

Waimairi Week

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Kia Ora,

Environment News: Kaupapa Taiao

We're excited that Environmental Health (whenuatanga) has been discussed by school staff and a small parent team. More on practical ways to get involved as the Rebuild Project gathers momentum.

In the mean time, thank you for purchasing those cool Coffee Keep Cups from the 4 Rivers Cafe. Every little bit helps!

Your whānau may like to roll up their sleeves and support New Zealand's 50 Year Anniversary Conservation week. A lot of wairua and aroha has been given over the last 50 years to sustain and maintain our fragile natural environment. Good news! There is plenty more mahi to do. Check out <https://www.doc.govt.nz/news/events/conservation-week/> for more information.

If you'd like to help with anything "Environmental" please contact martin.lukes@waimairi.school.nz. There is plenty of scope: from hands on assistance, policy and planning assistance to securing resource support.

Next week

Monday:

Ngā Puna Gym
12.30 - 3.00pm

Tuesday:

Music Hour 6 -
7.00pm Bryndwr
Chapel

Thursday:

Kereru - Olympia
Gym 11am - 1pm

Friday:

Last day for Touch
registration forms
Y5&6 speech
competition 11am -
3pm
Tūhono Festival
Y3-6 Kapa Haka -
tamariki arrive at
4pm

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

School Sibling Photos

Please fill in the google form <https://forms.gle/X4qpN5ifpagHQCjTA> to register if you want your children to have a "Siblings at School" group photo.

Deadline to register for sibling photos is Monday 16th September 2019

Light up the City Competition

A few weeks ago we shared the very exciting news that one of our own, Minori Naoi, had entered a winning design that would be displayed in lights in Christchurch City sometime this year.

We have now had confirmation that her design will be on display in the Cathedral Square, right on the corner of Colombo Street.

It will be on displayed there on the 27th September and will be shown until the first week of November. All projectors will be switched on once it gets dark.

Make sure you head on in and check out Minori's design in lights!

<https://ccc.govt.nz/lightupthecity>



Lidia Sanchez was shortlisted for her beautiful artwork "My Bridge". Well done Lidia! What a fantastic achievement!

NZ Outdoor Spot Competition

During Term 2 some of the students from Kereru entered their art works into the NZ Outdoor Spot Competition. The purpose of the competition was to showcase their favourite outdoor spot by either writing about it, taking a photo of it or doing a piece of art about it. The competition was for any student in New Zealand from years 4-8.

We were lucky enough to get 2 students work shortlisted in this Nation wide competition!

<https://www.walkingaccess.govt.nz/education-space/top-outdoor-spot/tos/>



Stay in touch

Web: 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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And Lauren Hickmott was not only shortlisted but also won the competition for the best artwork with her piece "Alone".

What an absolutely outstanding achievement! To be chosen the best artist out of 100s of entries. We are incredibly proud of you Lauren! Well done!



Waimairi Chess

It has been an exciting week for Waimairi Chess. Vihaan, Josh, Gryffyn and Ryo competed at the Canterbury Social Chess Champs. Next day Ryo dusted off his brain and headed to the South Island Chess Champs with Jake, James and Jackson. We're proud of our tamariki for their two Runner Up (Silver) placings and the way they represented themselves, our school and Canterbury, with Respect, Pride and Effort. Go Waimairi!

Thank you to Anita and Brian for their transport and supervision of our two teams. We love the way our Waimairi parents are becoming chess fans too!

Remember our annual Black and White Day on Friday 20th September (Week 9). Be prepared for a Black and White Mufti, sausages galore and fun Chess themed action.

We're welcoming Businesses to get in and support our Canterbury Chess Champions and South Island Champs



Runners Up as they take on teams from New Zealand's other provinces. The big showdown is over the School Holidays first weekend in Palmerston North. Your support will go directly to Travel Costs. In return we'd love to promote your company and even come out to practise at your "place".

Remember weekly Chess Club. All welcome on Thursday's in Tī Kōuka Library 12:30 pm.

'Supporting your Child Through Anxiety'



Mana Ake are presenting two parent sessions this term on anxiety.

These will be held in the staffroom on 19th September 7pm and 26th September 9am.

- What is anxiety and how does it present in children?
- What is normal? When does anxiety become concerning?
- Strategies to support your child
- Managing avoidance
- When to seek help and from whom?

If you are interested please fill in the attached link we look forward to seeing you during one of these sessions <https://forms.gle/X2nAYDZRpU1pNKun6>

Community notices

Second hand bikes for sale

Spring is here and it is a great time to get into the routine of biking with the kids to school. Cycle tour operator PureTrailsNZ is currently selling its fleet of ex-rental mountain bikes. They are 2017 Merida Crossway 100 bikes, which are a hardtail mountain bike with 29" wheels - so ideal for adults and older (intermediate age) kids. These are great quality bikes and ideal for the city trails and McLean's Island etc.

The bikes have been used on our cycle tours for 2 summer seasons but are in excellent condition, being meticulously cleaned and serviced by Waimairi dad Dean between each hire. These bikes retail for \$1000 new (the 2019 model). Viewings/fittings are welcome at our depot at Langstone Lane (behind Kennards Hire on Langdons Rd) from 9-3 weekdays or at other times by arrangement.

Bikes are available for \$350 per bike, and PureTrailsNZ will donate \$25 to the Waimairi PTA for every bike sold. For further details can be found on our website <https://puretrailsnewzealand.co.nz/cycling-nz-information/bike-sale/>

Call/text/email Hilary or Dean on 021 178 8287 or info@puretrailsnewzealand.co.nz for further info or to arrange a viewing time.

Love Tennis - Waimairi Tennis Club Open Days. Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 September 1 to

4pm. Come along and check out your local tennis club, Waimairi, located in Watford Street. It is free, the whole family is welcome, so come and have a hit and see what you think. Racquets and balls are provided so you can simply join in and kids can sample a coaching lesson. There is a free sausage sizzle and drinks and vouchers from Hell Pizza to be given away. Coaches and members will be on hand for any questions. Come and give it a go! 49 Watford Street, Strowan. Any further details: admin@wtc.co.nz

CHRISTCHURCH AVON ATHLETICS CLUB - Junior Section

We are a well organised, friendly Junior Athletics Club – Catering for children of all abilities in the 5- 14yr age groups.

Club nights are Wednesdays 5pm -6.45pm (5/6yrs finish by 6.30pm) – at Burnside High School. First Club night for the 2019/2020 season is Wednesday 16th October.

Saturday Inter-Club Competition is available with top-quality coaching provided.

REGISTRATION DAY - FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS:

Monday 14 October

5.00-6.30pm

Christchurch Avon Club Rooms – Burnside High School (access from Greers Rd beside tennis courts) \$95 per child (with reductions for 2 or more children in the same family)

\$65 for children in the Kiwisport Group – 5/6 yrs Fees are payable following registration by internet banking

Note - Until payment has been received, the child's registration is incomplete.

Our very popular Junior club fills up quickly – so it is essential that all new members attend registration night on Monday 14 October to secure a place.

Please note that Kiwisport numbers will be restricted to 32 in the group.

For any other information contact Marilyn Morrison (Junior Club Captain) by email at

marilynorrison52@gmail.com

Touch Rugby Registrations

If you were unable to register this morning, please return in an envelope to the school office. Deadline for the registration form and payment is Friday the 13th September.