



Waituna West School

“NOT FOR SCHOOL BUT FOR LIFE WE ARE LEARNING”

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – Term 1 Week 6 Wednesday 6th March 2024

Upcoming Events:-

- Friday 8th March - Oroua Cluster Swimming Sports
- Saturday 9th March - Agri-Kids “training session” 1.30pm
- Saturday 16th March - Agri-Kids Challenge at Field Days
- Wednesday 20th March - BOT Meeting 6pm (please note new date)
- Monday 25th March - Parent/Teacher Interviews 1pm - 5pm
Please note School closes at 12.30
- Tuesday 26th March - Parent/Teacher Interviews 3pm - 7pm
- 29th March - 3rd April - Easter Weekend
- Friday 12th April - End Of Term 1 - School finishes 3pm

Assembly Dates For This Term:-

Friday 15th March and Friday 5th April

As from this term we are starting our Assembly at 2.10pm to allow more time so please do join us.

Last Day Of Term

Please also note that, after feedback from our parent consultation, we will **not** be finishing early on the last day of term, this will now be a full day with buses running at the usual time. Thank you for your feedback on this.

Welcome

We welcome two new students to Waituna West School this week, Ryan Carne who turned five on 28th February and is in Room 2 and Huntah Jackson who joins us in Room 1. We hope that they both enjoy their learning journey with us and we wish them well for the future. It is lovely to have them here with us.



This week we wish special birthday greetings to Ali who celebrated her birthday on 3rd March and Cooper Greenfield who will be turning 11 on 9th March, we send them both our very best and fondest wishes

Term 1 Whakatauki

Whaowhia te kete mātauranga Fill the basket of knowledge



Yummy Apple Stickers

Thank you once again to everyone who collected Yummy Apple Stickers for us last year, we were able to purchase the items below with the sticker value we collected so it was well worth it. Please keep on collecting for this years stickers and also ask friends and family members to collect them for us - it does make a difference and help us to increase our sports equipment:-

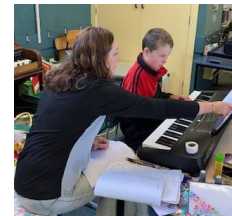
BALL PACK

PVC trainer balls - 1 rugby, 1 soccer, 1 netball, 2 sports plus 1 carry bag



GUTTER BOARD

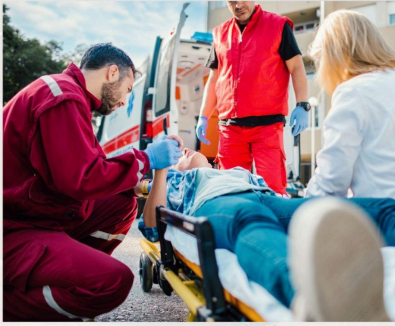
With 2 Gutter Balls



Jed Clare enjoying his piano lesson with Tanya today, there are still spaces available if any of our other students would like to sign up.



Congratulations to all our students who entered the Art Competition at the recent Apiti Show, we had some fabulous art which will be on display in school. Very well done to Breanna Richardson who won the First Prize!



WHAT CAN YOU DO IF SOMEONE IS INJURED AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MAY BE A WHILE COMING?

Emergency First Aid - Kimbolton Hall
Tuesday, May 21st
10am - 12pm (light lunch provided)

\$6 koha

TO REGISTER: TEXT OR PHONE
 JO: 0274223544
 AEVRYL: 02108234809
 REGISTRATIONS CLOSE MAY 14TH.
 E: mrssincrcw2@gmail.com

Manawātū Rural Support Service.



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WELCOME TO THE 2024 OROUA SWIMMING SPORTS

The programme is arranged to cater for all children.

CUP AGE GROUPS

JUNIOR 8 years and under.
 INTERMEDIATE 9 and 10 year olds.
 SENIOR 11 years and over.

While the day does encourage competition, *it is important to remember that participation is the goal and winning is the bonus.*

We know every endeavour has been made to teach correct stroke and technique but we are not expecting everyone to achieve Olympic standards and as such will take into account the age of the swimmers and will make a final ruling in regards to any improper actions. The winners of the cups will be announced after lunch.

Where weather conditions become a health and safety issue, decisions will be made in the best interests of all participants. This could include the removal of prize giving, an earlier finish time, or the elimination of some events.

Lane ropes will be removed for width events. We welcome adult support in doing this, so feel free to come equipped to get in the pool, if you would like.

The KSSC will be selling sausages, baking and bags of lollies and perhaps a couple more items. Cash will be required.

Kimbolton School thanks all schools and in particular staff and parents for their help and support in the many tasks that are required to make the day run smoothly.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Entry to the pool is free
- Schools please ensure children know and remember their events
- The races will be organised according to the age of the child on the day
- All students will be involved in non competitive width events.
- Each School is to have parents or teachers sit with the competitors. Schools are responsible for the behaviour of their children.
- No children are to use the pool shop during the day.
- Championship Cups will be given out at prize giving.
- Heats in length races will be timed and the fastest times will be the place

The only adjudication needed will be around breaststroke and decisions will be made jointly by Greg Codyre and Michael Jensen.

Introductions will be made at the Makino at 9.15, with the first races around 9.30am

Wednesday, February 28

Dear Parents / Caregivers of the Oroua Cluster.

This letter is to inform you of changes to the swimming sports organisation in 2024. The changes have been carefully thought through and are the result of a lot less swimmers able to compete in the Championship Events, along with our desire to see all students having more opportunities through the day. The Championship events will still take place, with the exception of 200m races. We will still have 100m Freestyle races. Championship races are scheduled to take around an hour and will be watched and supported by all students across our cluster. The first race will be at 9.30am.

Once these finish we will remove the lane ropes, do the Width Butterfly races and then move into a range of width relays and challenges. All students aged 7 and up will be involved in these. They are fun non competitive activities and no placings will be given.

Whilst the 7 year and older students are doing this the 5 and 6 Year olds will do their junior swimming as per normal. This means that half of them will be swimming and the other half will do some activities on the grass, before swapping over.

Following the width events, there will be a lunch break, followed by prizegiving. After prizegiving we will open up the whole pool for a whole cluster shared swim. Parents are welcome to be involved in this also.

The event will conclude around 2pm.

We thank you for your understanding around these changes, and we look forward to seeing you at the Swimming Sports on Friday March 8.

A reminder to bring cash to buy items from Kimbolton School's fundraising group. We are limited in the selling of some items, due to the venue not permitting us to sell drinks.

Regards,

Greg, Jeanne, Gene, Jane

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STAYING SAFE
A REFRESHER COURSE FOR OLDER DRIVERS

WAKA KOTAHI
A TEANUI SPORT AGENCY

Staying Safe

A REFRESHER COURSE FOR OLDER DRIVERS

- Had your licence for decades but never refreshed your Road Code knowledge?
- Feeling unsettled because you have a medical coming up to renew your licence?
- Curious about what all these changes to road layout and signs mean?

Come to our FREE classroom –based driving refresher. It's less than an hour for every decade you have held your licence. We promise it is engaging!
 Light refreshments available for free

Where: Kimbolton Hall
 Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2024
 Time: 9.45am for a 10.00am start - 2pm
 Registration essential: Age Concern Palmerston North and Districts
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 Email: nicola.mischefski@ageconcernpn.org.nz