

Waikaka School Newsletter ~ published fortnightly on Friday

Friday 5 April 2024 ~ WEEK 10

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 Tahi 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



你好! (nǐ hǎo) - Hello in Chinese,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break, there is only one week left until the end of the term!

Lately, I have noticed that there have been some students arriving late to school. This is an issue because being late to school has a significant impact on the learning of the child who is late, and also on the class. Being on time teaches children to be responsible and shows respect, whereas being late can make people seem unreliable and disrespectful. A regular morning routine and getting things ready the night before can help lateness. Thank you for your support to make sure that every child is on time and ready to learn at 9am at Waikaka School.

The WCD Swimming Sports were held last Wednesday in Gore. Our Yr 4-8 students represented Waikaka extremely well. It was an honour to be a part of the event this year. I am very proud of the way our children took part and showed the value of competition (tauwhāinga). This value means aiming for excellence and it was great to see this in action. Additionally, it made me proud to hear our children cheering on other competitors and showing good sportspersonship as part of the competition value. I am unsure currently who has won the annual shield and will let you know as soon as I am made aware of this information.

Kapa Haka will continue to be offered at Waikaka School this year. We have made some changes to sessions based on what our children have told us. Currently, the open Thursday session is proving to be popular with many new faces opting in to experience dance, and singing in te reo Māori. Children have been enjoying themselves and the older children are supporting younger children. Important note - Leading up to performances (such as the Pomahaka Kāhui Ako - 'Mauri Ora') the learning sessions of Kapa Haka will be aimed at children who have committed to these performances. This is to ensure that their dancing and singing is polished and that they are ready for the stage. If they opt into the performance group this is by no means compulsory, however, we would like to see a commitment from children who have decided that performance is for them, as this is what teamwork is. This information will be communicated clearly to children (commitment but not compulsory). Teachers are presently developing a culture and language plan aimed at offering a variety of enriching experiences that will expose all children to a range of learning. We look forward to developing our culture and language plan further and will be experimenting with different ideas and scenarios to find the best way forward. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns around this.

We are all very excited about Grandparents day next Friday. I have heard that it is a real highlight on the calendar and I look forward to meeting more people in our community, and hearing stories from the past. I recently came across a centennial book called "Waikaka & District Schools' ~ Pictorial. It fascinated me and I spent a couple of hours looking through this and reading about local history of the schools. It is a really valuable piece of history.

I have almost completed one term as Tumuaki (Principal) at Waikaka School. I've spent the term listening, interacting and observing how things work and most importantly how people interact with each other. I see the absolute potential in Waikaka School and I look forward to working together to make positive change. I want to thank staff for the quality teaching and care of the children that they provide. It is an absolute honour to hear teachers talking about what they are doing in classrooms to cater for all learning needs. I am really enjoying all the families and the people in this community. Thank you for your positivity.

Nicola Millar ~ Principal / Tumuaki

Nga Mahi ~ Thank you

-To all whānau (families) of the school who regularly help with transport to get children to and from events. We could not do this without you.

Lost property

Please name your children's clothes! We find it incredibly difficult to get clothes to their rightful owner when they are unnamed!



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...

Our Southland representatives: These results are the standings held across all of Southland!

- Hunter Taylor for obtaining 2nd in Discus
- Nooroa Turua for obtaining 4th in Nerf Throw
- Zara McCall for obtaining 5th in 100 Metre Sprint

Events Calendar

- 08/04/24 Grip Leadership - Gore Town & Country Club 9am - 2.30pm
- 08/04/24 Country Schools Year 7 / 8 Otama (Unable to attend due to clash with Grip)
- 12/04/24 Grandparents Day
- 12/04/24 End of Term 1
- 29/04/24 Start of Term 2

VALUES CERTIFICATES

Annabelle Bould - Co-Operation
Ruby Wilson - Competition
Georgia Bell - Collaboration

CERTIFICATES

Harriet Reeves: For working super hard to correctly form your letters at handwriting.

