

Wednesday 14th February 2018

Kia ora Koutou

The weeks are marching along really quickly at the moment. A lot is happening in classes and around the school and the staff are busy and working hard to make sure your children's learning needs are being met. Why not come along and hear all about it tonight?? This is a great opportunity to hear about what's happening in your child's class, meet the teacher and feel informed. It's so important for your child's learning that whanau and teachers work together and this is the first step towards that.

Also just a reminder for families in Room 5. Stacey will have her session at 4:30pm today but if that is not suitable she will also be available tomorrow (Thursday) from 5:00pm through to 6:30pm

Lots of important messages below. Look forward to seeing you all tonight.

Nga mihi mahana Paul Jamieson

OTHER STUFF:

PAID UNION MEETING

Teachers are joining an NZEU Te Riu Roa campaign called Kua Te Wa - It's time to address these issues. The goal is to free teachers to teach and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. NZEU Te Riu Roa members at our school (which is all staff) are to attend a paid union meeting on March 13 so we can plan and discuss the campaign and the upcoming collective agreement negotiations.

We have a meeting scheduled here at Waipawa School at 2:00pm on Tuesday March 13. To help us with this we need you to collect your child(ren) at 1:45pm on Tuesday March 13. This is 4 weeks away so look out for more details in next weeks newsletter.

Our children deserve the best education in the world, and New Zealand can afford to provide it. It's just a matter of priorities.

SCHOOL APP

We are slowly adding things to the school app so we use it to its full capability. We are having a couple of difficulties with it at the moment but you'll see that the term dates have been added and within a week we will have an events calendar up and running. Over the next week teachers will be set up to send alerts to just their class and the weekly newsletter will also be uploaded to it.



MUSIC LESSONS COMING TO SCHOOL

Choose from guitar, ukulele, piano, drums or singing . Lessons are 30 minutes long during school time. Highly experienced & qualified tutors \$16.50 in a small group of 2-4 students.

Register online now www.napiermusicacademy.co.nz
Lessons will begin in a few weeks time so get in quick!



WHANAU AND FRIENDS



This is a busy term for Whanau and Friends!!!!!!

Each year Whanau and Friends run an Easter Raffle. Last year's Easter Raffle raised almost \$2000 which paid for the house flags and new play equipment for the sandpit.

On FRIDAY the 9th of March we'll be holding a Mufti day and students are asked to donate an Easter egg each, or if you have more than one child you might like to donate a larger one for the whole family. We'll bucket all the donations up and raffle the buckets off. The number of buckets will be totally dependent on the number of eggs donated. W&F will collect eggs at the gate on the 9th of March - which should reduce the

chances of the kids eating the eggs before they are collected!!

W&F will sell tickets at the Supermarket and at school during the lead up to Easter. You are welcome to sell tickets to family and friends but there is no obligation. This is a fun way for the kids to participate in the school fundraising. Some senior students may even help to sell tickets, supervised by W&F members and with their Caregivers permission.

LATE CHILDREN

A REMINDER to Parents and Caregivers that our school day begins at **8.55am**—please ensure that your children are at school and ready to begin their day well **BEFORE** the bell goes. We already have an average of 10-12 children late every day.



Calendar of Events

14th Feb	Meet & Greet— Come along and meet your teachers and enjoy a free sausage sizzle from 5.00pm
22nd Feb	Mataweka Hub Swimming sports
26th Feb	Tapairu Hub Swimming Demonstration R4 12.15 to 12.40, R5 1.30—1.55, R6 1.55—2.15, R7 2.15 to 2.30 and R3 2.30
27th Feb— 2nd March	Life Education Bus with Harold is here Ice Skating Tour
7th March	Lou Macklow Public Health Nurse onsite to talk to Y7 & Y8 students regarding immunisations.
9th March	Easter Mufti Day—Donate an Easter Egg for Whanau & Friends Raffle
13th March	All teachers will be attending a Paid Union meeting—all students will need to be collected from school by 1.45pm.
21st March	Y7 & Y8 Immunisations
30th March	Good Friday
2nd April	Easter Monday
3rd April	Easter Tuesday
4th April	Board of Trustees meeting 5.30pm. All welcome
13th April	End of Term 1
30th April	Term 2 begins

We are updating our records—Have we got the correct contact details, caregivers, address and emergency for your children? Please give Sue a phone call in the school office to check.

