

# WAIKARI SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## TERM 3, 2024

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Kia ora e te whānau,

It is with great pride that I sit down and write this newsletter today, after our performance last night. I am beyond proud of the hard work, dedication and courage our students showed. It is not easy to stand up on stage and perform to an audience and the students did this with dignity.

We hope that you all enjoyed our performance and learned something new about our history. Its great to be able to share all the students learning, from Aotearoa New Zealand's history, dance, drama, music, oral language and the visual arts.

On top of rehearsing for a performance we have also held our school winter camps this year. With Kea Class heading to Stavely participating in all sorts of winter activities including ice skating & skiing. Weka Class had a camp week which involved going ice skating, biking through Hanmer Springs and walking through the Riccarton Bush.

We were also lucky to have finalised our school ERO Report, and are feeling incredibly proud of the results we have achieved. We are looking forward to being able to share this with our community when we receive the final copy.

As always thanks for your continued support,

Ngā mihi,  
Phoebe Todd



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

14/10/24 - First day of Term 4

22/10/24- School Athletics

23/10/24 - Keeping Ourselves  
Safe Parent Afternoon 1:30pm

28/10/24 - Labour Day

5/11/24 - Hurunui Athletics (pp  
7th)

13/11/24 - Teacher Only from  
12:30pm

14th/11/24 - Teacher Only Day

15/11/24 - Show Weekend

6/12/24 - Musical Soiree 5pm

13/12/24 - End of Year

Prizegiving

16/12/24 - Last Day of Term 4 -  
School Finishing at 12pm

### ENROLMENTS

Do you have (or know of) a family that is looking to enrol your/their child into Waikari School? If yes, please email [principal@waikari.school.nz](mailto:principal@waikari.school.nz) to arrange a meeting. We would also love to hear from any families with pre-schoolers/potential enrolments in the area. While their start date may be a while away, this information helps with future planning and staffing of the school.

### CONTACT US:

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The North Canterbury Athletic Club are excited to commence our 2024/2025 Track & Field season.

Come along to our open training days, meet our inspirational head coach, talk to our current members and find out what Athletics is all about!

Open Training Days

Ages: 7 - 14 years\*

When: Tues 8th October 2024

Tues 15th October 2024

Tues 22nd October 2024

Time: 4.30 - 6.00pm

Where: Rangiora New Life School

Grounds, Rangiora

Cost: \$5 per child

\*grade determined by age of 31st December 2024

Come prepared to get involved in training with comfortable running shoes and a drink bottle

For more information contact:

Children's Track & Field Manager  
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North Canterbury Children's Athletics & Sports  
[www.waikari.school.nz/ncathletics](http://www.waikari.school.nz/ncathletics)



**SPEED LIMIT  
PLEASE REMEMBER THAT  
BETWEEN 8:00-9:30AM AND  
2:30-3:30 THAT SCHOOL  
CHILDREN ARE CROSSING  
AND YOU NEED TO SLOW  
DOWN OUTSIDE WAIKARI  
SCHOOL.**



**Hurunui BMX Club  
2024/2025  
Season Open Night**

Past & New Members  
Welcome  
(Sign up on the night)

Wednesday 16th Oct 5pm

- Bike (contact us if you require one)
- Helmet
- Long Sleeve Top
- Long Pants
- Covered Shoes
- Gloves (optional or wooden are acceptable)

\$60 Season Sub

\$10 for Additional Family Member

(Term 4 & Term 1)

or can pay per term \$30

**BALANCE BIKES, PEDAL &  
MOUNTAIN BIKES**

**ALL AGES & STAGES WELCOME!**

Amberley Domain, Lawcocks Rd Entrance

Follow us on Facebook for more info

**Coached by Ben Polden - '24 BMX  
NZ SI Coach of the Year!**





# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?



Kea Class had a great time on camp in Stavely and skiing up Mt Hutt.



Heading Ice Skating at the Stavely Ice Rink



Survival Day, was lots of fun!



Weka Class had a great camp week as well!



Weka Class at the Hamner Forest and Alpine Ice.



# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Snow at  
Waikari  
School!.

Sunflowers  
Preschool camp  
for a visit.

Great fun at  
Daffodil Day!

Making props  
for our school  
performance.

Woodwork  
Crafts

Kapa Haka  
Festival  
with Omihi  
School





# OUR STORIES - A MATOU KORERO

This term in our Inquiry Learning we have been learning about The Arts Curriculum. We took the learning we have been doing over the past 2 years and wanted to share them with our community through the Performing Arts.

Students have been involved in all the aspects of the performance, from writing the script, making the props, creating the dance moves and acting as the characters.

We are extremely proud of all the work they have put into their performance. Children have shown dedication, perserverance and bravery as many put themselves outside of their comfort zone.

Throughout our performance we also announced the new birds for our revised school logo.

Kiwi, NZ Falcon (Karerea), Moa and Piwakawaka.

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## FROM THE STUDENT LEADERS



Kia ora,

This term we've chosen to interview 4 students, 2 from Weka Class and 2 from Kea Class to find out what they have enjoyed most.

Amelia enjoyed Camp - because it was a winter camp. She enjoyed her first time skiing and she didn't fall once.  
Aiden enjoyed Camp - because we did lots of fun things like ice skating and skiing. KiwiSport was also fun.

Odin enjoyed KiwiSport - because he's a big sports fan. He's favourite event was archery because he liked shooting the arrows.

Emily A enjoyed Daffodil Day - because she liked making cooking and enjoyed the treasure hunt. She also enjoyed the Weka Class Camp because she enjoyed the ice skating and the week of mufti.

We have enjoyed - 7aside and had a great time playing sports. We loved setting up the reward days such as the upcoming event for our Jar reward.