Lilith Stringer: For working hard to correctly segment and blend sounds while reading and writing.

Quinn Duff: For fantastic work segmenting sounds while reading and using your wonderful reading finger.

Connor Bartel: For using your knowledge of number patterns to recognise groups to 20.

William Cleland: For amazing work sitting your letters on the line at handwriting time.

Lylah Winter: For taking responsibility for your belongings and happily helping others clean up their activities.

Henley Roberson: For being a kind member of Mahi Ngatahi. You always have a positive comment for those who need it.

Georgia Hall: For taking control of your independent reading rotation and ensuring you are completing all the tasks on time.

Celia Seed: For a brilliant effort in writing. You have written some creative stories with interesting adjectives.

James Hall: I have seen a huge improvement in your writing this term. You are persevering and getting more and more onto the page.

Zara McCall: For a massive effort in all things literacy. You are listening, working hard and managing your time.

Charlie McCall: For being curious and open to new learning. You care about your own learning and also want others to do well .

Oscar Reeves: For thinking outside the square, asking good questions and investigating what might be another way to get a positive outcome.

Natalie Eade: For being incredibly resilient. You are showing confidence in your own abilities and supporting others along the way.

Helena Byars: For being ready to listen and learn. This is so helpful for you and your classmates. Well done for working hard to be on task.

Max Weir: You have been displaying great listening skills in the classroom, keep it up!

Kaitlyn Wilson: You have been working hard to listen to your classmates and work well with them well in your table groups.

Welcome to Waikaka School

A big welcome to Jack Stewart who has started in Noho Tahī! Welcome Jack!



**LUNCHBOX
TIPS FOR TOP
TEETH!**

Enjoy these tooth-friendly
foods for a healthy smile

- Boiled egg
- Lean meat and canned fish
- Grainy savoury sandwiches
- Salad bowls
- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- Plain yoghurt and sliced cheese
- Plain crackers
- Baked potato
- Plain milk
- Tap water

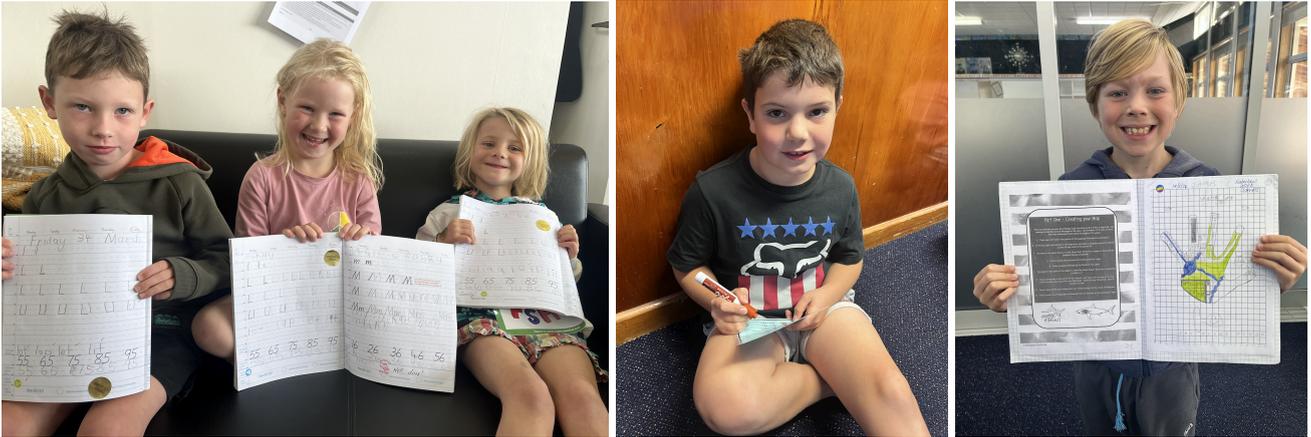
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Waikaka Wonders



I was walking through Waikaka School and found these amazing learners on my travels...

