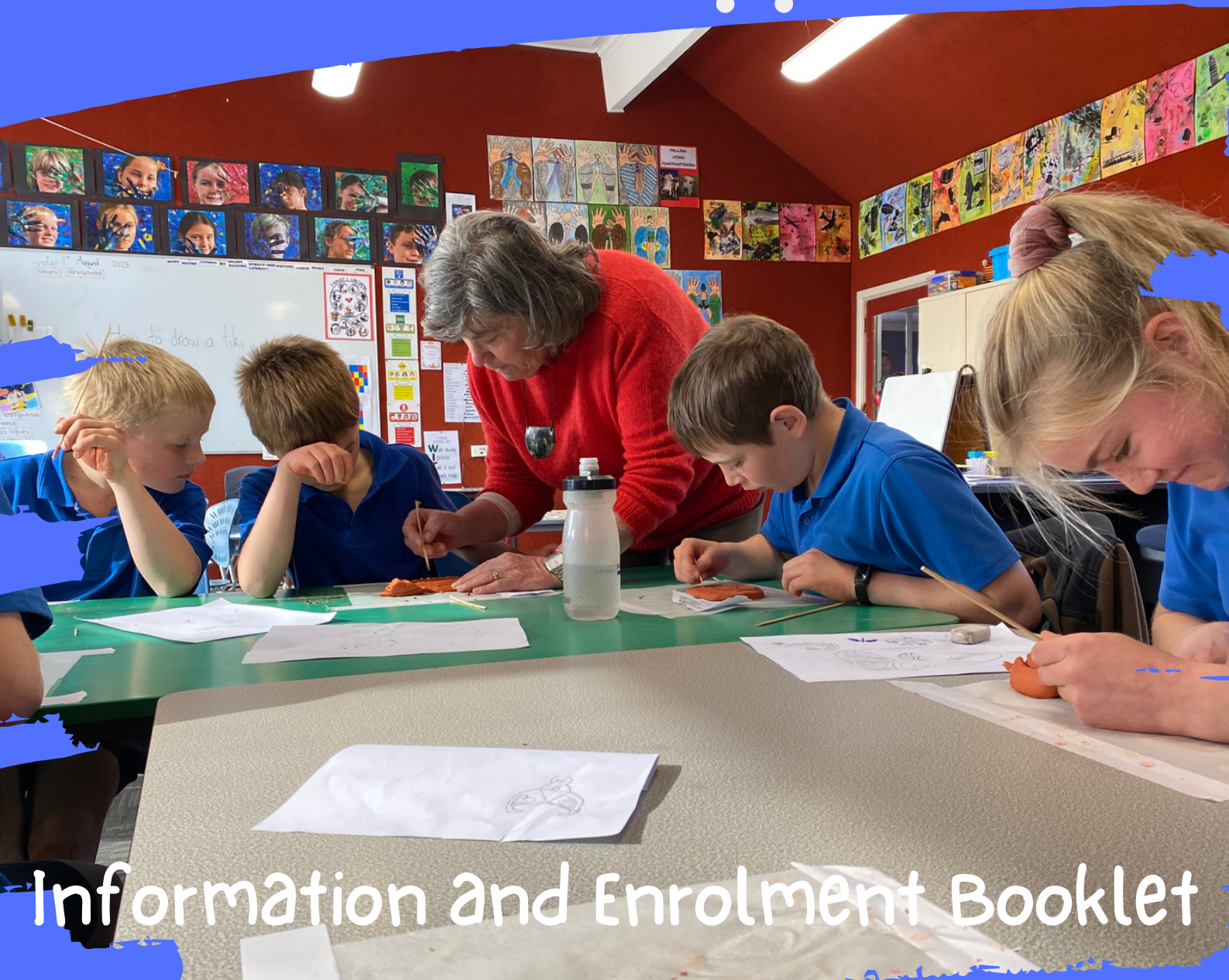


Waikari School

Confident, Respectful, Curious Kids



Information and Enrolment Booklet

Nau mai Haere mai



It is a pleasure to welcome you to Waikari School and have you join our school whānau. Our aim is to provide an education where all children are able to develop into, well-rounded and resilient young people who are capable of dealing with an ever-changing world.

