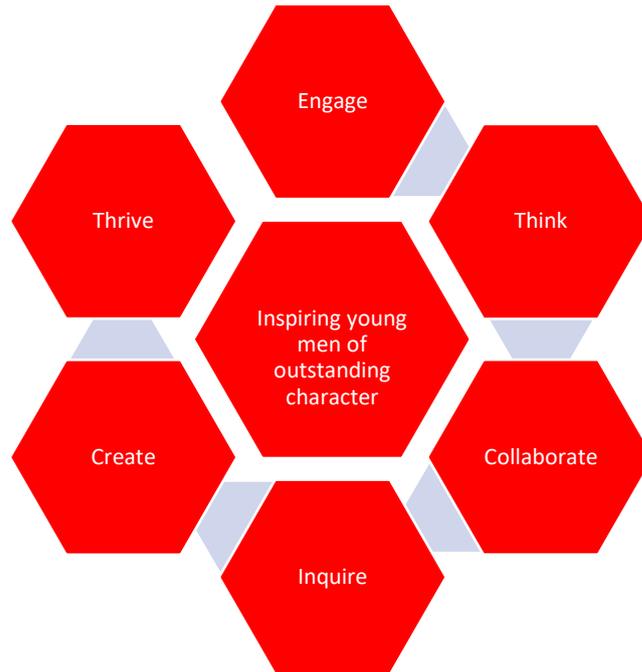


INSPIRE

A curriculum for every akonga.

In 2024 we are excited to embark on a new curriculum layout which will not only provide robust and comprehensive academic opportunities but will also encourage and promote personal growth of each boy. Boys will have the ability to participate in inspirational activities and further their learning in areas of their own choosing. Our curriculum will link to the Key Competencies of the New Zealand Curriculum and is a future focussed way to counter the complex issues faced by our students today.

Our curriculum is designed to inspire and engage every student in a personalised programme.



School starts at 8.20am for teachers and 9am for students.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 - 10	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
10-11	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2
11 – 11.25	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval	Interval
11.25 – 12.25	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
12.25 – 1.25	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4
1.25 – 2.05	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2.05 – 3.05	Assembly	Inspire Hub 1	House Group Time	Inspire Hub 2	Wellbeing Time

ASSEMBLY: (Period 5 on Monday)

The assembly time will no longer disrupt any classes. The format for 2024 will allow more time to focus on celebrating the success of our students in all areas of school life along with allowing more student led presentations.

HOUSE GROUP TIME: (Period 5 on Wednesday)

Our House Group format will change in 2024. All full-time teachers will be required to take part in this process. As a result of this we estimate the numbers in a House group will decrease from the high 20's to the low-middle 10s. This will allow for much more individual attention.

There will be a programme in place school wide to support our Kahui Ako Challenges of Literacy and Numeracy (examples – silent/oral reading, Maths timetables etc). This is also time for pastoral care regarding attendance and other administration. The House Group teachers will be working closely with the Deans in the mentoring of individual students in each House group.

WELLBEING TIME: (Period 5 on Friday)

This programme is dedicated to the wellbeing of our students. Wellbeing sessions will include, but not be limited to, workshops, speakers, peer support and activities to promote students' sense of wellbeing and belonging. This is not a whole year programme as it will rotate with other school activities each Term depending on the school focus such as SCRANO in Term 2, EXAMS in Term 3 and 4 etc. Wellbeing will run in Term 1 each year in order to foster positive relationships between students and staff and develop a feeling of brotherhood among the boys.

INSPIRE HUBS: (Period 5 on Tuesday and Thursday)

All boys will have two sessions per week to engage in activities that will develop new skills, passions and understanding. These activities will offer the boys opportunities not previously available within the school curriculum and which may lead them to discover new interests and abilities. Some activities that have previously been 'squeezed' into break times will now be available to students during an Inspire Hub. This will benefit the boys' wellbeing as they become more involved in making decisions about their learning. A target number of students must be reached in order for an activity to run.

1. Each student MUST select different activities for Inspire Hub 1 and Inspire Hub 2. These activities will run during Term 1 and Term 2. There will be a review near the end of Term 2 before the boys select activities for Term 3 and Term 4.
2. Students who select SIX SUBJECTS will NOT take part in the Inspire Hub activities and Wellbeing Time BUT they will be part of Assembly and House Group Time. The options for these students are:
 - a. If they selected similar subjects, then WBHS may be able to staff those courses.
 - b. They could enrol in their sixth subject through Te Kura Correspondence School. Teacher/s will be available for supervision.
 - c. There might be spaces available in negotiation with our sister school Waitaki Girls' High School.

