

# Waimairi Week

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## Kia Ora,

### School-wide review of maths

We have just completed our annual review of progress and achievement in maths at Waimairi School. We have much to celebrate. We need to acknowledge the skill and dedication of our staff in making this possible.

- Across the board a high proportion of students at achieving at or above the appropriate curriculum level.
- As a group, last year's Y3 students made significant gains. With many making more than one year's progress within the year.
- Last year's Y3 to Y6 focus on fractions has paid off. Quality teaching has seen strong gains in this area.

### Mana Ake - Stronger for tomorrow

Last week Waimairi School joined the Mana Ake programme. We will be holding some drop-in info' sessions in coming weeks for those who would like to learn more about this new resource.

Mana Ake - Stronger for Tomorrow provides support for children aged five to 12 years old across Canterbury.

## Next week

### Tuesday:

Ti Kouka Museum  
Trip 9am - 12.30pm  
PTA Meeting  
7.30pm

[Full calendar of events for the year](#)

Mana Ake kaimahi work with schools to support teachers, families and whānau when children are experiencing ongoing issues that impact their wellbeing such as anxiety, social isolation, parental separation, grief and loss and managing emotions.

Kaimahi have a diverse range of skills and include psychologists, social workers, counsellors, teachers and youth workers. Kaimahi can work with individual children and their families at school, in the community or at home and with groups of children in schools.

They provide advice, guidance and support for teachers and family/ whānau.

Mana Ake is now available to children in schools across Canterbury.



### Renewal update

This week the raft foundation was lined and the hundreds of truck movements to bring in the gravel to fill it in have begun.

The underfloor heating in Tī Kōuka is still presenting challenges. Hopefully the concrete can be re-laid sometime next week.

Have a great week  
Mike



### Stay in touch

**Web:** [www.waimairi.school.nz](http://www.waimairi.school.nz) is full of school information.

**Facebook & Twitter :** Every day we post information about school events on our [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#) pages. Check them out for the most up to the minute school information.

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## Weekly Friday Y5 & 6 Winter Sport

Starts tomorrow, all students playing at Hagley or Nunweek Parks were issued sport uniform this week. It is very important they bring other gear required mouth guards, shinguards etc as advised by coaches. Plus warm jacket/clothing, any required medication and bag for boots.

Draws for each team can be viewed on <http://drawsresults.sportsrunner.net/?org=PSC>

Games are due to start by 1.15pm and finish no later than 2.15pm.



## Y5 & 6 Winter Sport & Hotdogs

No hotdogs available for Nunweek/Hagley Yr5/6 winter sport students for duration of the season due to bus departure times.

## Light Up The City Competition

This is the design that was put forward by Minori for the Light up the City competition.

The purpose was to create a design that could be projected using light. No more than 3 colours were to be used and the theme was: what I like about Christchurch.

Minori's design is "people connecting in action" It shows people connecting in a koru shape. Together as one.

The design will be projected in the city centre in August and they are going to let us know closer to the time exactly where so that we can go and see it in action.

As well as getting her design projected in the city centre she also won a \$100 voucher to spend at any business in the CBD of her choice.

Well done Minori!



## Whittakers Chocolate

Chocolate boxes will start coming home Thursday next week for selling. Thanks to those who have returned the chocolate letter indicating your choice, if we haven't heard from you we'll assume you are happy to sell a box. Thanks to those who have already paid their donations instead of selling.

## Environment News: Kaupapa Taiao

We encourage our children to play in nature in our school grounds. The forest area near Kereru is especially popular as a space for imaginative play, nature discovery and science learning. It's a wonderful way for students to learn about Biodiversity and a wide range of positive environmental outcomes. With the latest United Nations Global Environment Report showing the Global Community, still needs to Act Locally we're pleased to encourage nature connections here at Waimairi. If you'd like to help with anything Environmental, please contact [martin.lukes@waimairi.school.nz](mailto:martin.lukes@waimairi.school.nz).

## Waimairi Chess Club

Fantastic to have so many entries in our Waimairi Chess Championships. Final entries closed last week with your child's class teacher. Draws for the Competition will be released for next week.

Free Chess Club every Thursday in Tī Kōuka's Room 4. All welcome from 12:30.

## Sports news & results

A big congratulations to those children who competed in the North Zone school's cross-country event yesterday. The atmosphere was great, the sun shone through and all children did a fantastic job and should be super proud of themselves!! Well done to Amelia Henstock and Anna Gillett for taking out first place for their year level! Go Waimairi!!

A big thank you to all the wonderful parents who helped with transport, marshalling and organisation on the day, the team couldn't have done it without your support!

## Community notices

### Strike Day Wednesday 29 May 2019

After School Care Bryndwr will be available for your child care needs whilst the Strike is on. Places are limited so book in early.

### Enjoy a sleeping in on a Sunday morning?

We'd love you to come along to the later time - 10am Sundays

Join with other local families in the Waimairi School Hall for family church.

Regardless of your background, beliefs or questions - whether your comfortable sitting in church or never been in your life ..... everyone is welcome.

