Young, Principal

## The Waiheke High School Board of Trustees is actively seeking Maori Representation on the Board.

There are two processes and positions in place currently:

1. The Māori Community Representative will be selected by Piritahi Marae. This process will be completed by the end of August.
2. The School Whānau Representative will be appointed by the whānau.

If you are interested in this position please could you speak to Pita Mahaki who will inform you about the process and its requirements? A whānau hui will be held in D7 classroom at Waiheke High School at 5pm on Wednesday 21st August. At this hui, the nominees standing will present their aspiration for Māori education and someone will be elected as the WHS Maori representative to the Waiheke Board of Trustees.

Na reira, "Whaia te pae tawhiti kia tata, ko te pae tata whakamaua kia tina". (Pursue your aspirations to the furthest horizon so that you emerge into the world of light)

Matua Pita Mahaki, [Piringākau Māori Department](#)

**The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28 August 2019, 6:00pm in the Waiheke High School board room**

## Term Dates

30 Aug	TEACHER ONLY DAY	23-27 Sep	Year 9 Mountain Trip (2nd)
2 Sep	MID TERM BREAK	25 Sep	Sports/Cultural Prizegiving
9 -12 Sep	Senior Exams	27 Sep	LAST DAY OF TERM 3
20 Sep	Senior Ball	14 Oct	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

## Careers Week 2019

An incredible 60 companies and training providers opened their doors to our students in the last week of Term Two. Our Year 12 and 13 students explored their career interests by taking part in a Career Taster Day. They gained new insight into the world of work. Many returned to school with a stronger sense of their future direction. We would like to send our thanks and appreciation to the following companies and providers for accommodating our students:

<p>New Zealand School of Tourism Allvo Marine Aurecon New Zealand Limited Crown Institute of Studies You Travel Man o War Vineyards Vets on Waiheke Make Tracks Snapper Graphics Ltd Waiheke Physio &amp; Pilates Greenspace Landscapes Air NZ Hauraki Gulf Law Tots On The Rock Waiheke Health Trust NeSI PositivelImage Air NZ Four Square Oneroa EcoZip Adventures Oceania Aviation Limited The Oyster Inn Waiheke Kindergarten Countdown Waiheke Island SEA LIFE Kelly Tarlton's Auckland Libraries (Auckland Council) Casita Miro St Mary's College Artworks Community Theatre</p>	<p>Calmain Electrical Ltd Te Huruhi School Herald News Room University of Auckland Infratel Networks Ltd Waiheke Health Trust Air NZ Toybox Ltd Gulf News Ostend Medical Centre ASB Bank Te Huruhi School Waiheke Island Supported Homes Trust Inc Waiheke Dental Centre Auckland Central Electorate Make Tracks ERGO CONSULTING Harris Auto Electrical New Zealand School Of Food and Wine Trade Me Waiheke Dive &amp; Snorkel WISCA Auckland University AUT Air NZ Te Huruhi School Te Korowai Oneroa Automotive Gulf Trees</p>
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Our Year 11, 12 and 13 students also spent time researching career options, hearing from industry experts and assessing their personal strengths and work preferences during this time. It was wonderful to see so many students and parents at the Careers Evening on Thursday 4 July, despite the rain! A huge thank you to the training providers who also braved the conditions to speak with us on the night.

A good way for students to narrow down their choices is by attending Open Days with providers of interest. Open Day dates can be found online. Here are a few of the opportunities still to come:

### University and Polytechnic Open Days:

Auckland	31 August
AUT	31 August
Lincoln	A range of dates starting 5 July
Massey (Albany)	24 Aug
Massey (Palmerston North)	07 Aug
Massey (Wellington)	23 Aug
Victoria (day)	23 Aug
Unitec	7 Sept
MIT	<a href="#">Experience days (details online)</a>

It is also time for students to apply for halls of residence and financial scholarships. Students can research scholarship options using [Money Hub](#). We will have application help sessions at lunchtimes. Later in the term, we will provide information about loans and allowances.

Tanique Deacon, Careers Advisor



## Grandparents Day—a Great Success

Grandparents are very important people in the lives of our children and young adults as they feel a sense of pride and accomplishment when they know that people in their extended family are interested in their education.

