



Waikite Valley School

Developing Learners for Life

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Weekly Panui – Monday 27th February 2017

School Calendar!

Tuesday 28th Feb-Friday 3rd March—
YEAR 3-8 CAMP at WHAKAMARU

Monday 6th March—School Swimming Sports

Tuesday 7th March—RAT's Duathlon

Wed 8th March—BOT meeting 6.30pm

Friday 10th March—Teacher's only day (no students :)

Monday 13th March—6-8pm Future Focussed Planning—all parents, caregivers invited to attend this hui to have input for our future learning.

Wednesday 15th March—Parent/Teacher Conferences 1.30-5pm

SCHOOL LEADERS APPLICANTS 2017

On Thursday morning our Year 7 & 8 students presented their leadership speeches to the whole school. They were nervous, but excited about the prospect of being role models for the younger students. As part of the School Leader application process they have also put together a resume and job application for the positions. The school leaders will be announced this afternoon! More details about the applicants inside.

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

John Quincy Adams

SCHOOL CLEANER

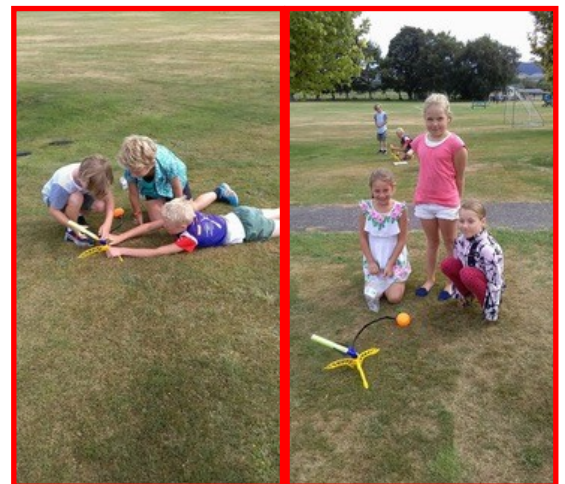
We are again looking for a reliable and responsible person who can clean the school. The position is for 2 hours a day, with 8 hours of thorough cleaning during each of the holidays. Remuneration is around \$16 p/hour. If you would like more information, please contact the school office. :)

House of Science Kits

As a follow up to our science focus in 2016 we have subscribed to the House of Science this year. This means that every week we pick up a science kit full of experiments and science concepts that we can share with our classes. Last week we had “Rocket Science” which was very exciting and provoked a lot of thought!

SCHOOL BUS MONITORS

Last week Constable Neil visited to teach our students about bus behaviours that keep us safe. It is always nice to have our local police in school to work with the students. He also spent time training our bus monitors. This year the monitors are: Kasey Hall, Eilish Best, Michael Stephens, Ben Johnston, William Schweizer, Sophie McKay, Lucas Relf.



Teresa Topp (PRINCIPAL)

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Welcome to our newest 5 year old new entrant to Te Ruma Puawai—Nathan Inwood.
Haere mai tamaiti!

Haere Mai!



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School Leader Speeches



School Leaders 2017

We are pleased to announce the the leaders for 2017 will be:

- Daniel Muller
- Ben Johnston
- Michael Shepherd
- Rachel Teague
- Kasey Hall
- Matthew Dent
- Reg Vanner
- Toby Stubbs





UPCOMING EVENTS!

Monday 6th March— Waikite Valley School Swimming Sports

Tuesday 7th March— RATS inter-school duathlon (7 years & up) Entries have closed. We have entered all 27 children who went to Waipa on Thursday. Could parents please make sure their children are familiar with the brakes and gears on the their bikes.

Tuesday 14th March— Reporoa Schools Cluster Swimming Sports

SCHOOLS MOTOCROSS CHALLENGE: The link to enter is on the website <http://www.rmcc.org.nz/schools-mx-challenge> but I can download paper entry forms. The races are on Saturday March 18th and the cut off for entry is Match 10th it is called the 2017 Interschools MX Challenge

Cricket: Every Thursday we have a cricket skills session during school time, hosted by the Rotorua Cricket Association.

Swimming: Please put your togs in your bag daily as we are trying to get in the pool as much as possible :)

Acts of Kindness from last week

- Courtney—she was caring
- Jorja —for picking up the pens
- Lily—for playing with me
- Jackson—for being nice and letting me on his scooter
- Harriet & Kelly—for helping me on the playground

spread kindness



WELCOME TO PARAGLIDING NEW ZEALAND



Last week I received a short email from Graham Surrey (the organiser of the NZ Paragliding Open 2017) to let us know that the Hang Gliding Nationals were underway last week at the Paeroa Ranges and that from the 26 Feb (Sunday) until 4 March the NZ Paragliding Open will be flying there as well.

They will have 80 pilots in the sky, which will be NZ's biggest ever paragliding competition, so they should be fairly noticeable!

Please let the wider community know that they will be in the area and that pilots are likely to be landing in various paddocks around our valley. All pilots will be briefed to avoid paddocks containing livestock wherever possible, and if we see pilots trying to hitch-hike back to their vehicles after landing then any rides would be greatly appreciated!



What are the Waikite Valley Dreamers dreaming of?

I dream of getting better at my school work, especially my writing—KASEY

I dream of being a responsible, enthusiastic, helpful and inspiring leader—TOBY

I dream of owning a horse and riding every day—RACHEL

I dream for a future in the military as a soldier or the police force as a dog handler or a SAS officer.—MICHAEL SHEPHERD

Thank You

- To our awesome PTA for supporting our learners with their fundraising efforts—AGM on 20th March for all parents—lets get involved!
- To Kev Adams—for all of his time, energy and expertise during his time serving on the Waikite Valley School Board of Trustees.
- A big thanks to the parents who transported kids and bikes and rode with our Duathlon Athletes on Thursday at Waipa.

PUBLIC LIBRARY BUS

☺ The Bus's next visit **Tues 28th February**

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Kia Ora.

My name is Sharon Bolous. I am a South African / New Zealander. I taught at primary schools for 15 years before training as an Early Childhood teacher at Victoria University, Wellington in 2006.

As a South African I have a very high regard for all cultures so my wish would be for the centre to show a strong bi-cultural blend.

As a community based centre my drive would be towards creating a strong parent/teacher relationship with a big emphasis on parent participation during and after hours. As a family and community we could create a lively and thriving environment for the children to both learn and grow.

As an ex-primary teacher I am fully committed to working very closely with the neighbouring school to establish and continue the strong communication where the children can enjoy the benefits of their experienced staff and learning programmes which will enrich their learning (literacy; numeracy and social).

I am looking forward to meeting everyone and start this new role as Acting Centre manager, I commence my role on the 6th March.

Please feel free to come in and meet me anytime.

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