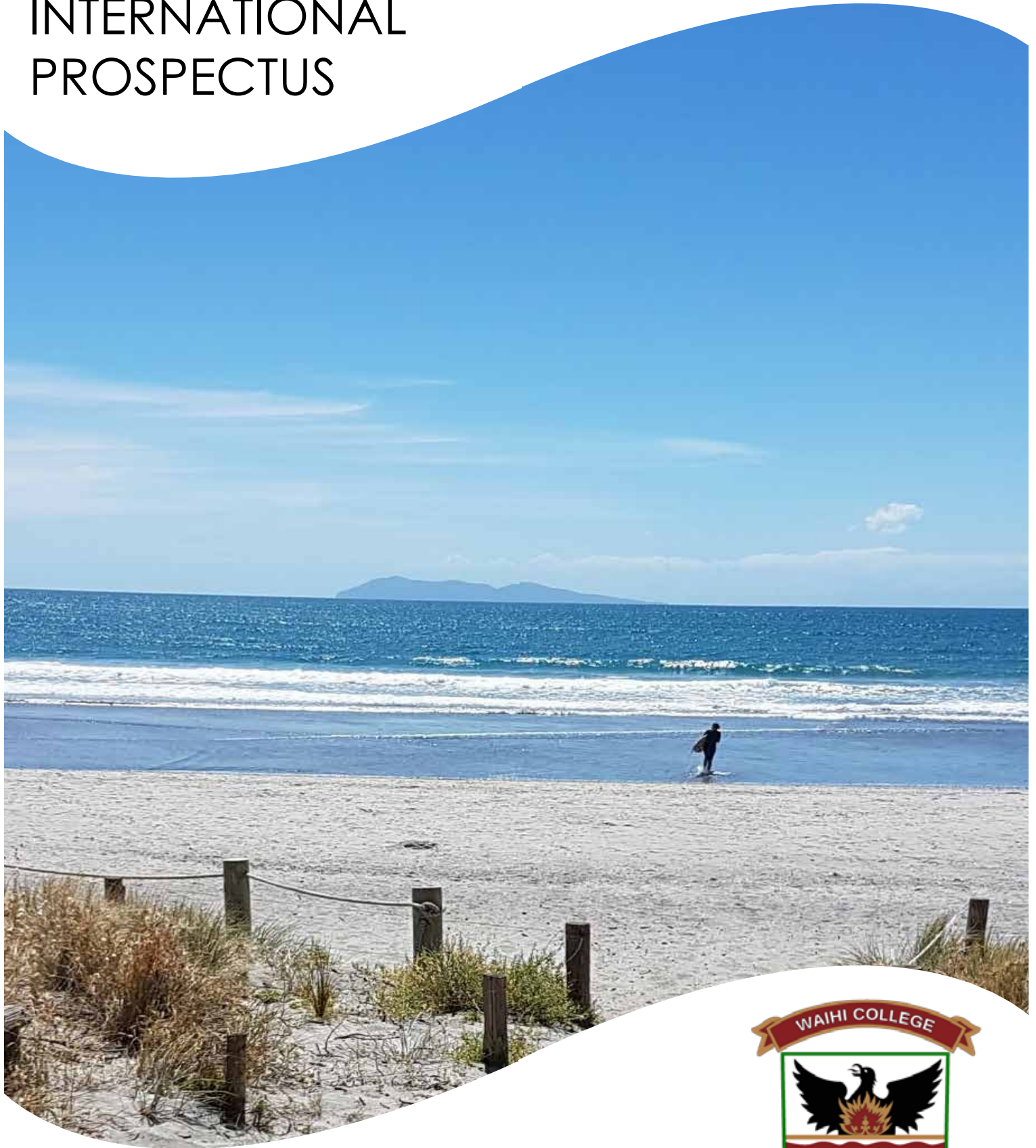


WAIHI COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS



Connecting Families, Sharing Cultures, Improving Learning

Nau mai, haere mai,

WELCOME TO WAIHI COLLEGE,

where we strive for excellence.

