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



HAMISH IN ACTION!!!

Jumping his personal best of 133cms on our Athletics Day! And running and throwing himself into the record book! What a great day had by all who competed and thanks so much if you came and watched the spectacle. The weather was a little dodgy, in as far as the grounds were a little damp, by start time, but the little sun we did have managed to dry the grass out enough to make a day of it. Business as usual for Waipara School in Alert Level Two! The Kowai athletics' event is not being held and I doubt that Canterbury will either....



Pete in action.



BOT Meeting

The next meeting of the Waipara School BOT will be this Thursday 18 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:

Natalie Preddy – being a great citizen of our school and always looking out for others, especially the younger members of our kura

Nate Hurinui – telling us about the weather without any prompting

Ava Rockhouse – welcome to Waipara School

Ashima MacFarlane – putting 100% effort into all aspects of school life

Jack Dingle – amazing growth mindset in Maths

Alex Berry – comprehensive and well presented book review and to these wonderful parents and community members:

Dugald McLean, Pete Grigg and Bob Lyall – thanks so much for helping out on Athletics Day, assisting in making it the success that it was!

Congratulations and well done to you all.

Could all of the cups and trophies presented at last year's prize giving please be returned so that I can get them to the engraver. Thank you in advance.

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 15 November – manual finishes and a visit by the NZ Army band in the afternoon
- Tuesday 16 November – school trip to the Waipara River to do investigations and the final PTA meeting for the year in the evening
- Monday 22 – Friday 26 November – Kanuka camp in Dunedin
- 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 – Fun Sports Day for Tarata and Kanuka – golf and swimming
- Thursday 16 December – Big Day Out for Year 8
- Friday 17 December – school finishes for the year

NEW ENTRANT INTO WAIPARA SCHOOL

Ava Rockhouse started school recently, bring Harakeke's numbers to 20 and the school roll to 56. Ava lives with her mother, Sarah, father, Brandon and sister Dixielee in Glenmark Drive. Welcome!!



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 continues with the competitive games and our Waipara Year 8 team posted a win last week with a default from the opposing team. The Year 5/6 3x3 basketballers and the Year 3/4 miniballers are still having a blast in their competitions. Marco, Saffy and Maybellina have been named Players of the Miniball Games. Thanks to parents who continue to support our children, even if it is just peering through the windows of the venues in which the children are playing! I haven't made an application to the Rural Sporting Trust Fund to assist you with travelling expenses. I think that's just a once a year thing 😊



WAIPARA SCHOOL OUT OF THIS WORLD (WOW) AWARD

Amiera Harmon presented the WOW Award to Astara Wallace-Jessep for being nice and kind. Congratulations Astara.



THE MATHLETES TROPHIES

were awarded to these children scoring the highest number of points in the past week:

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



Walk as if you are kissing the earth with your feet.



Toitu te whenua,
whatungarongaro he tangata

The land remains when the people have disappeared

We must look after it and our waterways!

A CHALLENGE FOR YOU
Stay overnight in a tent

KANUKA CAMP FEE NOW DUE

Three Kanuka children have yet to pay the \$100 for this year's camp to Dunedin – could this amount be paid as soon as you are able, but before the camp as we are already incurring expenses © Families may pay with cash or our bank account details are: 03 1582 0014553 00. Thanks to those of you who have paid this.



Most lipsticks contain fish scales.



WAITAHA WAI – AN INQUIRY INTO OUR LOCAL WAIPARA RIVER

This study has been on the cards for a while at Waipara School but with lockdowns and one thing and another, we are finally getting around to investigating the river and its environs. At the end of the study, we hope that children will have an awareness of the importance of water, the ways in which our actions have an effect on waterways, how students can make a difference and ways they can minimise water pollution. This study may hop into 2022.

Tomorrow, the whole school will venture to the river to carry out the first part of the investigation. We are being ably assisted by Jocelyn Papprell from ECan, who came to school last week and briefed the children on the catchment and some of the wildlife we will try and seek out at the river. Harakeke and the Year 3 children from Tarata will travel to the river in the Amberley Community bus between 11.20 and 12.45pm. Kanuka and the Year 4/5 Tarata children will do same in the afternoon. We are looking forward to this practical hands on mahi to learn about the health of our river and decide how we can help it.



Hannah in action.

CAVENDISH CARPET CARE

Are coming to clean the school carpets on Monday 20 December in the morning. There are some afternoon slots available if anyone would like their carpets cleaned before Christmas. Please phone Janine on 0800 333 181.



Sophie in action.

