



# Waihi News

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## A MASSIVE THANK YOU !

**Your fantastic generosity allowed the office to pass on two very large boxes of presents to Arowhenua Whanau Services for distribution within the South Canterbury region.**

**There will be many happy faces at Christmas that might not have been without our Waihi community's kind and giving nature.**

**Merry Christmas everyone!**



## RETURN DATES FOR 2024

- noted in detail on page two -

## TERM DATES FOR 2024

TERM ONE 2024	TERM TWO 2024	TERM THREE 2024	TERM FOUR 2024
Mon 29 Jan – Fri 12 Apr	Tue 30 Apr – Fri 5 Jul	Tue 23 Jul – Fri 27 Sep	Mon 14 Oct – Sat 7 Dec
EXEAT: Sat 24 - Mon 26 Feb	Mid Term Break:	Mid Term Break:	EXEAT: Fri 15 – Mon 18 Nov
EXEAT: Fri 15 – Sun 17 Mar	Sat 1 Jun – Sun 9 Jun	Sat 24 Aug – Sun 1 Sep	

## Start of Term One 2024

The arrangements for the start of the 2024 school year are as follows:

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January

- All **New Boarders** to arrive between at 3.00pm.

### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January

- All **New Day pupils** and **2024 School Leaders** to arrive at Pyne House common room at 8.30am.

Parents are asked to drop off their children to school today.  
No buses running.

- Coffee and morning tea for parents in the dining room from 8.45am.
- New day pupil parents to collect their children at 3.45pm.
- Existing boarders return 5.00-6.00pm

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

- **School starts for all**
- **Buses running as normal**

All **returning** and **new** pupils meet in the hall at 8.30am for welcome, and announcement of classes.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> PM – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February  
**In Weekend** for all boarders

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Waitangi Day  
**school closed for day pupils.**  
Boarders' activities planned.

## 2023 End of Year School Reports

All 2023 end of year school reports have been sent electronically and should be in your Inbox now.



## Waihi Uniform Bookings

To secure a uniform fitting please follow this link via our website:

<https://waihi.school.nz/current-parent/school/>

### *Uniforms*

At Waihi, we take great pride in wearing our uniform. Students will need both Summer and Winter uniforms, along with our Formal Uniform (Number 1s), Boarding and Sporting uniforms.

Please feel free to contact the school should you have any queries. Orders can be made by using the form from the link below. Uniforms will be invoiced to your school account and can be collected at the office or delivered to Pyne House for boarders.

If you are unsure about requirements or sizes you are welcome to book a time for a fitting at the Uniform Shop here at Waihi School - [Click Here](#)

If you have any queries please contact the School - [Click Here](#)

[Order Uniforms](#)

## School Office Closed Dates

The school office will be closed for the Christmas / New Year period from:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022,  
reopening on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.



# Shrek Jr – The Musical

Once upon a time, in a faraway swamp, the Year 8 students of Waihi embarked on an extraordinary journey, bringing to life the magical tale of "Shrek Jr." This production became the crown jewel on the school calendar, captivating audiences and leaving a lasting mark on the hearts of everyone who attended.

The story unfolded as Shrek (Oscar Waaka), our beloved ogre, found his peaceful abode invaded by a group of banished fairy tale characters, ousted by the tiny but ambitious Lord Farquaad (Sam Moore). Determined to reclaim his swamp, Shrek set forth on a quest accompanied by a witty Donkey (Ralph Silva), facing a task set by Farquaad: rescue the spirited Princess Fiona (Lucy Johnson), and his home would be restored.

As auditions commenced in Term 2, the buzz of excitement filled the air. The cast was revealed, and rehearsals commenced in Term 3, led by the dedicated Production Team of Mr and Mrs Bradley, Mrs Cameron, and Mr Morland. The school community rallied together, offering support in myriad ways to bring this enchanting production to life.