Co-educational | Ages 10 - 18 | Total Students: 700 | International Students: 25-35

Established in 1932, Waihi College is a 10 minute drive from stunning Waihi Beach and 45 minutes from the vibrant city of Tauranga. With this unique environment, we can offer a broad curriculum, both in and out of the classroom.

We encourage academic excellence with teachers at the top of their field and pride ourselves on developing confident, lifelong learners, who are well prepared for their future. With a roll of 700 students, we are big enough to offer great choices and small enough to be incredibly friendly.

Beautiful rural/seaside location

Outstanding outdoor education opportunities

Exceptional pastoral care



Diana Board
International Director



Lisa North
Homestay Manager

Waihi

Population: 4,500 | Climate: Temperate
Region: Waikato | Lifestyle: Rural

Less than 2 hours to Auckland Airport, 10 mins to Waihi Beach.

Waihi, New Zealand's "Heart of Gold", has a rich and fascinating history which includes over 100 years of goldmining. The region boasts a diverse range of businesses including tourism, dairy and dry-stock farming and manufacturing.

Waihi Beach

Population: 2,000 | Climate: Sub-tropical
Region: Bay of Plenty | Lifestyle: Seaside

Waihi Beach is situated 11km away in the sunny Bay of Plenty. It is nothing short of pure paradise and with its sub-tropical climate it is one of the most popular holiday destinations in New Zealand.



Facilities

Cultural / Arts

- Whare – Māori meeting house used for teaching Te Reo and Tikanga Māori
- Music/Drama Suite/Recording Studio

Technology

- Digital Technology Suite
- Catering/Textiles/Art/Photography/Woodwork /Automotive
- Science Laboratories – highly qualified teachers

Physical Education

- Gymnasium
- Swimming Pool (full size)
- Rugby and Soccer Fields
- Netball, Tennis and Basketball Courts
- Weights Room
- Mountain Bikes
- Kayaks

Farm Unit

- Farm and Kiwifruit Orchard
- Beekeeping
- Quad bikes and tractors

Transportation

- School Vans to assist education outside the classroom
- Free School Bus Service

Homestay and Pastoral Care

Living in a smaller community - we really know our families.

Waihi College values the safety, wellbeing and happiness of our international students very highly. With a fulltime Director and Homestay Manager on-site daily, we have the ability to provide excellent pastoral care and support to students and to their host families.

Waihi College is a signatory to the Education Code of Practice 2016 (Pastoral Care of International Students) and has been hosting international students for over 20 years.

Cultural Opportunities

- Kapahaka Performance Group
- Māori Language Classes
- Tikanga Māori Class
- Performing Arts Troupe

Language Education

- Te Reo Māori
- Multiple languages available through our Online Language Learning Class
- English - ESOL - IELTS



Your Learning

A New Zealand education helps students develop the skills for success, both today and tomorrow. Independent thinking is encouraged, innovation is celebrated, diverse perspectives are welcomed, and promising careers are created.

	Subjects	Year 10	Year 11 NCEA 1	Year 12 NCEA 2	Year 13 NCEA 3
ENGLISH	ESOL		●	●	●
	IELTS		●	●	●
	English	●	●	●	●
MATHS	Mathematics	●	●	●	●
	Calculus				●
	Statistics				●
SCIENCE	General Science	●	●		
	Biology			●	●
	Chemistry			●	●
	Physics			●	●
	Horticulture		●	●	
	Agriculture			●	●
	Animal Welfare	●	●	●	●
PHYS ED	Physical Education	●	●	●	●
	Outdoor Education	●	●	●	●
	Health Studies			●	●
SOCIAL SCIENCE	Accounting		●	●	●
	Geography		●	●	●
	History		●	●	●
	Tourism			●	●
	Social Studies	●			

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ART & LANGUAGES	Art	●	●	●	●
	Drama	●	●	●	●
	Music	●	●	●	●
	Painting		●	●	●
	Photography		●	●	●
	Media Design			●	●
	Te Reo Māori	●	●	●	●
	Tikanga Māori		●	●	●
	Online Language Courses	●	●	●	●
	TECHNOLOGY	Food Technology	●	●	
Textiles		●	●	●	●
Digital Technology		●	●	●	●
Building & Construction			●	●	●
Graphics			●	●	●
Home Economics					●
Product & Design					●
Hospitality				●	●

International students are permitted to choose subjects from more than one year. Placement in classed is subject to availability.



