

Monday 20th Feb - Week 4 - Term 1

Tues 20 & Thurs 22 Feb	Parent-teacher-student interviews 3:15pm - 5:45pm
Mon 26 Feb	BOT Meeting at 6:30 pm
Tues 27 - Thurs 29 Feb	Year 7&8 Camp Taringatura -POSTPONED
Wed 28 Feb	BioBlitz Day @ WAS and around Tuatapere
Fri 01st March	WAS & HVP Athletics Day @ WAS - 8:40am - 2pm
Fri 08th March	 Western Primary Athletics - Takitimu (PP 12/3) Whanau BBQ - 5:30 - 7:30pm Potluck - salads etc
Thurs 28 March	Primary Western Swimming - Riverton - TBC
Fri 29 March	Good Friday - school closed for Easter - back Weds
Weds 03rd April	Back to WAS after the Easter break
Fri 12th April	Last Day of Term 1



Kia ora koutou WAS whanau,

Left: Michael Baldwin blitzing it with his words!

Parent-teacher-student Interviews: Please ensure you have put a requested time in on our Skool Loop App thanks. Any queries please see Charmaine in the office. Charmaine will confirm interview times with you. If you're unsure how it all works / missed the information then please touch base with any of us teachers thanks.

Y7&8 Camp - POSTPONED

We have just been notified that due to recent heavy rainfall, the waterpark at Camp Taringatura is out of action. As this is one of the main team-building activities we have made the decision to reschedule

the camp at a later date. Apologies for the inconvenience.

Our **HVP and WAS athletics** day is coming up. Your child is expected to be in House-colours for the day or/and their WAS sports top. Again, please see your child's classroom teacher if you need

any further information. Our **PTA will be running a BBQ** on the day where sausages and patties will be at a cost along with fizzy/water drinks on sale. **\$5 should be sufficient.** If you are in need of support here please let me know directly thanks. All the very best for a fun filled day.

Please ensure your child is **wearing the correct uniform** to school thanks. We're finding a few added apparel items are coming into play of late. We need your support too thanks.

As you know the 'Phones away for the day' directive is mandated for all schools for the start of Term 2. WAS is no exception. This means that no WAS students will be allowed their phones out at school. This could mean your child could bring their phone to school and have them off in their bag. This is at their own risk. We are also looking at having a system where a student can hand their phone in to Charmaine at the office, it's safely stored and collected at the end of the day. To ensure we're all on the same page; I will send out a 'Phones away for the day' school policy via email to you all. In the meantime, if you have any suggestions or queries - please email me at principal@was.school.nz or send me a text 0224759607. Furthermore, we will continue seeking student feedback on possible consequences for non-compliance. I'd imagine nothing will change in terms of our usual discipline procedures. WAS is very fortunate that we have whanau onboard where we're working together in the best interests of our tamariki and rangatahi. Subsequently, The BOT and I will review this policy and be in agreement to what exemptions and/or special circumstances will be accepted or not at WAS. Thanks in advance for your ongoing partnership.

Have a lovely week, Mr PB.