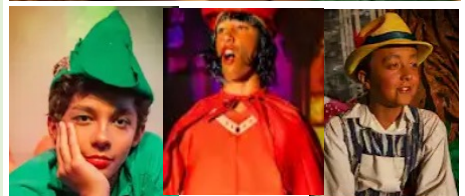
With Term 4 came intensified rehearsals, the arrival of stunning costumes, and the collaboration with Mr Bradley's Year 7 Tech Team to craft the perfect soundscape and lighting. A dress rehearsal took centre stage before the entire school, building anticipation for the upcoming shows.

Opening night approached, and anticipation soared. The ticket sales also soared, breaking Waihi's box office records, with two out of four shows sold out. The cast delivered four stellar performances that left audiences astounded. Comments flooded in, proclaiming this rendition of "Shrek Jr" as Waihi's best production yet.

The grand finale on the closing night was met with a standing ovation, a testament to every cast member's remarkable talent and dedication. As the curtains fell, the collective clean-up effort commenced, marking the end of an incredible chapter.

Heartfelt gratitude is extended to everyone who contributed, paving the way for the 2023 Year 8 students to deliver an unforgettable production. Their dedication, passion, and stellar performances wove a tale that will linger as one of the most magnificent showcases ever witnessed at Waihi.

- Mr & Mrs Bradley



# Celebrating our Past Waihians

## Class of 2018 Reunion – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023



The Waihi leavers of 2018 'Five Years On' reunion was held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December, with 21 of the boys returning for a day's entertainment at Waihi.

L - R; George McLeod, Tom Taylor, Hugh Saunders, Ben Sheppard, James Groundwater, Will Goldsbury, Jack Roy, Sam Lambie, Ben Donaldson, Luke Slee, Lachie Short, Oliver Agnew, Will Urquhart, Thomas Kyle, Seb Ferro, Mr Short, Jack Cotter, Ben Sutherland, Josh Peckitt, Oscar Chaffey, Mr Morland, Jack Sutherland, Malachy Cleland.



# Cultural Celebrations

## Y8 Production / End of Year Music Performances



It has been another busy year in the Music Department, which ended with two very important events



### Shrek Jr.

Our year concluded with the spotlight firmly on the talented Year 8 students who brought the magical world of Shrek Jr. to life. Over the course of Week 7, they dazzled audiences with four captivating performances. The entire cast, crew, and everyone who contributed behind the scenes deserve a resounding ovation for their dedication and hard work. We have received so much positive feedback, and we want to thank everyone who played a part in making Shrek Jr. an outstanding success.

### End-of-Year Music Performance

The grand finale arrived with the End-of-Year Music Performance on the final day of the term. This concert showcased the incredible talents of our music students from Year 7 and below. Their performances were nothing short of spectacular, captivating a large and appreciative audience. To all the young musicians who took to the stage, congratulations on your stellar performances - you have truly made us proud.

### Looking Ahead

As we wrap up this year, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a joyous holiday season. Looking ahead to 2024, we will be in touch early in the new year regarding music lesson choices for the upcoming term. We're excited to continue the musical journey with our talented tamariki.