Our first ever Grandparents day, held last Wednesday 31 July, was a great celebration of this relationship which recognized the importance of our heritage, our community and relationships across generations.

The forty-seven Grandparents who attended the event came from Waiheke, Auckland City, Onerahi in Northland, Bay of Plenty, Wellington, Christchurch and there were also Grandparents from Germany who happened to be visiting family at the time.

Their three hour school visit included a Powhiri; a welcome by Principal Jude Young followed by a tour of the school led by our student leaders. Morning tea prepared by our food tech students followed then back into the school hall for speeches by Board chair Robyn Woodall, well known Waiheke resident and past teacher Bob Upchurch, Head Girl Chloe Robson and Head Boy Jayden Lewis. There was also a musical performance from Year 12 student Heather Girvan. The day finished with the Grandparents visiting their Grandchildren's classes where they took part in the lessons.

This was a wonderful occasion for our Grandparents, our students and our school and will now be included on our annual school events calendar.

Tim Kay, Director of Fundraising and Marketing

## Academic/Careers Mentoring



Olive Andrews is a research scientist and is the Marine Programme Manager for Conservation International. When she is not “guiding marine research and tourism expeditions from the tropics to the poles”, Olive resides on Waiheke Island.

Olive came into school to speak to the Year 11 and Year 12 classes as a part of their Academic/Careers and Mentoring course. Students were captivated as she shared her experiences of leading scientific research up in the Pacific Islands, her conservation projects and career journey. Olive's impersonation of Mr Curly's (humpback whale) mating song was a crowd favourite!

More recently Olive spoke to the Year 7 Social Studies classes about her experiences down in Antarctica. They were fascinated by all the different categories of ice, the penguins stealing each others nesting rocks, the ability of the Antarctic winds to blow people vertically across the ice plains. Of course the students loved all her cute photos of seals and Lolita the Whale who has a love heart on her dorsal fin. After Olive's talk, it appears half of our Year 7's are now considering pursuing Marine Biology and want Olive's job!

We are lucky on Waiheke to have so many passionate experts in our community. Our students benefit from engaging with our wider community adding depth to our localised curriculum. Exposing students to real world experiences is so valuable and inspires them to see where their education can take them!

Kia Ora Olive.

Julie Campbell, Science Teacher

[Click on this link to watch a video about Olive's research in Niue](#)

<https://www.conservation.org/blog/meet-a-scientist-the-whale-whisperer>

<http://kermadec.aucklandmuseum.com/expedition-team/olive-andrews/>



## Waiheke High School Sustainability Group



For Plastic-free July the Waiheke High School Sustainability group decided we wanted to tackle the waste problem at our school. We thought that doing a waste audit of our rubbish would be an effective way to see the source of waste in our school.

On the 25th of July, we did a waste audit of all of Tuesday's and Wednesday's rubbish. From the results, we found out that most of our schools rubbish is produced by the tuck shop. We then separated all of the rubbish that the tuck shop had produced from the other rubbish and counted it. We found that in 2 days, 45 ice block wrappers, 65 plastic forks and 39 noodle cups were thrown out, not to mention all the other waste produced by the tuck shop. Our goal is to communicate with the tuck shop about their waste and find more environmentally friendly solutions that are beneficial to all.



If you're interested in becoming a part of our group please come and talk to Rebecca Campbell, Phoebe Harris or myself. We are so keen to get as many people involved as possible!

Ruby Ross-Hayes, Year 11

## From the Science Department

### New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge



Congratulations to Gil Selem who came 5th overall in the North Island final for the New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (NZBBC). The NZBBC is a competition for high school students in Year 11 to learn about the brain and its functions, the latest discoveries in neuroscience research and to find out about the various career opportunities that brain research has to offer. Tara Lewis-Beolens, Jerry Griffin and Gil Selem competed in Round 1 of the competition. Gil was invited to go on to Round 2, along with 150 students from around the North Island who achieved the highest scores in Round 1. She spent the day at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at the University of Auckland, listening to speakers who included Professor Richard Faull, PhD students researching Huntington's Disease and a scientist who performs cochlear implants on animals and is researching aspects of the auditory pathway. Gil scored 5th over-

all in the individual competition and her team won the 'best composite team' prize. Gil was also fortunate to receive one of 10 'golden tickets' in a draw and will have the opportunity to spend a day at the Centre for Brain Research. Any current Year 10 students interested in participating in the 2020 Brain Bee Challenge will have an opportunity to sign up for the competition this year. More information here: [NZBBC](#)

Katherine Cole, HOD Science

## International Student Intake

We extend a warm welcome to our seven new International students, joining us in Term 3.