We are a small team of committed and dedicated teachers, with a supportive Board of Trustees. Our FAST (fundraising and social team) build strong connections with whanau to help support the school.

Waikari School is an extremely well-resourced rural school, with both classrooms having low student numbers and access to Teacher Aids. This means that your tamariki spend more quality time with a teacher or teacher aid participating in structured, explicit instruction. Both classrooms have recently undergone upgrades and integrate digital technologies. The school is set on a terraced hill making for a lovely setting and many different play spaces and a school pool.

Our school's PRIDE Values are at the centre of our teaching and learning - Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Difference and Excellence. We provide opportunities for our students to put these values into action, inside and outside the classroom.

Waikari School has connections with Greta Valley, Hurunui College and Waipara School, and often join together for school events. We are also apart of the Tipu Maia Community of Learning - <https://www.tipumaia.school.nz/> and work together with these schools to learn and succeed.

We hope this book answers all your questions, encourages you to get involved in our school community and makes you feel welcome.

If you do have any questions or would like to book a tour of our school please do not hesitate to make contact.

Nga mihi nui,

Phoebe Todd
Principal

03 314 4250
office@waikari.school.nz



Transition to Waikari School



We want your child's transition to Waikari School to be a success. To support that we have a proven transition process established.

New Entrant Transition

<p>Before School</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Entrants are encouraged to make several school visits before their 5th birthday to help transition from preschool to school as smooth, happy and positive as possible.• Kerry Florence (junior room teacher) will be in touch about a time to do some transition visits to our Kura.
<p>During your Visits Your child will</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meet the staff in the classroom Mrs Florence, Mrs Vicki & Miss Todd• Connect with friends and make new friends• Be given a buddy to support them in the class and in the playground• Begin to learn morning routines and where things are put before school• Begin to learn expectations during mat time• Find out what the class leader job is how they will know when it their turn• Start to learn about our school's PRIDE values• Explore and engage in the many activities provided• Have an opportunity to play outside in the playground






Year 2-8 Transition

If you wish for your child to have a school visit prior to beginning please contact the office at office@waikari.school.nz



Tips for a successful start to school



<p>Oral Language</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Talk positively about starting school and some experiences they might have• Encourage them to talk about their feelings• Practice saying "I need to go to the toilet"• Encourage them to ask for help if they need it.
<p>Encouraging Independence</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allow your child to be responsible for their belongings, i.e putting their bag and book bag away• Getting dressed in the morning• Practice putting their swimming togs on and off• Practice putting their shoes on and off.• Independently go to the toilet• Manage my crayons, pens and pencils
<p>Fine and Gross Motor Skills</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Throw and catch a ball• Handle Scissors• Run, Jump and Skip
<p>Learning Behaviours</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get enough sleep (approx 10-12 hours)• Share and take turns• Blow their own nose• Sit down for a short period of time and listen• Follow simple instructions
<p>Literacy</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognise their name• Know the letters of the alphabet and letter sounds• Hold a pencil• Write their name
<p>Maths</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Count to 10 and recognise numbers to 10• Name basic shapes and colours

Waikari School Uniform



Waikari School Uniform can be purchased through The Warehouse (Schooltex) it is unbranded). Merino ware can be purchased through True Fleece - truefleece.co.nz Second Hand uniform is also available in our school office

Top Options

- Sunhat to be worn in Summer Terms (Term 1 and 4)
- Royal Blue polo Shirt
- Royal Blue Long Sleeve Shirt
- Navy Polar Fleece/Sweatshirt/Wollen Jersey
- Marino cardigan or top
- Navy thermal



Bottom Options

- Navy Shorts
- Navy Skorts
- Navy Trackpants
- Navy/Black socks/stockings



Other

- Royal Blue Gingham Dress (with or without white collar)



Waikari School has a NO jewellery policy - Jewellery is not to be worn unless of cultural or religious significance. With the exception of small sleeper or stud earrings

Waikari School Staff



Phoebe Todd is our Principal (Tumuaki). She is a visionary leader with a strong commitment to providing the best possible education for all students. She is passionate about building relationships with students, families, and the wider community.

