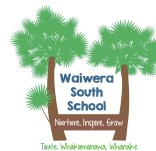


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Upcoming Events

Friday 11th February	Scholastic Book Club Issue One - Due today
Thursday 17th February	Technology yr 7&8's
Friday 18th February	Hot Lunches - Wraps (M. Anderson) orders due Wed 16th Feb 1st event - Top Team
Monday 21st February	BOT Meeting - 7pm in the Senior Room
Tuesday March 1st	Parents Plus AGM and Meeting - 3pm in the staffroom. Everyone welcome
Thursday 3rd March	Technology yr 7&8's
Friday 4th March	Hot Lunches - Burgers (K.Anderson & Kreft) orders due Wed 2nd March
Thursday 17th March	Technology yr 7&8's
Friday 18th March	Hot Lunches - Pizza (Whiteside) orders due Wed 16th March
Monday 21st March	OTAGO ANNIVERSARY DAY - No school
Thursday 31st March	Technology yr 7&8's
Friday 1st April	Hot Lunches - Nachos (S.Campbell) orders due Wed 30th April
Thursday 14th April	Technology yr 7&8's LAST DAY OF TERM 1
Monday 2nd May	TERM 2 STARTS



Harriet

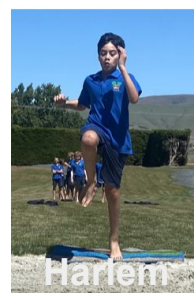


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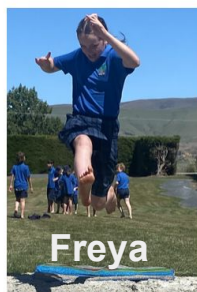
The **SM**iddle Class have been making the most of the fantastic weather we have had - getting outside and practising for athletics



Charleigh



Harlem



Freya



Tuvia



Ivy



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Maisie



Florence



Zoe



PARENTS PLUS GROUP AGM AND MEETING

Next meeting: Tuesday March 1st, 3pm in the Staff Room
All welcome - it would be great to see some new faces!



NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora i ngā whānau o Waiwera South

A massive welcome back to Waiwera South School for what is looking to be another strange year, we aim to keep it action packed and filled with learning for our children, we hope that Omicron doesn't have too much of an impact on our face to face learning. I trust you all had a good Christmas and New Year and are all geared up for another year - hopefully this one runs slightly more smoothly than 2020 and 2021.

We have started the year with 30 enthusiastic learners who we are really excited to be getting back into the swing of things at school. This term we have a bit of a mixed focus - with the Junior Class learning about the great outdoors and what we have in our backyard, and the SMiddles having a bit of a mix, between the Olympics, Cricket World Cup and camp planning.

There are going to be more disruptions this year due to Covid, we just need to do the best we can inside of the rules that are set for us, if we remember that we are all in the same battle and look out and be kind to each other I think we will find the year a lot easier. Already we have made the decision that Small Schools and SOPSSA Athletics, and the Otago Primary Schools Triathlon will be postponed - we hope that levels change and we may be able to hold these later in the year. Every event that is planned needs to be closely analysed to see if we can safely run it under the Red Light rules, the last thing we want to do is push the rules and put the safety of our children and community at risk. We will keep you up to date with any changes as they happen, we really appreciate all the work you are doing at home to support us with the regulations at school.

Here's to an outstanding 2022! May it be full of fun and learning for everyone.
Kia pai tō wiki.

Kaz Bissett

Book Club



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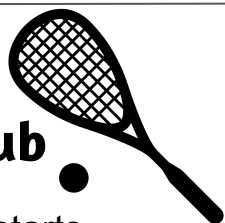
Issue One

Due:

Fri 11th February



Clinton Squash Club



Our next Social Club Round starts
on **Monday 14th February.**

New players always welcome.

Enquiries please contact Jono 0274 667 723

Head to our Facebook page
to find out more



New Potatoes For Sale

\$1.50 per kilogram
Contact Volo on
0221 243 143
to order



BIG BIRTHDAY WISHES

go to the following special people,

Harriet Anderson

turned twelve on the 7th

Taylor Kreft

will be turning six on the 11th

Also to our January birthdays ...

Charleigh Campbell

who turned ten on January 10th

Freya Whiteside

who turned twelve on January 17th

and

Ryan Cleghorn

who turned twelve on January 29th

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ADULTS

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Southern Dance ACADEMY

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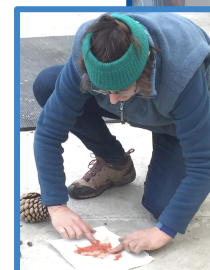
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We would like to say a MASSIVE

Thank you!

to Mrs Holden for all the hard work she has done with our children in the school garden. They have all learnt so much from the time and knowledge she has gifted to our school.



JUNIOR ROOM ART

We used our art to show all the things that make us special.



Zeke



Finlay



Beau



Dante



Danyil



Ryan C



Ryan M



Ben



Daniel



Jamie



Jacob



Taylor



Artem

First we used crayon and dye to create a bright patterned background. We chose pictures of our favourite things we like to do.

Attendance

As part of our reporting to the BoT we report against attendance, this will also be reported to you in your child's school report. Waiwera South School has a target attendance of 92 % and above. I found this interesting break down when compiling the individual children's attendance rates.

