

WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL

'Learning for Life'



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Upcoming Events...

Tuesday 13th November Wednesday 14th November Wednesday 14th November Thursday 15th November Friday 16th November Friday 16th November Friday 16th November Tuesday 27th November Friday 30th November Friday 30th November Friday 30th November	Parents Plus Meeting - 3pm (all parents welcome, staffroom) Transition to School - 10.40am to 12.30pm Year 8's visit SOHS 9.30am to 11am TEACHERS STRIKE - NO SCHOOL Assembly - 2.30pm Hot Lunch, Mac & Cheese (orders in by 14th Nov) WORKING BEE - 3pm onwards Quadrathron - Postponement date Thursday 29th November Assembly - 2.30pm Hot Lunch, Wraps (orders in by 28th Nov) Kids Can - DRESS UP - More information coming soon
Wednesday 12th December Friday 14th December Friday 14th December	School Production & Prize giving Hot Lunch, Sushi (orders in by 12th Dec) LAST DAY OF TERM 4

Dear Parents,

SCHOOL CLOSED ON THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER DUE TO STRIKE ACTION

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers have recently voted about what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

Teachers have agreed - they cannot in good conscience accept the Government's latest collective agreement offer because it does not address the current crisis in education. They have therefore voted for an unprecedented second strike. There will be nationwide rolling strikes over a week, and our region will be striking on Thursday 15th November. Our Board of Trustees has decided our school will be closed on that date to ensure the safety of our children.

While we acknowledge and regret the inconvenience we know this will cause, teachers feel strongly that they need to send a clear message to the Government that they are standing strong for our students.

Already New Zealand children's education is suffering because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers, and teachers believe they must take bold steps to turn this around.

Through the teachers' union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, teachers are asking for:

- More resources and staffing to adequately support children with additional learning needs.
- A pay jolt to lift the status of the teaching profession and to attract and retain teachers in the profession. It is getting harder and harder for schools to attract and find staff as less people enter or stay in the profession.
 - Improved workload conditions.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue. For more information, please go to http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/ or talk with your child's teacher.

Should there be any change and the strike action is called off, we will advise as soon as possible.

Tēnā tātou e te whanau o Waiwera South, Week 4 is upon us already! And knowing that we only have a 9 week term we have an awful lot to get through.

We welcome Miss Holden back from her African Adventures - it sure sounds like she had a brilliant trip and saw a whole bunch of incredible things. We look forward to seeing some of her photos.

The Middle Class have returned from Camp Waihola, by all accounts it sounds like they had a fabulous camp and pushed a lot of personal boundaries. One of the many great things about camps is exposing yourself to challenges and being able to overcome them in a safe and supported environment. There are a lot of great photos and stories from camp - I'm sure many super memories were created.

On Tuesday we had David Moreau from the University of Auckland come down and spend some time with the year 2 - 8's. Waiwera South has been lucky enough to get into his MovingCog programme, it is designed around cognitive function and using physical activity in conjunction with cognitive training to see if we can improve things like working memory, visual perception, sound differentiation. We will be working in two groups one that does both the physical and cognitive programme and one that does just the cognitive aspect. We are going to run the programme in a 10 week block for all students, then look at maybe using it for target groups in the future. It is a very exciting programme with a lot of New Zealand research supporting it. If you want to read more or listen to an interview with David follow this link.

https://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/ourchangingworld/audio/201864791 2/exercise-and-a-special-video-game-boost-kids-brains

We have begun to practice our Production in earnest - we will begin making trips down the the hall to practice in the space we will be acting soon. We will be looking for props, costume and backdrop help if anyone is feeling arty/crafty.

Noho ora mai

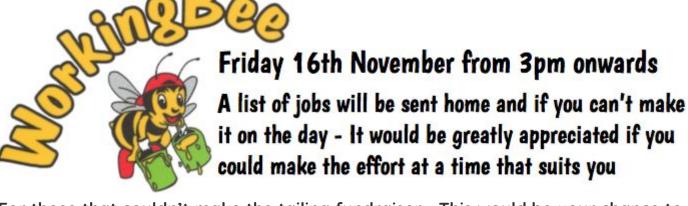
Kaz Bissett



PARENTS PLUS GROUP

Meeting next Tuesday, 13th November at 3pm in the staffroom.

All parents welcome - Would be great to see some new faces!!!



For those that couldn't make the tailing fundraiser - This would be your chance to contribute your time to help make our school look amazing!!!!

Lions Tertiary Scholarships

ATTENTION: Students living in the area Applicants are invited for the Clinton Lions Scholarships for the 2019 year

Please contact James Watt text/phone 0276939310 or email james.b.watt53@gmail.com

Closing date 30 November 2019



PRIZE GIVING TROPHIES

Please return all trophies

by 23rd NOVEMBER

SCHOOL HATS!!!

We have our NEW school hats available for purchase. These are part of the uniform and are compulsory to wear in the summer school terms, 4 & 1.

If you choose not to buy these new school hats, the old ones will be available to borrow until the new ones are phased in.

Please fill in & return this slip if you are wanting to purchase a school hat.

Invoices will be sent out for the orders, unless cash is sent to school.



NAME of Students:	Quantity	L/XL	M/L	(\$15 each)
TOTAL:				



Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser you purchase!*

*Open to PGG Wrightson Ltd account holders only. \$1 per tonne of Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser purchased (excluding Lime and Gypsum), between 1 September and 30 November 2018, will be donated to your nominated cause (selected from an approved list). See full terms and conditions at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz. Minimum donation per cause applies.



