

Waikaka School Newsletter ~ published fortnightly on Friday

Friday 22nd March 2024 ~ WEEK 8

SCHOOL MOTTO - LEARNING FOR LIFE

Waikaka School cultivates a culture that inspires all to achieve beyond what they thought possible

E hara taku toa i te takitahi, he toa takitini

My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective

Co-operation - Noho Tahī Be compassionate and respectful to each other

Collaboration - Mahi Ngatahi We're in this together, work as a collective

Competition - Tauwhāinga By giving your all, your excellence will show



Dia dhuit - Hello in Irish (Gaelic),

We are at the end of week 8 already, the weeks are flying by. I think you will all agree that Waikaka School & our community have had an extremely busy Term 1, with many different events.

Some highlights are getting to know the children at Waikaka School, the Community BBQ and the water safety lessons that have been occurring over the last couple of weeks. Southern Reap Inc, who teach the water safety lessons do a great job. They pose different scenarios for the learners to navigate, for example, getting out from an overturned boat or swimming through seaweed and choppy water. The instructors are very pleased with the ability of the children at Waikaka School in the water. This being said, on the 3rd of April we will be holding the WCD Swimming Sports at the Multisports Complex in Gore. This is for all of our Year 4-8 students. As in previous years parents will be responsible for collecting their children from Waikaka School no later than 12.20pm on the 3rd of April and having them at the Gore Multisports Complex changed and ready to go (no later than 12.45pm). Remember that all swimmers require a couple of towels, goggles and swimming togs on this day. We appreciate your support with this event. I am on the starting line, another new experience, one of many for me!

The Year 7 & 8 Country Schools programme begins on Monday the 25th of March over at Otama. I sent an information letter home several weeks ago which I have reposted on FACEBOOK. Thank you to the parents who I've accosted over the last couple of days to help with transport this Monday. I appreciate that this is a community that bands together to provide our children with opportunities. Māruawai College have now finalised the details for 'Tech' at Māruawai Jnr next term. Our children will be getting 8 lessons of tech next term to make up for the missed 'Tech' opportunities over Term 1, which is fabulous!

Have a wonderful weekend. I am off to Southland Athletics on Sunday to represent Waikaka School as a helper. I wish Hunter, Zara, Nooroa and Daylee all the best for Southland Athletics. Go well team!

Nicola Millar ~ Principal / Tumuaki

Nga Mahi ~ Thank you

-To everybody involved in the Fat Lamb & Calf Competition. There are just too many people to name. Congratulations for your team work and work ethic to make this event a success. What an absolutely fabulous fundraiser for the school.

-To our PTA, an incredibly dedicated group passionate about all children's learning.

Head Lice

Please continue to remain vigilant around head lice, occasionally there is a case reported.

Helpful lice hints...

1. Check for Lice, look for tiny bugs (lice) or their eggs (nits) in the hair.
2. Brush hair with a special comb, this is called a robi comb.
3. Apply conditioner.
4. Keep combing every few days for several weeks to catch all lice and eggs.
5. Use lice treatment.
6. Tell others, let people know who are close to you.
7. Wash everything like bedding, clothes, and towels in hot water.
8. Clean your home: Vacuum carpets and furniture to get rid of lice or eggs.
9. Ask for help if needed.



Lost property



Each week during 'Sing and Celebrate' we look through the lost property. We hold each item up and ask our children whose it is. There is a huge amount of lost property each and every week and much of it goes unclaimed. We are finding it incredibly difficult to work out who owns the lost property because much of it is not named.

We would really appreciate you naming your clothing please to be able to return clothing to the rightful owner. Thank you so much.

HAY DAY

14th June 2024

Mark this date on your calendar now!

Any group wishing to assist with the running of Hay Day as a fundraiser please contact
Frances Calvert paulandfrances@xtra.co.nz
Thank you

Congratulations to...



**“Fred Stewart” the foxy winning the terrier race at the Wanaka show.
Click on the link below to see a video and ODT article about “Fred”**

https://www.odt.co.nz/regions/wanaka/watch-terriers-tear-it-w%C4%81naka-show-race?fbclid=IwAR2fAXmsHLgDEh4_UzgWz3DmlYzZpG6bhG8tGSYka_rKnyxV7S-EXKRPxww_aem_Ab-USWYgsX0V6ODYNeiDCk7pOWTa7G0dNdYMw8ihVLLAPZ-fD8jZT2IMsAQBwHfRjw4

Events Calendar

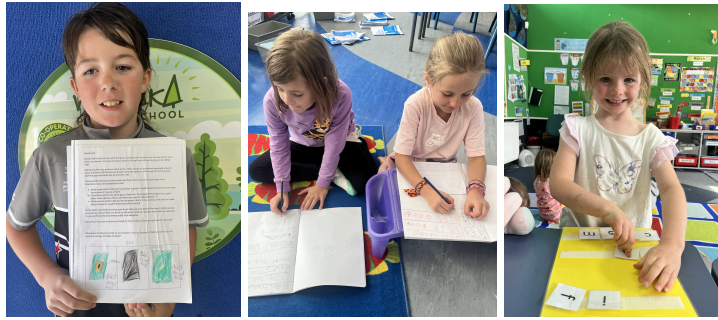
24/03/24	Southland Athletics - Invercargill
25/03/24	Year 7 / 8 Country Schools programme begins in Otama
26/03/24	BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom
29/03/24	Good Friday, School closed
1/04/24	Easter Monday, School closed
2/04/24	Easter Tuesday, School closed
3/04/24	WCD swimming sports
5/04/24	Week 10 newsletter
5/04/24	Assembly 2.15pm
12/04/24	Grandparents Day
12/04/24	End of Term 1
29/04/24	Start of Term 2

Welcome to Waikaka School

A big welcome to Alice Turua in Noho Tahi. We know you are going to love it here!



