



WAITĀKERE COLLEGE PĀNUI

**TERM 4 - WIKI 8
Theme:**

Crossing the finish line

- Manawanui
- Striving for excellence



Bell Times

Mon/Tues/ Thur & Fri	Wednesday
8.40 - 9.45- 10.45-11.10	9.15-10.15 -11.10 11:10-11:30
EVERY DAY	
P3=11.30 P4=12.35 -1.35 P5=2.05-3.05	

ASSEMBLIES

YEAR 9	MONDAY	Hall
YEAR 10	FRIDAY	CANCELLED

Pānui Day 5 Rāapa Wednesday 4 December 2024

Internal Assessment Links

Important links for students completing NCEA internal Assessments.

Click here for [Extension form](#)

Click here for [Grade Appeal Form](#)

For more information about NCEA click on the following link or go to:

[Guide to NCEA](#)

Or email the Principal's Nominee Mrs Coup (cj@waitakerecollege.school.nz)

or the NCEA co-ordinator Mr Snitch (si@waitakerecollege.school.nz)

Tennis

Join our Tennis afternoons to be part of Waitākere Tennis group for Girls on Tuesdays 3:15 and Boys on Thursdays at 3:15. If you have played Tennis before, or have ball sense, Welcome! See you at the courts. Please wear tennis shoes and casual clothes, a hat, sunscreen. Drinking water is also required. Mr Lourenz

No UBER Eats to be delivered to the school

Any Uber Eats delivered will be confiscated!



This also applies to any other food delivery.

SPORTS

End of Year Sport Week

The Sports Department is excited to announce the End of Year Sport Week, running from Monday, 9th December to Friday, 13th December. This programme is open and free for all students—start your holidays the right way by getting active and enjoying sports with your friends!

Time: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: Gym

Schedule:

Monday, 9th December: Rec Day in the Gym

Tuesday, 10th December: Badminton in the Gym

Wednesday, 11th December: Volleyball in the Gym

Thursday, 12th December: Rec Day in the Gym

Friday, 13th December: Rec Day in the Gym

Writing Club

Waitakere College

SHARE YOUR WRITING



ANY TOPIC & ANY STYLE
ALL YEAR LEVELS
NO JUDGMENT!

SWIPE FOR MORE INFO

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Waitakere College

SHARE YOUR WRITING

Whether you're into poetry, short stories, or essays, this is your chance to share your voice with the school community. Don't miss the opportunity to get published!

WC Writers Club is working towards creating a book with the collective work of our school's writers. Anyone interested in being featured must submit before Friday Week 4 of Term 4 (read description for more info)

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SHARE YOUR WRITING

Rules and Guidelines

- No required word count, but a maximum of 1000 words.
- Include Trigger Warnings if necessary
- No hate crimes, please!!
- No plagiarism.
- Works can be published anonymously

HOW TO SUBMIT

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SUBMISSIONS

Email your writing document to @olivio21176@waitakerecollege.school.nz or @esho21394@waitakerecollege.school.nz With the subject line "Writers Club 2024"



Like This !!


OR you could send us a message on [@wc_writing_club](https://www.instagram.com/wc_writing_club) with your work or any other questions!!

We will be in contact with you when publishing, making sure you're comfortable.


EXAMPLES



Haiku Poem



Short Story



Blank out Poem



Essay

You can submit school or personal work-- as long as it's original!!

COME ALONG TO OUR MEETINGS!

Every Thursday
Lunchtime in B6

FOLLOW US!



@wc_writing_club

Recurring notices, information, clubs and groups etc

Mana Māori Academic Mentoring

Every Wednesday 3.05-4.30.

In the Whare and C1.A space to study and receive assessment support from kaiako.

Tech Free Tuesday

Tech-Free Tuesday! Let's take the library back in time, and have one lunch time a week with no devices and screens! Chess, board games, book club, colouring and reading will all be welcome, but please leave the phones and computers in the bag and connect with each like it's Y2K!

Nu'u Toa and Medical Science

Workshops are on every Wednesday after school (3.10pm) in A-block: (A2, A1 and A8)

Do you enjoy writing?

If so, come and join us every Thursday during lunchtime in B5 for our Writing Club. We have fun activities planned and will provide feedback on any personal work you would like to share. All year levels are welcome, and we just ask that you bring something to write with, like a laptop or pen and paper. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at olivia21176@waitakerecollege.school.nz

UKE-CAN-DO-IT

Songwriting competition.

Open to all students in New Zealand Years 5-13. WIN: Your song published, Rockshop Vouchers and Ukeleles.

Enter by 1 Nov 2024.