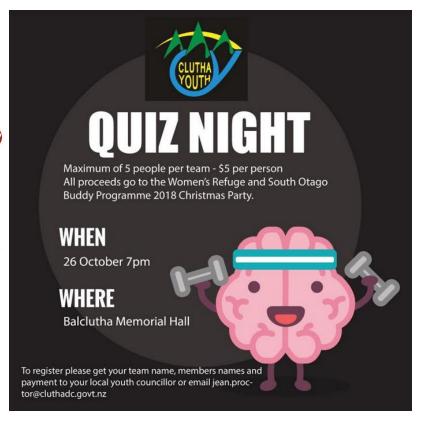
Register and nominate your cause at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz

Saturday 1 Dec 2018 1pm Clyde Street, Balclutha

Parade entry forms & rules from CDC Main office, CDC Service Centres, Balclutha I Site, 027 368 0320, or email cluthacountrychristmas@gmail.com



Market registration forms call 027 329 4567 or email jeanproctor@icloud.com



Senior Class Camp Fundraiser

EVENSDALE CHEESE -

Look out for the forms coming home soon!!!





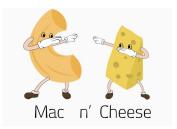
PARENTS PLUS LUNCH ORDER (Parents Plus Account Number: 02-0918-0035370-00)

Parents Plus Lunch Order Friday 16th November - Mac & Cheese: Martin / Penn

NAME(s):

QUANTITY:

(\$2 per serving)



Order must be at school before **WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER** as it needs to be organised. Have a look for the Google Form that was emailed out - This makes the process so easy and you can order & pay for the whole term without any hassle, otherwise please complete this form and return it to the office with payment by 14/11/18.

CLUTHA VALLEY & DISTRICTS

KID'S QUIZ NIGHT

(Yr 5/6 & Yr 7/8)

(hosted by Clutha Valley Primary School)

Test your General Knowledge against other South Otago Schools

Friday 9 November 2018 6.30 pm Clutha Valley Primary School

- Teams of 4 (Year 5/6 & Year 7/8)
- · \$20 per team (includes drink, chips & mini chocolate bar)
- Cash Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd (both Year Groups)
- · Canteen available at intermission
- · Good coffee available for parents

Entries & Payment in by Friday 2 November 2018

CVPS PTA Bank Account Number Westpac – 03-1734-0010560-000

Email Team Name (and school) to PTA@cluthavalley.school.nz



150th Waiwera South

School and District Reunion

The Reunion committee are busu behind the scenes organising the upcoming reunion. Registrations are a big part of organising and we want to make sure we are reaching out to as many Waiwera South Community members and ex-school pupils as we Included in this newsletter is a reunion registration form for community members. We would really like to encourage members of the Waiwera South Community to get behind wonderful celebration. While school does play a big part in this small rural area, this reunion is very much so for the community as well and we would love to see you there.



Summer time riding in Clutha

Kids after school MTB group ride -Starting Thursday 1st of November -Age groups 8-11



MIDDLE ROOM CAMP - WAIHOLA









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There am waiting in line to go on the flying fox. Iristan is first, he look so excited am a little bit nervous. lo minutes later its finally my turn. I step
lo minutes later it's finally my turn, I step
onto the stool and the man clips me up. "Look of the compa" he soid
me up. Look of the Campa he Sord
took lots of photos of me standing
so I looked at my mum. She took lots of photos of me standing there as I was getting ready to leap off the platform. Next thing I know I am
the platform. Next thing I know I am
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freaking out but the I was enjoying it so I had another turn. Whe I went
again lost my gumboot it Was so funny
Jan
Caitlyn



CONGRATULATIONS, George, Esther & Bree

George Anderson made it into the under 14's South Otago touch team. Esther Whiteside is part of the under 12's South Otago touch team as well as having successful trials on Sunday, making it into the Otago under 12's as well. Bree Campbell is playing in the South Otago under 12's. Great effort team!!! Keep up the amazing work on the field.





Congratulations to James from the Senior Room, Tristan from the Middle Room and Pacer from the Junior Room for being presented with the Key Competency certificates at Assembly on Friday. Keep up the super effort!



GREAT BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go to the following special people...

Nelle Morgan who turns six on the 14th November Jayden Cambridge who turns seven on the 17th November

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Waiwerian's out there doing it...





(Left) Anna Whiteside & Madeline Anderson creating a hot dinner at the Clinton Lions Club Meeting last week. Unfortunately the power was out for the best part of the cooking time. Despite all the stress of getting a hot meal to the Lions Club members - The Waiwera South Parents

Plus team pulled together and managed to serve a hot meal to the 60 seated members, beautifully cooked on the small gas elements that were rushed to the hall. Well done ladies you did an amazing job at keeping everyone happy and well feed. You showed great commitment to this amazing fundraiser that you do.











(Above) Paige, aka Miss Holden spent just under four weeks in Africa on an overland trip through Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia and South Africa. The highlight of her trip was seeing the animals during our safari through the Chobe and Etosha National Parks.

Please send in any photos and a small blurb about a Waiwerian out there doing anything exciting, to Nic via email: office@waiwerasouth.school.nz



PLEASE GET YOUR 2019 STATIONERY ORDER FORMS IN

DUE 16th NOVEMBER

Order forms went home earlier in the week, please touch base with Nic in the office for a replacement, if need be.







Thank you to everyone that donated funds to go towards the OCC project. Each class filled the boxes with lots of items to make someone smile soon. The boxes have been picked up and will be sent away soon.