Waipawa School Presents

ICE SKATE TOUR

COMMUNITY DAY

3rd and 4th of March

Sat 10am - 4pm Sun 10am - 2pm

Come join in the fun!

A Weekend Of Fun

For The Whole Family!

Ice Skating

Bumper Balls

Mini Cars

Bouncy Castles

Food and drinks

Raffles and Prizes

Oversized Family Games & Mini Golf

and much more...

FOR ALL AGES!



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CORONATION PARK, WAIPAWA

The Ice Skate Tour will be open to the public during the week from 3pm-8pm (Tuesday 27th Feb - Friday 2nd March), and 10am-4pm Sat 3rd and Sun 4th March. We are looking for volunteers to give us an hour or two of their time over the weekend to help run stalls at the Family Fun Day. Anyone who can help please phone/text Andrea on 0211804476.

SPORT



CYCLING

Alice and Grace Thompson and Ryan Death took part in the 10km Tour de Beautiful CHB Cycle race on Sunday. They all did extremely well. Grace placed 1st overall, Ryan was 1st boy and 2nd overall and Alice was 5th overall and 3rd girl.

Weet-Bix TRYathlon

Congratulations to the students who competed in the TRYathlon today in Hastings. We are sure they all had a lot of fun.

MATAWEKA HUB SWIMMING

The timetable for this week and next week

Friday 16th - 11.00am (all classes)

Tuesday 20th - 11.00am (all classes)

Thursday 22nd - 11.00am - 2.00pm Hub swimming sports

The competition will commence at 11.15am, starting with the width races. The programme will begin with width races followed by the length races. During the width race, children remain at a depth that they are able to stand up in to ensure they do not get into any difficulties.

If for any medical reason your child cannot swim they must present a signed note to their teacher. Please remember we value the importance of participation and would like to see every child swimming. We have a fiercely battled House Competition and points will be given for participation in every race. How many House points can you get?

NEW NEW NEW - Novelty events - at least 3 fun events which aim to get as many students in the water as possible.

A more detailed programme will be available on our school's Facebook page and Mataweka Hub FB page.

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help out at the sports, we are still hoping for a few more helpers. Please see Anna Oosterkamp in Room 2.

Our inter-school team will be name on Friday 23 February. Inter-School Sports will be held on Thursday 8 March.

TAPAIRU HUB SWIMMING

Tapairu Hub will be holding a Swimming Demonstration for parents and caregivers on Monday 26th Feb R4 12.15 to 12.40, R5 1.30—1.55, R6 1.55—2.15, R7 2.15 to 2.30 and R3 2.30 Parents, Caregivers are welcome to come along and see what we have been achieving.

GO-KIDS TRIATHLON

Race 1 - Saturday 17th Feb ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL Argyll Road, Argyll

Race 2 - Saturday 24th Feb SHERWOOD SCHOOL Makaretu Rd, Takapau

Race 3 - Saturday 10th March RUSSELL PARK River Tce, Waipukurau (Hosted by Waipukurau School)

Registrations can be made online

<http://www.sporhbchb.co.nz/events-1/2018-ovation-nz-go-kidz-triathlon#>

or you can drop off an entry to AW Parsons Pool reception.



JUMP JAM

Last week was great, and we welcome all students to come along and join in the fun. Parents and pre-schoolers are also welcome to join in!

WHEN - Thursdays 8.10am-8.40am

WHERE - School Hall

WHAT TO WEAR - House shirt, or other t-shirt

We will be providing details about the Jump Jam competition within a few weeks.