



Waikite Valley School

Developing Learners for Life

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Weekly Panui – Monday 29th May 2017

School Calendar!

Mon 29th May-Thurs 1st June

- ★ Year 7-8 Leadership Camp in Christchurch (National Young Leaders Day)

Tuesday 30th May

- ★ Reporoa Schools Cluster Cross Country event at Lake Rerewhakaaitu Reserve

Wednesday 31st May

- ★ Rippa Rugby Tournament (pp date Fri 2nd June)

Sat 3rd-Mon 5th June

- ★ **Queen's Birthday Weekend**

Tues 6th-Fri 9th June

- ★ Hillary Outdoors Camp (Yr7-8)

Thurs 8th June

- ★ Room 4 Sharing Assembly (9am)

Sat 10th June

- ★ Unveiling of Settlers Monument at front of school under Oak Tree

Wed 21st June

- ★ BOT meeting 6.30pm

Fri 23rd June

- ★ Culture Festival—Reporoa College

Science Laboratory up and running!



This term we are focusing on Literacy in our mid-block (11.45-1.15pm) across the school. During this time teachers are taking small groups, working collaboratively, running intense workshops, carrying out personalized assessments

and making responsive plans to ensure every student in the school is being targeted to make accelerated progress.

As an added bonus, we are using this time to allow each class to take part in a specialized Science program run by Mr Topp (BSc). Therefore, the old dental clinic has been rehased as our new Science Lab! On Tuesday Room 4 do Science, Wednesday is Room 2 and Friday is Room 1.



This is run from 11.45-1.15pm with a different content focus every week. Last week they looked "Under the Sea", this week they are studying "Dem Bones". Although the content varies, the students are always learning about the Nature of Science (Understanding, Investigating, Communicating, Participating and Contributing). The past couple of weeks in particular we have been looking closely at things (observing) and communicating using the phrasing: "I notice....." "I think....." "I wonder.....".



Teresa Topp
Principal

THE AMAZING RACE

Well done to our teams that entered the Amazing Race. The results are in and we can all feel proud! The Year 5-6 team

finished in **3rd Place** (out of 27 teams) and the Year 7-8 team finished in **5th place** (out of 17 teams). Thank you to the coaches and teams for their efforts!

Ka mau te wehi!

SCHOOL PHONE OUTAGES

Last week the school phones were not running due to issues with hardware at Compass Communications. If you are unable to get a response from our phones, please text or phone Teresa on 027 634 4744 or email the office:

office@waikitevalley.school.nz

We will let you know when we get the message.

"Developing learners for life"

Thank you to our wonderful families for taking the time to support Pink Day. Please encourage your children to talk openly about their feelings, concerns & challenges. This will promote well-being and mental health in our families and community! We have also raised \$65 to donate to the Mental Health Foundation.



HOCKEY TEAMS

Look on the Rotorua Hockey website for any cancellations. Please bring sticks and mouthguards to school so you can take part in your practises!

Hustle, Hit, AND NEVER QUIT



Would like to invite you to there...



1st Birthday Party & Welcoming of new families

Friday 9th June, 9am - 12pm

Come celebrate with us our one year of opening.

Are you new to the district or been here for a while? Are you looking for a friendly Childcare Centre for your preschooler? Come to this fun free day, meet other families in our Community and meet our friendly staff and see our amazing learning environment.



A FREE day out...

Pony Rides Face Painting Sausage Sizzle

Thank You

course

★ To all of our awesome parents who helped out with the setup, marshalling and break down of the cross country

★ To Pat and Shelley for allowing the students to run over their property during the cross country

GPA assembly

At the Graduate Pathways Academy Assembly last week, each student was responsible for sharing information about the learning in the class. Matthew Dent talked about our band equipment and gave a drum demonstration. Kasey Hall shared an outstanding Science Fiction Narrative she wrote. Reg Vanner shared information and photos from the Amazing Race. Daniel Muller spoke about our career studies and shared his letter to Darryl Church Architects. Toby Stubbs talked about the Settler's monument being erected at the entrance to the school. Ben Johnston talked about the trip to Christchurch next week and the self-catering menu the students have set up. Rachel Teague presented a talk about preventing Bullying in our school and reminding us about Pink Day.



Rotorua Association of Triathlon & Multisport Inc. email - ratsrotorua@gmail.com website - www.rats.org.nz



WINTER DUATHLON SERIES 2017

Sunday 28th MAY

Sunday 25th JUNE

Sunday 23rd JULY

WAIPA MOUNTAIN BIKE PARK

Registration opens @ 8.30am

Racing starts @ 10am

Kids \$5

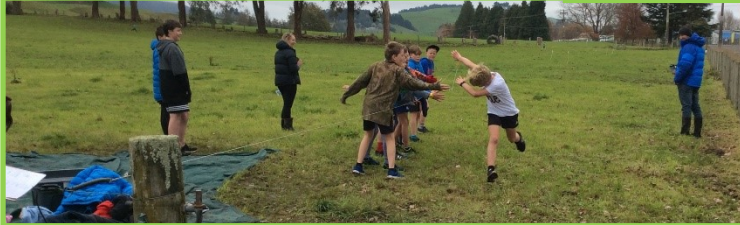
Adults \$15

Teams \$30

* prices shown are per race, club member discounts apply



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY 2017



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Funding Your Community



SPORTS BALLS DONATED BY ADVANTAGE TYRES—TAUPO. On Monday our school was visited by Lewis and Robyn (Advantage Tyres) to present our school with over 50 assorted sports balls. This is part of a Balls in Schools initiative, supporting Rural Schools.

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RED CROSS

JOURNEY

The staff have taken on the challenge of fundraising for Red Cross through walking!

We are taking a 'walk in their shoes' - following the incredible journey of a former refugee family now living in New Zealand.

We are walking 10000 steps each per day between 8 May and 8 June 2017, and are fundraising to support the work Red Cross does in our own community and around the world.

<https://redcrossrefugeejourney2017.everydayhero.com/nz/waikite-wanderers>

Use this address or go to the red cross refugee journey page and search for our "Waikite Wanderers" team page if you want to get behind our fundraising efforts.

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