The Ministry of Education outlines attendance rates as follows

Absence Rates across the year:			
Acceptable	95%	=	10 days (2 weeks of school missed across the school year)
A concern	90%	=	20 days (4 weeks of missed school, one month)
Critical concern	85%	=	30 days (6 weeks of missed school, over half a term)
Very serious	80%	=	40 days (8 weeks of missed school, nearly one term)

Another interesting but scary fact - If your child misses one day a fortnight for various reasons, by the time they reach year 10 they will have missed a whole year of schooling.

Absences do have a significant impact on a child's learning, please be mindful of this.



**THANK
YOU!**

A huge thank you to the local businesses who support us via South Fuels - Fuel for Schools.

Through your support we have been lucky enough to have been able to choose another award and are well on our way to our next one.

Yesterday Reece from South Fuels and Peter Dobbie - one of our local sponsors came to deliver to us our brand new JBL portable sound system - this is going to be amazing especially as we are spending quite a bit of time outside. It will also be perfect for assemblies and performances when these get back underway! Thank you South Fuels and our loyal supporters. We would love to get some more supporters on board.



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CONTACTING WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL!

There are numerous ways you can keep in contact with us and what we are doing. These include:

SCHOOL WEBSITE



Our website is an excellent source of information. Make sure you tell all your families and friends about our website too!

www.waiwerasouth.school.nz

FACEBOOK PAGE



Follow our school on Facebook! Search Waiwera South Primary School, like us and keep in the loop with happenings that involve our school!

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



This is a community newsletter that we print every fortnight, it keeps you up to date with what is happening at school and in the wider community. It is delivered to your letterbox via Rural Delivery. Previous issues can be found on our website.

If you would like anything published or advertised please email the school office.

Otago Cricket's SUMMER OF CRICKET (2021 - 22)

Modified Cricket - South Otago
Term 1, 2022



GIRLS SMASH

6-aside GIRLS ONLY cricket for school years 2-6!

- 45-min games
- Soft-ball cricket
- Entry level (no experience required)
- School years 3-6 • School teams
- Tuesday Afternoons, 3:45pm start
- Balclutha Football Ground, Glasgow St



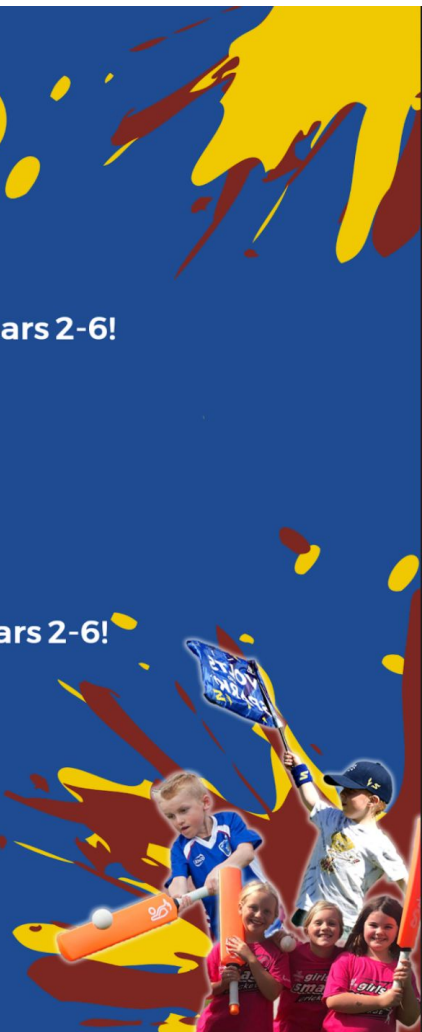
BOYS BLAST

6-aside BOYS ONLY cricket for school years 2-6!

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For more information...

Please visit www.otagocricket.co.nz > Get Involved > Modified Programmes



Red Adaptations at Waiwera South

In regard to COVID-19 we have moved fully into the new traffic light framework for all our school activities and events this year. You will be familiar with all the health measures we will have in place (vigilance around hygiene, handwashing, sanitising and safe coughing) and it is good to know that at the Red Traffic Light Setting, we are able to support everyone learning onsite.

We ask that everyone supports us in following the rules, and understand that things will change as the virus spreads throughout the motu, we will adjust accordingly as directives come in.

How we are working with Red level at Waiwera South School:

- Good hygiene continued to be a major tool, handwashing, sanitising, coughing/sneezing safely and trying to encourage distancing yourself.
- All children in Senior Class, Year 5-8 are to wear masks inside at school
- Masks are optional, but encouraged for Year 1-4
- All children Year 4-8 must wear masks on the bus - Year 1-3 are strongly encouraged to
- All necessary visitors to school to wear masks, sign and scan in at office - Please do not enter the classrooms.
- Teachers are utilising the outdoor spaces for teaching and learning
- Large gatherings and events will probably not go ahead but each one is being reviewed under the guidelines.
- A focus on ventilation inside - and spending more time outside

Thank you all for working with us so easily as we navigate these changing times and regulations

Events and activities

Large gatherings continue to be one of the riskier activities we can undertake. We are therefore reviewing all our events and activities for the upcoming term to ensure we meet the health guidance for Red. We will continue to assess events, complete risk assessments and make judgement calls as they are required.

Assemblies are still considered high risk at this stage so we will be celebrating successes and acknowledging achievements in house with the children - no parents sorry.

TERM ONE - HOT LUNCH ROSTER & ORDERS

Date	Lunch	Rostered
18th February	Wraps	M. Anderson
4th March	Burgers	K. Anderson & Kreft
18th March	Pizza	Whiteside
1st April	Nachos	S Campbell



ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS WILL BE DONE THROUGH GOOGLE FORMS

Keep your eyes peeled for the email to order for the term. This saves paper and cash coming to the office.

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.