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Upcoming Events...

Friday 11th May	School trip to Otago Museum - Science Focus
Wednesday 16th May	School Photos, Morning - Postponement Date 30th May
Wednesday 16th May	School interviews pm Bus will run at 12.30
Thursday 17th May	Yr 7-8 Technology at SOHS
Friday 18th May	Transition to school 11am - 12.30pm
Friday 18th May	Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 24th May	Activator am - Rippa
Monday 28th May	Year 8's - National Young Leaders Day
Tuesday 29th May	Year 3 - 8 Rippa Tournament - Postponement Date 31st May
Thursday 31st May	Yr 7-8 Technology at SOHS
Friday June 1st	Assembly 2.30pm
Monday June 4th	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - NO SCHOOL
Thursday June 7th	Transition to School 11am - 12.30pm
Thursday June 14th	Yr 7-8 Technology at SOHS
Friday June 15th	Assembly 2.30pm
Wednesday June 20th	Activator pm - Hockey
Tuesday June 26th	Yr 7-8 Hockey Tournament,
Tuesday June 26th	Transition to school 11am - 12.30pm
Thursday June 28th	Yr 7-8 Technology at SOHS, Hui Ako
Friday June 29th	Assembly 2.30pm, Top Team
Friday 6th July	Last Day of Term
Monday 23rd July	First Day of Term 3



FOR TENDER

Waiwera South School has 62 bales of baleage, 4 bales of straw, and 2 bales of hay for tender. Separate tenders for straw baleage and hay. Location is Waiwera South and successful purchasers are to arrange transport. Tenders close 16th May 2018.

Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Please send tenders to
Nicola Forde, School Secretary
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Kia Ora Families and Community,

Welcome back to term two, I trust you all had a great break and were able to spend some fun time with your children during the holidays. We had patches of brilliant South Otago weather and some that was not so good!

This term we have got off to a flying start, Miss Chapman and I went to Alexandra last week for a brush up on our skills in planning Education Outside the Classroom, in relation to a variety of Educational and Health and Safety Acts. It was a very informative day - Miss Chapman has a second day to attend next week.

The Inquiry focus this term is Science based, 'Fizz, Pop, Bang' is the name of the inquiry. We will be looking at what science is, using precise scientific language and performing and observing experiments accurately. We have done a few sciency things at school already and are having our real kick off this Friday when we head to Otago Museum to spend time in their classroom and have a good 'scientific' look at the newly upgraded Tūhura Science Centre, the old Discovery World.

We have Shea - the sports activator coming to visit us this Wednesday - he will be going over some Rippa skills with us, please can you ensure that your child has a change of clothes in their bags and appropriate footwear. The Rippa Tournament is coming up in week 5 - all our students from year 3 - 8 will be involved in this. We will again be asking for helpers for this day.

Ngā mihi nui
Kaz Bissett

ANZAC DAY

Well done to Maddie and Ashley who both spoke so well at the Clinton ANZAC Service during the holidays. You both represented Waiwera South School fabulously. Ashley and Maddie then went on to lay a wreath at the Clinton Cenotaph on behalf of Waiwera South School.

"Lest we forget"



Use of school grounds after hours

We are really lucky to have such fabulous grounds at Waiwera South School, they are a real community asset. We love the fact that they are here to be used by the community outside of school hours, please do treat them with respect though. If you have your dogs over here, clean up after them, there have been several occasions when the staff at school have had to clean up after other peoples pets.

It is sad to arrive at school to find footprints where feet shouldn't be, and equipment and facilities damaged.

Please treat the school and its grounds with respect so it can stay in such fabulous condition for us all to enjoy.

Congratulations to David Dalley, James Dobbie, Ashley Wendelgest, George Anderson and James Liggett who have all been selected to train with in the South Otago Yr 7-8 Hockey team that plays up in Dunedin in the Otago league on Friday afternoons. This is a great result having five in the training squad, well done boys! We look forward to hearing how you go.

With the change in weather we have made a few changes around the school a big one that affects all children is that we are no longer wearing our shoes inside the classroom, this is keeping the mud and soggy grass out of the classrooms and off the carpet. The children work on the floor a lot and it will keep them a bit cleaner too. The children are more than welcome to bring some slippers along to leave at school to wear in the classroom.

The other thing we would like you to think about is having a change of clothes in your child's bag, so if they do slip over or get wet and muddy in a game they have something clean and dry to get changed into. We thank you for your help and support with these.

School Photos

We have school photos booked in to be taken on Wednesday 16th May. The photographer will be here in the morning, hopefully the weather plays nicely - photo postponement day is on May 30th. Please ensure the children are wearing their full correct uniform and are looking tidy, black socks and shoes need to be worn on this day. Children can bring running shoes to put on after the photos if they wish.

