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# Waipara School

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



## WAIPARA SCHOOL PET DAY

Thank you for everything done by parents in supporting our annual Pet Day at the end of the first week of this term! No mean feat to catch the animals, secure them, transport them and sit with them whilst your child and the pet was judged. Thanks to our judges – Jack and Catherine Burrows, Fiona and Paul harris, Paul Gibson and Kay Marriott, Bob and Wendy Lyall, Julie Green, Pamela Burrows, Isobel Whyte and Pat Corbett, who gave so willingly of their time. T'was a great day. I forgot to say on the day, that the artworks, that would have been sent to the Amberley Show, were judged by Pam Burrows at school. These are still hanging in the Kanuka classroom and in the corridor if you would like to view.





## BOT Meeting

The next meeting of the Waipara School BOT will be Thursday 25 November, 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:

Hunter Halcrow - thanks for bringing extra wheels on Wheels Day

Joseph Kuznetsov - thanks for bringing extra wheels on Wheels Day

Hannah Kuznetsov – thanks for bringing extra wheels on Wheels Day

Pete Girdlestone – fantastic persuasive writing

Mielah MacGregor – being a great example in maths

Toby Kirkus – thanks for dunging this last week

Toby Coxon – great effort with discus during athletics' practice

Izabella Avillanosa – making an enthusiastic effort with reading, particularly in understanding her reading

And to these wonderful parents, children and community members:

Gail Morgan – thanks for putting new zips in polar fleeces

Greg and Dylan Curtis and Riley Girdlestone – thanks for sound system assistance!

Pamela Burrows – thanks for judging our Amberley show artworks

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)

- Thursday 04 November – Athletics event at Waipara School – from 11.30am
- Friday 05 November – **Waipara Fireworks event at the domain, 5.30pm onwards - cancelled**
- Tuesday 09 November – Waipara School Athletics event postponement
- Friday 12 November – Canterbury Anniversary day – school closed
- Monday 15 November – a visit by the NZ Army band in the afternoon and maybe the Kowai Athletics 4-6pm at the Amberley Domain?
- Tuesday 16 November – postponement date of the above athletics 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)?
- Friday 26 November – Orientation Day for those attending Rangiora High School in 2022
- 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 started competitive games and our Waipara Year 8 team posted a win against Fernside Lakers. This last week, the team posted another win against Swannanoa with the Player of the Game being Toby Coxon. The Year 5/6 3x3 basketballers and the Year 3/4 miniballers are having a blast in their competitions.



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

Joseph Kuznetsov presented the WOW Award to Arina Kuznetsov for being really nice. Congratulations Arina.

## MATHLETICS

**THE MATHLETES TROPHIES** were awarded to these children scoring the highest number of points since the beginning of the holidays:

- Kanuka – Joe Sidey
- Tarata – Zanthia MacGregor
- Harakeke – Hannah Kuznetsov

Congratulations on winning these trophies!



**Never let the things you want make you forget the things you have.**



**Mate atu he tetekura,  
ka whakaeke mai he  
tetekura**

**As one frond perishes,  
another grows in its  
place**

### ***WAIPARA SCHOOL BUS 2022 and beyond.....***

*The Ministry of Education – School Transport currently provides a daily funded bus route for Waipara School. This currently meets their policy which states you must have 8 or more eligible students for the run to remain in place and within these numbers, there must be 4 or more students down a road or within a close proximity to take the bus into that area. Our projected enrolment numbers for 2022 could mean this Ministry funded service be terminated in 2022 after a consultation process is completed during this term. The Regional Transport Advisor for Canterbury, Craig Reynolds has commenced this process with the school after reviewing our School Transport eligible enrolment numbers for 2022. These numbers may change pending a change to our enrolments over Term 4 and the holiday period.*

*If you have any feedback regarding our school bus service, please email the school at: [waipara@xtra.co.nz](mailto:waipara@xtra.co.nz) or feel free to contact Craig Reynolds at: [st.canterbury@education.govt.nz](mailto:st.canterbury@education.govt.nz)*

## Information about the COVID-19 Required Vaccinations Order

As at **11.59pm on Monday 25 October** the COVID-19 Public Health Response Order for Mandatory Vaccinations for Education came into effect.

Everyone who works for a school or kura who may have contact with children or students or will be present at a time when children and students are also present must have had a **first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine by 15 November and be fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022.**

From 1 January 2022, schools and kura must only allow those that are fully vaccinated to provide onsite services.

This includes:

- principals
- teachers
- relief teachers and casual staff
- administration staff
- caretakers and cleaners
- contractors and other tradespeople
- service managers
- caregivers and other staff.

It also includes unpaid workers, such as volunteers and any members of the community who are regularly on site during a time when children and students may be present. Throughout this guidance we have used the term staff member to refer to paid staff members, unpaid workers, volunteers, contractors and other workers at your school or kura.