Sports	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Athletics	●			
Badminton		●	●	
Basketball		●	●	●
Cheerleading	●	●	●	●
Football		●	●	
Netball		●	●	
Rugby		●	●	
Squash	●	●	●	●
Surfing	●			●
Surf Club	●			●
Swimming	●			●
Tennis	●			●
Triathlon	●			●
Volleyball				●

Outdoor Education	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Abseiling				●
Adventure Based Learning	●			
Camping			●	
High Ropes			●	
Kayaking	●			
Mountain Biking		●	●	
Outdoor First Aid		●		
Rock Climbing				●
Tramping			●	
Scuba Diving				●
Surfing	●			

Trips and Activities

In addition to our Outdoor Education and End of Year Programmes, we offer a wonderful range of overnight and day activities for students. Some we organize ourselves and some are offered through our trusted local tour operators who specialize in holiday tours and trips for international students.

- Coromandel Tour
- Journey to Hobbiton
- Bay of Islands and Cape Reinga Tour
- Visit to White Island Volcano
- Black Water Rafting
- Waitomo Glowworm Caves
- Cultural Tour of Rotorua
- Tongariro Crossing
- Whitewater rafting
- Taupo Sky Diving and Bungy
- Auckland Shopping Trip
- Skiing and Snow Boarding

End of Year Programme

Waihi College offers one of the most exciting and comprehensive end of year programmes available in New Zealand schools. Waihi College teachers run the activities for the full four weeks of our senior exam leave in November and December. All activities include free travel, food and accommodation.

Technology Projects | Tongariro Crossing | Skydiving | Bungy Jumping | Hobbiton Farm Camp | Volcanic White Island | Cycle Camp | Kayaking | Scuba Diving Hahei and Hot Water Beach | Cathedral Cove | Overnight Bush Camps



Student Voice

"I am so happy that I chose to go on an exchange to New Zealand – I would not prefer any other country. It is the perfect choice if you want to go to a place with a hot (but not too hot) climate, opportunities for surfing and hiking, kind people, a relaxed lifestyle and beautiful nature."

- ASTRID, NORWAY

"All teachers and students of Waihi College are very kind and friendly so I could adapt myself into the new environment and made friends easily. I will never forget the beautiful nature from New Zealand and the New Zealand people. All the beaches, water and sky are very clean and blue."

- LUKE, KOREA

"I spent a year at Waihi College and it was the best time of my life! The school is so cool, I could choose from many different and interesting subjects which we don't have in Switzerland. The teachers were always helpful. The best thing was that we made many cool trips with the school where we could see all of the country and get heaps of experiences!"

- JANINE, SWITZERLAND

"My host family is really kind to me and always makes me happy. I can study many interesting things here. I can breathe fresh air and do sea sports. I LOVE NEW ZEALAND!"

- MAHIRO, JAPAN

"I had a lot of encounters with Māori culture and with the kiwi life, I saw how two completely different cultures learn how to live with each other and mixed together. I am so great full to every single person who made my dream come true."

- ANTONIA, CHILE

"Waihi College has an unbelievably friendly and committed International Department and offers convenient host families for everyone. There are heaps of different things to do around here and through school trips I got to see pretty much all of them. Never before have I received so many positive impressions at one time. Kiwi life is inspiring and everyone who has the opportunity to check it out should definitely do so!"

- MATTHIAS, GERMANY

"I left my family, my boyfriend, my whole life behind me, for my lifetime's journey, my whole life dream. It can be scary at some times but I will never regret it. I made things I would never do at home, I get out of my comfort zone, knew more cultures, appreciate them, get to know a fabulous place called New Zealand, and I wish it to everybody."

- MARIANA, FRANCE

I AM NEW

When students study in New Zealand, they grow as individuals, discover new perspectives, and achieve new outcomes. New Zealand is a place where new ideas come to life.





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