

Waimairi Week

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Kia Ora,

Family event

So good to see so many of you at the family get-together on Monday night. It was a warm summer evening to connect with each other and enjoy some sport. Big thanks to the organising team.

2020 personnel changes

At the end of this year we farewell Sue Pagoet. Sue and her family are making the move to Burnside Primary School, the home of Christchurch's French Language Immersion class. Sue began her teaching career at Waimairi nearly 20 years ago and she will be missed by us all.

We also say goodbye to Monique O'Sullivan who is taking up a position at St Andrew's College. Monique is a highly valued member of our staff and has been a very active member of the PTA over the years.

In 2020 we welcome new teachers Natasha Barnes and Macushlua Lunn.

Next week

Monday:

St John visiting 9am - 3pm

Kanuka to Orana

Park 9am - 2pm

Road Patrol training

Gp 1 9.30am

Wednesday:

2020 New entrant visits 9 - 11am

Ngā Puna M May playground

11.30am - 2pm

Thursday:

Kōtare to St

Winifreds 1am -

12pm

Kereru Beach

Education TBC 9am

- 3pm

Friday:

Wai iti Beach Ed

TBC

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

Katie Lord has been awarded a highly sought after study scholarship for 2020. She will return to us with a Masters Degree. Also on leave next year is Gregg Smith, who will be travelling to Japan with her Grandchildren and then on to Finland.

We also have some staff who are changing year levels for 2020. Once this is all finalised we will let you know who is working where.

Renewal update

Right on schedule the structural steelwork started being erected this week. The steel for the reception, offices, staffroom, sickbay and library is coming along well.

Have a great week
Mike



Pool Closed

On Wednesday, 18 December the school pool will be closed from 4.15pm-7.30pm as the Y6's will be having their special Y6 Leavers function which includes using the pool.

Help needed with putting away books.

If anyone is available to help for even an hour, before the end of term please contact Nicki

Hudson nicki.hudson@waimairi.school.nz

BOT Voting closes tomorrow Friday 6th at noon.



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.

Tiqbiz: Get alerts direct to your phone with the Tiqbiz app for Apple & Android.

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Second Hand Uniform

Any students leaving Waimairi at the end of the year (with no younger siblings!) please consider donating your old uniform to the school so someone else can get the benefit of it. Uniform can be left at the office at any time.

Uniform Sale

Please note, the uniform room will be open on Mon 3 Feb (which is a Teacher Only Day just before term starts) 10am-12pm for anyone wanting to stock up for the new year.

Environment News: Kaupapa Taiaos

Environmental Te Reo Kupu of the Week: Pohatu Penguins. Connell T (Year 6 from Kereru) reports:

“ Last Wednesday I went with Kiwi Conservation Club to see the White Flipped Penguins in Harris Bay. They were cute. They are endangered and only found in Canterbury, nowhere else in the world. The population has decreased because of ferrets. See penguin.org.nz for more info.’

Check out more information at:

<https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/canterbury/places/banks-peninsula-area/pohatu-marine-reserve/>

If you have "Environmental" news or can offer support please contact martin.lukes@waimairi.school.nz.

There is plenty of scope: from hands on assistance, policy and planning assistance to securing resource support.



Waimairi Chess

Christmas is coming... stockings to be filled. Gifts bought. How about something enduring? We recommend <https://www.chess.co.nz/> for all your chess gear. There are some amazing products from standard sets right through to Outdoors Chess sets if you're landscaping your garden. Recommended.

Physical Literacy Update

Well done to our Canterbury Primary Schools Athletes for their efforts on Wednesday at Ngā Puna Wai. Our children represented Waimairi and the North Zone with pride and distinction. A special mention to Amelia for her outstanding 1st Place bouncing up and bounding to an impressive win. Thanks to all the parents for coming out to support. A special mention to Deb for her continued support to our staff, school and sporty children.

Great news about the Huxster Mountain Bike Event in 2020. We're delighted to support this event. We can confirm that teams are entered now by parents direct from: <https://www.huxster.org.nz/>. We are in the "North" region.

This is an exciting opportunity for our bikers...and our want to be riders too. Get a team together or enter as an individual.

Sports news & results

Another ripper of a night at Nunweek last night! There were some great games played and there were lots of new skills being used after the awesome PTA event on Monday night. This week's scores are below and a small correction for last week when two of our Year 0-2 teams played each other. Last week's results were incorrect - the Bears played the Tigers and won 7-4 with the players of the day being Joseph (Tigers) and Cecelia (Bears). Apologies to those teams for the error in last week's summary.

Year 5&6 Teams	Result	Player of the day
Warriors	lost 3-2	Georgia
Turbos	won 10-2	Rico, Hugo & Patrick

Year 3&4 Teams	Result	Player of the day
Sharks	won 11-3	Leon & Brooklyn
Lions	won 4-1	Henry & Meadow
Wolves	draw 5-5	Blake

Year 0-2 Teams	Result	Player of the day
Dragons	won 11-3	Nova
Bears	won 8-3	Zac
Tigers	lost 7-4	Parker

Go Cart for loan

We have a very special and large go cart to loan to a family. It needs to be well cared for and housed in a suitable garage. Please call Bron for more details 351 9399.

Dental Care during the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please call/email our Contact Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year (closed from 25th December to 6th January).

The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

- Woolston Clinic, 11 Hopkins Street, Woolston
- Hillmorton Clinic, Hillmorton Hospital, Sylvan Street,
- Ashburton Clinic, 38 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.45am and 3.00pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.