

# WAIKARI SCHOOL

Confident, Respectful, Curious Kids

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Tena Koutou Katoa

## Kea Camp

For families of children in Room Kea, please see initial parent/caregiver letter attached. Further information, permission forms and gear lists will be sent by the end of the term.

## Complaints Procedure

Every year we send out our procedure for complaints and concerns. Please see attached. If you have a concern regarding another child please do not approach the child directly yourself while at school.

## Welcome

We welcome back two students this term—Nikau Reti-Napa and Skyla Rata-Smith. It is great to have your two smiling faces back here at Waikari.

## Attached information

The following two letters are attached to this newsletter:

- Letter from the Ministry which outlines information surrounding lock-downs and tips for parents in relation to Canterbury's recent tragic event.
- Letter from the Canterbury DHB with an up-date on the current measles outbreak. The letter includes information on; symptoms, who is protected and what happens if there is a case in our school.

## Mufti Day

Last Friday we also held a mufti day 'Colour Your Day' in support of the recent tragedy in Christchurch. The children raised \$51.50 which will be donated to help the families.

## NZ Maths Website for Families & workshop update:

I've had good feedback from the maths workshop held last week by Sue Graham. Here is the website that she directed us to.

This is a resource for families which includes (maths) picture book titles.

[nzmaths.co.nz/families](http://nzmaths.co.nz/families)

## Swimming Pool Closed—Reminder

The school pool is now closed for the season. All key holders to please hand their key in to the school office. A huge thank you to Nicky Matthews and Jenna Reynolds for managing the pool this season. It is a big commitment and is really appreciated.

## Wanted—cartons

Construction in the Weka room is going to be a regular feature especially during the winter. Any cartons, boxes (cereal, baking products etc.) cardboard and similar items.

## Bikes and Scooters at school—Reminder

Bikes and scooters coming into and out of school must be walked. That means in the morning getting off at the gate and walking them up to the bike shelter. In the afternoon walking them down to the gate and through the gate. Even on wheels day – wheels can be walked down to the asphalt and ridden on the asphalt at morning tea and lunchtime. On these days children not on bikes can play elsewhere.

## T Ball/ Softball

We will be having another practice on Friday March 29th.

### **We still need transport for this.**

Thank you to parents who have already assisted with this—your help is appreciated. Also thank you to the parents who have offered transport for the T-Ball at Scargill Domain and Softball at Amuri Area School—for the 2nd of April.

## Pre-school Morning

Don't forget our up-coming Preschool morning. All pre-schoolers between 0—5yrs (with parent/caregiver) are welcome to come along for a fun morning at Waikari School 9.30am—10.45am on Wednesday 10th April. If you know of any new families in the area please let them know.



## MPI Fisheries Visit

Last week we were lucky enough to have a visit from MPI Fisheries. The children learnt how to measure the likes of paua and fish.



## Hospital Visit—Update

Last Friday Matai house-group visited Waikari Hospital. The children shared stories with the patients and it was great to see the smiles all round. We will be doing this regularly so that all of our children get the opportunity to be part of this community service.

## Board of Trustees Workshop

I sent out an email last night regards training at our school if you are interested in this please contact Jenny Cholmondeley 3244626

Kind regards  
Yvonne Blair—Principal

## Writing From Room Kea

I went to the mountain to ski.  
I wore my black ski suit and my red fluffy hat.  
The snow was very white and deep.  
We had hot chocolate drinks and hot chips for lunch.  
It was the best day ever. **By Keygan**

The Philips family packed their suitcases and hooked up the jet boat. They started the long drive to their rental bach beside a very big lake. When they got there, they unpacked their bags and walked up the spiral staircase. When they got to the top they made their beds and took the things out of their bags that they needed. The two adult kids wanted to catch a fish before tea time, but they didn't catch anything. The next morning it was Christmas eve. The mother and the father prepared breakfast meanwhile the adult kids went fishing. As the boy casted out, the hook got stuck in a bush so he tried yanking it and the hook flew back and hooked into the girl's arm. She let out a blood curdling scream but the boy didn't realise so he yanked it again and it just went in deeper into her skin. They rang the parents to help back the boat trailer into the water. When they got back to the back the father suggested taking out the hook with a kitchen knife or rusty old pliers. But the best idea was to go to the hospital. At the hospital they waited for half an hour until it was her turn. The doctor had a look and got it out with a needle, anaesthetic and a scalpel. He put in the anaesthetic and cut the skin by the tip of the hook. Then he go some pliers and cut off the end and simply pulled it through, he put a band-aid on it and said, "It was all good". Then they went back home to their bach and had yummy Christmas food and opened some presents. **Finn Fricker**



## Student of the Week

Finn has been nominated by several people this week for showing kindness and caring for others.

Finn you are setting a fantastic example by displaying all of our PRIDE values.

Well done Finn!  
Keep it up.



## FAST NEWS

Last night FAST worked at the Rural Women's movie night, in providing supper for 115 people at the Waikari Hall. This was a very successful fundraiser for us and only made possible by a massive amount of work by the following people: Maya, Michele, Jan (Michele's sister), Zoe, Yvi, Jenna, Sarah, Penny, Nicky, Jenny, Dom and Lisa. On behalf of FAST, thank you! What a TEAM!!"

## Congratulations

We would like to say congratulations to Amanda and Huw Kinch on the safe arrival of their precious wee girl—Willow, last Tuesday. We are thrilled that all is well with mum and baby and look forward to meeting her.



# Kōrari

“Kōrari really helped me understand what it’s like to be a school trustee”



An informal session for those interested in school board elections.

Location: Rangiora High School, RANGIORA, Thurs. 4 April, 6.00pm

Attendance is FREE. All welcome. RSVP to: [lshelley@nzsta.org.nz](mailto:lshelley@nzsta.org.nz)

**Kōrari** - a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.

For more information contact us on 0800 782 435.



## SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019

### **March**

- 27th BOT Meeting 5:30
- 29th\*\* Yr 3-7 T-ball / softball with Greta Valley (leaving at 12:30)

### **April**

- 1st Constable Ken KOS
- 2nd\*\* Hurunui softball/ T Ball /pp 3rd
- 3rd Life Education Visit
- 5th Gumboot Day (Mufti)
- 9th\*\* Room Weka—Museum Visit
- 10th Pre-schoolers morning Visit to school
- 11th Celebration of Learning
- 12th End of Term (No Music– Sally away)
- 28th Beginning of Term 2**

\*\*These dates will require parent assistance with: **transport/ supervision or practical help**. Please mark them on your calendar and look out for the notices re-requesting assistance.