

WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 15th February	Sports Activator
Friday 16th February	Hot Lunch - Sausage Rolls (L.Cleghorn) Assembly
Monday 19th February	Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday 21st February	Small Schools Athletics (PP Friday 23rd February)
Thursday 22nd February	Tech (Yr 7 & 8)
Friday 23rd February	Hot Lunch - American Hot Dogs (C.Fletcher & S.Currie)
Tuesday 27th February	Senior Camp
Monday 4th March	SOPSSA (PP 6th, 8th, 11th March)
Tuesday 5th March	Bike Trip
Thursday 7th March	Tech (Yr 7 & 8)
Friday 8th March	Hot Lunch - Burgers (Amy Bielski & Jade Krefft) Assembly
Tuesday 12th March	SWO Triathlon
Friday 15th March	Sports Activator
Thursday 21st March	Tech (Yr 7 & 8)
Friday 22nd March	Hot Lunch - Spaghetti Buns (Davinia Forrester)
Wednesday 27th March	Beach Clean Up (Yr 7 & 8)
Wednesday 3rd April	Netball Yr 5-6 (PP Friday 5th April)
Thursday 4th April	Netball Yr 7-8 (PP Monday 8th April)
Thursday 4th April	Tech (Yr 7 & 8)
Friday 5th April	Hot Lunch - Saveloy & Bread (John Cleghorn)
Sat 6th April & Sun 7th April	Otago Swim Champs
Monday 8th April	Parent Interviews
Tuesday 9th April	Parent Interviews

Kei kā kupu mai i te tumuaki

Kia ora ra e te whānau o Waiwera South!

Kai te pēhea tō hararei? How was your break? It is always great to have the break over summer to have a bit of a rest and regroup before another busy year ahead. I hope you all made the most of your time with your children to make memories and just be together.

I would like to start the newsletter off by wishing you all a very belated but well meant Happy New Year - I hope that 2024 brings much laughter, fun and learning to everybody in the Waiwera South School Community. I would also like to welcome you all back for another year of being involved with and sharing in our learning at Waiwera South School. The staff have all returned refreshed and set to go, we are so lucky to have a stable and keen staff. This year we have employed Kate Anderson as our release teacher - it will be fabulous to have Kate join us as a regular, she will pick up our release days and relieving when required.

It is fabulous to have all the children back at school, it is so quiet at school during the break when the children are away. They are all happy, sharing stories and catching up on what has been happening over the holidays, making plans for what is going to happen in 2024 at school.

We managed to get quite a few jobs completed over the term break - the senior and middle classrooms are now completed - Autex has been hung on both spaces and painting completed - they are looking very sharp - set for some serious learning to take place! Drop by for a look - we think they look very good.

We have a lot of learning planned for 2024, "Waste Warriors" is our Inquiry topic this term, it is all around waste minimisation and being more sustainable in the choices we make. We have got off to a great start with Scott from EnviroSchools completing a school waste audit with us. This has given us some things to think about.

The Senior Class are off to Wānaka for their annual camp in a few weeks - they are getting very excited about this, a lot of planning has gone into what will be a fabulous week of learning - we have some great activities set to go.

It was neat to see such a good turn out at the Waiwera South Community Cricket match last Friday - thank you to the Whitesides for all your work in getting this sorted - the bonfire was a hit!

Heoi ano taku mo tenei wa, kia rua wiki rawe,
That's all I have for now - have a super two weeks

Kā mihi nui
Kaz Bissett

WASTE AUDIT

On Wednesday as a start to our “Waste Warriors” inquiry, Scott Martin from Enviroschools came and spent some time with us. First we completed a Waste Audit, where we looked at the rubbish and recycling we had created in one week. We talked about what should be recycled and looked at how we were doing.

We had quite a bit of recycling in the rubbish - we will work on sorting this better.

We analysed our rubbish and from the information we are now looking at what changes we could make around school to reduce what we are sending to landfill.



Scott then ran a compost workshop with the year 4-8s, we learnt about what makes a healthy compost heap and how we can get our looking a bit healthier.

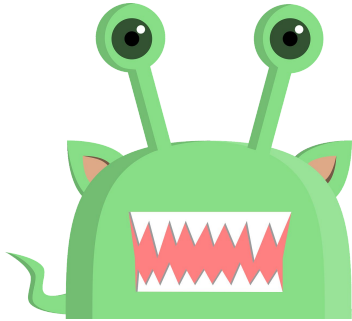
Following our in depth look at our compost the Senior Class supported by Scott, looked at various compost systems and have decided to make a new three bay compost system.