Top row, left to right: Matilda and Fabio from Germany, Jesper from Norway and Marta from Italy

Front row, left to right: Johanna and Luisa from Germany and Emma from Italy.

We hope you all enjoy your time at our school!

Jenny England

International Dean



## SPORTS TIMETABLE – TERM 3 2019

	Morning	Lunch	After School
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Volleyball (GOD) - Year 10 - 13</b> Rec Centre (06:45 - 08:00)	<b>Sports Club - Years 7, 8 (RIC)</b> Rec Centre	<b>Girls Football (ROS &amp; MCT) - Year 9 - 13</b> Finishes wk 4 (w/e 16 Aug) Football Pitch (3:10 - 4:30).  <b>Rugby - Boys Under 15 restricted (WOO MCT) Finishes wk 6 (w/e 30 Aug)</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Strength &amp; Conditioning - Gifted &amp; Talented students (WOO &amp; MCT)</b> Weights Room (07:00 - 08:00)  <b>Volleyball (GOD) - Year 10 - 13</b> Rec Centre (06:45 - 08:00)	<b>Sports Prefects Activities (varied)</b> Rec Centre	<b>Pickleball (Jeff Parke) - All Years</b> Rec Centre (3:10 - 4:00)  <b>Starting 20 August</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Volleyball (GOD) - Year 10 - 13</b> Rec Centre (06:45 - 08:00)  <b>Multi Sports (RIC)</b> Front Field (7:30 - 8:15)	<b>Badminton (RIC) - All Years</b> Rec Centre  <b>Mixed netball (JAC) - Yrs 7-10</b> Bottom courts	<b>Rugby - Boys Under 15 restricted (WOO MCT) finishes wk 6 (w/e 30 Aug) 3:30-4:45pm</b> Rugby Field  <b>Sevens - All Years (WOO MCT)</b> starts wk 7 3:30-4:45pm (w/c 2 Sept) Rugby Field
<b>Thur</b>	<b>Circuit training (MCT) - All years</b> Rec Centre (07:15 - 08:00)	<b>Volleyball (GOD) - Year 10 - 12</b> Rec Centre  <b>Girls' Rugby - All years</b>	<b>Kapa Haka (HAU) - All Years</b> 3:10-4:30 Room D7
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Volleyball (GOD) - Year 10 - 13</b> Rec Centre (06:45 - 08:00)	<b>3X3 Basketball (Prefects) - All years</b> Rec Centre  <b>Mixed netball (JAC) - Yrs 11-13.</b> Bottom courts  <b>Yoga (CAV) - All Years</b> Drama Room	<b>Badminton (KNI &amp; Sports Prefects) - All Years</b> Rec Centre (3:10pm - 4:00)



NZ Police recently launched a new non emergency number, 105. We've done this to make it easier to get hold of us in the event of non-urgent situations or 'Things which have Already Happened', which don't require Police assistance immediately.

You can call us on 105 for all non emergencies, or you can go online at [105.police.govt.nz](http://105.police.govt.nz) to report things like:

- Lost property
- Theft for a public place or car
- Intentional property damage
- Or to get an update or add info to a previous report

In the event of an emergency, always call 111 - Things that are Happening Now.

## Island Coach Collective Free Workshop

**“Living wth Purpose: It Takes an Island”:**

Sunday, 11 August, 1 – 3:30 pm, Waiheke Library. Leslie Hamilton will explore how we can deepen our own purposeful living and the impact that has on how others live. Reservations or inquires appreciated by email to [leslieh@leslieh.com](mailto:leslieh@leslieh.com) with “Island” in the subject line.