Sheryl & Al Bradley  
Waihi Music Department



<b>Awards Assembly 2023</b>	<b>Friday 8 December 2023</b>
Head of Friends Committee to present	Kirsty Shearer presenting
Leavers – Certificate (Non-Year 8 Students leaving)	Emily Bradley, Macsen Innes, William Pirie Adam Walker, James Ward
<u>Agri-Sport</u> Fergie Award for most dedicated Young Farmer	Leo Acland
<u>Basketball</u> Mattias Tippe Best Defensive Player	Joshua Sadler
<u>Chairman's Contribution Awards</u> Acknowledging Year 8 students' contribution to school life in various areas.  Service and commitment to...	Maggie Hessel: Culture, Sport Stacey Mills: STEM & Waihi Ashton Robb: Football Ralph Silva: Drama, Y8 production Hugo Silva: Music tech, foundation member Toby Maw: leadership in Pyne House Cooper Hulme: mountain biking Xavier Roughan: Tu Igitur Perfer Adversa
<u>Chess</u> 1. SD Gwinnett Cup Chess Cup 2. Waihi School Junior Chess Cup 3. House Chess Shield	Bentley Roughan Fox Mosen ORFORD
<u>Cricket</u> 1. AJ Stone-Wigg Memorial Cup for Batting 2. Sherwood Challenge Cup for Bowling 3. Paul Harper Memorial Cup for Fielding 4. Cowper Cup for Best Junior Cricketer	Nathan Andrew Harrison Henskes Nathan Andrew Charlie Mawle
<u>Cycling</u> 1. Morland Trophy for Most Dedicated Cyclist	Wilbur Talbot
<u>Effort (in Sport)</u> 1. Andrew Fox Cup 2. David Hayes Cup 3. Gallienne – Reid Cup	Ben Williamson Cody Rollinson Cameron Siegert
<u>Football</u> 1. Maxwell Family Trophy Most Dedicated Player 2. Maxwell Trophy for Most Improved Player 3. Bowmar Family Contribution to Football	Nathan Andrew William Pirie Oscar Elliotte
<u>General Knowledge</u> 1. The Wrigley Cup for General Knowledge – Junior 2. The Waihi School General Knowledge Cup 3. General Knowledge Shield – Winning House	Florence Black Harry Blackman Orford

<p><u>Hockey</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Danny O'Neill Trophy for the Hockey Team Player</li> <li>Henry &amp; George Murray Hockey Cup – Best Defender</li> <li>The M.J. Thatcher Cup for Most Improved Player</li> <li>Best Junior Hockey Player</li> </ol>	<p>Arthur Orbell Alfie Chaffey Charlie Greenslade Hamish Grant</p>
<p><u>Library Awards</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book Prize</li> <li>Certificates of Service to the Library</li> </ol>	<p>Leo Acland Florence Black, James Ward, Harriet Acland</p>
<p><u>Martial Arts</u></p> <p>Spirit of Martial Arts Cup</p>	<p>Andrew Wright</p>
<p><u>Netball</u></p> <p>Lynn Stratford Cup: Coaches Award-Determination, Commitment, Grit</p>	<p>Olivia Becroft</p>
<p><u>Piping</u></p> <p>Bruce Clark Trophy Awarded to First-Year Learner Piper</p>	<p>George Brown</p>
<p><u>Rugby</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hugh &amp; Michael Northcote Cup for Sustained Effort Through the Season</li> <li>HJ Nimmo Cup for Sustained Effort</li> <li>Wayne Oldfield Memorial Cup for Best Y7 Rugby Player</li> <li>David Dillon Cup for Best Y6 Player</li> </ol>	<p>Toby Maw Cody Rollinson Tom Steetskamp Michael Williams</p>
<p><u>Skiing</u></p> <p>Henry &amp; George Murray Cup – Most Outstanding Skier</p>	<p>Ben Murray</p>
<p><u>Speech Champion</u></p> <p>Waihi School Monologue Champion Trophy – Junior</p>	<p>Jack Orbell</p>
<p><u>Spelling Bee</u></p> <p>Spelling Bee Champion</p>	<p>Grace Moore</p>
<p><u>Tennis</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr JI Innes Cup for Senior Singles</li> <li>JAN Grigg Cup for Intermediate Singles</li> <li>Burdon Cup for Junior Singles</li> </ol>	<p>Thomas Carr Macsen Innes Carter Busch</p>
<p><u>Touch</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y7/8 Contribution to Touch</li> <li>Junior Contribution to Touch</li> </ol>	<p>Tom Steetskamp Flynn Slater</p>
<p><u>Headmaster's Awards</u></p> <p>1. Headmaster's Acknowledgements for Outstanding Achievement</p>	<p><b>Ethan Box.</b> (Martial Arts) <b>Alex Cosgriff</b> (all-round sport) <b>Luka Harrop</b> (Speech) <b>Grace Moore</b> (Drumming) <b>Wilbur Talbot</b> (Cycling) <b>Anton van den Bergh</b> (Singing /Flying / Martial Arts)</p>

