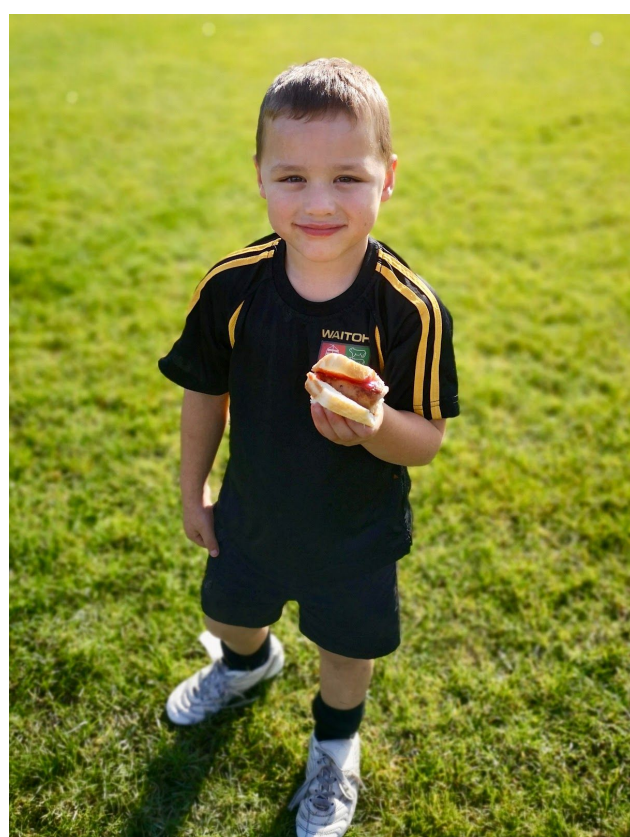




I have some exciting news to share this week. We have the planning permission, the funding and the sign off from the Ministry of Education, for the Picton School Gateway project to go ahead. The building of the structure will commence near the end of this month. A vital element of the structure is the decoration of the front panels. The students and teachers have long envisioned the gateway design. The school is working with Te Atiawa Iwi Trust and Paora Mackie to design the look of the gateway panels and Gregory Engineering to make them.

Important Dates for the Calendar

24th May	Room 2 Assembly 2:30pm
28th May	Des Hunt author presentation/workshop
29th May	School Closed - Industrial Action
31st May	Room 2 Assembly 2:30pm
3rd June	Queen’s Birthday Holiday
6th June	Room 6 Assembly 2:30pm (Thursday)
7th June	Teacher Only Day - School Closed
8 June	Strictly Jump Jam @ Bohally 5-7pm.
8/9 June	40 Hour Famine
10th June	Elgregoe’s values based Magic Show 9:30am
14th June	N.Z. Playhouse performance \$2
21st June	Room 8 Assembly 2:30pm
27th & 28th June	Te Wheke Akoranga Kāhui Ako Combined Schools Production
28th June	Room 9 Assembly 2:30pm
5th July	Student Leaders Assembly 2:30pm
5th July	End of term 2



Eli “The best day ever!” Sausage, ice cream and Player of the Day Award. Thank you Waitohi Rugby Club.

Recount of the Week

I fell off the horse yesterday. I somersaulted over her head! She galloped away from us.
By Mason Room 7

House Points and Values Cards update With 366 Values Cards earned in the first 3 weeks, the children have achieved their first reward level. Tomorrow afternoon from 1:30 to 2pm a variety of activities will be offered for the children to take part in. **Fantastic result Picton School.**

Board of Trustees Elections - Final Notice

We have a good level of interest from the school community to go on the Board of Trustees. Any further nomination forms need to be returned by **noon on Friday 24 May 2019**

Teacher Only Day The Board of Trustees has approved a Teacher Only Day for staff to upskill in using new assessment tools. This will be on **Friday 7 June**. School will be closed for the day so please ensure you have made alternative arrangements for your child(ren) for that day.

Strictly Jump Jam The Picton Waves: Addison, Ali, Ella, Lucas, Harlem, Raniera, Sofia, Lizzie, Lily, Harmony, Mereana and Jayla have been practising hard for their competition to be held at Bohally Intermediate on 8 June. Details and ticket information can be found at <https://www.trybooking.com/nz/book/event?eid=1051&>

40 Hour Famine - Picton School students will again take part in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, June 7th-9th. Fundraising will focus on the South Sudan Refugee Crisis. Over the past 12 months, the conflict has continued and children are in desperate need and living in Displaced Persons' camps in Northern Uganda. Many thanks to Jan Aldridge for her continued management of this fundraising event. Please return consent forms to Miss Boudier.

Music Festival

Our new Choir has started practising for this year's Marlborough schools' Music Festival in Week 8 of Term 3. Suzanne Prentice will host the event and our choir will perform at the A.S.B. Theatre.

Gymnastics Festival

The Gymnastics Festival is on Friday, June 21st in Stadium 2,000. Practice has started and we will have gymnasts in Grade C and Grade B. practice is on Thursday at 12:30-any help would be much appreciated. A consent form has gone home, please return it to Miss Boudier as soon as possible. The cost is \$2 per child.

Room 1 Merit Mark Winners

Recent Merit Mark winners in Room One are Sarah Glanville, Libby Staples and Paige Stirling.

Missing Pencil Sharpener

Libby Staples has lost her blue, electric pencil sharpener which has a picture of a white pencil on it. It may have been taken accidentally but, she would really like to have it back and we would be grateful if it was returned.



'The Tortoise and the Hare' Performance

The N.Z. Playhouse theatre group is coming to perform 'The Tortoise and the Hare' on June 14th. The play is based on Aesop's fable with added characters-a Gingerbread Man, Humpty Dumpty and the Pied Piper of Hamelin. The play is about accepting diversity, growing kindness and thinking of how to be a *real* winner. Please send in \$2 for this subsidised performance.

Action from Saturday morning down at Endeavour Park