The students have researched their idea, have developed a plan and now have a materials list for what they need.

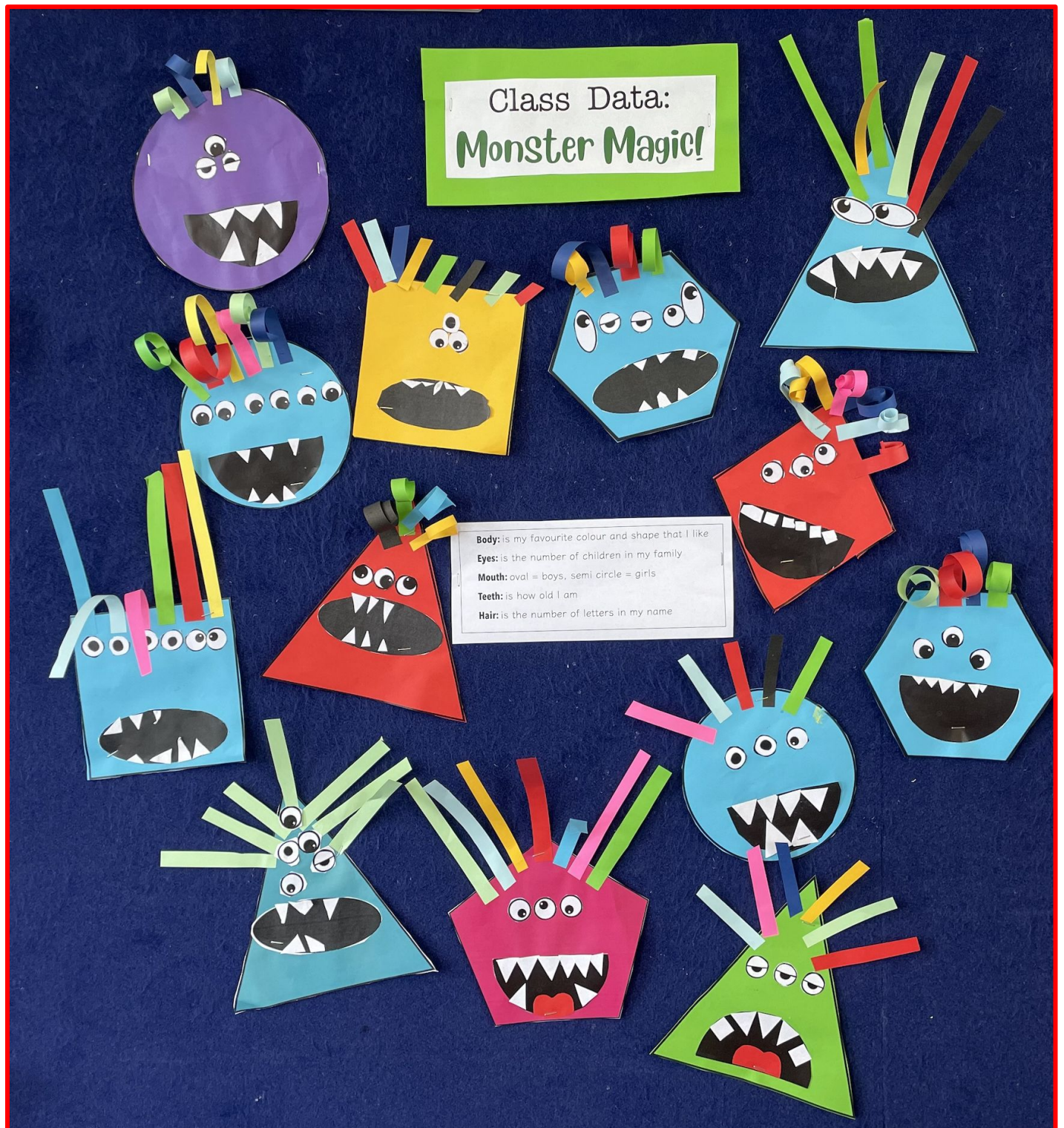
It will be great to see this grow over the next few weeks.

Our garden can't wait for healthy compost!

WHO'S WHO?



