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# Waipara School

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being the best we can be  
ekea ka tiritiri o te moana



## DRESS UP DAY TERM THREE

We had a variety of outfits come to school on the Dress Up / Mufti Day last term. The fish and chips were well received and enjoyed by the children. Thanks to Vineyard Valley Food Cart for supplying these morsels, to Adie Moore for writing up the order and Bob Lyall for going and picking it up. Muchly appreciated.



## BOT Meeting

The next meeting of the Waipara School BOT will be Wednesday 27 October, 6.30pm in Kanuka – all parents are welcome to attend. The Board of Trustees members are: Nathn Trethowen, Deb Dellaway-Curtis (Chairperson), Barbara McLean, Scott Holland, Janaya Coxon-Smith, Farah Dingle and Di Officer.



### The chocolate fish kindly donated by the PTA have been awarded to:

Henri Morgan – an awesome effort with his artwork  
Thomas Hawkins – having a go at saying Maori words  
Saffy Curtis – being incredibly helpful in the classroom  
Alice Hoban – outstanding results in reading testing  
Astara Wallace-Jessep – showing determination in her learning and being aware of the feelings of others  
Pete Girdlestone – determined effort to improve his writing  
Kyla Trethowen – continuing to try and achieve her writing learning goals  
Toby Kirkus – enthusiasm and leadership in Performing Arts  
Sophie Barton – helpfulness, reliability and responsibility in the classroom  
Haidee Ottaway – ‘gold medal’ effort in Reading Olympics  
Isaac Northover – improving neatness in written activities  
Colton Berry - effervescence  
Adie Moore – thanks for writing up the fish and chip order  
Bob Lyall – thanks for going and getting the fish and chips  
JJ MacGregor – thanks for spraying the school grounds over the holidays  
Congratulations and well done to you all.

WAIPARA SCHOOL VALUE  
RESPECT  
MANAAKITANGA  
RESPECT FOR SELF, RESPECT FOR OTHERS  
AND RESPECT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

## IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARY FOR THIS TERM

(these dates and others are on our website calendar)

- Monday 18 October – school commences for Term Four and the dental nurses are on site for three or four days
- Friday 22 October – Pet Day
- Monday 25 October – Labour Day – school closed
- Tuesday 26 October – Leadership Camp presentation to the Glenmark Lions in the evening
- Saturday 30 October – Amberley Show
- Thursday 04 November – Small Schools' Athletics event at Waipara School – all day
- Friday 05 November – Waipara Fireworks event at the domain, 5.30pm onwards
- Tuesday 09 November – Small School Athletics event postponement
- Friday 12 November – Canterbury Anniversary day – school closed
- Monday 15 November – Kowai Athletics 4-6pm at the Amberley Domain
- Tuesday 16 November – postponement date of above event and the final PTA meeting for the year
- Monday 22 – Friday 26 November – Kanuka camp in Dunedin
- Tuesday 23 November – Sports' Spectacular event for Year 1-3 (pp 25 November)
- Wednesday 01 December – Canterbury Athletics event
- Thursday 02 December – Hurunui College Orientation Day for Year 8 children attending in 2022
- Wednesday 08 December – Kapa Haka Culmination Day in the Amberley Tin Shed
- Tuesday 14 December – Sports Day for Tarata and Kanuka
- Thursday 16 December – Big Day Out for Year 8
- Friday 17 December – school finishes for the year



## WAIPARA SCHOOL PTA

The next meeting of the Waipara School PTA will be held on Tuesday 16 November 2021, 7 pm in the Waipara Memorial Hall Supper Room. All parents are deemed to be members of the PTA and are welcome to attend this final meeting for the year. Platters will be supplied and BYO if you wish.



## FRIDAY NIGHT BASKETBALL COMPETITION

The FNCB competition has completed the grading games component and our Waipara Year 8 team posted a win against Fernside Flames. The Player of this Game was Lily-Rose Varnam. Their final game for the term was a loss against the Broomfield Swarms, with the Player of the Game being Lonacey Maaka. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions and unavailability of team members, the Year 5/6 team and the Year 3/4 miniball teams have yet to take the court. It is my understanding that both teams will be in business this term.



