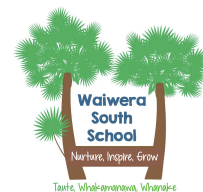


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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday July 27	Year 7-8 Technology
Friday July 28	Hot lunches
Monday July 31	Otago Museum Science Visit
Tuesday August 1	Yr7/8 Sustainable Coastlines - Kaka Point
Wednesday August 2	Sports Activator
Friday August 4	Assembly - 2.30 in the Senior Room
Monday August 7	Small Schools Cross Country (pp Friday Aug 11)
Thursday August 10	Year 7-8 Technology
Monday August 14	Korfball - Year 4-8
Tuesday August 15	Life Education
Wednesday August 16	SOPSSA Cross Country (pp, Friday August 18)
Tuesday August 22	Year 5-6 Netball
Wednesday August 23	Year 7-8 Netball
Thursday August 24	Year 7-8 Technology
Friday August 25	Assembly - 2.30 in the Senior Room
Friday September 1	Sports Activator
Tuesday September 5	NZSO Year 4-8
Monday September 11	School Photos
Friday September 15	Assembly
Thursday September 21	Year 7-8 Technology

Winter mornings at Waiwera South School



Kei kā kupu mai i te tumuaki

Kia ora koutou,

Kea te pēhea to hararē? I te whakangā koutou, i tūmanako. How was your holiday? I hope you relaxed.

Term three is always a busy term on the farm, I hope you managed to bank some well deserved rest before calving and lambing start.

It is great to see the children all back at school keen to learn and buzzing about all that we have planned for the term. The break came at a perfect time, fingers crossed we have managed to get past the horrible sickness that we had at the end of last term.

This term we have a dual focus, the children are currently fully engaged in learning about all aspects of science - we are using a variety of science experiments and demonstrations to grow our scientific language and the understanding of some naturally occurring 'science' things in our day to day lives.

Later in the term we will be moving more onto a focus around different cultures, we hope to look at some of the differences and similarities between different cultures both in Aotearoa New Zealand and around the world.

This term is Cross Country term, the children are already out practicing and have clocked up quite a few kilometres in training in the time they have been back. It is great seeing them all set individual goals and achieve these, some have set themselves the goal of running the whole course without stopping, we have a few children aiming to qualify through to SOPSSA and some that would like to make it to Otago Champs.

We also have a variety of different sports options both through tournaments and visiting experts, the senior children will be involved in Netball, Korfball and maybe golf this term alongside our usual PE skills.

It has been amazing having the FIFA Women's World Cup right on our doorstep, having athletes of that caliber so accessible is amazing, I hope that many of you are taking the opportunity to access these games at the Forsyth Barr Stadium, if you haven't managed to yet - there are still a few games to go in Dunedin - the games, and atmosphere, are great. Music lessons are continuing with Mrs Stephens, we have children learning guitar and piano with her. In September the SMiddle class will be involved in a Zoom lesson with the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra - another super opportunity to learn new things.

Alongside the Board of Trustees we are working on finalising the school property plan, in the near future we hope to re-roof and replace the joinery in the Senior Block. Waiwera South is also involved in the Nga Iti Kahurangi Programme (Small and Rural Schools property upgrade) which will see our classrooms made more energy and teaching efficient through lighting, insulation, RCD plugs, ceiling baffles for noise control and eventually carpet. It is going to be a busy few months, but it will be great to get some property upgrades underway.

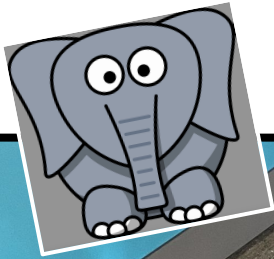
As you can see it is another action packed term both for our ākonga and kaiako, we look forward to keeping you up to date with our goings on.

Kia pai kā wiki e rua.