## Waiheke High School Music Concert

**Year 11, 12 and 13 Music Solo and Group performances.**

**Tuesday 13th at 7 pm in the School Hall**

**\$5 donation at the door. Money raised will go towards new musical instruments in the soon to be finished**

**Music Performance Suite**

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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For anyone interested in being part of a wider conversation about the future protection of Waiheke's marine environment, there is a public meeting next Thursday 15th August. The organisers encourage youth voice and a broad range of ideas and opinions. All welcome .



# Marine Protection Hui

## For the waters surrounding Waiheke Island

Day Thursday 15th August  
Time 6pm for a 6.30pm start  
Venue Morra Hall, 115 Oceanview Rd  
Light snacks provided



For more information please contact:  
Mark Russell 021456891  
Ian Burrows 021610074  
Linda Simpson 021839313

Organised by: Marine sub-group of the Waiheke Collective - focused on action based kaitiakitanga/guardianship of Waiheke's marine environment.

**MUSTANGS**  
**SOFTBALL**

**HAVE A GO!**  
**18<sup>th</sup> August @ 11am**  
**OSTEND SPORTS GROUND**

T-Ball 5-7yrs

Flexi Minor 7-8yrs

Flexi Major 8-10yrs

Under 12yrs

Under 13yrs

Under 15yrs

Adults 'Hit & Giggle'

**ALL AGES WELCOME**

**Raffles**  
**Sausage Sizzle**



**Prizes**  
**Bake Sale**

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## Who is this factsheet for?

Domestic students, parents and whānau, and schools.

## The University Entrance requirements

NZQA is responsible for setting the University Entrance requirements. These are the minimum requirements that domestic students leaving school after Year 13 and who are not yet 20 must meet in order to study at degree level at a New Zealand university. The requirements are:

- NCEA Level 3
- three subjects – at Level 3, made up of 14 credits in each of three approved subjects on the list
- literacy – 10 credits from specified achievement standards at Level 2 or above, made up of 5 credits in reading and 5 credits in writing
- numeracy – 10 credits at Level 1 or above, made up of achievement standards – specified achievement standards available through a range of subjects, or unit standards – package of three numeracy unit standards (26623, 26626, 26627 – all three required).

## University entry requirements for other domestic students

Special admission – students aged 20 or over can enrol at a New Zealand university without University Entrance, subject to each university's admission and individual programme requirements.

Discretionary Entrance – this provides a route for students who have not continued their education beyond Year 12 to enrol at degree level at a New Zealand university.

Admission ad eundem statum – this provides a route for students with non-NCEA secondary school qualifications to enrol at degree level at a New Zealand university.

You can find more information on Discretionary Entrance and Admission ad eundem statum from the **Universities New Zealand** website at [www.universitiesnz.ac.nz](http://www.universitiesnz.ac.nz).

## Guaranteed Entry Scores (GES)

Some universities use a rank score system for guaranteed or preferential entry into some courses of study, especially for those with limited or competitive entry. The score is based on the number of Level 3 credits gained with Excellence, Merit or Achieved.





Students may still be accepted into a course of study if they don't meet the rank score but do meet the University Entrance standard

GES are derived from a student's best 80 credits at NCEA Level 3 in up to five subjects on the approved subjects list: Excellence = 4 points, Merit = 3 points and Achieved = 2 points. A maximum of 24 credits in each approved subject can be counted.

## Entry to other tertiary education organisations' degree programmes

Many tertiary education organisations (the Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics, the wānanga and Private Training Establishments) also base their entry requirements for some degree programmes on the University Entrance requirements. Students should check programme entry requirements carefully.

## Entrance to Australian universities

NZQA can support students seeking entrance to Australian universities by converting a student's NCEA Level 3 results into a percentile scale, called the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR). Higher level of performance (Merits and Excellence) lead to higher ATAR scores.

ATAR scores can be provided to the Tertiary Admissions Centres. This allows NCEA students to be treated equitably with Australian students for tertiary entry and selection purposes.



## More about NCEA

Find out more about how NCEA works on our website at [www.nzqa.govt.nz/how-ncea-works](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/how-ncea-works), where you can also watch a short animated video on how NCEA works or download our brochure 'Understanding NCEA'. NCEA is well-recognised overseas - see [www.nzqa.govt.nz/international-recognition-of-ncea](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/international-recognition-of-ncea) for more information.

International students can also download the 'Study in New Zealand' brochure. The brochure is available in English and translated into six languages.

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