Listed below are the activities in alphabetical order. Please follow the link below as it will take you to the descriptions of each activity.

If you require any further information, please contact the teacher in charge as listed.

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Adventure Sports (Thursday only) (IADVS)

For all the students who like to get out and enjoy our beautiful environment. Students will participate in sports such as free diving, kayaking, rock climbing, abseiling, skateboarding, trail running and mountain biking. Sessions will be run both in school grounds and outside school (weather permitting). The course will be broken up into 4 weeks of skill learning sessions followed by an afternoon off-site practical session. A mountain bike and a positive attitude are all you will need to participate in this passion project.

Mr. Henehan: samh@waitakibhs.school.nz

Art Studio: Paint and Print (Semester 1 only) (IARTS)

You will be introduced to the materials and techniques used in acrylic painting and screen printing. You will create a canvas painting and screen-printed artwork based on your exploration of traditional and contemporary art ideas.

All materials are provided, and you will be able to take your work home.

Classes are suitable for beginners as well as Senior Art students wanting some extra studio time on their folios.

Ms. Strathern: kays@waitakibhs.school.nz

Chess (Tuesday only) (ICHES)

The Chess option will provide an opportunity to learn about the sport of Chess and improve your game. There will be a series of lessons to build your skills and an opportunity for informal and tournament games and league play.

Part of the programme will be to travel around the local primary schools and do some coaching with some junior players and run some tournaments for junior players.

Chess will only run in Terms One and Two.

Mr. FAMILTON: gregf@waitakibhs.school.nz

Community Service (Thursday only) (ICOMS)

Develop your leadership skills, help in the local community, and build character through acts of service in schools, kindergartens, retirement villages and much more.

Mr. FIFITA: aiseaf@waitakibhs.school.nz

Computer Aided Design (ICOMA)

If you want to explore how to use computers to design structures, electronics and machines, and develop skills using a range of CAD software to much more depth than you can in normal classes, then come along. If you get excited by the prospect of designing a structure or machine and watching how it may work or need improving, then this is for you. If like me, you are inspired by blue LEDs and excited that you can program circuits in the cloud then this is for you.

Mr. Robinson: johnr@waitakibhs.school.nz

Enviro-schools (Tuesday only) (IENVS)

For students interested in participating in creating positive change for our school environment and community. From helping with the school creek and compost project to community initiatives like tree planting and rubbish clean ups. For all students already into the Enviro-schools club as well as new members.

Mr. Henehan: samh@waitakibhs.school.nz

Football Academy (IFOOA)

- This Football Academy is not an alternative to Football training which will continue as normal. However, it will help develop players.
- This programme will help develop players physically and mentally for the requirements of Football.
- During the course practical sessions will cover fitness requirements, Skill development, set plays and game play.
- During the Theory sessions we will cover systems of play, tactical analyses of matches and set play development.
- Through this course students will also have the opportunity of completing coaching courses, a referee's course and for the senior students we may access some achievement standards.

Mr. Lane: andy@waitakibhs.school.nz

Life Skills (ILIFS)

This course will cover a range of everyday skills and tasks. The content itself will be somewhat fluid depending on what students want to cover but will include broad categories such as Home (basic cooking, hanging a picture, mending, first aid, rental agreements, cleaning), Car (changing a tyre, tyre pressure, jumpstarting), Money (budgeting, banking), Work (writing a professional letter/email, writing a CV), Other (changing a nappy, setting a table, tying a tie).

Just a few skills that most people will need during their life away from home.