Waikaka Wonders



I was walking through Waikāka School and found these amazing learners on my travels... Micheal Curley in Room Tauwhāinga for being able to explain how bacteria grows and also name different types. Terrific science thinking Micheal.

Georgia Hall & Ruby Wilson in Room Mahi Ngatahi for being incredibly focused in their mathematics learning and for being able to solve difficult fractions like $\frac{1}{2}$ of 25. Ka pai!

Louisa Wilson in Room Noho Tahi for being able to use letters and sounds to spell words. Great focus Louisa.

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School Loop App

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Text an absence 027 2072027

SAUSAGES

We are selling sausages and saveloys again this term for Friday lunches. Please have all orders to the school office by Thursday lunchtime with your money. They are \$3.00 per sausage / saveloy.

Eggs for sale

\$8 dozen, call Tanya 027 389 0970.

Baleage For Sale

School baleage is for sale \$80/bale, money from the sale of these bales will go directly towards the school. Good quality clover baleage. Please phone Nathan Wilson 0274171012.

For Sale

2014 Kia Cerato Hatchback

134,000km

Ideal first Car

\$9000

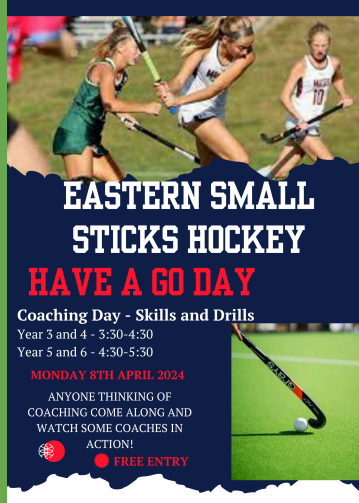
Ph: Faye Anne Lamb 0274827022

Sports Notices

Waikaka Junior Rugby



Anyone that is interested in playing Rippa, Yr 3 & 4, Yr 5 & 6, Yr 7 & 8 rugby this season, please contact:
Matt McCall 0273400711



HOCKEY

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/b553bc> - Register here

Junior Hockey (Year 1-6), Winter 2024

Eastern Southland Hockey

29 Apr 2024 - 05 Jul 2024

All age groups will play on the turf.

Please note registrations MUST be completed by the 2nd April (Yr 1 - Yr 6) Any registrations after these dates will not be possible.

Yr 1 & 2 Fridays 3:30 - 6pm Subs \$45 Abby Moseby 027 467 8736

Yr 3 & 4 Fridays 3:30 - 6pm Subs \$60 Abby Moseby 027 467 8736

Yr 5 & 6 Monday 3:30 - 7.30pm Subs \$75 Nic Roy 027 233 4728

Kind regards Eastern Southland Junior Hockey Committee



We use School Docs as a way to manage our policies. Policies are always open to consultation in our school community. Go to www.schooldocs.co.nz - Click search for your school. Start typing Waikaka and select from the dropdown list. Username: waikaka Password: matheson
You will see which policies are under review and you can respond to them as well.



Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

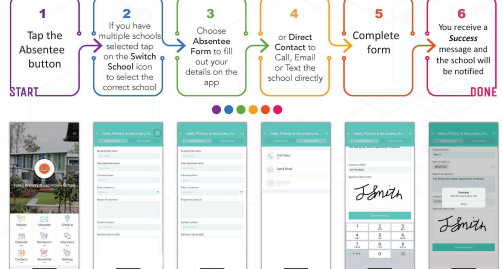
- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.

Submitting Absentees with THE SKOOL LOOP APP

Download The Skool Loop App. A simple 100% free download. In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

- 1 Tap the Absentee button
- 2 If you have multiple schools selected tap on the Switch School icon to select the correct school
- 3 Choose Absentee Form to fill out your details on the app or Direct Contact to Call, Email or Text the school directly
- 4 Complete form
- 5 You receive a Success message and the school will be notified



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Phone Jason - 0274 392 838 A/H 03 207 2611




Mobile Hoof Trimmer
Servicing West Otago and Southland.
Call Nathan to get your lame cows sorted and have any overgrown hooves balanced to help prevent lameness.

Nathan Seed - 027 479 6942

HAVE A GO WAIKAKA SOCIAL SQUASH

MEN AND WOMEN
NON MEMBERS WELCOME

TUESDAYS 7PM
WAIKAKA SPORTS COMPLEX



TWO COURTS AVAILABLE

Interested in compeition or social level
Brayden Clifford
0273400062

