

# Waitoki School NEWSLETTER

**TERM 4**

**20 NOVEMBER 2024**



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# Waitoki School

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Tēnā koutou Whanau,

Well done to all of our learners who represented Waitoki at **Group Day** on Friday 1st November and congratulations to all the ribbon winners. A special mention must go to Aidan Bateman who got the Champion award for Call & Most obvious pet, and to Koen Neville who was awarded Reserve Champion for Leading & Personal Control.

On **Tuesday 12th November** over 50 of our students competed at the Kaipara Schools cluster athletics. As well as demonstrating great sportsmanship, we had a number of students who got first, second and third placings. Well done to all our athletes, you have made us proud. Also well done to the Senior Kapa Haka group who represented Waitoki School at the Kaipara Kapa Haka festival on **Saturday 16th November**. It was wonderful watching all of them perform at Helensville.



The last few weeks of term are going to be busy. Teachers are currently assessing all students in reading, writing, and maths and writing for end of year reports. Individual student data and the written report will be shared with you at the end of term 4. We will be holding our annual twilight **“Christmas in the Country”** on **Friday 13th December**. This will be an opportunity for our students to share some Christmas songs with whānau, hold an informal end of year community gathering and for our older students to hone their entrepreneur skills by running a market stall. We hope to see you there.

We have planned two end of year events to celebrate student success. **Whole school prize giving** will be on **Tuesday 17th December** from **8.45am** and we will be acknowledging students from all year levels by presenting certificates, medals and cups. There will be a second ceremony, the **Y8 graduation**, on **Wednesday 18th December** from **6pm** to acknowledge our oldest learners as they move on to college. Our Y8 graduates have given us plenty of feedback so that we can make this a special occasion for them. We will also present the **Y6 completion certificates** at the Y8 graduation ceremony.

I would like to give a big shout out to those members of our community who have contributed recently to the enhancement of our play spaces. We have had support from **Neville Bros**, who donated \$1,000

to purchase new sand toys. **Melissa Neville** for her shopping expertise with purchasing the new toys. **Dean Neville** for repairing the wooden sand box. **Vaughan Cox** from **Efficient Bobcats** for his preparation work and **Atlas Concrete** for donating the sand. They have all pulled together to create a second sandpit for our learners free of charge. Thank you, we really appreciate your support.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the **“4 to Fit” challenge**, organised by Amy Vincent and Kali Grey. We made it to the end of the challenge and raised almost **\$2,000** in the process, which will be used to increase our sports and play equipment. We have had plenty of requests for soccer goals so are currently investigating purchasing these. Many thanks to Amy and Kali who kept us all motivated, I am definitely appreciating being a few kilos lighter!

A wee reminder; If your child is **not** returning to Waitoki in 2025 please could you email either Claire ([admin@waitoki.school.nz](mailto:admin@waitoki.school.nz)) or Emma ([ehagerty@waitoki.school.nz](mailto:ehagerty@waitoki.school.nz)) as will be able to organise our classes for next year much more effectively if we have accurate numbers. If you have already informed us, then you do not need to email us again. Many thanks for your support with this.

Ngā mihi nui  
Jules McCourt

[Upcoming events to add to your diary:](#)

**Term dates 2024:**

**Term 4** – Mon 14 October 2024 to Thurs 19 December 2024

**Bi-weekly Assemblies:** Assemblies are every 2nd week. Next assembly is on Fri 22nd November at 1.15pm.

**BOT Meeting**—Wed 20th November at 6.30pm

**Kaipara College Science Fair**—Thurs 21st November at 3.30pm

**Hearing & Vision Testing**—Fri 22nd November

**Yr 7 & 8 Stem Challenge**—Fri 29th November

**Christmas Disco**—Fri 29th November

**Community Helpers morning tea**—Fri 6th December

**Christmas in the Country**—Fri 13th December

**Whole School Prizegving**—Tues 17th December at 8.45am

**Yr 8 Graduation celebration**—Wed 18th December at 6pm

**Last day of school**—Thurs 19th December at 12pm



Fundraising & events

Waitoki School Christmas Disco

If you haven't yet signed your child up for the Christmas Disco, please head into Skool Loop and fill in a permission form.

If any parents can help with baking, decorations, or general support, please let your child's teacher know, and Mel will be in touch.



Christmas in the Country—Save the date!



Group Day Update

Congratulations to all of our students who competed in Group Day on Friday 1st November. We are proud of each and every one of you!