Connor Bartel, Hazel Steel & Nina Stringer from Noho Tahī for the most amazing handwriting. I was so impressed with all of your letter formations, counting and spelling. Well done you three!

James Hall from Mahi Ngatahi for nailing your basic facts. It was so great hearing you solve subtraction problems quickly and confidently. You're amazing!

James Curley from Tauwhāinga for being able to draw a map following a set of instructions and coordinates. Nice job!

Contact

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[Website](#)

[Facebook](#)

School Loop App

Nicola Millar

principal@waikaka.school.nz

Text an absence 027 2072027

\$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

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.

For Sale

Blue Mountain College Girls Kilt

Size 68 to 72 cm waist

Excellent condition. \$100.

Please contact Elizabeth Smith 0272072024 if interested.

[Eggs for sale](#)

Sports Notices

Waikaka Junior Rugby



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

Matt McCall 0273400711

WAIKAKA HOCKEY CLUB

AGM

Tuesday 30th April 7.30 pm

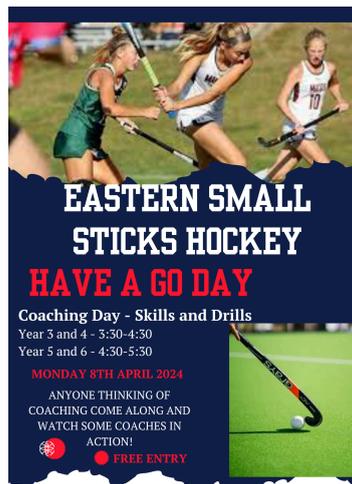
at the Sports Complex.

Apologies to Frances

027 688 6994

All Welcome.

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.



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 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 comeption or social level
 Brayden Clifford
 0273400062

I am ME

TERM 2

YOGA

AT ST JOHN'S CHARLTON ROAD

MONDAYS 4-5PM

5-10 YEAR OLDS

\$100 PER TERM OR \$20 PER SESSION

-Certified-
BOSSIE KIDS!
Yoga Teacher

I am ME Kids Retreat

A 3 day programme designed for 7-10 year olds including: Active Movement Games, Yoga Fun, Creative Crafts & Mindful Moments

WHERE?
Upstairs at the Gore Library

WHEN?
School Holidays **15 - 17 Apr**
10am - 3pm

DAY 1
I am STRONG
Together we will explore strength, balance and focus, building our everyday confidence, being brave and trying new things.

DAY 2
I am FLEXIBLE
Collaboratively we will stretch our resilience muscles working together as a team.

DAY 3
I am CALM
It's a PJ day where we focus on gratitude, self care and being kind to ourselves and others.

HOW MUCH?
\$80 per day or \$225 For all 3
Limit of 12 per session. Booking confirmed with full payment, full refund if cancelled before 01/04/24. 50% after unless more is notified.

-Certified-
BOSSIE KIDS!
Yoga Teacher

To book email: clairewarren75@hotmail.com For more info call: 0277152939

HOLIDAY TIME

Gore Library

Week 1

Tuesday 16 April
10:30am - StoryTime
3:30pm - StoryTime

Wednesday 17 April
10:30am - CraftTime
3:30pm - BrickTime

Friday 19 April
10:30am - GameTime

Week 2

Tuesday 23 April
10:30am - StoryTime
3:30pm - StoryTime

Wednesday 24 April
10:30am - BrickTime
3:30pm - CraftTime



45° Fibre

~ DEEP SOUTH FIBRE FESTIVAL

**Come along to the
Gore Town & Country Club
2 Bury Street, Gore
on Saturday, 4th of May
10 am - 3 pm
Free entry**

**We'll have a kids corner,
where all the cool crafts will be.**

(No cost to your parents.)

Food & Drink Trucks
including candy floss, ice
cream
(and healthy stuff too)

**Fibre Animals
to meet and pet**

Have a go at:
weaving, knitting, cross stitch
pompom animals,
plaiting rats tails,
daisy-making

(There will be stuff to keep the adults busy, too.)

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