Kaz Bissett

"What is Science?" in the SMiddle Class

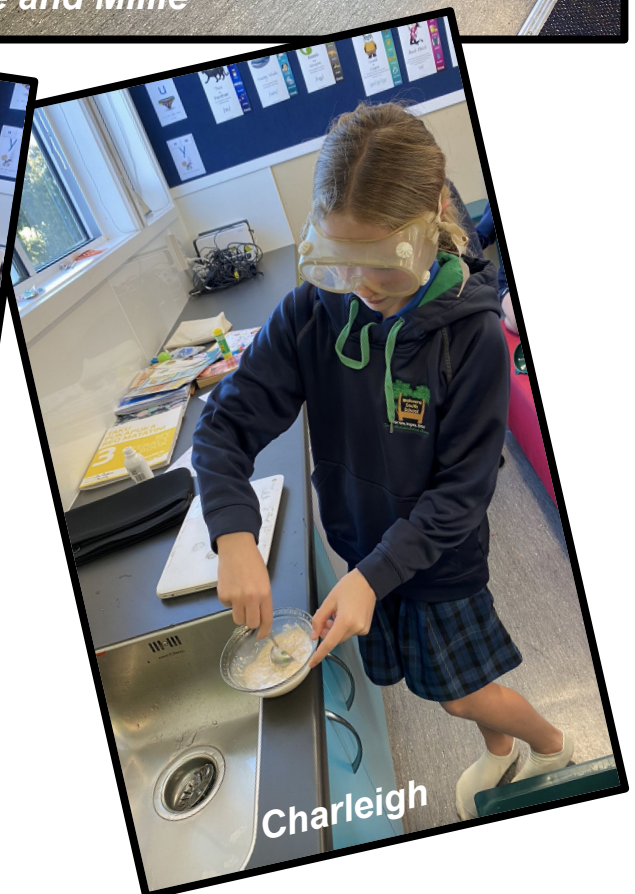
Our inquiry topic this term is all about exploring 'What is Science?' The Smiddles did an experiment last week called Elephant Toothpaste. This involved mixing hydrogen peroxide with a yeast mixture to cause a reaction. The hydrogen peroxide breaks down into water and oxygen which then forms bubbles. These bubbles try to escape the liquid and pop quickly. We added a little dish soap which allowed the bubbles to get trapped and create lots of foam. This foam looks like a giant squeeze of toothpaste- almost big enough for an elephant!



