

# Waitoki School NEWSLETTER

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# Waitoki School

## Adaptive, curious, creative lifelong learners



# Grit Ownership Aroha Teamwork

### Tēnā koutou whānau,

We are heading into the final stretch of the term, and the energy around school is buzzing. With Ag Day and the Country Fair just around the corner, there's a tremendous amount of hard work happening behind the scenes.

All of our staff have been putting in incredible hours to get everything ready for these events, and their hard work and dedication is gratefully appreciated. We are also so thankful for all the parents who have already stepped up to help. Your support, from donating items to volunteering your time to help on a stall, makes a huge difference and is a big part of what makes Country Fair a success.

Country Fair this year will be on Saturday 11th October from 10.30am - 2.30pm and inquiry learning this term has focused on designing and making products to sell on that day. From beautifully crafted candles, magnets, and soap to unique keychains and chopping boards, our tamariki have been working hard to create some fantastic items.

We are looking forward to sharing their hard work with you and hope you will find a bargain. It has been a great way for our students to learn about entrepreneurship and for our community to get some wonderful handmade products.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the Sip Swap Shop fundraiser scheduled for Friday 5th September. Many of the items that were intended as prizes for the Sip Swap Shop are going to be used as silent auction or raffle prizes at Country Fair instead, so not all of Melissa's hard work will go to waste.

Thank you to the families who attended our Y7 & Y8 information evening on Thursday 21st August. If you would like a copy of the slideshow please email me; [principal@waitoki.school.nz](mailto:principal@waitoki.school.nz)

**A huge shout-out to Piper Stubbs**, who represented Waitoki School at the Auckland Schools cross country last week. Piper came 22nd out of 80 competitors and the Year 8 Girls North West team placed second so she got a certificate.

Piper then went on to compete at AIMS Games in Tauranga this weekend. This is an incredible opportunity for her to showcase her cross country and surfing talents against students at other intermediate schools from all across New Zealand. Piper came 67th out of 154 finishers in the cross country which is a great achievement and she has made it into the finals of the surfing, and has come **3rd—so a podium finish !!!** We are all so proud of Piper.

**Congratulations Piper - Wahoo! Amazing achievement.**



As you know, the election for our parent elected Board representatives is underway. We have six fantastic candidates who have put their hands up to carry out this important governance role for our school, and I appreciate their willingness to serve our community. The Board plays a crucial role in setting the strategic direction of the school and ensuring we are providing the best possible education for our children. Please take a moment to vote and help shape the future of our school.

**Ngā mihi nui**  
**Jules McCourt**

### Important Information:

#### Term dates 2025:

**Term 3—Mon 14th July 2025—Fri 19th September 2025**

**Term 4—Mon 6th October 2025—Tues 16th December 2025**

#### Term Dates 2026:

The Board has set the term dates for 2026.

**Term 1 2026** will once again begin with one to one family connection meetings on **Tuesday 3rd February 2026**, followed by all children learning in class on **Wednesday 4th February 2026**.

**Term 4 2026** will end on **Tuesday 15th December 2026**.

#### Upcoming events to add to your diary:

- 8 September:** Father's Day Assembly: 1.15pm
- 10 September:** Voting closes for Board Election
- 13 September:** Working Bee 7.30am to 3.30pm
- 17 September:** Kaipara Kāhui ako inter School speech competition
- 17 September:** Board Meeting 6.30pm.
- 19 September:** End of Term 3.
- 20 September:** Car park in use - Car Club Run
- 6 October :** Term 4 starts.
- 11 October:** AG Day and Country Fair
- 28 October:** Date Changed: School Now Open.
- 3 November:** New date for Teacher Only Day.



### Enrolments for 2026

The Waitoki School Board invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Waitoki School for 2026.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the Waitoki School office.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is 3pm on Wednesday 8th October 2025. Application forms are available from the school website or by emailing [admin@waitoki.school.nz](mailto:admin@waitoki.school.nz)

Parents of students who live within the home zone should also apply by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year.

The board has determined that 50 places are likely to be available for out-of-zone students in 2026. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required, it will be held on Wednesday 15th October 2025.

Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

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### Welcome:

We are so excited to welcome new families to our kura! Please give a warm Waitoki welcome if you see any of our new students and parents.  
Our new student : Hudson Perry in Rūma Ono



### Yummy Stickers

Don't forget to collect your yummy stickers which earn us points to purchase sports equipment at the end of the year. The office have collection pages for the stickers.



### AG Day Information

#### • Radish Seeds

Radish seeds are available for collection from the office.



#### • Lamb/Calf/Goat

Please remember that your new animal must be born between the 1st of July and 15th September if you are planning to start your training during the school holidays. Please pop in and pick up an information pack from the office which will give you all the information you require on rearing and training your animal.



If you decide to rear an animal for Ag day this year, **you must register all animals as soon as you get them or use the form sent out on skool loop.** Please also complete the lamb day care registration on skool loop if you wish to use this service.

### Country Fair:

#### Lolly Bag and Popcorn Donation

We would love your support for our school Country Fair! We kindly ask each family to send along a bag of lollies or microwave popcorn this week to contribute to our stalls. Your donation will help make the fair extra fun and successful for everyone.



#### Jolly Jars

This year our Jolly Jar stall will be back in action at the Country Fair. These awesome jars are often super popular and there is so much variety to choose from. What is a Jolly Jar?

Jolly Jars are a jar filled with something small, fun or interesting. Kids love making them and choosing what to put inside and you can decorate the jars to make them more eye-catching if you choose. These don't have to cost a lot of money and there are endless ideas to make up the jars but suggestions include - Hair clips, McDonald's toys, LEGO, miniatures, sweets, chocolate, water balloons, marbles, crayons or pencils, loom bracelets, kids craft bits and bobs, matchbox cars, accessories, stickers, play jewellery.

The Jolly Jars are then for sale on the day of our Country Fair. So grab a jar and fill it with whatever your heart desires and bring it back to school ready for sale on Country Fair day. We have some jars available at the office if you need one. This is a great holiday activity for the kids to do!



### Kids Art Works

Calendar Art orders will open in week 1/2 of Term 4. All orders will now be online. Still plenty of time for those gorgeous calendars and diaries to be ordered to send overseas. Ordering information and school code to follow.



## FATHER'S DAY 2025

MONDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1.15PM

### FATHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY

Join us as we celebrate our amazing fathers at a whole school assembly. Students will be sharing items and songs.

### FIGURINE PAINTING SESSION

Following our assembly, come along and enjoy painting a Warhammer figurine with your child in Ruma Waru.



## Vote now!

Voting is now open for  
Waitoki School Board elections.  
Contact your school for more information.

**Important: Please Vote Now!**

Voting is open until 10th September 2025 at 4:00pm

As at today, the total number of votes cast for our Waitoki School Board election is 33 out of a total voting roll of 194! Invitations to vote have been sent out to all parents and caregivers by email, or by post.

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COMING UP SOON

COMMUNITY NEWS

2025 AG DAY &

WAITOKI SCHOOL

COUNTRY FAIR

10:30AM - 2PM

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER

AG DAY BEGINS AT 9AM  
CLASS STALLS  
PONY RIDES  
RAFFLE DRAW  
ENTERTAINMENT  
AND MORE!

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JUNIOR SUMMER FOOTY

Mondays Term 4 Ages 4 -12

Girls only league

Mixed League

| Years 0 - 1    | Years 2 - 3    | Years 4 - 6    | Years 7 - 8    |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 5:15 - 6:15    | 4:00 - 5:00    | 5:15 - 6:15    | 6:30 - 7:30    |
| Girls 5v5      | Girls 5v5      | Girls 5v5      | Girls 5v5      |
| \$260 per team | \$260 per team | \$260 per team | \$260 per team |
| 8 players      | 8 players      | 8 players      | 8 players      |
| Mixed 7v7      | Mixed 7v7      | Mixed 7v7      | Mixed 7v7      |
| \$350 per team | \$350 per team | \$350 per team | \$350 per team |
| 10 players     | 10 players     | 10 players     | 10 players     |

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