



WESTSHORE SCHOOL

Te Kura O Te Taha

Newsletter - Pānui

TERM 4 - WEEK 10 - 2025

Whanaungatanga - Connect

Manaakitanga - Nurture

Rangatiratanga - Thrive

A merry message from our Principal



Well, here we are, the last newsletter for the year. I can't believe school finishes on Monday at 12:30pm, another very positive year of learning and growing coming to an end. We say goodbye to our year 6 students and wish them all the best as they continue their learning journey at their selected intermediate schools next year. I'm sure we will catch up with them as we visit the intermediates next year and I know they will do well.

This year has been a year of change, change in the way we teach both English & Mathematics across the school and this has created a great deal more work for staff. I want to publicly thank all the staff of our wonderful school for embracing the changes, adapting the changes to meet the needs of our children and for all the extra long hours of planning and assessment that goes on behind the scenes. Well done team. Enjoy your well-deserved summer break.

Reports: these will be sent home today with your child.

Monday: School will finish at 12:30pm. Children can come to school in mufti and bring a towel with them as we are having a truck load of shaved ice coming for all to enjoy.

To all our school whānau, keep safe, enjoy the festive season and we will see you all again in the new year. Martin Madden.



Things to know

Stationery Packs for 2026

Westshore School Stationery packs for 2026 have been ordered, all students need these for class, these must be paid for before students start school. You will receive an invoice one week before school starts, we will appreciate prompt payment so your child can be given their pack when they start school and ensure a smooth start to the year for them, thank you.



Winter Wonderland - Last School Day



This last day of school will be so much fun! We will be having a truckful of shaved iced delivered to the school for all the students to play with and more! **Students will need to bring a towel with them to dry off. It will also be a**

Mufti Day! Wear your own clothes, no school uniform. **Please remember that School will be finishing early at 12.30pm.**



Westshore School Memories

Year 6 Mohaka River Farm Camping Trip Highlights



Times to Cherish



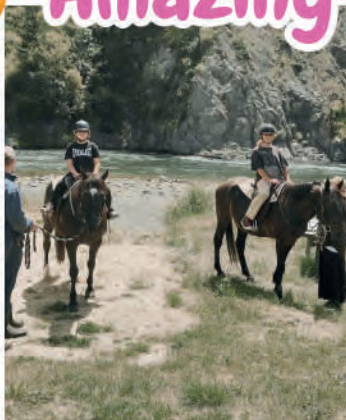
During week 9, the year 6 students had an absolute blast at the Mohaka River Farm camp. They got fully involved in all the activities that were offered. They produced 3 crafts that they will no doubt treasure in years to come. Horse riding and White-water rafting was once again the highlight for many. Thank you to the year 6 whanau for getting the children organised for camp and especially to Ben, Lindsey and Kayla who supported me with this outdoor education event. Sadly it is our last year 6 camp with the Mohaka River Farm as they change business models so we will be on the hunt for a new venue for 2026. Mrs Temple. ★ ★ ★

Westshore School Memories

More Year 6 Mohaka River Farm Camping Trip Highlights



Amazing Memories



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More Year 6 Mohaka River Farm Camping Trip Highlights



So much Fun!!



Westshore School Memories

Splash Planet Trip for Road Patrollers

What a perfect day to treat our road patrollers to a super fun day out at Splash Planet! The students had a amazing time!



Westshore School Do-Athlon

A 'silhouette' of whanau in the grandstand. Tamariki were both nervous and excited, especially some of the juniors. It was so heart-warming to see seniors spontaneously notice who may need a hand. Several were seen going over to families offering to run with a little buddy, even offering to take them by the hand - if they would like that. That's what it was all about. Thank you Y5 and Y6 students who did this. It meant a lot to the parents who saw you helping their child!

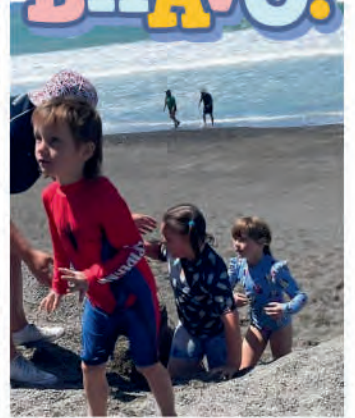


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Westshore School Do-Athlon Continued

What a wonderful way to end the week with our Do-Athlon. How good was it to pop across the road and use our beach for the event. Well done to all the tamariki who participated today.

BRAVO!



Westshore School Memories

Wheels Day

We wrapped up the year in the best way today — with our junior tamariki enjoying their own mini wheels day, with lots of scooter and bike skills on display, loads of giggles, and more than a few speedy laps! Of course, it wouldn't be a celebration without some bubble fun floating through the air and plenty of dancing too! Ngā mihi nui to our amazing tamariki for bringing their smiles and energy. Such a cool way to wrap up the year.



Fun with Friends



WOW!



Westshore School Memories

School Leader Awards

Today we celebrated our school leaders who have carried out various responsibilities throughout the year- our House captains, Physical Activity leaders, Librarians, Tech superstar and Road Wardens. They have shown our school values of Whanaungatanga, Manaakitanga and Rangatiratanga with excellence throughout the year. We thank you for your contribution to school life. **Congratulations!**



Westshore School Memories

Year 6 Hollywood Themed Leavers Dinner

Oh what a fun night! The Year 6 Leavers Dinner was a fantastic celebration of their time together here at Westshore school. Gorgeous girls and guys with super yum food and terrific dancing. 



Westshore School Memories

More of our Year 6 Hollywood Themed Leavers Dinner



Upcoming Events



Last Day of School
Monday 15th December

BACK TO SCHOOL

Back to School
Monday 2nd February 2026



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school holidays?

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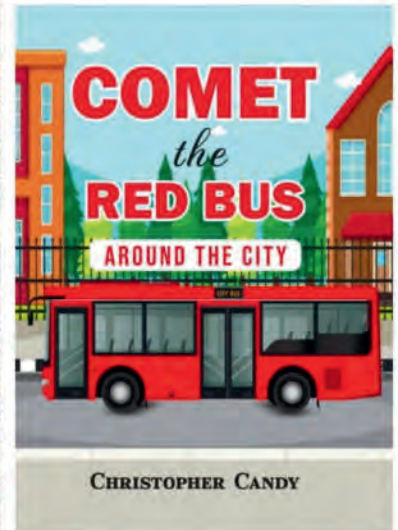


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Westshore School has our school policies and procedures documented on the SchoolDocs Website available online for you to view. You can familiarise yourselves with behaviour, uniform, health and safety and other policies. Follow the link or on our website or <https://www.schooldocs.co.nz> and search for Westshore School.

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Dates for your Diary

WEEK 11 Monday 15th December - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

With an early finish at 12.30pm

2026 - TERM 1 - WEEK 1 - Monday 2nd February - Back to School



A friendly reminder regarding absences...

If your child is late or away from school please let the school know via voicemail on our absence line / emailing the school / sending a notification through the website or the Skool Loop app. Each child must be accounted for as early as possible every morning for their safety. Please give a reason why the child is absent, without a reason given we have no choice but to mark their absence as truant.



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School starts at 8.55am and finishes at 2.55pm