

# WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL

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## Newsletter, Issue 15: 26 October, 2022

### Upcoming Events

<b>Friday 28 October</b>	Hot Lunch - American Hot Dogs (Kreft). <b>Orders due Wednesday 26 October</b>
<b>Monday 31 October</b>	Science Roadshow (Yr 4-8)
<b>Wednesday 2 November</b>	Vision Hearing Testing - Y7 and New Entrants
	Swim Safe
<b>Thursday 3 November</b>	Technology (Y7 & 8)
<b>Friday 4 November</b>	SOPSSA Athletics Championships (postponement date: Monday 7 November)
	Gumboot Friday
<b>Thursday 10 November</b>	Otago Primary Schools Triathlon Championships
<b>Friday 11 November</b>	School Working Bee (3pm)
	Hot Lunch - Pizza (Forde). <b>Orders due Wednesday 9 November</b>
<b>Wednesday 16 November</b>	South Otago High School Year 8 Visit (morning)
	Top Team Final
<b>Thursday 17 November</b>	Technology (Y7 & 8)
<b>Tuesday 22 November</b>	Quadrathon (postponement date: Thursday 24 November)
<b>Friday 25 November</b>	Hot Lunch - Nachos (Corbett and Currie). <b>Orders due Wednesday 23 November</b>
<b>Monday 28 November</b>	BOT Meeting (7pm, Senior Room)
<b>Thursday 1 December</b>	Technology (Y7 & 8)
<b>Friday 9 December</b>	Hot Lunch - Wraps (B Campbell and Martin). <b>Orders due Wednesday 7 December</b>
<b>Monday 12 December</b>	School Prize Giving and Production (Waiwera South Hall)
<b>Wednesday 14 December</b>	Last Day of School for 2022
<b>Monday 19 December(TBC)</b>	BOT Meeting

# QUADRATHON



**We are on our annual search for helpers for the Quadrathon! Please let the office know if you can help and if you have a favourite place to be stationed.**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP!**  
**Tuesday 22nd NOVEMBER or postponement Thursday 24th**

Kia ora ra,

I am loving the mixed up weather we are getting at the moment? It keeps us on our toes trying to decide how many layers to wear each morning! Although I must admit I do prefer the warmer variety.

It has been great seeing all the children back at school, refreshed after their holidays. I say it every term, but this one is going to be another busy one! We have the extra pressure of it being a short term as we lead into Christmas - it's a bit scary to think that Christmas is only 60 days away! And the end of term even closer than that - eek.

We have a lot to jam into the term as you will have seen by our term planner on the front page. The major one for us is Quadrathon - this year it is on November 22nd, with the postponement day of November 24th. We are on the hunt for any and all volunteers again, so if you fancy a day in the sun (fingers crossed) working with a cool group of people, to support many children from all around the Clutha district to complete the quadrathon - we would love for you to join us. Either ring or email the school office - or text one of the teachers and we will happily find you a job that ensures our event runs smoothly.

We also have a few sports events that have been rescheduled from the beginning of the year - that are making the term even busier. We are currently in the process of training for and selecting qualifiers for SOPSSA Athletics, last week we had 5 students compete at the South Otago Swimming Champs and we have the Otago Primary School Triathlon Champs coming up soon in Owaka.

A humongous thank you to all the school families that turned up to help at our school tiling during their holiday break - it was really appreciated! The days went really well and we got through quite a few lambs. Thank you too to the farms who 'employed' our gang for the day.

The children have auditioned for, and are now learning their lines for our biannual school production. We look forward to sharing this with you at the end of year prizegiving - there is going to be a lot of work put in learning lines, staging and dances before then!

A big thank you to the school families who took the time in to fill in the Community Consultation Survey last term, it helps the Board and I immensely when planning the future direction of the school. We pride ourselves on being a big part of the community, if there is anyone in the wider community that would like to share any ideas about our future direction - feel free to email me.

Good luck to our students who will be representing Waiwera South School at SOPSSA next week.

Kaz Bissett

**DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR**

**GUMBOOTS**

**TO SCHOOL**

**(with your uniform)**

**on Friday November 4th**

**And bring a GOLD COIN donation**

Raising money to provide free and timely counselling for any young Kiwi in need.