Ms. Matthews: erinm@waitakibhs.school.nz

Life Skills through Cooking (ILIFC)

Calling all teenagers! Tired of the same old takeout and want to level up your kitchen skills? Join our Life Skills Through Cooking course and embark on a culinary adventure! Learn to budget smartly, cook with flexibility, grasp basic nutrition, and cater to different diets. Discover how to make delicious meals on a budget, improvise with ingredients, fuel your body right, and impress everyone with your cooking, whether it's for friends or special dietary needs. Unleash your inner chef, build lifelong skills, and become a kitchen wizard – join us now and let the culinary journey begin! 🍴🔪🔥

Ms. Prosser: emmap@waitakibhs.school.nz

Mastering Math: Your Key to Academic Success! (IMASM)

For teenage boys, math tutorials are the ultimate academic ally, offering personalized guidance and support. These tutorials demystify challenging concepts, boosting problem-solving skills and leading to effective learning. As you conquer once-intimidating equations, your grades will soar, and the sense of accomplishment that accompanies top marks will be unmatched. In today's digital age, math tutorials are easily accessible online, providing interactive lessons, practice problems, and real-time feedback, making learning a breeze. So, if you're a teenage boy looking to excel academically and unlock your full potential, embrace math tutorials—they're your ticket to understanding, achieving, and conquering mathematics, all while securing those impressive grades that pave the way for your future success. Dive in, and watch your confidence, skills, and grades skyrocket!

Ms. Abraham: kristinea@waitakibhs.school.nz

Media Studies/ Journalism/ Short-Film Production (IMEDS)

This 'passion-skill' programme is for students who want to be critical and intelligent consumers of mass media. We will help foster an understanding of the media's power to influence, shape and define our concepts of identity, reality and social values. We will offer an introduction to a range of media industries – analysing key products and then producing a range of media texts to give them an experience of production. Moreover, we will work towards understanding the four elements of the framework: media language, representation, industry and audience. Lastly, we plan to have a detailed study of two industries: Television (comedy) and News to develop a historical understanding of the industry and study contrasting texts to explore genre, narrative and represent local news. More importantly, we aim to empower and inspire students to express themselves through construction of creative, original and thought-provoking media products.

Mr. Singh: bhupendras@waitakibhs.school.nz

Music groups: (IMUSG)

Aim to organise students into various musical groups, such as a rock band, chamber group, piano duets or duos, trios, etc to take part in a range of activities.

If you have a passion for music and would like to work with other students who have the same passion then this is for you. We can access music through traditional means and through more modern means with youtube and backing tracks.

Activities could include any of the following:

Rockquest in Timaru in June.

OR

Chamber Music competition in Timaru in June.

OR

Entertain at Resthomes throughout Oamaru.

OR

Simply just to enjoy playing a musical instrument with other people.

Mr. Hinds stepheh@waitakibhs.school.nz

Mrs. Lawrence sarahl@waitakibhs.school.nz

Paired Reading (Thursday only) (IPAIR)

Paired reading is an opportunity for junior students who struggle with reading to be paired up with senior students who are keen to help.

The purpose is to improve engagement, confidence, and fluency in reading text alongside building positive relationships with their senior buddies.

The goal is to provide a low-pressure fun environment where students can develop their literacy skills and build a one-on-one friendships between a junior and senior students.

Mr. FAMILTON gregf@waitakibhs.school.nz

Philosophy & Culture Course 101 (IPHIL)

Do you want to broaden your mind? Are you curious about the world? Do you have strong ideas on music / art or popular culture? Is there one way to tell the difference between right & wrong? Does truth actually exist?

This course will cover some of the greatest thinkers, influential cultural icons & movements to have ever existed. It will also explore big ideas such as ethics / existence / culture / logic / knowledge / beauty & whether or not you are actually dreaming as you read this beautifully written blurb.

It would suit any student at any Year level who likes to think deeply / discuss / argue constructively / is open to new things / is curious about why they are here & wants to understand their own purpose or who wants extension in their thinking & relationship to themselves and the wider world.

Philosophy is the ultimate life hack for a smarter, cooler you & taking this elective will improve your own sense of self confidence as well as giving you valuable insights into how to win new friends & destroy your enemies with the extreme power of your mind & the cunning, cutting wit of your words.

See Mr Plunkett or Mr Aberhart for further details.

Mr. Plunkett: matthewp@waitakibhs.school.nz

Mr. Aberhart: vena@waitakibhs.school.nz

Polyfest (IPOLY)

Any students who are keen to learn Pasifika music and dance.

Uatesoni Filikitonga: uatesonif@waitakibhs.school.nz

Misha Vercoe: mishav@waitakibhs.school.nz

Racquet sports (IRACS)

Learning a racquet sport can give students a healthy and life-long hobby. In this programme, students will learn and play sports such as Tennis, Squash, Pickleball and Badminton. It will be suited to both social and competitive players, with a mix of fun activities and structured training. There will also be chances to engage with the wider community through tournaments/match play, coaching or social events.

