

Waituna West School "NOT FOR SCHOOL BUT FOR LIFE WE ARE LEARNING"

WEEKLY NEWS NOTE – Term 4 Week 8 Wednesday 29th November 2023

Upcoming Events:-

29th November - Community and School Meeting

6th December - Oroua Cluster Year 8 Leavers Dinner

10th December - Waituna West Church Service 10am

10th December - Feilding Christmas Parade - Parade begins 12.30pm

12th December - Beach Education Day Himatangi Beach

14th December - End Of Year Prizegiving

15th December - Last Day of Term 4

17th December - Community Christmas BBQ

The last Assembly date for 2023 is Friday 15th December at 12pm

End of Year prize giving- we are hoping to create a very festive atmosphere in the hall complete with a christmas tree (or two). Is there anyone who would be able to source a decent size tree to enhance our big night? The bigger the better, please let Sarah or Gene know if you can help, and thank you in advance!

Santa will also be making an appearance so please check skool loop for further details about this.

A big shout out to a few of our hard workers who are busy behind the scenes at our school. The grounds look so amazing and it is a big job keeping it looking good. Thank you to Ben and Mack's mum Emily for keeping the lawns looking great, weed spraying and pruning the zillions of bushes that need it! Also thanks to Bruce Roberts for keeping our paths clear with his trusty leaf blower, trimming bushes and numerous other things! Last but not least, Nate Biesiek for getting our pool running to a beautiful standard, the cleaning, chemical treatments and upkeep are huge and do require a large amount of his time. We just need summer to start and we can fully enjoy it! Thank you awesome people!!

The latest edition of the Community newsletter is out, and should be in your letterboxes shortly. Please contact the office if you have not received yours by Friday. This has been printed and collated on our brand new multifunction photocopier. If you, or anyone you know, would like to advertise in our Community Newsletter you are welcome to do so and the cost is \$125 + GST for the year, your support helps with the printing costs etc. and we are very grateful to our sponsors for this.

Year 8 Big Day Out

On Tuesday 28th of November, the year 8's all headed to Foxton for a fun day.

Our first stop was "Off The Loop" to have some fun on some inflatables and try to push Mr Moore off.

We played a couple rounds of Zombie tag, for the first game Mr Moore and Nick the instructor were in.

On the dam was a rope swing, two towers that you could jump and slide off, there was also an obstacle course and a slide into the dam that made you go really fast then land in the water at the bottom with a large splash. After getting out and changing we hopped in the cars and went to the 'Foxton wildlife trust' where there were geckos, skinks, a black possum and two cockatoos, one of them made a very loud screeching sound.

There were heaps of glass containers that had different breeds of geckos.

Once we had finished up there we only had one stop left. The Foxton racecourse to see the Jockeys ride around the track to see how fast they could go, it was a time trial we bet on some while we ate our fish and chips for lunch. Thank you to Mr Shearer, Mrs Will, Mrs Humphrey and Mrs Clare for transporting us! By Annabelle Jacobs

Some Photos of the fun!







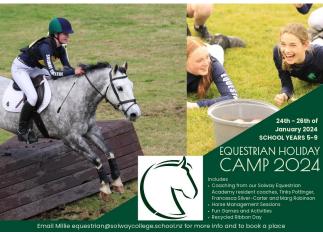
Oroua Athletics

Please remember that it is the Oroua Cluster Athletics this Friday at Timona Park in Feilding (postponed from last Friday) the arrangements remain the same, no school buses will run so please make your own way to the event. All students to assemble at school gazebo at 9.45am for a 10.00am start.

Feilding Christmas Parade

We are still on the lookout for helpers for this and for children to be on the float, if you can help in any way please contact the school or use Skool Loop.







Our Term 4 Whakatauki

Thank you to our families who have supported the NZ Farmers Livestock Bobby Calf Collection Scheme this year. We have just received a donation of \$55.30 to go towards sports gear. Each calf collected generated a .35 cent donation from the company to our school (158 calves) so thank you for nominating us! This scheme will be repeated in 2024.



Online For Nine!

This is for our current Year 8 students who will be leaving at the end of this year, a chance to meet other students and get together for a day of learning and fun to get ready for Year 9. Kiwitea Hall Thursday 25th January 2024 from 9am to 3pm. Free to attend and lunch is provided. Please register online.