# 2023 Waihi Prize giving

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023

<b>Sports Prizes 2023</b>		
<b>BASKETBALL</b>	Ben Copland Basketball Cup – Most Valuable Player	Arthur Orbell
<b>CRICKET</b>	GEF Kingscote Cup for Best all-round Cricketer	Harrison Henskes
<b>FOOTBALL</b>	Elsen Brother Cup – Most Outstanding Footballer	Oscar Elliotte
<b>HOCKEY</b>	Wood Cup for Best Hockey Player	Alex Cosgriff
<b>NETBALL</b>	Waihi School Cup - Most Valuable Netballer	Ruby Taylor
<b>RUGBY</b>	Fitzgerald Cup for Best Rugby Player	Joshua Sadler
<b>TENNIS</b>	Waihi School Cup – Senior Most Dedicated Player	Thomas Carr
<b>EFFORT IN SPORT</b>		
	David Hayes Cup	Cody Rollinson
<b>ALL-ROUND EXCELLENCE IN SPORT</b>		
1.	Jeremy Donaldson Cup	Samuel Moore

<b>Cultural Prizes 2023</b>		
	Prize for Senior Chorister	Saedy Zeestraten
	Headmaster's Award for Excellence in Music	Anton van den Bergh, Grace Moore
	MacLeod Cup for Contribution to Music	Oscar Waaka
	Kapa Haka Award	Lucy Johnson
	Roadley Family Cup for Excellence in Singing	Anton van den Bergh
	Laidlaw Family Cup for Instrumental Excellence	Luka van den Bergh
	Elma Mary Gelton Trophy for Piano	Oscar Waaka
	Ferro Family Cup for Most Improved Musician	Bradley Roycroft
	Joyce Family of Pipers Cup – Drummers Cup	Grace Moore
	Oratory Cup for Senior Public Speaking	Luka Harrop
	Senior Prize for Art	Thomas Carr
	Kerr Cup for Art (Intermediate)	Luka Harrop
	Ivey Cup for Art (Junior)	Henry Back

<b>Class Prizes 2023</b>		
	<b>Junior BW</b>	
	Academic Excellence	Florence Black
	Meritorious Effort	Henry Back, Fox Mosen



<b>Junior TW</b>	
Academic Excellence	William Johnston
Meritorious Effort	Carter Busch, Angus Ivey
<b>Junior Award</b>	
David Trengrove Memorial Prize - "Effort to Succeed Greater than Success"	Archie Morrow
<b>7 EH</b>	
Academic Excellence	Harry Blackman
Meritorious Effort	George Brown, Poppy Mawle
<b>7 JS</b>	
Academic Excellence	Matias Jenkins-Huguet
Meritorious Effort	Riley McBain, Samuel Westgarth
<b>8 TC</b>	
Academic Excellence	Olivia Becroft
Meritorious Effort	Kate Macdonald, Andrew Wright
<b>8 NM</b>	
Academic Excellence	Wilbur Talbot
Meritorious Effort	Ruby Taylor, George Whillans
<b>Y8 Award</b>	
Marcus Bailey Cup - "Effort to succeed Greater than Success"	Dougal Murray

