

e Kura o Wairau





Tane Mahuta Awards

Room 6 - Cooper, Lucas, Isabell, Mele & Arabella - Room 8 - Joshua, Nukuhia, Mose & Malia - Room 11 - Laicey, Akuila, Eden, Harness, Ziggy, Maddison, Olive & Alexandra - Room 14 - Johnny-Mac, Te Riuu, Mākohakoha, Renezmay, Manaia, Milemoti & Boss

Papatūānuku Awards

Room 6 – Selwyn & Tyson - Room 11 – Mosaiah - Room 14 – Hennecee, Ngawai, Qacety, Kaishaya, Te Mura & Waipuna

Assembly Awards -

Wairautanga Awards

Classroom - Somaya R8, Sacred R11, Malachi R7, Sylus R6, Mosiah R11

Playground – Rhythm R7, Lala R5, Analia R8, Mikyah R8 & McKenna R5

Top Cat Class - Room 6 - row of Joseph, Cooper, Nanuma, Mikaere, Lucas & Sylus Lunch with Mrs Johnson

Oriwia R6 & Alexandra R11



Star Staff Award Whaea Daina - Thank you for supporting and covering for other staff. You have gone above and beyond!

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

<u>Teacher Only Days - Mathematics & Statistics</u> Refreshed Curriculum

We had our second Mathematics & Statistics Teacher Only Day 2 weeks ago on Friday 18th July. We spent the day in Te Mokai o Tautu learning about the new Maths curriculum with a particular focus on planning. In Term 4 we have our third Mathematics & Statistics Teacher Only Day on Friday 24th October - this is Week 3 of Term 4.

Whole School Assembly

Last week Room 7 led our whole school assembly. It was so wonderful to see the students from Room 6 receiving the Top Cat award from Whaea Lisa for being amazing tamariki in our assembly. Whaea Lisa presented Nala to the students in the back row because she was so impressed with their excellent assembly behaviour and manners.





Our next whole school assemblies are taking place at 10am on Friday 22nd August (Week 6) = Rooms 5 & 6 and Friday 12th September (Week 9) = Room 11.

Student Leaders - Thank you

It was so lovely to see and hear about the way our amazing Students Leaders are being responsible, and are role modelling to their peers through the consistent service they are doing. Mrs Alefaio recognised some of these students with a certificate of appreciation. Whaea Steph helped Mrs Alefaio give these out at our assembly. Ngā mihi nui Student Leaders.



Cook Island Language Week

We began our recognition and celebration of the Cook Island Language Week with our Flag Raising Ceremony on Monday morning in the hall. The pride that was shown by our Cook Island students at this ceremony was beautiful. The photo of Joshua and Vayanga is a great example of this. Our Cook Island Flag flies proudly on our flagposts both inside our hall and outside. On Friday at our concert we are going to lower the flag in the hall and sing the Cook Island National Anthem to officially close our Cook Island Language week.





Camp Fundraising Concert

Tonight from 6-8pm we are holding a Camp Fundraising Concert in our hall. Just Brass will start this event by sharing what they have learnt and showcasing the skills they have while playing their instruments. Our two roopu He Haupihi ki Hine and Pasifika Pride are performing a bracket each. Two of our Jump Jam teams will be showing us their skills and passion for exercise, movement, and dance. And there may be some extra items that you'll get to see and hear. Please come along and ioin us at our concert to support our ākonga and celebrate their passion for entertainment. There is also yummy kai for sale. All proceeds go towards our Kahikatea Senior Camp at Forest Lakes. Camp fees are due by Friday 29th August. Please pop in to see Mrs James or Whaea Suzanne to pay these.

Attendance Matters

Pou Steph and a group of students met with Sport Manawatu last week to discuss what excites them about coming to school and what barriers could prevent them from coming.

We also discussed ideas for the next attendance celebration. If any whānau have any ideas/initiatives or what they could offer to celebrate attendance at our kura please reach out to Pou Steph.





ParentTeacher Interviews

In Week 9 on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September we will be holding our Parent/Teacher Interviews. An online booking system will be used for you to book your tamariki interviews with their kaiako. We will let you know when this is ready for you to book these with your children's kaiako.

Tongan Language Week

In Week 6 (from Sunday 17th – Saturday 23rd August) Tongan Language Week is being celebrated and recognised. We will have our



Tongan Flag Raising Ceremony on Monday 18th August at 9:15am. Please always know that you are very welcome to join us for this. On Friday 22nd August we will have our Flag Lowering Ceremony during our whole school assembly.

NZEI Paid Union Meeting

On Wednesday 27th August our kura will finish early so our kaiako/teachers can attend their union meeting. School will finish at 12:30pm. Please pop it in your calendars to collect your tamariki by 12:30pm on this day. A flyer closer to this time will come home to remind you. Thank you in advance for supporting our kaiako and the amazing job they do in our kura and in our education system.

Daffodil Day

On Friday 29th August we will be acknowledging 'Daffodil Day' and supporting the cancer society by dressing in yellow on this day, and donating any pūtea/money to them. There are (unfortunately) many of us who have lost whānau and friends due to cancer. Our school whānau has lost colleagues and friends to this devastating disease. As we are reminded of this on Daffodil Day and in memory of many we have lost we send our collective love and thoughts to you all.

Market Day - Camp Fundraising

On Saturday 30th March from 9am - 1pm we are holding a 'Market Day' at school to raise funds for camp. There will be cake stalls, plant stalls, food trucks and other yummy and precious items for sale. Please come along for a fun filled morning with us and support our senior school with their fundraising.

Nga mihi nui Teena Johnson Tumuaki/Principal



A huge thank you to Jeanine and her team at the PN Court House for the donation of kai for our Breakfast Club. We are very grateful to you all for your kindness & generosity.



Basketball

A big shout out to Sarah who coached the Wairau Wairua team this season. It was a delight watching the kids work and grow their skills together as a team. We are always on the lookout for parents/whānau to support their students through sports so if you can help either as a coach or manager, please reach out to Whaea Steph, Whaea Lisa, Pa Isaiah, Whaea Amy or Pa Jah.

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

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 vote for people to represent your school and to sit on the Board of Trustees, which runs your school. Nominations have now closed. You will be advised via email or snail mail by **Schooled Election Pilot** of further actions needed to be taken by yourselves prior to the 10th September 2025.

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Courses Supporting Parents

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We know raising awesome kids isn't easy and you don't always have hours to spend on parenting books. That's why we created a set of **five short, to-the-point courses** (in audio and written form) aligning to the Empowering Tamariki Programme, delivered in Primary Schools.

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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 upto-date notices,
and to let us know
if your child/ren
will be absent from
school.

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.

Dental Treatment

The Mobile Dental Clinic is visiting our school at present, you can call them on 0274440085. Or you can contact the Dental Unit at The Palms in Ferguson Street - Phone 3547737 or 0800 825583.

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.

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!

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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