We made maths monsters where each feature represents parts of us! The hair shows how many letters in our name, the number of teeth is our age, the eyes are how many children in our families and the shape of our mouth is whether we are a boy or a girl semi circle (girls), oval (boys)...can you figure out who belongs to what monster from the junior room?



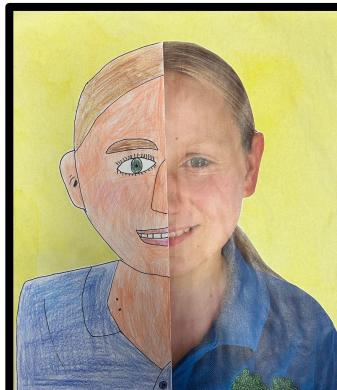
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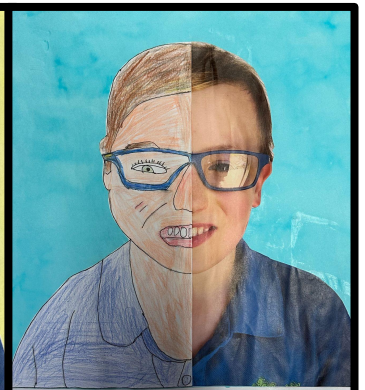
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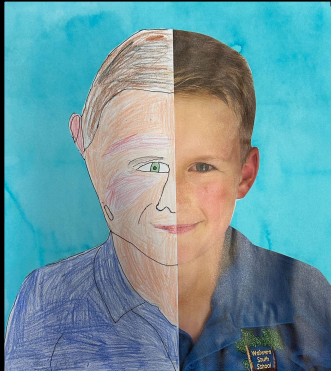
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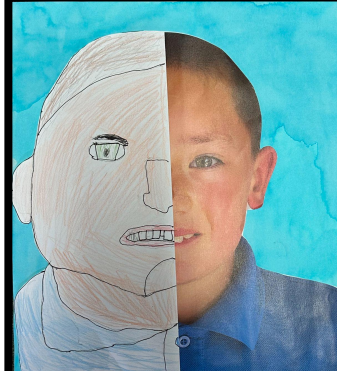
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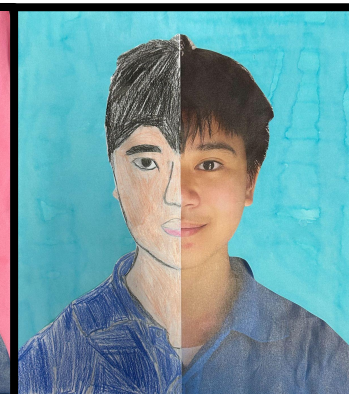
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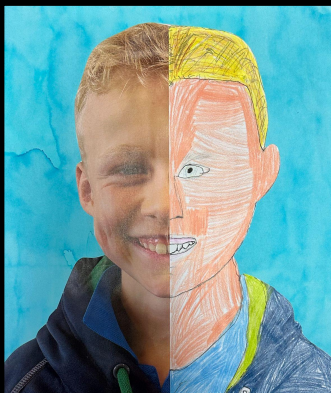
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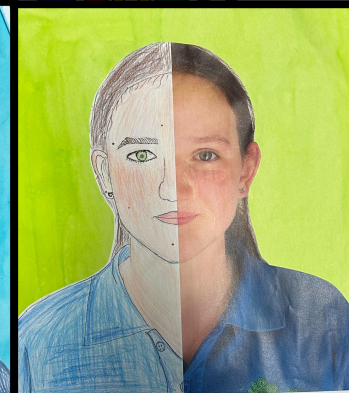
Charleigh