## Special and Academic Prizes 2023

Edmund Hazlett Cup – Matron’s Award for Junior Boarding	Harriet Acland
George Hazlett Cup – Matron’s Award for Senior Boarding	Toby Maw
H Sinclair-Thomson Cup for "Willing Helpers" A pupil, not a prefect, who has gone out of his way to be useful.	Jack Foley, Charlie Dwyer
RR Jordan Cups for Helpfulness 2 Cups for Year 8 Pupils	Jacob Davison, George Whillans
Nurse Gladys McKenzie Trophy - Service to the School	Toby Lemon
Nathan Garven Trophy - Good Service to the School	Marnie Kain
Bush Cup - a Useful and Loyal Contribution to the School	Seth Overcomer
Dr Rosser Prize to pupil who displays the best attitude to school life	Kate Macdonald
The Davison Cup for Effort in Academic Studies and Sport	George Levings
The Clark Cup - Academic Ability and Achievement in sport	Samuel Moore
Norris Award for all-round contribution to the School with special emphasis on the cultural side	Lucy Johnson, Samuel Moore Anton van den Bergh, Saedy Zeestraten
Jack Woodley Cup "Good Bloke"	George Whillans
Humphrey Gould Awards for "A pupil of character showing all round ability, usefulness to the School and qualities of leadership".	Wilbur Talbot George Levings, Toby Maw

Menzies Prizes - All round Contribution to the School	Arthur Orbell, Saedy Zeestraten
Orford Memorial Prize - Best combines Service and Loyalty to the School	Samuel Moore
Waihi Association Prize for Head Girl	Lucy Johnson
Harrison Memorial Prize for Head Boy	Tom Shearer
<b>Leading Academic Awards</b>	
Waihi School Prize for Mathematics ( <b>Top Mathematician Student</b> )	Samuel Moore
Waihi School Prize for English ( <b>Top English Student</b> )	Cameron Siegert
Waihi School Prize for Science ( <b>Top Science Student</b> )	George Whillans
Makary Family Cup for Junior Academic Distinction: - <b>Year 5 and 6</b>	Lucy Steetskamp
Makary Family Cup for Intermediate Academic Distinction: - <b>Year 7</b>	Grace Moore
Stone-Wigg Prize for Academic Excellence ( <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Dux</b> )	Cameron Siegert
Proxime Accessit ( <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place Dux</b> )	Jacob Hallenstein
<b>Dux of The School</b> - Unwin Prize and Makary Family Trophy	Samuel Moore

## 2024 Leadership Positions

<u>Mowing Squad 2024</u>	Head of Mowing Squad: Samuel Westgarth	Squad members: George Neal, George Brown
<u>Head of Boarding 2024</u>	George Neal	
<u>2024 Leadership Team</u>		
EVERISS Heads of House	Matias Jenkins-Huguet	Sophie Williams
ORFORD Heads of House	Ben Murray	Luka Harrop
PROSSER Heads of House	Nathan Andrew	Stella Harley
STONE-WIGG Heads of House	Oscar Elliotte	Tilly Lovell
Academic Prefects	Harry Blackman	Poppy Mawle
Cultural Prefects	Carter Horsley	Edie O'Sullivan
Sports Prefects	Tom Steetskamp	Alice Johnston
Head Boy	Ethan Box	
Head Girl	Grace Moore	
Deputy Head Boy	George Neal	
Deputy Head Girl	Sophie Morland	





# Waihi Summer (Term 1 & 4) Sports Choice 2024

For all returning and new students who will be attending Waihi in Term 1 2024, please follow this link and fill in the Google Form for your child.  
One entry per child please.

**Summer Sport Choice 2024:**  
<https://forms.gle/WBgDnakHJX4wTan29>

# Gap Tutor Update

ARRIVALS IN 2024

## Josie Denvir: Gap Tutor

Hi!! I'm Josie, from Oxford, England where I have lived in a little place called Summertown my whole life. I have recently been travelling around Central America where I've had the most amazing time, and I can't wait to get to New Zealand. I really love crochet and making clothes – usually out of our old curtains and tablecloths! I also play bass in a band and love a good game of hockey. I'm very excited to get stuck in and help out with as many activities as possible. I can't wait to meet everyone at Waihi and get to know the kids and families. See you soon!!



## Murray Goodwin: Gap Tutor

My name is Murray, and I am from Cape Town, South Africa.

I love playing sport, especially hockey.

All my free time is spent at the beach and with friends and family.

I am looking forward to the new adventures that I will experience during my time at Waihi School.