The vaccination requirements apply wherever in person schooling occurs, such as on the school site, but also at school camps, swimming pools, museums, or where other education outside the classroom (EOTC) programmes take place. This means that both school staff and volunteers who are involved in EOTC should have had a first vaccination by 15 November and be fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022.

The vaccination requirements **do not apply** to those who are performing services remotely, or who are onsite only when children and students are not present (such as a contractor who is performing maintenance during the weekend or over a term break).

So, for our school it means our staff, those doing school lunches, the RE teachers and the parent helpers going on school camp...at this stage.....Could you please let me know of your vaccination status, if you have volunteered for any of these roles after the 15 November.....please.....I have no idea what it means for parents waiting at the school gate or even attending our school prize giving at the end of the year!!!! Hopefully, there will be a little more clarity around this as we go, because it is unclear at the moment.....I would hate to think that parents would be precluded from attending school events because of their vaccination status but it does appear that way.....and the bottom line is to keep children (and others) safe. Please contact me if you wish to make a comment about this.....It is a government directive.  
Thanks.

**A CHALLENGE FOR  
YOU**  
**Cook on a campfire**

**A humpback  
whale's milk is 54  
per cent fat.**

## 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.



## SCHOOL PHOTOS VIA PHOTO LIFE

I have had an email from Photo Life regarding the school photos that were taken recently. They requested that I send them the email addresses of all parents so they can email you the key code that will allow you to hop onto the website and view and purchase the photos, so look for that in your inbox soon. All of the dealings are done online and the whole deal is independent of our school, although they do give us a percentage of the sales....no pressure here! Do what you want to do... ☺

## 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.





A banner for the Vegetarian Expo 2021. The banner is white with a blue and green striped border. The text "VEGETARIAN EXPO 2021" is written in large, bold, blue and green letters. To the left of the banner, there is a blue circular area containing the following text: "DOOR SALES \$6 PRE-SALES \$5 Celebrating our 14th year of Expos! Christchurch HAERE-ROA (UNL 90 ILAM RD) 10am-4pm SUNDAY, 7 NOVEMBER". To the right of the banner, there is a blue area containing the following text: "A scrumptious plant-based national food and lifestyle expo with inspirational speakers, green living ideas and cruelty free stores. Come join the revolution!".

### **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.



## **WAIPARA SCHOOL ATHLETICS' DAY THIS THURSDAY 4 NOVEMBER**

With being in the current Alert Level, both Broomfield and Omihi Schools will be hosting their own athletics' events in their own schools. That leaves Waipara School to have their own ☺ We have decided to include all of the children in all of the events, in some form or another for the younger children. We will be recording the results for the Year 4-8 children particularly, because these results will count if the Kowai or Canterbury events are held.....Not sure how any of this will work, but at least if we have data, we can forward this on to whomever may want it!!! The day will commence at 11.30am with the long distance race and then the children will rotate around the various throwing and jumping activities. The event will conclude with relays at 2.10pm ish! Parents are more than welcome to come in and watch the children in action. Hand sanitiser, masks and sign ins at the gate. Timetable below.

### **WAIPARA SCHOOL ATHLETICS TIMETABLE 2021**

	<b>Year Zero/One</b>	<b>Year Two and Three</b>	<b>Year Four and Five</b>	<b>Year Six and Seven</b>	<b>Year Eight</b>
<b>11.30am</b>	Distance Race for all children				
<b>Round 1 12.10</b>	high jump	long jump	discus	sprints	shot put
<b>12.30pm</b>	Lunch				
<b>Round 2 12.50pm</b>	shot put	high jump	long jump	discus	sprints
<b>Round 3 1.10pm</b>	sprints	shot put	high jump	long jump	discus
<b>Round 4 1.30pm</b>	discus	sprints	shot put	high jump	long jump
<b>Round 5 1.50pm</b>	long jump	discus	sprints	shot put	high jump
<b>2.10 pm</b>	Relays				

## **THEFTS OF BIKES**

Unfortunately bike theft remains an ongoing issue across Canterbury Communities. The on-set of warmer weather often leads to an increase in this offending and Police would like to remind people to be proactive with their bike security. Attached is a guide of simple steps people can take to reduce their chance of being victimised – this includes:

- using quality locks
- recording serial numbers
- selecting safe locking locations.

Further to this, Christchurch Police have released a video highlighting useful information when considering bike locks and insight from dealing with offenders - link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VrkX-kN3ww8>

### **KATE VALLEY LANDFILL COMMUNITY TRUST APPLICATIONS**

Each year, our school makes an application to the above trust for funding to purchase extra items for our school, that can't be covered by our Operations Funding allocation. If you have any ideas on what we could apply for, please let me know. Good to have a variety of things.....



