

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Namaste
 Talofa ni Malo e lelei Kia orana Konnichiwa Malo ni
 Ni sa bula vinaka Bula Selamat Pagi Nin hao



Te Kura o Wairau

"Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei".
"Seek the treasure you value most dearly. If you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain".

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

IDENTITY

- ✓ Isaac - Originally from Congo, Africa
- ✓ Malia - Proud Samoan/Cook Island
- ✓ California - Te Haunui a Paparangi

HIGHLIGHT

- ✓ JUST BRASS - Music therapy
- ✓ Pasifika Pride lead performer
- ✓ Kapahaka Wahine lead

THE FUTURE

- ✓ Football star & Gaming Youtuber
- ✓ Rugby and Volleyball Star
- ✓ Kapahaka Leading Guitarist

Tāne Mahuta Awards

Room 11 - Charlie-Rose, Rushmin, Esaias & Sacred

Papatūānuku Awards

Room 11 - Ngawai, Journey, Blake & Mikaere. Room 8 - Ishan, Kobie, Emma-lee, Alice, Demetrius, Lucas, Harlym, Isaac, Mikyah & Tuwharetoa

Assembly Awards

Wairautanga Awards

Classroom - Shaelah-Raen R14, Johnny-Mac R14, Eden R11, Te Waiohū R14 & Nukuhia R8

Playground - Milemoti R14, Hazel R6, Shem R7, Joel R5 & Rhyan R12

Top Cat Class - Room 9 - kua pai te mahi/well done

Lunch with Mrs Johnson - Johnny-Mac R14 & Joseph R6

Star Staff Award

For a lifetime of working, supporting and learning with our very own Milenko until his very last day today at Te Kura o Wairau.



Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Kia ora
Whanau & Friends of Te Kura o Wairau

Matariki/Hautapu Ceremony

We had a beautiful Hautapu ceremony early in the morning on Thursday 19th June. It was lovely to see more whānau join us at the ceremony and for kai and a cuppa afterwards. The Rata Team also joined us as they were having a Matariki stayover.



Whole School Assembly

At the end of Term 2 Room 14 led our whole school assembly, with some of our youngest tamariki who took our breath away with how beautifully they spoke, sang and guided us through this gathering.

This term whole school assemblies are being led by these classes and are taking place at 10am on Friday 1st August (Week 3) = Room 7, Friday 22nd August (Week 6) = Rooms 5 & 6 and Friday 12th September (Week 9) = Room 11.

Uara/Values Target

The next target we want to achieve is 8000 Uara points, so that we can take part in another Wairatanga Celebration. Our tamariki have given us lots of ideas as to what our next celebration focus should be. We are very proud of our tamariki who are being the best 'Wairautanga' role models. Lots of Uara certificates were given out at our last whole school assembly.

Term 3's Major Learning Focus/Big Idea

This term in each of our teams our ākonga are learning through our big idea - 'Celebrating Cultural Identity'. As part of this learning the 3 Language Weeks we will be celebrating fit beautifully into this terms 'learning focus'. We will be celebrating Cook Island Māori in Week 4 (3rd - 9th August), Tongan in Week 6 (17th - 23rd August) and Māori in Week 10 (15th - 21st September).

Bell Changes

We are trialling a change in our kura this term around our bell times to cater better for when our tamariki eat, play and learn. These are our new bell times below and what they are for.

8:20am = classes are open

8:55am = school learning starts

10:30am = uara teaching time

10:45am = morning tea eating starts

11:00am = morning tea eating stops and morning tea playtime begins

11:30am = morning tea playtime ends

1:00pm = lunch eating starts

1:15pm = lunch eating stops and lunchtime play begins

1:45pm = lunch playtime ends

2:55pm = school learning finishes

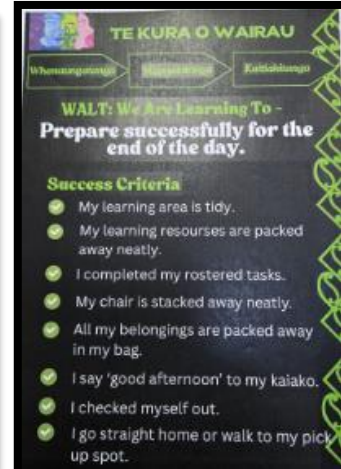
WALT/We Are Learning To...