## WAIPARA SCHOOL OUT OF THIS WORLD (WOW) AWARD

Loki Harmon presented the WOW Award to Amiera Harmon for being good to him. Amiera presented it to Joseph Kuznetsov for being good at Buddy Reading and being kind. Congratulations Loki and Joseph.

## MATHLETICS

### THE MATHLETES TROPHIES

were awarded to these children scoring the highest number of points over the past two weeks:

Kanuka – Astara Wallace-Jessep  
Tarata – Zanthia MacGregor  
Harakeke – Hunter Halcrow  
Congratulations on winning these trophies!



Nature's beauty is a gift that cultivates appreciation and gratitude.



**PUMPKINS FOR SALE!**

A few beautiful, big, succulent pumpkins kindly donated by the Glenmark Lions to our school, for sale. \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Please order from Farah Dingle 027 829 7067.

Pai ake te iti i te kore rawatu

Little is better than nothing at all



A CHALLENGE FOR YOU

Smell nature



## **PET DAY – FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER – this Friday**

For those of you new to Pet Day, here is the organisation for the day. A Pet Day form has been sent home today. Could you please record the animal (s) that your children are intending to bring to Pet Day and return asap or by the Wednesday of the first week of term. I use this information to write up the judging sheets and organize the pens and dog tethers. Please note that children may enter only two entries in the inanimate section. During the morning, children are involved in making creations to be judged during the afternoon. To complete classroom activities, children need to bring to school (on the day) – fruit and vegetable items to make a vege/fruit model of something and additional small food items to decorate a slice of bread (the bread is provided...). Children will also be making a creation out of an egg carton so these can be gathered up and sent to school now to ensure we have enough for the 55 children. Two selected radishes can be sellotaped to a hunk of cardboard and named please. Lunch is at the earlier time of 12 noon and families are welcome to enjoy a picnic lunch in our grounds. Animals may arrive during the lunchtime, but need to be ready for judging at 1 pm. Would parents please ensure that animals have had the appropriate vaccinations to avoid the unnecessary spread of disease, prior to the day. During the course of the afternoon, animals and craft creations are judged and visitors may wander our school grounds viewing the children and their pets and admiring the classroom creations. Children bringing a lamb may also bring a bottle of milk, to compete in the 'Suck Off' race. Children may also enter the best-dressed pet section. This can be any animal pet that has entered and will conclude the Pet Day with a parade of animals in their garments. At about 2.15pm, certificates, ribbons and the Warren Champion Trophy, for the most points gained with placings on Pet Day, will be awarded to prizewinners and afternoon tea will follow. Could all families please bring a plate of food for the adults' afternoon tea. Our PTA kindly provides afternoon tea for the children. Help required to wash and dry dishes at the conclusion of the afternoon would be appreciated. The weather is a little unsettled at this time of the year and we have had wet Pet Days (or patches of them!) in the past. Pet Day will be held wet or fine, so send your children with jackets and gumboots and we will tough it out. It's too hard to postpone. Fingers crossed for a sunny day...see you all there. Please contact me should you have any questions about the organisation for the day. It is always a wonderful day of animals, children and our community. See you there! And if the sun shines, it's even better!!



If there are any children in Harakeke or Tarata who are interested in learning cricket skills, please contact James Hoban 0272 511 986.



## **LEADERSHIP CAMP PRESENTATION TO THE GLENMARK LIONS**

**TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER, VENUE TO BE ADVISED**

Lily-Rose, Ashima, Aria and Riley have a date to present their Leadership Camp presentation to the Glenmark Lions on the above date, and I can't remember the venue. It was going to be the Amberley Bowling Club last time ☺ I will check. It's at 6.30pm (children to be there at 6.15pm please) and should last about 20 minutes. I can take your child if that is helpful. Mr Stone is going to come in this Thursday to check with the children that all is in order for this evening. Then we will get this out of our life!