The following students placed on the day:

- Call & Most Obvious Pet Overall Champion:** Aidan B
- Leading & Personal Control Overall Reserve Champion:** Koen N
- Best 3 Matched Lambs from one school (1st Place):** Waitoki
- Call & Most Obvious Pet Junior (1st Place)** - Aidan B
- Call & Most Obvious Pet Intermediate (2nd Place)** - Nathan B
- Call & Most Obvious Pet Intermediate (4th Place)** - Jesse M
- High Jump Intermediate (4th Place)** - Koen N
- High Jump Senior (2nd Place)** - Connor B
- Leading & Personal Control Intermediate (1st Place)** - Koen N
- Rearing & Grooming Intermediate (2nd Place)** - Nathan B
- Rearing & Grooming Intermediate (3rd Place)** - Vanessa C
- Wool Junior (4th Place)** - Aidan B
- Wool Intermediate (4th Place)** - Johnny Hayden
- Wool Senior (2nd Place)** - Sophie Vendt

Student corner

Surfing competitions

Piper S has competed in a few surf comps. In the school holidays she went to Gisborne for the National Primary Schools champs and came 7th.



In the weekend she competed in the Auckland primary and intermediate champs and came 5th.

Silverdale Pony Club Ribbon Day

Well done to Ayla M and Isla E for competing in the Silverdale Pony Club Ribbon Day on Saturday 17th November. You both did such a great job and we look forward to hearing more about your future competitions!



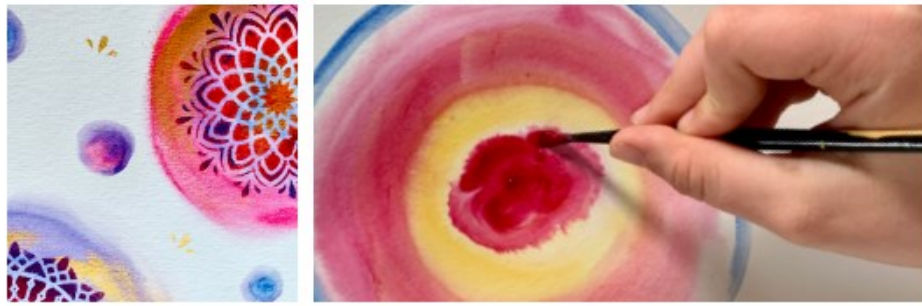
Sports

Kaipara Athletics

Well done to all of our students who competed in the Kaipara Athletics Day!

Girls	Boys
Shotput Yr 4 (1st Place)- Leamanaia N	Sprints Yr 4 (2nd Place) - Finlay M
Discus Yr 4 (2nd Place) - Erin H	Prints Yr 4 75m (2nd Place) - Finlay M
Long Jump Yr 5 (3rd Place) - Jordan H	High Jump Yr 4 (3rd Place) - Finlay M
Sprints 100m Yr 7 (1st Place) - Kaylee V	Discus Yr 4 (1st Place) - Finlay M
Sprints 200m Yr 7 (2nd Place) - Piper S	Discus Yr 4 (3rd Place) - Arlo Dykman
Sprint 400m Yr 7 (2nd Place) - Piper S	Shot Put Yr 4 (1st Place) - Johnny H
Long Jump Yr 7 (2nd Place) - Kaylee V	Shot Put Yr 4 (3rd Place) - Finlay M
High Jump Yr 7 (2nd Place) - Kaylee V	Discus Yr 5 (1st Place) - Kade H
High Jump Yr 7 (3rd Place) - Eden S	High Jump Yr 5 (3rd Place) - Kade H
	Sprints 75m Yr 6 (1st Place) - Isaac D
	Sprints 100m Yr 6 (1st Place) - Isaac D
	High Jump Yr 6 (3rd Place) - Isaac D
	Shot Put (2nd Place) - Heath V





## Helensville Art Centre Kids creative painting



School holiday, 2 Day program  
9:30am - 1:30pm  
29th & 30th January 2025  
Ages 6-12 Cost \$130

Mixed media artist Rachel Murphy will teach colour blending, the differences between paint mediums and how to create layers of colour and texture.

**Day 1** Watercolour techniques, creating textures, using nature to create pattern.

**Day 2** Building up colours, patterns, and stencilling over the watercolours from day 1, to create beautiful and unique art work.

All art materials provided, Limited to 8 children

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Please support our lovely locals  
with these upcoming events!

# BARN DANCE

SAT 16 NOV | 7-9PM  
@ NORTHGATE BAPTIST

COSTS \$10  
FAMILIES \$25

## KAHUI AKO O KAIPARA SCIENCE FAIR

YEAR 0-10

**Thursday 21 November  
2024**  
Kaipara College Gym

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 3.30PM  
PRIZEGIVING 5.30PM

## FREE CHRISTMAS FAMILY EVENT



**Date:** 5th December

**Time:** 5.00pm - 7.00pm

### Details

Come along and enjoy the fun.  
There will be market stalls, DIY, games and prizes.  
Fire and police vehicles will be there too.  
Santa will also visit on the night.  
Sausage sizzle available \$2.50.

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Teens & Adults (Monday) 5:00  
Teens & Adults (Thursday) 6:00

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