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Ryan



ZOE

Happy Birthday

Nate Corbett
turns 7
15th February

Ivy Whiteside
turns 12
25th February

Jacob Davie
turns 10
26th February

SENIOR & MIDDLE - NEW LOOK ROOMS

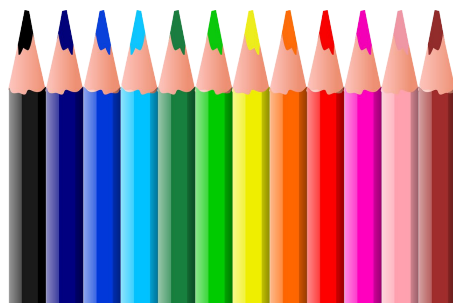
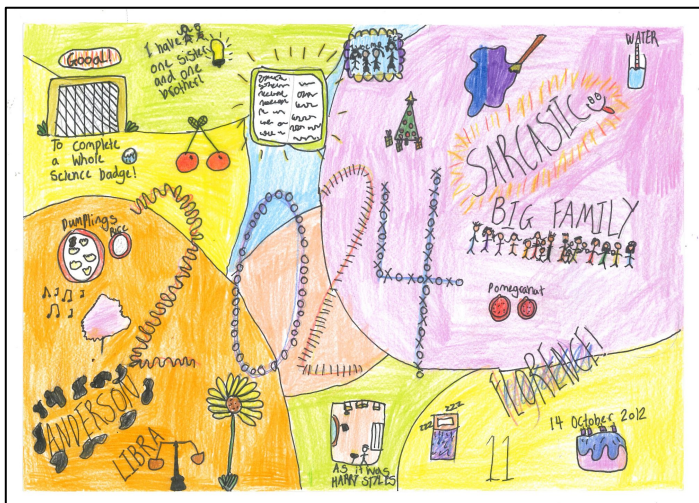
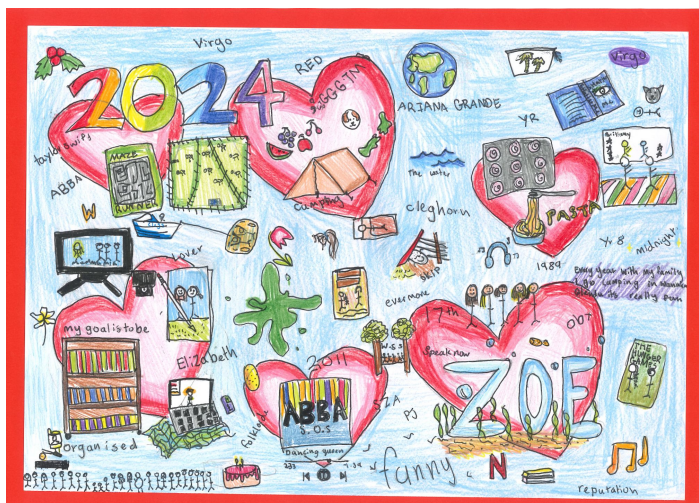
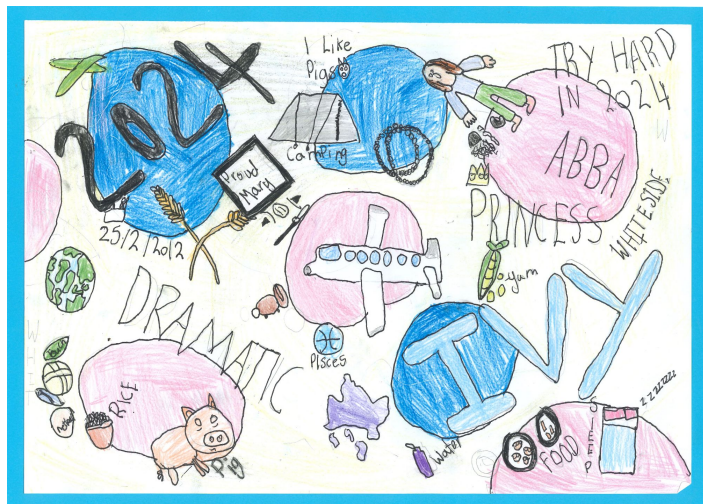
WOW!

The rooms look fantastic.



SENIORS - COLLAGES

The seniors made creative, colourful, hand drawn collages about themselves.



Community Event - Waterslide & Cricket

The recent Waiwera South Community Cricket Match & Waterslide was so much fun for everyone.



HOT LUNCHES - Term 1

Date	Lunch	Rostered
Friday 16th Feb	Sausage Roll	Leanne Cleghorn
Friday 23rd Feb	American Hot Dog	C.Fletcher & S.Currie
Friday 8th March	Burger	Amy Bielski & Jade Kreft
Friday 22nd March	Spaghetti Bun	Davinia Forrester
Friday 5th April	Saveloy & Bread	John Cleghorn

ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS WILL BE DONE THROUGH GOOGLE FORMS
 You should have now received the email to order hot lunches for the term.
Please let the office know if you have not received this email.

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.*