Kerry Florance (Weka Class Teacher) is a passionate and experienced teacher with a strong focus on student engagement and achievement. She is passionate about creating a positive and supportive learning environment where all students can thrive.

Debra Lydon (Kea Class Teacher) is a dedicated and caring teacher with a wealth of experience in education. She is committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment where young learners can develop their love of learning.

Caryn Hunt is a versatile and valuable member of the Waikari School team. She juggles her roles as Office Administrator, Bus Driver, and Teacher Aide with expertise and dedication. She is always willing to go the extra mile to support the students and staff of Waikari School.

Vicky Charles is a kind and supportive Teacher Aide who is always there to lend a helping hand. She is passionate about helping all students reach their full potential.

Kevin Beach is our hardworking Caretaker who keeps the school grounds and buildings in tip-top shape. He is always there to help out with whatever is needed, and he is always friendly and welcoming.

Stationary



Kea Room Year 5-8

1x	Warwick Hard Cover 2B6 (red)
2x	Warwick Soft Cover 118 (Pink)
1x	Maths Exerise Book - Pangaroa 2 Rua (Red) Year 5-8
2x	Blue Pens
1x	Green Highlighter
1x	Black Vivid
1x	Ruler
2x	HB Pencils
1x	Rubber
1x	Gluestick
1x	Pencil Sharpner
	*All to be inside a named pencil case

All stationary can be purchased from OfficeMax online, other supplies wont stocked all items. This should be enough to last the entire year. Students are welcome to use any previous unfinished stationary. Please clearly name all stationary.



All Years in Weka Room

1x	Book Bag 330x360 (no teal coloured)
1x	Named pencil case
3x	HB Pencils (not triangle)
1x	Pencil Sharpener
1x	White Pencil Eraser
1x	30cm Ruler
2x	Good quality fine tip whiteboard marker
2x	Glue sticks (Amos green & yellow are the best)

Weka Room NE & Year 1

2x	Plain Scrapbook (The Big Book)
1x	Writing Book 14mm (Clever Kiwi Brand 15mm lines with dotted mid line and half a page for drawing up the top of each page) JWB (with handwriting lines)
2x	Homework Folder - Display Clearfile with insert front cover (20 pages)
1x	

Weka Room Year 2

2x	Plain Scrapbook (The Big Book)
4x	JWB (with 14mm lines with dotted mid line)
1x	Homework Folder - Display Clearfile with insert front cover (20 pages)

Weka Room Year 3-4

2x	Plain Scrapbook (The Big Book)
2x	115 (9mm ruled lines)
2x	Maths Scrapbooks (Clever Kiwi Brand - Fun doing Maths 1)
1x	Homework Folder - Display Clearfile with insert front cover (20 pages)

Positive Behaviour for Learning



Waikari Schools PRIDE values are at the core of what and how we teach and behave at Waikari School. We show PRIDE in all that we do

- We explicitly teach these values during Flocktime (Monday morning hui).
- Each value has a series of behaviour goals which we explicitly teach.
- We award certificates each week which align with the specific value being taught.
- We have a PB4L reward system that rewards students when they display the taught value in the classroom and playground.
- Year 7 & 8 students take on leadership around the school.

OUR PERSEVERANCE GOALS

Keep trying even when it gets tough (resilience)

Be brave

Use your Growth Mindset and have a positive attitude

React to the size of your problem...

Use THINK before you speak

THE ZONES OF REGULATION:

- RED ZONE: High alert, high energy, high intensity
- YELLOW ZONE: Alert, focused, engaged
- GREEN ZONE: Calm, relaxed, ready to learn
- BLUE ZONE: Disengaged, low energy, low intensity

How Big is My Problem?