Go to www.nzukelele.org.nz

Latino Group

This is a group for all Latino students and everyone interested in learning about Latin America.

Come join us on Tuesdays at lunchtime in A2

Dungeons and Dragons Club

Looking for adventure? Come to E3 on Wednesdays at Lunch and on Thursdays after school (3:30 - 4:30)! Come have a go, everyone is welcome.

After school Maths Workshops

Wednesdays – B12

15:15- 16:00

All levels welcome!

Join the Breakdancing Crew

Sessions will be at Lunchtime on Tuesday and Thursday in DR2 (A Block). All are welcome.

Come learn some new moves with Mr Tepania.

Waitak LGBTQIA+ group

All staff and students are welcome!

Meeting every Tuesday, lunchtime in D2.

Come and create a safe and supportive space for rainbow staff and students.

Want to celebrate your Indian roots?

Join the Indian Cultural Club

which meets on **Tuesday** lunch times in room B6. If you have any questions, please ask Dr Ray, Mrs Samuel, Ms Kandola or Ms Prakash.

Are you keen to join the Romani dance group?

Rehearsals Tuesdays & Thursdays at 3:15- 4:30pm in Dr2.

DRAMA CLUB

Anyone wanting to have a go at some Drama games and physical theatre activities can join Taipua and Maddison in M4 on Thursday lunchtimes. Come along and have some fun, meet new people and develop some new skills! See you there :)