Last term we developed 2 WALT's which were put in place to support our tamariki successfully starting their learning day and also successfully ending their learning day. We did this as there needed to be an improvement at both of these times across our kura. We reviewed these at the end of last term and the feedback from our kaiako was that they have made a marked, positive difference to the start and end of the day for the tamariki, kaiako and kaiawhina. This initiative is a whole school one that links to our PB4LSW (Positive Behaviour for Learning Schoolwide), and our learning Across the Curriculum.

In each classroom you will see a whiteboard where our students' names are written and each day they move a magnet to 'in' when they arrive and then move it to 'out' at the end of the day just before they leave the classroom. They also have other expectations to fulfil when they arrive at kura and also before they leave. This common process across the school ensures there are clear expectations for all.

WALT's will also be developed for other spaces too - like the Library, Borrow Box, Hall, Wharekai, Te Mokai o Tautu etc. This will support everyone in these spaces too.

Kaiako are and will continue to develop 'Learning' WALT's too that will support their tamariki to achieve their learning goals and social goals within the classroom and kura setting.



ParentTeacher Interviews

In Week 9 on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September we will be holding our Parent/Teacher Interviews. More details around how to book times for these, and the purpose of our interviews will come out soon.

Attendance Matters

The expectation from the government is that by 2030 80% of our kura will be attending 90% or more. In term 1 we had 84 of our students meeting this goal. In term 2 we had 85. For our school to be reaching this expectation we need 140 students at school. We still have a way to go but it was encouraging when the Ministry of Education met with us recently and reported that they had seen an increase in attendance at our school. Let's keep this momentum up. If there are any concerns or barriers that may be impacting on your child attending regularly, please reach out.

Car Park Gate - Locked for Safety

Our carpark gate is going to be locked every afternoon at 1:45pm, and then unlocked at 3:10pm. This is due to the worry we have been seeing and hearing in the carpark in the afternoons. Thank you for the support we have already received about this, and also for the support in the future.

Forest Lakes Camp - Payments Due

For our whānau whose tamariki are Year 5 or 6 and are in the Kahikatea Team please come in and make the payment/s as soon as possible because camp is only 9 weeks away (17th - 19th September).

The due date to pay for camp is Friday 29th August (end of Week 7), which is 2 ½ weeks before we go on camp.

Disco/Fundraising for Forest Lakes Camp

We have 3 major events occurring this term to help raise funds for camp.

Next week on Friday we have a Disco. A notice will come out next week.

In Week 4 on Friday 8th August we are holding a Concert in the evening from 5:00 - 7:30pm. Watch out for the details about this event.

Then in Week 8 on Saturday 6th September we are holding a Market Day. Again more details will come about this exciting event.

Teacher Only Days - Mathematics & Statistics

Refreshed Curriculum

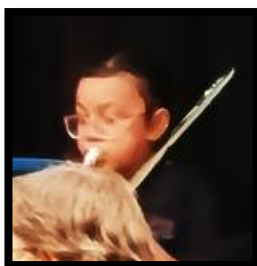
We have our second Mathematics & Statistics Teacher Only Day tomorrow (Friday 18th July).

In Term 4 we have our third on Friday 24th October - this is Week 3 of Term 4.

Nga mihi nui
Teena Johnson
Tumuaki/Principal



*Well done to all
of our Just
Brass students
who performed
at the end of
term concert at
the Salvation
Army.
You made us very
proud.*



Board of Trustee Elections

The Board of Trustees elections are taking place in September. This is very important as you, as parents/caregivers, are eligible to nominate and vote for people to represent your school and to sit on the Board of Trustees, which runs your school.