Trip - Friday

Just a reminder we will be leaving school at 8.30am on Friday to head to the Museum.

We will be LEAVING FOR DUNEDIN FROM SCHOOL at 8.30am - RETURNING TO SCHOOL at 3.30pm

Please ensure your children are wearing their correct, tidy school uniform and have a packed lunch and drink for the day.

To enable us all to leave school at 8.30am there will be a change in the school bus routes, please take a look at the breakdown below, it will show you what's happening before and after our trip to the Museum on Friday 11th May.

Morning :	TAUMATA bus run ONLY as per normal arriving at school 8.20am CLIFTON bus run - Children need to be dropped off at school by 8.20am please
Afternoon:	TAUMATA bus run - Please have children picked up from school at 3.30pm CLIFTON bus run ONLY will be dropped off home by the bus as per normal times

If you have not paid your \$5 contribution towards the trip yet, please may you do so either to Nic in the office as cash or via internet banking - please reference this as Museum.

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Please find attached to this newsletter a copy of our Prospective student document, if you have any preschoolers or know of anyone in the district that may be interested in Waiwera South School as an option for their children please may you fill in or hand on the form.

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DAY TRIP PERMISSION FORMS

We have some students who do not have an up to date day trip permission form - if one has come home to you please can you fill this in and return to school as soon as possible - this form covers all day trips and excursions from school.

BIRTHDAYS

Belated Birthday wishes go to Charlie Anderson who turned eight on the 22nd April
Happy Birthday wishes go to Tristan Lugatiman who turns ten on the 23rd May.

(^`'.,* (^`'.,* WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED YOUR SPECIAL DAY *,.'´) *,.'´)

REMINDER:

Nic's office hours are Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm. Please make contact with her between these hours especially with children not catching the afternoon bus.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

If you are interested in purchasing an entertainment book, to get thousands of dollars worth of discounts in hundreds of stores - Touch base with Nic at the school office to arrange the details. They are \$60 each and the school gets 20% of all sales.

Measles

As students return from the Term 1 holidays, the Ministry of Health is reminding schools to be aware of the risks of measles.

Over the past month, measles cases have been reported in Canterbury, the Southern District Health Board region, Nelson-Marlborough, Hamilton and Auckland.

Immunisation – the best protection against measles and it is free! Immunisation is the best protection against measles and to be effective, people need to have two measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccinations. Anyone who is unsure if they are fully immunised against measles can be vaccinated for free at their GP.

What can you do? As a precautionary measure, school leaders are encouraged to confirm the immunisation status of staff and students. Anyone who is not immunised and gets exposed to a confirmed case of measles will need to stay home for at least 14 days to ensure the virus doesn't spread.

General Advice - Anyone who suspects they may have measles should avoid contact with other people, especially those who aren't fully immunised, and should phone their GP before visiting. It is important to call first because measles is highly infectious, and people with measles can infect others in the waiting room.

Further information and advice is available from:

- your local public health unit
- Healthline on 0800 611 116
- 0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863)
- the Ministry of Health website.

Remember when . . . Senior holiday writing.

Remember the time I slipped in the mud pit beside the large creek, I could barely stand back up with all the mud pulling on me? David

Remember that time when we drove to the airport at 4 in the morning exhausted and tired. Remember when the plane got delayed and didn't leave until 8 o'clock at night. Remember how the van dropped us off at the wrong Uitiqa hotel and we had to walk all the way over to our one. That was my holiday! Taylor

Remember when I got worked to death by Uncle Johnny on the the farm, opening all gates. George

Remember when the trees were blowing in the breeze and Mum and I having to pick up all of the dry and brittle leaves? Aleigha

Remember me taking up Sooty for our riding lesson and Sooty being covered head to toe in mud? Esther

Remember the time I pulled the trigger and had the adrenaline rush as the deer fell to the ground? Ashley

Remember when we got home and a little brown pokey ferret was trying to get in through the open windows? Bree

Student Parent Goal Setting Interviews

On Wednesday afternoon 1.00pm - 4.30pm we have student goal setting interviews, please fill in the form below and return to Nic in the office. Interview times will be allocated on a first in first served basis, we will do our best to accommodate your times. If you are unable to attend interviews during this time, please contact the class teacher to organise a suitable time.

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

Parents Plus Lunch Order Friday 18th May - Pumpkin Soup: Dobbie / Bowers

NAME(s):

QUANTITY:

(\$2 per serving)

Order must be at school before **WEDNESDAY 16th MAY** 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 16/05/18.