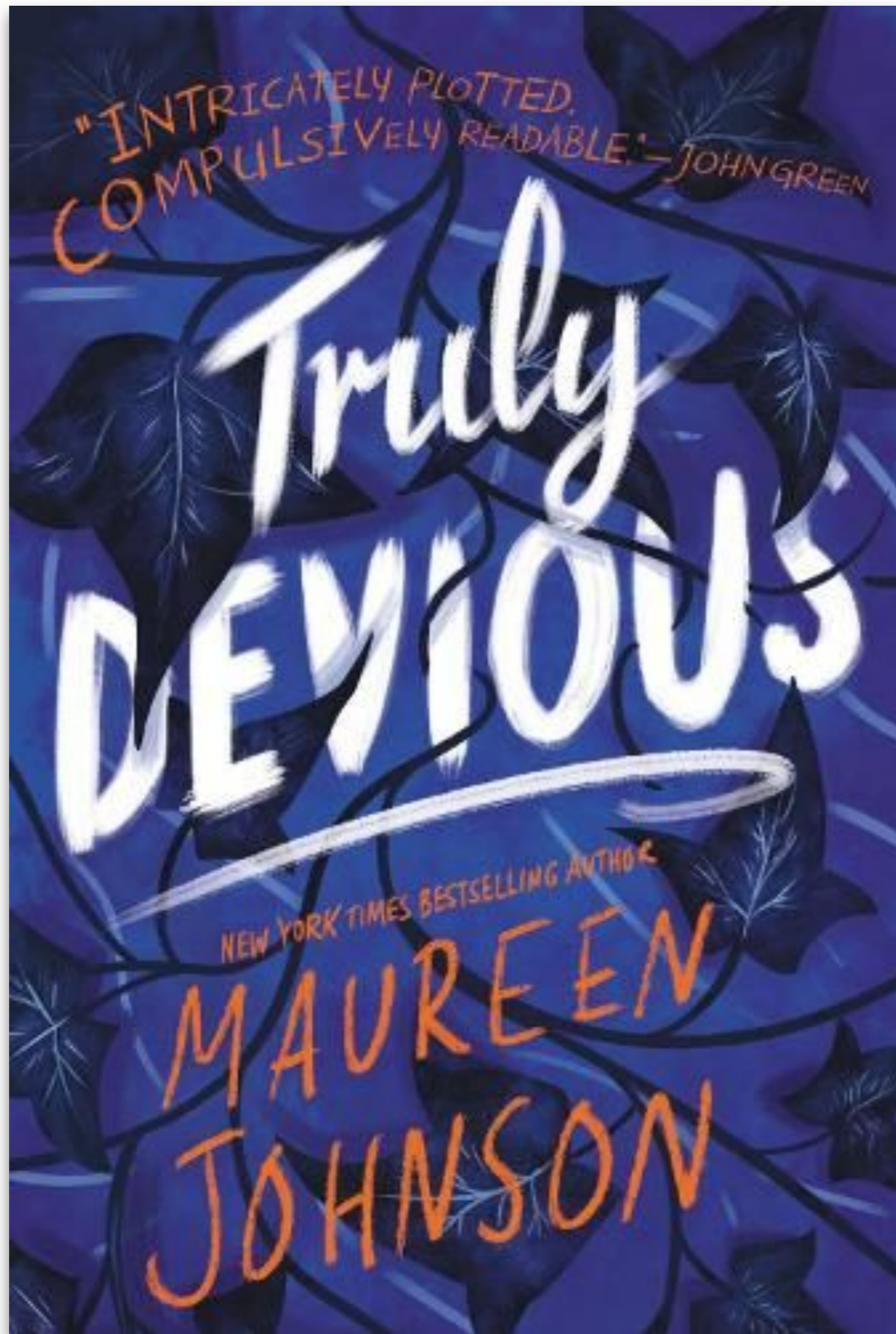
Christian Club

Time: Monday lunch time

First session will be on Monday the 24th March

Location: A9 Supervisor: Mr Frost

BOOK OF THE WEEK



TITLE/AUTHOR: Truly Devious, by Maureen Johnson

Ellingham Academy is a famous private school in Vermont for the brightest thinkers, inventors, and artists. It was founded by Albert Ellingham, an early twentieth century tycoon, who wanted to make a wonderful place full of riddles, twisting pathways, and gardens. "A place," he said, "where learning is a game." Shortly after the school opened, his wife and daughter were kidnapped. The only real clue was a mocking riddle listing methods of murder, signed with the frightening pseudonym "Truly, Devious." It became one of the great unsolved crimes of American history. True-crime aficionado Stevie Bell is set to begin her first year at Ellingham Academy, and she has an ambitious plan: She will solve this cold case. But something strange is happening. Truly Devious makes a surprise return, and death revisits Ellingham Academy. The past has crawled out of its grave. Someone has gotten away with murder.



**Ngā mihi -
Congratulations, regards,
thank you**

**‘He iti hau marangai, e tū
te pāhokahōka’**

**‘After the storm, the rainbow
appears’**

**Speaks of the silver lining to be sought for in
everything that is done.**

OVERVIEW OF ALL WORDS OF THE WEEK FOR TERM 4

Term 4	2024 WORDS OF THE WEEK - TERM 4		
Week 1	create	conduct	design
Week 2	link	emphasis	sequence
Week 3	commit	concentrate	retain
Week 4	challenge	conflict	consult
Week 5	trend	stability	transition
Week 6	external	internal	parallel
Week 7	contrast	compare	summary
Week 8	extent	degree	measure

REMOVE & PUT AWAY ANY HEADPHONES/EARBUDS/PHONES



EXCEPTION IS WHEN REQUIRED FOR LEARNING
ONLY AS DIRECTED BY THE TEACHER



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Whāinga Hei Tūtuki Mā Tātou Katoa | Achievement for All

Expect your teachers to be asking you to put away your Headphones, Earbuds and Phones into your bags for your lessons.

Waitākere College is centered around learning and personal development through building positive relationships.

However, the use of these devices in lessons can affect your concentration and focus on your learning.

While technology can aid learning, it is crucial to strike a balance that ensures the best learning possible and meaningful positive connections with your peers and teachers.

Leaving Class & Wharepaku-Toilet Rules

- Please manage yourself and go to the bathroom at Morning tea or Lunchtime
- During class time only **ONE** student at a time may visit the wharepaku -toilet and only if your **HALL PASS** has been signed by your teacher **NO**
HALL PASS = NO LEAVING CLASS
- **STRICTLY - NO** bathroom visits are allowed in the first 10 minutes or last 10 minutes of class
- You are not allowed to take your Phone/Bag to the bathroom with you - these must be left in the class with your teacher
- You are not allowed to eat, loiter/gather, or do any kind of filming or photography in the wharepaku-toilet area
- Only **ONE** person is ever allowed in the cubicle at any time
- **At Morning Tea and Lunchtime;**
 - Queue **OUTSIDE** the toilet block not outside the stalls
 - Only enter when someone has left the through the main door



It is essential to maintain hygiene, privacy and safety for
ALL users of the Wharepaku - toilet area,
Thank you for RESPECTING the space

Tips to enjoy reading.

Are you someone who used to read but doesn't anymore, or wants to get into reading? Whatever your objective, here are some top tips to help you become a better reader.

