

Wednesday 7th February 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On behalf of John and Stacey I would like to thank everyone who attended our Powhiri last Friday afternoon. It was a great way to be welcomed to Waipawa School. A special thanks to Pete Burne and other staff for making it happen, Hunia for his guitar playing, the Kapa Haka extension group and Tom, Ella, Misty and Libby for their roles and showing great leadership.

The children have settled really well into the new school year. The classes are humming along nicely and learning routines are being established. The play ground at morning tea and lunchtime is also a happy place. Children are making good choices, keeping busy, wearing their hats and being kind to each other. It's fantastic.

Whanau & Friends are working hard on our big school fundraiser "Ice Skate Tour" which happens from 28th Feb through to the 4th March. It's an exciting fundraiser and how unique will it be to Ice Skate in Waipawa at the end of Summer! A huge thanks to the many parents who have offered to help throughout the week but we need more so please let the office or Whanau & Friends know. As part of this fundraiser all our children will be heading down for a session. The cost of this is \$5 per child. This is at a discounted rate. Please pay this to the school office as soon as possible. The money raised from this fundraiser will come back to school. We will direct the funds to EOTC (Education or experiences outside the classroom) I will talk about this more in a later Newsletter.

Next Wednesday 14th February we will be having a "Meet the teacher" evening. This is a great opportunity to come along and see how your child's class works, what the expectations are around a range of things and to ask questions so you feel well informed. I urge you all to come along and be part of it. You don't have to arrange childcare just bring your children along and they can join in. We will start the evening off with a free sausage sizzle on the court at 5.00pm and then move to classes at 5.15pm. I expect each class to finish at around 5.45pm (depending on how many questions you have). Because a lot of you will have children in more than one class it will be a little tricky to be in two or three places at once so the teachers will hang around and you will be able to catch up with them afterwards. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Nga mihi mahana, Paul Jamieson



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This month we wish a Happy Birthday to:- Easton, Jersey, Kingston, Victoria, Charlie S, Edan, Tommie-Lee, Darryn, Aaron, Joe, Paige, Kaitlyn, Declan, Aaliyah, Logan and Zach,

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.

Calendar of Events

12th Feb	Board Trustees meeting 5.30pm in the staffroom All welcome.
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

presents: **LONGRIDGE**

25th Tour de Beautiful Festival of Cycling

10th & 11th February 2018
\$5000 Prize Money

Mountain Biking 40km 20km Children's course	Criterium Open Men & Women Vet 1 & 2 Under 15 & 17	Road Race 100km 55km 25km 10km
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For more information or to register visit www.cyclingchb.co.nz

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.

DANCE

With no J Rock this year, we are excited to be getting underway nice and early with our Dance Programme and Interschool Preparation. While the nitty gritty details are being worked out we can confirm there are at least three opportunities for the kids to be involved in Dance/performing arts this year.

1. School Jump Jam classes: In school time as part regular PE.

2. Interschool Competition Jump Jam Group

Set year groups and set choreography. Live stage performance. Leader - Mrs OK Price = Around \$20 participation fee per student. There is a sign-up sheet in the office for this.

3. Interschool Dance Extension group.

Competitive – student led choreography and performance.

Two year groups Year 3-6 and Year 7/8.

Minimum of 4 to a team, maximum of 10.

As this is an extension group, team members MUST have at least two years' previous competition experience or three years' formal dance training.

Cost: \$20 for coaching/competition prep, \$25 for Dance NZ Made Workshops.

There is a sign up sheet in the office for these groups as well.

This year we also have several students eligible to compete in the Dance NZ Made Duo/Trio and Solo divisions! Contact Rachael for more details.

**** There is a meeting this Friday 9th @ 3pm at school for all those parents and students interested in doing interschool group competitions *****

Dates of Competitions:

* Just Dance June 30th,

* Dance NZ Made Regionals August 6th

* Dance NZ Made Solos Regionals August 6th

* Dance NZ Made Duos and Trios September 21st

* Dance NZ Made National Team and Solo Finals September 22nd

Leaders - Rachael, Chris and Brianna

Practice times: Monday's 5pm (TBC)

Price = \$20 participation fee per student for coaching and competition preparation.

Participation fee for Dance NZ Made workshops \$25 per student.

SPORT

Swimming

All classes are enjoying their swimming lessons so far this term. Mataweka Hub students have shown absolutely outstanding behaviour at the Westpac Indoor Pool for their lessons. The teachers are very impressed with the high level of participation from all of our students.

The timetable for the following week is :

	10.45-12.15	1.10-2.45
Wednesday 7 February	8 + 12	2 + 1
Thursday 8 February	2 + 1	8 + 12
Friday 9 February	1 + 2	8 + 12

Next week we will **only** be swimming on Friday 16 February. This is because other schools have booked the pool for their own swimming sports.

Mataweka Hub Swimming Sports will be held **Thursday 22 February**. If you are able to help out please let Mrs Oosterkamp know.

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.

JUMP JAM

This year we will be taking Jump Jam to the next level. We are looking to enter 2 teams into the **Strictly Live Competition**, to be held on June 18, in Hastings or Napier.

We will be holding weekly Jump Jam sessions - open to all students and parents

House Sports

We will be starting House Sports once the swimming season has finished. A reminder that ALL students should be wearing a plain shirt, in their house colour. This is part of our uniform requirements. Students are also encouraged to wear their house shirts for class PE sessions.

Ngarimu - Red

Elliott - Yellow

Upham—Blue

Ward—Green

All new students will be notified of their House by the end of the week, and a note will be sent home.

Weetbix Tryathlon

Good luck to the students who have entered this event, to be held next Wednesday in Hastings - Ryan D, Lauchlan D, Max M, Hunter N, Paige B, Brooke L.

Late entries will be accepted until tomorrow - Thursday 8 February.

GO KIDZ TRIATHLON SERIES

Registrations OPENED – December 2017 Registrations CLOSE – Wednesday prior to each event.

Coding Classes— Do you want to learn how to code?

CHB District Libraries are holding “Learn how to code” lessons for 8 to 13 year olds. Come along and have fun & learn how to use the scratch coding programme.

Lessons will start in Waipukurau Library on Tuesday 20th February at 3.30pm and Waipawa Library Wednesday 21st February at 3.30pm.

Register now at Waipukurau Library 8589154 or Waipawa Library 8578123.

Spaces are limited.

STATIONERY

Stationery has been distributed today to students. You will receive an invoice in the post in a couple of weeks.

TECHNOLOGY FEES for Y7 & R8 students will also be invoiced in a couple of weeks.