Mr. Ou: paddyo@wbhs.school.nz

Rugby Academy (IRUGA)

The Rugby Academy will provide athletes of various levels with the ultimate Rugby training according to their age and experience. This is a two-tiered programme which allows athletes to develop their gameplay abilities and individual skills with the best mentors available in a safe, enjoyable and stimulating environment.

Contents: Interrelated activities – Individual skill exercises, Specialised coaching, Positional play analysis and understanding, Mentality development, General and specific nutritional advice.

Tier One: High Performance Rugby, Strength and Conditioning programme.

Tier Two: Beginner – Intermediate Performance Rugby Development programme.

Mr. Wilson: markw@waitakibhs.school.nz

Mr. Mayhew: scottm@waitakibhs.school.nz

Sixth Subject (ISIXS) – Yrs 11-13 ONLY

Catering for students wishing to do a sixth subject. The course will be structured around your requirements with supervision to help you achieve your goal.

Mr. Mansell: jeremym@waitakibhs.school.nz

STEM Club – Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (ISTEM)

Our aim with Stem Club is to encourage students to think outside the box, approach problems from multiple angles and engage in the joy of working alongside like-minded people on projects that they can learn from. We aim to build creative thinkers who will be ready to handle the challenges of our rapidly changing future. This is achieved through projects and activities exploring the worlds of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

We will be encouraging a 'Club' like feel focussing on collaboration and fun, with things like Engineering Challenges to get the students working together to solve problems. As more and more skills are mastered, we begin to introduce opportunities for everyone to follow their own path and passions.

Ms. Keep: laurak@waitakibhs.school.nz

Toi Māori (ITOIM)

This is an extension to Kapa Haka and is an opportunity for our ākonga to explore aspects of their whakapapa through art forms such as Korero tara, whaikōrero, carvings, art murals, pakiwaitara, waiata, haka and taiaha carving.

The Kaupapa (intention of learning) is to have completed art pieces and adornments for the Social Centre, so as to bring alive the stories of Mana whenua and hapu of our tane who represent our school. Te Kura Tane O Waitaki. This course will also support (tautoko) boys who wish to aspire to be part of Nga Manu Korero.

Mr. Winders: benw@waitakibhs.school.nz

Young Farmers (IYOUF)

As part of the young farmers sessions the boys will hold official meetings, plan fundraisers/events and prep for young farmers competitions. The goal of this inspire session is to give the boys both the practical farm skills and theory based/problem solving skills and knowledge to compete at young farmer competitions regionally and nationally.

Boys will participate in the following:

- Quizzes and Tests to prep for theory portions of Young Farmers Competitions
- Fencing
- Water and Irrigation
- Animal Management and Handling
- Pastures, Feed and Soils
- Problem Solving Tasks
- General Farm Work
- Event Organization and Planning of Fundraisers

Mr. Ratcliff: joshr@waitakibhs.school.nz

Youth Group (Tuesday only) (IYOUG)

Fellowship, friendship, music, and learning. You will have the opportunity to grow your Christian faith with guest speakers and character-building activities.

Mr. Fifita: aiseaf@waitakibhs.school.nz

Young Enterprise Scheme (IYOUE)

This Programme is available to only year 11 to year 13 Students.

The Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) is an opportunity for students to unleash their inner entrepreneur and experience the start-up world first-hand. It is an experiential programme where students set up and run a real business. Each YES company creates their own product or service and brings this to market.

Student learning

Through The Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme, students will:

- Learn about business planning and operations.
- Develop a range of personal and business skills.
- Consult with and create networks in their community.
- An opportunity to gain NCEA Business Credits

Programme Structure

There are four YES challenges that each company needs to complete:

- Challenge 1 – Validation
- Challenge 2 – The Pitch
- Challenge 3 – Sales & Promotion
- Challenge 4 – Annual Review

There is over \$20,000 in the national prize pool as well as regional awards, cash prizes and tertiary scholarships. YES students have opportunities to attend national business competitions, events and go on partner programmes.

This programme will be run and supported through the local business community providing mentoring from local business personalities.

<https://youngenterprise.org.nz/>

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