- 1) It may seem obvious, but the goal should be to find pleasure in reading. Identify what type of book is suitable for your individual tastes, and seek them out! Your interests will evolve over time and so will the books that give you joy!
- 2) Find an appropriate environment for reading. Your surroundings can have a big impact on whether you can enjoy reading. Try putting technology aside - it's easy to be distracted by your phone. Make sure you are comfortable. The couch, your bedroom, even outside can offer you physical comfort while you read.
- 3) Think about the time you have available for reading. Try setting aside a sustainable period of time each day, even if it's only twenty minutes, to dedicate to reading.
- 4) Take advantage of the resources available. Books are everywhere if you know where to look! Waitakere College Library has a considerable collection and the librarians and your teachers are always eager to promote reading and to offer you any assistance you need! Auckland libraries, too, are free and have pretty much any book you could wish for.
- 5) Connect with others. Reading doesn't have to be solitary! Talking with others about books is a great way to share alternative perspectives, listen to people's reactions, and generally enhance the pleasure of reading.
- 6) Above all, HAVE FUN!!



It is the responsibility of students to know and follow all uniform regulations.

The College expects all students to be well behaved, courteous and appropriately dressed in full and correct uniform from the time they leave home for school, until they arrive home again. Waitākere College believes that well-groomed students, wearing uniform correctly shows respect and pride in themselves and their College.

- **The College reserves the right to decide on the acceptability of all items of uniform.**
- **No uniform may be altered without the permission of the College:** e.g. length of trousers must be covering the socks. No shortening of skirts or shorts or editing the 'style', by tapering etc.
- **Uniform which is unclean or in an unsatisfactory state will not be accepted.**
- **All non-uniform items may be impounded** and parents contacted for collection.
- **Students needing to temporarily wear any non-regulation item of uniform must bring a note explaining the situation** and report to the Student Centre to obtain a permit or loan items. Full, correct uniform is a priority.
- **Items other than those brands and styles listed in the prospectus/uniform leaflet will not be accepted.**

Wearing Uniform Correctly Means

- ✓ **It will be clean, tidy, unmarked and in good condition** (or be replaced).
- ✓ **Trousers and shorts must be at waist height, preferably. Skirts are not to be rolled up.**
- ✓ **T shirts must be plain white or the school PE shirt and only visible at the neck.** T shirts must not be visible past the sleeve or shirt length. Long sleeve tops can not be worn.
- ✓ **Shoes must be flat, clean, polish-able, plain black dress or school shoes of a style approved by the College.** (Full details are available from the Student Centre and Main Office). Lace up or slip on only, not buckle or Velcro fastenings. No casual, sports, canvas or suede styles. No two-tone, no colours, no high-tops/ankle boots, no logos or badging.
- ✓ **Shoes must be worn with half calf-length/ business socks in plain white, black or navy blue.** (Either black or flesh-toned sheer pantyhose or tights may also be worn with shoes, but not with sandals).
- ✓ **Roman sandals or single 'cross-over' sandals with a heel strap fitted correctly are acceptable.** Sandals must be black. Socks, full tights/pantyhose cannot be worn with sandals.
- ✓ **A school cap, bucket hat and scarf can be worn.** Not acceptable are beanies, non school caps, hoodies, non school coats etc (Scarves are not to be worn over the head.)
- ✓ **Year 13 Dress shirts must be worn with a tie, and must be tucked in.**

Suitable Grooming Means:

- ✓ **Hair should be neat, tidy and groomed with safety in mind** for many science, sport and technical subjects, hair must be tied back. Hair styles and colour must be conservative and of a natural hair colour. Clips, combs, ties and headbands must be plain and unobtrusive
- ✓ **Boys must be clean shaven.**
- ✓ **Ear piercings are permitted if they are plain gold or silver STUD earrings. For health and safety reasons; NO hoops or dangling earrings are permitted and will need to be removed.**
- ✓ **ONE SMALL STUD piercing is acceptable on the side of the nose. Nose rings, Any Bars, Stretchers, Septum, Eyebrow, Tongue or other visible piercings are NOT permitted at school and will need to be removed.**
- ✓ **No bangles, bracelets, beaded bracelets, tied bracelets, rings, or other exposed jewellery can be worn.**
- ✓ **A taonga or recognised culturally appropriate or religious symbol on a necklace, may be worn**
- ✓ **Any tattoo should be covered by normal uniform.** Any unacceptable symbol must be removed or covered.
- ✓ **Subtle and natural make-up and nail varnish can be worn at school.** (anything deemed not acceptable, students will be asked to remove)

If in doubt on any matter, parents are encouraged to contact the Student Centre, especially before purchasing items which may not be accepted. N.B. This particularly applies to shoes and piercings.

The College reserves the right to decide the acceptability of items of uniform, and standards of clean dress and grooming. Incorrectly dressed students may have non-compliant items impounded, and may have items loaned by the Student Centre, with an expectation that the uniform will be corrected before attending school the next day.

All items must be named and are students' own responsibility; the College accepts no liability for lost items. Uniform should be in good condition, not stained or ripped, and with all buttons in place.