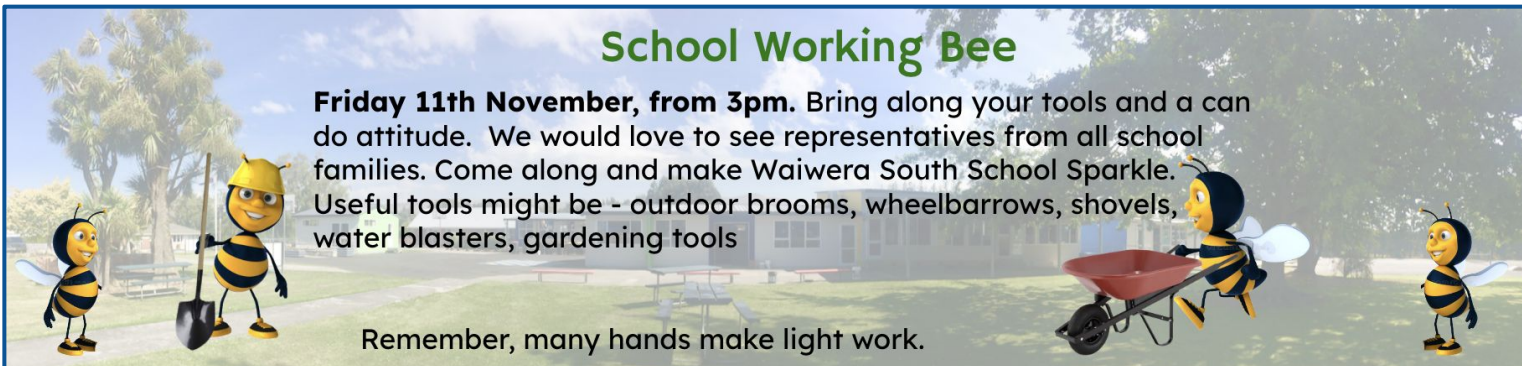
You can find out more about Gumboot Friday at [www.iamhope.org.nz/gumbootfriday](http://www.iamhope.org.nz/gumbootfriday)



## School Working Bee

**Friday 11th November, from 3pm.** Bring along your tools and a can do attitude. We would love to see representatives from all school families. Come along and make Waiwera South School Sparkle. Useful tools might be - outdoor brooms, wheelbarrows, shovels, water blasters, gardening tools

Remember, many hands make light work.





## Building a new workbench

Thanks to Sunny and Allan Panting for helping our children build the new school workbench. Some excellent workmanship displayed by Ryan, Beau and Finlay!

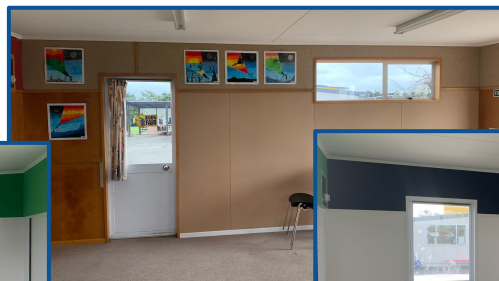


## Library Upgrade

The library upgrade is coming along well. Over the term break the painting was completed, the shelves powder coated and the books continue to be labelled. We are still awaiting the carpet - but hope to have the books back in soon. The shelves are going back up this week.



The new colours have really freshened it up.





## Tailing Fundraiser

A massive thank you to all parents, students, ex-students and members of the community for helping out with our annual school tailing fundraiser. Everyone had a lot of fun and got stuck in! Thank you to Veg, Jodie, Hamish and Clegs for letting us tail your lambs!





## Naish Park Sneak Peak



Ruby, Briar and Ryan getting an advanced peek at the new Naish Park Playground



### Matt Chisholm has signed on as Ambassador for the Rural Support Trust

and he's on a nationwide tour talking to rural communities about mental wellbeing. With the support of the regional Rural Support Trusts across New Zealand and our proud partners, we are looking forward to bringing Matt to a rural venue near you.

-  **Date:** Thursday 3 November 2022
-  **Time:** 7:00pm (Doors open 6:30pm)
-  **Venue:** Clinton Rugby Club  
304 Hillfoot Road, Clinton

Get your free tickets at [rural-support.org.nz/](http://rural-support.org.nz/)  
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**Happy birthday!**

**Rā whānau ki a kōrua!**

**Maisie**  
who turns **10** on **October 28**

**Harlem**  
who turns **12** on **November 6**

**Happy birthday! Happy birthday!**

**Reminder** - Please let either the office or your class teacher know by 9am if your child is going to be absent or late. We need to know this for our school roll and also to ensure all children are safe.