Zoe and Millie



Charlie & Zeke



Charleigh

Cross Country Training has started

Small Schools Cross Country Monday 7th August in Clinton



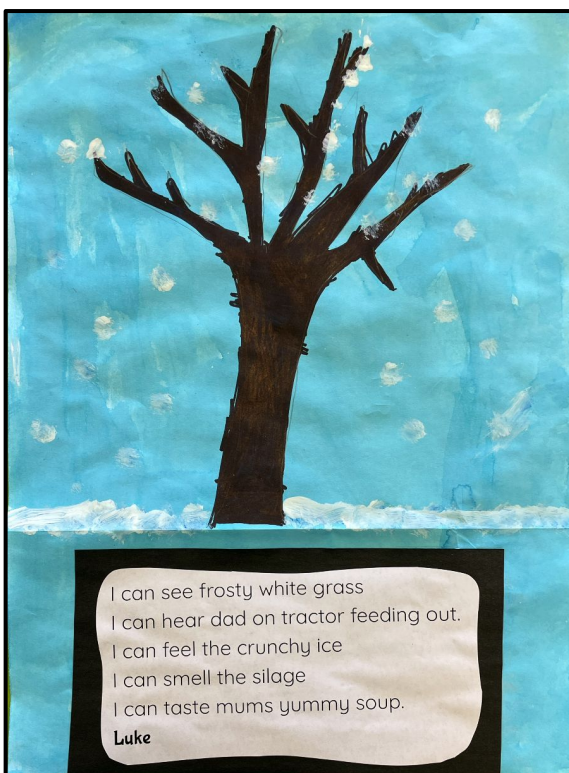


Learning waiata with Matua Walker

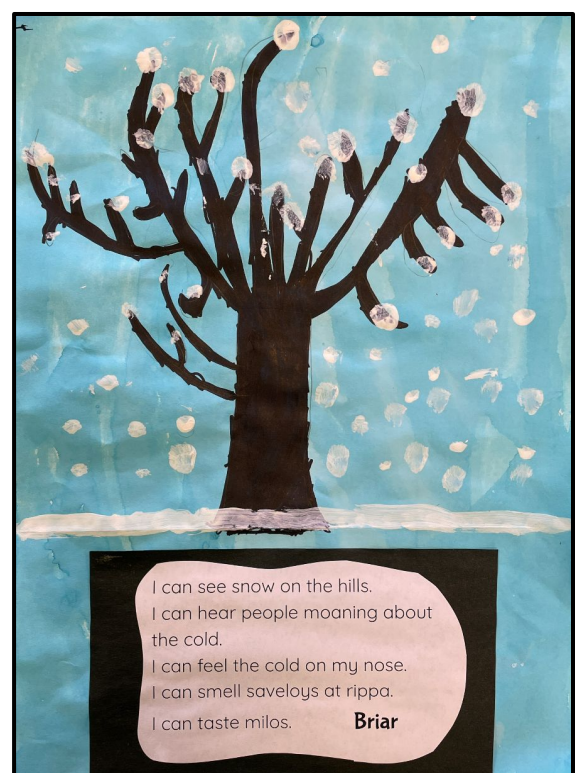


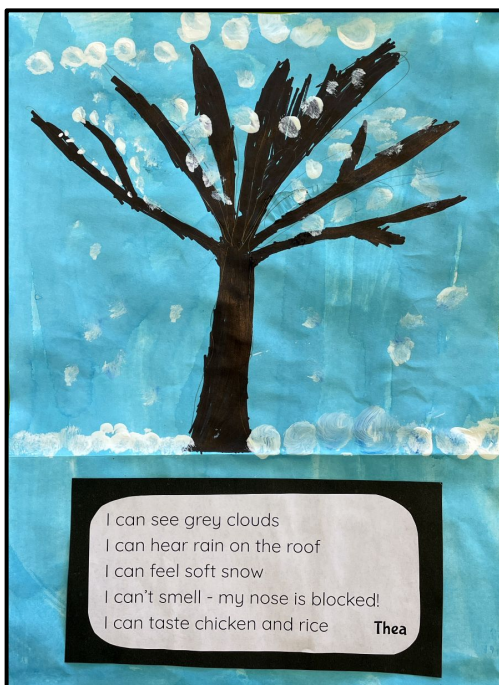
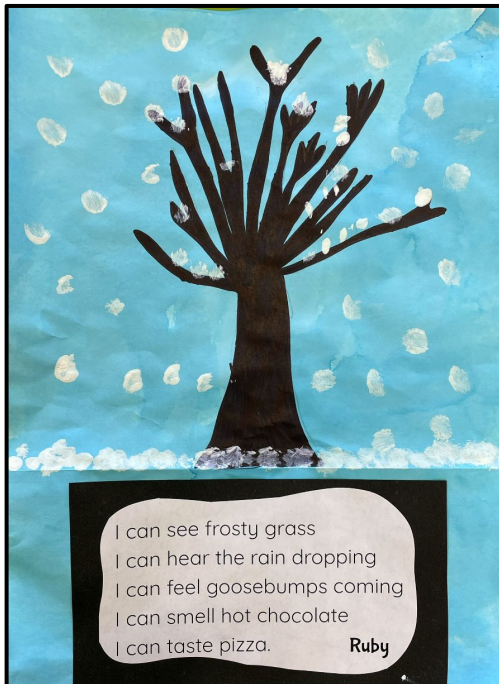
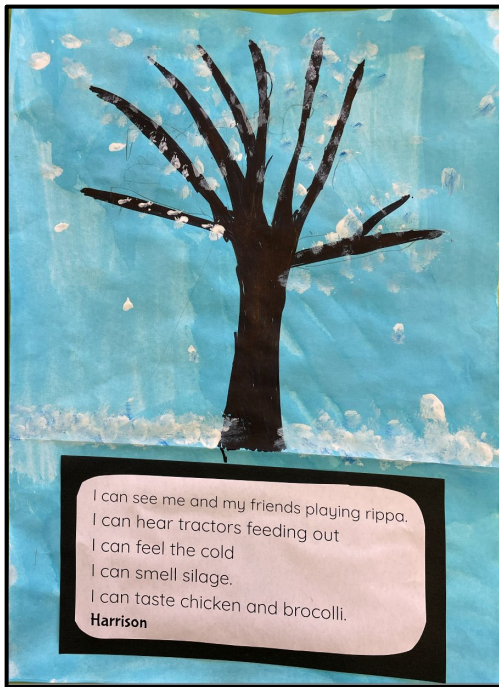
The junior room enjoyed having Matua in the class teaching them fun Maori games and songs.