- 1. Problem Solving
- 2. Problem Solving
- 3. Problem Solving
- 4. Problem Solving
- 5. Problem Solving
- 6. Problem Solving
- 7. Problem Solving
- 8. Problem Solving
- 9. Problem Solving
- 10. Problem Solving

Self-regulate using the Zones of Regulation

WALK DAILY GROW TALK IT OUT SEEK HELP

Use your W.I.T.S

PERSEVERANCE

OUR INTEGRITY GOALS

Do the right thing even when no ones looking

Use appropriate language and voice level

Look after & share school equipment

Use Kind Words, Kind Hands & Kind Feet

WALK DAILY GROW TALK IT OUT SEEK HELP

Use your W.I.T.S

INTEGRITY

OUR EXCELLENCE GOALS

Always do & be your best

Year 7 & 8 students be leaders

Take turns

Try your hardest

Try new things - be curious

EXCELLENCE

OUR RESPECT GOALS

Look after ourselves, others & the environment

Listen to others

Ask to use & return others belongings

Be aware of others personal space

Use your manners

Use Kind Words, Kind Hands & Kind Feet

RESPECT

OUR DIFFERENCE GOALS

Make a difference - a change that will inspire

Be an upstander not a bystander

Support each other with encouraging words & actions

Help others when they need it

Be a good role model

DIFFERENCE

Communication & Reports



Hero

Is a free downloadable app for Android and Apple phones. This is how our school communicates its school messages, newsletters, dates, reports and appointments. This is an essential download for all families as it is our main form of communication. When downloaded make sure to select Waikari School.



Newsletters

Are released every second Thursday. These are online newsletters (using the website Smore) which will be emailed to you, and accessed through the Skoolloop app. Community newsletters are printed and sent home with children on the last Thursday of each Term.

Website

Our school website includes key information about enrolment, newsletters and the day-to-day running of our school. - This is in the process of an upgrade so watch this space.
www.waikari.school.nz

Contact

Office - office@waikari.school.nz
Principal - principal@waikari.school.nz
BoT - presidingmember@waikari.school.nz
Phone - 03 314 4250
Principals Cellphone - 02040232067



Assemblies

Occur twice a term on a Thursday usually in week 5 or 10. Keep a look out on the website and in the newsletter for dates.

Reports

Students receive school reports twice a year which contain teachers' assessments and comments. These are digital and accessed through the Hero app. We have parent-teacher interviews and Open Days throughout the year to come and connect with your child's teacher and see their learning in action.

General Information



Absence

If your child is absent please phone the school office before 9am
03 314 4250 or complete the absentee form on Skoolloop.

Medical Procedure

if your child is unwell or has an accident - Caryn is a registered first aider and will administer first aid. You will be phoned if pain relief is going to be administered or it is severe.

Swimming

We are lucky enough to have a school pool onsite. During Term 1 & 4 we ask students to bring their swimming togs to school as teachers deliver swimming lessons as part of the New Zealand curriculum.

Bus Travel

We have a school bus which is able to pick up children who live in our school bus allocated zone rurally - you will be contacted if your address is within this zone.

Expenses/Family Accounts

We are a cash-free school - therefore you will receive an invoice for school stationery at the beginning of the school year and end of each school term. Our school account number is 03-0855-0467992-00.

School Policies

Waikari School uses SchoolDocs to review our school policies and procedures. All school policies are available to be viewed on the SchoolDocs website.

<https://waikari.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

Username: waikari

password: pride

School Closure

If school is closed due to an unlikely event you will be phoned by a staff member.

Specific Learning Needs

At Waikari School we cater for all student needs - if your child does have a specific need please make contact with us so that we can devise a plan.

School Timetable

9-10:45	10:45-11:10	11:10-12:45	12:45-1:10	1:10-3:00
First Learning Block - Numeracy	Morning Tea & Play	Second Learning Block - Literacy	Lunch & Play	Third Learning Block - Inquiry