You will be receiving nomination information via email or snail mail soon. If you know of someone who is interested in being nominated or want to nominate yourself please get your nomination forms back asap. **Schooled Election Pilot** is running the election; this is who you will receive information from and return nomination/voting forms to.

Voting will take place in September.

Sports News

OUTSTANDING SPORTS FEES

As a kura we really value the importance of sports and physical activity for children's growth and development. For this reason we heavily subsidise sports fees. The amount we ask from you has been discounted in most cases by 50%. Please can you pay your contribution as soon as possible. If easier you are able to pay it off in parts, just let the office know.

What is also exciting is that we contribute more if you choose to coach. Please reach out if this interests you.

The PE team- Pou Steph, Pou Lisa. Pa Isaiah, Pou Amy and Pa Jah.

The sports fees are listed below, please pay at the office. Nga mihi nui

Netball - \$40

Jump Jam - \$10

Basketball - \$40

Touch- \$35

Tee ball-\$10

Flipperball-\$35

Daffodil Day 2025

We are proud to be supporting Daffodil Day again this year. If you would like to make a donation, google Daffodil Day and click on the yellow donation button - search for

Te Kura o Wairau to join our donation page. Our kura will mark this day on Friday the 29th of August, when the children can wear something yellow to school for a gold coin donation.

Monrad
Te Kura Waenga o Tirohanga

OPEN NIGHT

2025

TUES
DAY

29 JULY

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

MONRAD TIROHANGA SCHOOL HALL

228 BOTANICAL ROAD

2026 ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN

Please visit our school website
www.monrad.school.nz

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First 4 weeks free!

Email westend@group.scouts.nz

We empower youth through adventurous experiences to lead lives that make a positive difference.

KEAS – Wed 4:15–5:30pm

CUBS – Wed 6:30–8:00pm

SCOUTS – Thurs 6:30–8:30pm



SCOUTS



QUEEN ELIZABETH COLLEGE



OUR OPEN DAY

Date Wednesday, 23rd July 2025

Time 9:30am– Guided tours, see the school in action! – Main Office
6:00pm– Presentation and department visits – School Hall

Location 354 Rangitikei Street, Palmerston North

Ready to join our whānau?
<https://qec.school.kiwi/enrolment>

Scan here 

Have questions?
Please contact us
Ph: 06 358 9033
E: office@qec.school.nz
W: qec.school.nz



Vomiting Bugs

Please remember if your child is away from school due to vomiting, they should not return to school until 48 hours after vomiting has ceased.

School Uniform @ Academy Apparel

A reminder that Academy Apparel in Broadway Ave stock our school uniform, so if we don't have what you require in stock at school you have the option to purchase it there. You can also shop online through their website - & "Click & Collect". Our school community can also go to them for their Winz purchases.

School Facebook page

Keep in touch with the Kowhai, Rata, and Kahikatea teams, on their facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly puts photos and exciting news of what is happening within their teams and around the school. Search for them:

[Te Kura o Wairau Kowhai Team](#),
[Te Kura o Wairau Rata Team](#),
[Te Kura o Wairau Kahikatea Team](#).



Download the School App for up-to-date notices, and to let us know if your child/ren will be absent from school.



LOST PROPERTY!

Please be sure to come and have a look through the lost property for any lost items on a regular basis. Items seem to accumulate very fast!

Dental Treatment

The Mobile Dental Clinic is visiting our school at present, you can call them on 02744440085. Or you can contact the Dental Unit at The Palms in Ferguson Street – Phone 3547737 or 0800 825583.

PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for ANY reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or download the school app (from School Apps or scan the QR code below) and leave a message. If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as **TRUANT**.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, PLEASE let the office know.

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