



WAS' SCHOOL VALUES - LOOK AFTER YOUR SCHOOL AND WORK POSITIVELY WITH OTHERS BY BEING A GOOD CITIZEN =  
RESPECT SELF/WHAKAUTE I A KOE AND, RESPECT OTHERS/WHAKAUTE I ETAHI ATU AND RESPECT ENVIRONMENT/WHAKAUTE TAIAO.

## Coming Up

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| Thurs 23 Oct             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strike Day - WAS is closed for Instruction</li> </ul>                                                                                                        |
| Mon 27 Oct               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Labour Day - Public Holiday</li> </ul>                                                                                                                       |
| Mon 03 Nov               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BOT Meeting - 6:30pm</li> </ul>                                                                                                                              |
| Tues 04 Nov              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tour of Southland - coming through around 11am and then down to the Community Playground for a BBQ and Pump Track promotion with Active Southland</li> </ul> |
| Weds 05 Nov              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strike Day from 1pm onwards - will assess which teachers will be on strike and which classes this will affect and let you know</li> </ul>                    |
| Thurs 06 Nov             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NCEA Exams start</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                  |
| Fri 12 Dec               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last day of School for all WAS students</li> </ul>                                                                                                           |
| <b>2026</b><br>Mon 9 Feb | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TBC - Potentially first day of Term 1 2026</li> </ul>                                                                                                        |

### Friday Fish & Chips

We will now have the following to choose from:

- HotDog & ½ scoop chips
- Chicken Nuggets & ½ scoop chips
- Fish Bites & ½ scoop chips

If your child wishes to have an order the \$5 must be handed in to the school office on **Thursdays before MorningTea** please.  
We will not be taking any late orders.

## Tuesday 21 October Week 3, Term 4

### Kia ora koutou WAS Whanau

Thank you for supporting your child's teachers and Support Staff yesterday. They were able to attend their online and in-person professional learning development. As you are well aware, there are a lot of changes in education at the moment, and like all schools, WAS is working hard during this up-skilling and implementation period. WAS will aim to have a whanau hui this term. We'll be informing you how these curriculum changes will look for WAS. We'll also gain some feedback from you by looking to the future on the areas you'd like WAS to continue doing and improve.

Swimming will be happening in the classes this term. Please look out for these dates and times. Thanks again in advance if you're able to come and help support with the lessons here.

This Thursday is a massive strike day for NZ school staff. For WAS, we have the majority of staff off striking. Therefore, we are unable to open WAS for instruction.

The WAS staff are very proud of our WAS tamariki and rangatahi. We'll continue to work together to ensure our WAS student gets the best possible deal with their education. The BOT and staff will be starting to plan for 2026 and welcome any ideas that can benefit our WAS student and school as a whole.

Pet Day is scheduled for Fri 21st Nov. Miss R and the team will come up with a plan and let you all know the details. Please get in touch with Miss R if you'd like to help out in some way.

Just some addition news, I have been fortunate in being awarded a three term sabbatical for 2026. This means I will be working as per normal in Term One with a bit more emphasis on setting up WAS for all of 2026. The BOT will inform you of who will be the acting principal during this time. At this stage, and after a bit of consultation, an external replacement is the preferred option. This would free up the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to carry on in their respective roles. Have a lovely week and long weekend.

**Kia tupato, kia noho haumaru.**  
**Mr PB**

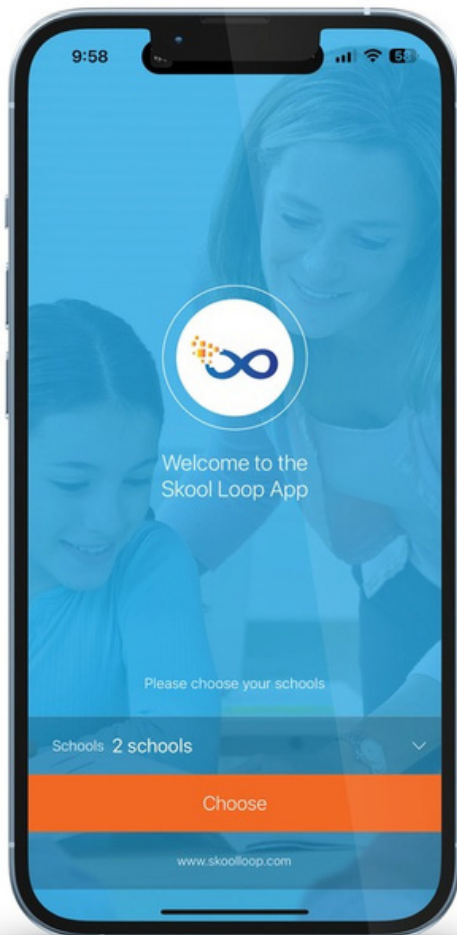
|  <b>Lunch Menu Term 4</b>  |                |                          |                           |            |            |
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| Weeks                                                                                                                                                                                           | Monday         | Tuesday                  | Wednesday                 | Thursday   | Friday     |
| 2, 4, 6, 8, 10                                                                                                                                                                                  | Butter Chicken | Chicken Salad Sandwiches | BLT McMuffins & Hashbrown | Sandwiches | Sandwiches |
| 3, 5, 7, 9                                                                                                                                                                                      | Lasagne        | Chicken Burger           | Pizza and Salad           | Sandwiches | Sandwiches |
| Fresh Fruit daily, Muffins and/or Biscuits/Veggie Sticks and Hummus twice weekly<br>Heatups available daily                                                                                     |                |                          |                           |            |            |



**Do you know about the Skool Loop App for your smart phone?**

**It is the perfect way to let us know your child is sick and/or won't be at school PLUS get important school notices right to your phone!**

## Downloading the Skool Loop app a step by step guide



Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school

1. Open the Skool Loop App – you will land on a welcome page.
2. Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
3. Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side. You can select as many schools as required.
4. Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
5. Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
6. Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.
7. Use the circular arrow button at the top of the main screen to toggle between your chosen schools.

**NEED MORE HELP OR INFORMATION?**

**Call Skool Loop on 0800 238 379**





Would you like to be apart of  
WAS P.T.A 2025  
Christmas Float?



23rd Dec  
6:30pm

Please show your interest by 1st Dec  
by contacting  
Minessa: 0273112112  
Raissa: 0273426076



WAI AU AREA SCHOOL

## BREAST CANCER BAKE SALE



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24TH OCTOBER 2025  
1.20PM

All proceeds go to Breast Cancer Foundation

Mufti - Dress up in pink  
Gold Coin Donation

Donations of Baked Goods to sell would  
be very much appreciated!  
Please drop off at the School Office on  
Friday morning - 24<sup>th</sup> October

## GET BEHIND THE TOUR TUATAPERE

TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

Join us at 47 Orawia Road, Waiau Area School  
& Jack and Mattie Bennett Park

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT TUATAPERE!

CREATE A BANNER AND BE IN TO WIN!

FROM APPROX. 10.45AM

- FREE BBQ in the Sausage Capital of NZ!
- Prizes up for grabs
- Bring your wheels
- Tunatuna - Pop up Pump Track

SBS BIKE GIVEAWAY



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rehab

“One man's journey  
to healing and  
the global  
anti-violence  
movement he  
inspired.”

A FREE EVENT BY TICKET



THUR 6 NOV  
6:30-7:30PM

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FRI 7 NOV  
10:30-11:30AM  
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