Waituna West School

"NOT FOR SCHOOL BUT FOR LIFE WE ARE LEARNING"

WEEKLY NEWS NOTE - Term 3 Week 1 Wednesday 19th July 2023

Upcoming Events

27th July - Awahuri Forest School Trip

1st August - Board Of Trustees Meeting

10th August - Oroua Cluster Speech Competition

17th August - Mathex

18th August - Jump Jam

19th August - Fat Lamb Dinner

4th September - School Photographer

5th September - Board Of Trustees Meeting

8th September - Cluster Cross Country (postponement date 15th Sep

22nd September - Last Day of Term 3

Assembly Dates for Term 3

This term our Assembly dates are as follows:-

28th July 11th August 25th August 22nd September (12pm)

From the Principal's Desk: Welcome back to Term 3, it wasn't great weather for the holidays but hopefully you managed to get some quality time with your families. It is important to remember that well being should be high on the priority list, often we wait for the 'right time' to do something like having a family day or doing something for ourselves and that time never comes because we are all very busy! It's about planning things, putting time frames on an idea and keeping ourselves accountable to ensure it happens. These are the hard months where winter sets in and things seem to be a little bit harder to commit to so it's even more important we take those little breaks when we can. Having said that, it will be a busy term with speeches, our trip to Awahuri forest next week, the Oroua Cluster

Cross Country (8th of September). Please keep an eye on the Newsnotes and Skool loop for upcoming dates and events, if you are unsure about anything please contact either myself or Sarah in the office. I really enjoyed getting to a few of the students' sports games at the end of last term. They play with real heart and are fair players who represent our school superbly! I was really impressed with the skill level and sportsmanship. I will certainly endeavour to get to see our students in action throughout the term.

A very big thank you to Dave and his team for all the work they put in at the Working Bee during the holidays, it has certainly paid off and the school looks great. We now have a concrete path from the Playcentre car park, art installed, and the school foyer looks amazing - Many thanks to all involved



Missing Ladder

Does anyone have a ladder that is not theirs? Grant and Mel Richardson took a ladder to the hall for the Playcentre Great Gatsby Ball set-up and when they went to collect it, there are three ladders there but not the one that belongs to them! If you have taken home the wrong ladder by mistake can you please contact them. Thank you.

Ski Trip

In week 3 Year 6-8 students will be going to the Turoa Ski Field for the day. It will be an early start. There will be a cost as this is an extracurricular activity therefore not funded under the current school donations scheme. We will need assistance with Transport and supervision on the day. We are yet to confirm the date but aiming for the 3rd of August Thursday of Week 3. We will confirm this as soon as we hear back from Mt Ruapehu. A notice will come out on Skool Loop with a permission slip as soon as we know.

Kitchener Park

On Thursday the 27th of July we will be travelling to Awahuri Forest/Kitchener Park to spend the morning exploring the bird life, Forest Layers and learn about the historic nature of this amazing resource. We will be using Buses to transport, students will need their morning tea, we will return to school at 12.30.



Birthday Greetings go to Stuart for 3rd July, Alexis on 17th July and Ayla on 22nd July. Sending them all our very best wishes.

FRIDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLES

Please complete this form and return to school on THURSDAY for the Sausage Sizzle on Friday - from this week the Student Council are also offering tropical Juicies for \$2.00 each for our students to enjoy

Name:....

Number of Sausages Ordered (\$2.00 each).....

Number of Juicies Ordered (\$2.00 each).....

Please Note: Money can be paid directly in to the school bank account - number 12-3442-0051458-00 reference Sausage Sizzle on Thursdays if required. If you would like to pay for the term in advance please do so, still completing the form so we know what each student requires



A solid effort by the under 12's with a convincing win over Te Kawa



Oroua Basketballers Jammin at the Arena winning against College Street School

Oroua Netball - Scores for this week Oroua Blue won 15-4 and Oroua White won 17 - 5

Horse Report By Aggie Shearer -During the last week of the holidays I received the Vandermint trophy out of all the riders from Manawatu Pony Club. It is a trophy that is given out at the end of each season to a pony/horse and rider who has shown excellence in a combination of disciples. It gets voted on as to who wins it by the other branches' coaches and presidents. I won it with my pony Vanace Rosalie (Rose) and have been successful doing Level 1 Dressage, 65cm Eventing and Category A Show Hunter.



Angus and Callum completing our Emergency Radio Check with the Manawatu District Emergency Management Office.

Labelling

Please ensure all items of clothing/lunch containers are clearly labelled, it's super helpful in returning things to their owners! We also had a number of items left over from our Matariki Celebration, if you recognise them, they can be collected from the staffroom.

Health and Safety

Our kids are active at school and from time to time, injuries may occur. If it is a head or back injury we will phone home to advise immediately. If a student has received treatment for a minor injury such as a scrape or graze, the staff member who manages it will complete a medical receipt which will go home with them in their home and school book. If there are any concerns at the time of injury we will make contact. If your child's emergency contact has changed please advise Sarah in the office.

Term 3 Whakatauki

As we focus on learning more about our Waituna West School and Community history during this term we will be reflecting on this whakatauki through our learning.





Our new school uniform track pants are now in stock, if you would like to purchase a pair for your child please let the office know. This is a picture of Kai wearing them, we hope you agree that they make a smart addition to the Waituna West uniform.

Community Newsletter

The new Community Newsletter is now in circulation, if you require an extra copy please contact the school office.