Junior Room Winter Art



Last term when the junior room was down to 5 (due to illness), we did some wonderful winter art and 'sense' poetry.





**POSITION AVAILABLE
IN OUR WHOLESALE PLANT NURSERY**

Work would involve potting and packing plants (Hellebores)

There would also be some general gardening



FLEXIBLE HOURS

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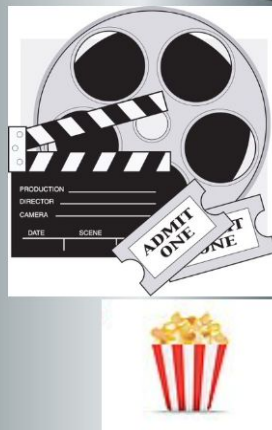


South Otago Theatrical Society Inc. Presents



Screen Scenes

*Directed by: Robyn Gardner
A collaboration of popular
musical scenes from past and
present musicals.*



SHOW DATES:

4th, 5th, 10th, 11th & 12th August @ 7.30pm

Matinée 6th August @ 2pm

Performed at The George Street Theatre, Clubrooms.

TICKETS: Adults \$25, Seniors & Students \$20

For tickets, email tickets@sots.org.nz

Or purchase in person via the Booking Office on Monday 26th June

**SOUTH OTAGO MUSEUM
WINTER PHOTOGRAPHY
COMPETITION
FROZEN
IN TIME**

Take a photo of a person, place or event within the South Otago Community representing an aspect of the history of the area we live in.

Categories:

- General/Open • Youth under 16
- Computer manipulated/enhanced
- Members Only

Subjects:


Place • Photostory • Person

Prizes for:

Category Winners, Public Choice, Young Photographer, Open and Overall winning photo.

*Photostory is a set of 4 or 6 photos telling a story (Max size A3).
Deliver printed 8x10 (20x25.5cm) photos and complete the entry form at the South Otago Museum, 1 Renfrew St, Balclutha, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 11 – 3pm.
Photos must be taken after January 1st, 2023. Entry Fee \$5 per photo.
Competition closes on Friday 28th July at 1pm for judging.
An exhibition for public choice voting opens Sunday 30th July at 11am, closing Wed 2nd August 3pm.
Prize-giving evening and supper will be on Thursday 3rd August 2023 at the museum at 7pm.
The decision of organisers and judges on all matters relating to the competition is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Images containing objectionable material will not be accepted.

**COMPETITION CLOSSES
Friday 28th July**



8 Walk over the new Beaumont Bridge

Great news! You can use the new two-lane Beaumont Bridge on SH8 over the Clutha River – Mata-Au from early August.

The bridge is a safe and modern successor to the existing single lane bridge built in 1887, that's no longer suited to today's higher traffic volumes including heavier trucks.

Switching traffic from the old to new bridge allows a start on converting the old bridge to a walking and cycling link to the nearby Clutha Gold Cycle rail. Before this happens, you have an opportunity to walk across this impressive new 195-metre-long bridge.

Following some short formalities, you can step out and checkout the new bridge.



When
Sunday 30 July 2023

Time
12pm to 2pm

Where
Western side of the new bridge outside the Beaumont Hotel, SH8 Beaumont

Find out more about this project at www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/beamont-bridge

Note: A full project completion event will be held in early December 2023.

HOT LUNCHES - Term 3

Date	Lunch	Rostered
Friday 28 July	Nachos	M Anderson/ K Taylor
Friday 11 August	Hot Dogs	McKenzie

ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS WILL BE DONE THROUGH GOOGLE FORMS
You should have now received the email to order the 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.