## SOPS Swim Meet



**Congratulations** to all our competitors in the South Otago Swim Meet - **Ryan, Zoe, Ivy, Freya, Libby and Harriet!** They all did amazingly well and we're very proud of their performances.

### Results

Ryan - 1st, 50m Breaststroke

- 1st, 50m Backstroke

- 1st, 50m Freestyle

Zoe - 3rd, 50m Backstroke

- 2nd, 50m Freestyle

Ivy - 6th, 50m Backstroke

- 9th, 50m Freestyle

Freya - 4th, 50m Backstroke

- 3rd, 50m Freestyle

Libby - 5th, 50m Backstroke

- 7th, 50m Freestyle

Mixed 50m Freestyle Relay (Freya, Libby, Harriet, Ryan) - 4th

Ryan, Zoe, Ivy and Freya have all qualified in their respective events for the Otago regional meet. Well done and best of luck!



OTAGO SOUTH  
RIVER CARE

### Waiwera, Kaihiku and Kuriwao Catchment Group Meeting

Quick meeting to talk about our local catchment group and set direction.

When: Friday 11th November at 7pm

Where: Clinton pub function room

Any questions ring Sandra 021400431 or Craig 0274959079

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**Kura Whānau**

Teachers, School Support Staff, Parents, Students, Community

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## Kereru Art and Writing

Inspired by spotting a majestic Kereru in the Kōwhai tree by the veggie garden.



Yesterday we were transporting dirt from the strawberry patch to the tunnel house. When we were finished we saw a kereru up in the kowhai tree. It was nibbling on the little leaves. When we went under the tree to look at it, it wasn't bothered.

Finlay



When we were gardening I saw a kereru fly over us and land in the kowhai tree. It didn't bother to fly away and we could even go under it while it ate the kowhai leaves. I think it was hungry as it is a big, fat bird!

Ryan C



The kereru is eating the kowhai leaves.

Ruby



Yesterday kereru came while we were gardening and it wasn't bothered by us watching it.

Artem



On Wednesday we saw a big, plump kereru. It was nibbling on the kowhai tree leaves above us.

Jamie



The fat kereru sits up in the kowhai tree munching the little leaves.

Beau



Kereru love sitting in our big school oak tree!

Daniel



The kereru is eating the kowhai leaves.

Luke



We were digging in the garden. A kereru was up in the kowhai tree.

Danyil





## Kereru Art and Writing (cont'd)



The kereru, it is sitting in the kowhai tree. Briar



The kereru swooped onto the kowhai tree when we were gardening. It was nibbling on the leaves and wasn't even annoyed by us looking at them. Taylor



The kereru is eating the leaves. Nate.



The fat kereru is my best fat friend. Malachi



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# BLACK ADDER



“THE THIRD”



**Tickets:**

**7.30pm** Dessert: 18-19<sup>th</sup> & 24-26<sup>th</sup>  
November 2022, \$40 / \$35 concession

**2.30pm** Matinee 20<sup>th</sup> November,  
\$30 / \$25 concession (complimentary Coffee & Tea)

George St Theatre, Balclutha

**Tickets on sale 25 October 2022**

**To book tickets email: [tickets@sots.org.nz](mailto:tickets@sots.org.nz)**

## The History of Ashley Downs/Taumata District

There is some interest in producing a book about the history of the Ashley Downs/Taumata District. If you might be interested in purchasing a copy in the future, please may you email the address below so we can get an idea on whether or not it is worth pursuing this project.

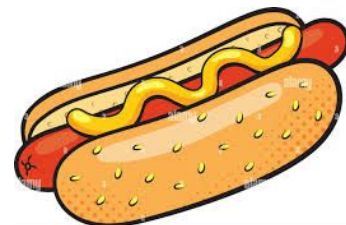
[measure445@yahoo.com](mailto:measure445@yahoo.com)



## HOT LUNCHES - Term 4



Date	Lunch	Rostered
28th October	American Hot Dogs	Kreft
11th November	Pizza	Forde
25th November	Nachos	Corbett & Currie
9th December	Wraps	B Campbell & Martin



**ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS WILL BE DONE THROUGH GOOGLE FORMS**

Keep your eyes peeled for the email to order for the term.

All payments go directly to the PARENTS PLUS Account. Details will be in the email.  
If you are unable to do your rostered duty please organise to swap with someone else.