## **THE SAFETY OF WAIPARA SCHOOL CHILDREN**

The BOT have just completed their Annual Health and Safety Audit where all aspects of our school's operation are looked at closely. One area that is consistently highlighted for action is the nature of parents parking to uplift children, particularly at the end of the school day, and more particularly on wet days!! Could parents please ensure that cars are parked on the school side of the road for dropping off and picking up children. When children do not have to cross the road to access vehicles, it is much safer. Over the years, we have a few near misses and I would hate that we have a hit!!! Please park in the school carpark and get out of your car to come and uplift your child. If you find that you have to park on the other side of the road, please get out of your vehicle to safely ensure your child's passage across the road. Children's safety is paramount and we as adults, provide the model. Three o'clock and just after is bedlam. We adults can make this better. Thank you for ensuring the safety of all children in our school.

# **The Black Death claimed 40 million lives in the thirteenth century.**

## **KANUKA READING OLYMPICS' CHALLENGE**

Kanuka were set the challenge to read for as much time as possible during last term for this challenge and Whitcoulls vouchers were kindly presented to the following children, in assembly, for their achievements:

1<sup>st</sup> = Haidee Ottaway and Astara Wallace-Jessep  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Eden Trethowen and Toby Kirkus  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Hannah Northover, Ashima MacFarlane, Hamish McGuckin and Lily-Rose Varnam

Congratulations to you all and thank you for your generosity Mrs. McLean ☺

## **KANUKA CAMP FEE NOW DUE**

Your Kanuka child's \$100 for this year's camp to Dunedin is due – could this amount be paid as soon as you are able, but before the camp as we are already incurring expenses ☺ Families may pay by cheque, with cash or our bank account details are: 03 1582 0014553 00. Thanks in advance.





**Protect your whānau**  
Even on a cloudy day you  
can get skin damage



**DENTAL TRUCK TO VISIT WAIPARA  
SCHOOL FOR CHECKING OF CHILDREN'S  
TEETH!**

The Dental Nurses' visit will take place during Monday 18 – Wednesday 20 October. The dental nurses peer into the children's mouths and make an assessment of what they see. If your child needs any work, then you will be notified and can make an appointment to visit the dental facility (truck!) based at Amberley School. Our children usually have a good track record 😊 Well done for ensuring great dental care!



**DOOR SALES \$6**  
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**Christchurch**  
**HAERE-ROA (UNL 90 ILAM RD)**  
10am-4pm · SUNDAY, 7 NOVEMBER

**VEGAIN!**  
**EXPO** 2021

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**WAIPARA SCHOOL PTA FUNDRAISER  
FIREWORKS EVENT (to be held if we are in Alert Level One ;)  
FRIDAY 05 NOVEMBER, 2021  
(postponement Saturday 06 November)**

The PTA once again, are going to be selling glow products at the Waipara Fireworks events and need helpers to help sell the goodies during the course of the evening. Below is a roster on which to add your name. Many hands make light work. We will need three or four people on per 45 minute session. Please give consideration to availing yourself. You are working for the children of our school. Please send this form back or email me of your availability.

In appreciation,  
Di Officer

| <b>ROSTER TO MAN THE PTA STALL AT THE FIREWORKS EVENT</b> |  |
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| 5.30 – 6.15pm   |  |
| 6.15 – 7.00pm   |  |
| 7.00 – 7.45pm   |  |
| 7.45 – 8.30pm   |  |

**HOMEWORK THIS TERM**

Thanks to those of you who responded to the homework survey prior to lockdown last term!!!! The comments made on the surveys received alluded to the fact that children have other commitments after school or are too tired to be doing more school work. The teachers and I have decided that there will be no homework set, other than reading for Harakeke children and some Tarata children for this term. We will send out another survey at the end of this term to gauge parents' thoughts moving forward.

**TREES TO BE PLANTED AT THE GLENMARK CEMETERY**

The Waipara Residents' and District Association and Glenmark Reserves' Committee have received a request to remove some trees and replace them in the Glenmark Cemetery. The public are cordially invited to come to our next WDRA/GRC meeting to give comments about this. It will be held in the Waipara Memorial Hall Supper Room on Wednesday 3 November, 7.30pm. All community members are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Alistair Malcolm 021 321 259.

