



WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL

'Learning for Life'



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Upcoming Events

Wednesday 4th September	Tony Tourell Golf Tournament - Postponement Date 10th September
Friday 6th September	Year 7 & 8's Technology
Wednesday 11th September	Harold and the Life Education Bus
Thursday 12th September	Clean Up Waiwera South
Friday 13th September	TEACHERS ONLY DAY - NO SCHOOL
Monday 16th September	Transition to schools - 11am
Monday 16th September	BOT Meeting - 7pm Senior Room
Friday 20th September	Year 7 & 8's Technology
Tuesday 17th September	Activator
Friday 27th September	Hot Lunch - Meatlovers Pizza (orders due on 25th Sept)
Friday 27th September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 14th October	First Day of Term 4
Friday 18th October	Waiwera Wee Ones - Staring back up
24th & 25th October	Middle Room Camp



Thank you to everyone that made the effort to dress up and donate money for Daffodil Day. We raised over \$70 this year which is an amazing effort for such a small school.

Kia ora anō rā,

I tērā wiki i whiti te rā i te harikoa ngā tamariki raua ko nga kaiako. We have loads of learning and opportunities to jam into the next term and a half, hopefully all this amazing weather will be long lasting and continue to make our days happy.

A massive congratulations to Esther, Taylor & Julienne who competed in the South Otago Primary Schools Rotary Speech Competitions on Monday night. All three of them spoke clearly and presented their information really well, Julienne spoke on whether Smokers should get free health care, Esther - on the signs that you are addicted to technology and Taylor spoke about the effects of peer pressure. It was great to be there supporting them at such a big event, it is not easy getting up in front of strangers to present a formal speech. You all did a wonderful job and have made our wee school proud.

Congratulations to Maddie, Lincoln, Zoe & Florence's team for taking out the voting for the scarecrow competition we had at school last week. The whole school were split into teams and created 10 different scarecrows, the winner has made its way to the Balclutha Community Garden to compete against scarecrows from other schools and be judged by Mayor Cadogen. We look forward to hearing how the judging went - if you drive past the Community Garden on James St you will be able to see all the entries from the various schools that took part.

Waiwera South School has been lucky enough to have been accepted to be part of the Enviroschools Programme. This will support us in the learning we are already doing at Waiwera South and provide many more resources for us to access with our future learning. As part of this programme Flynn, Bree, James, Emily, Hayden and Ryan attended an Enviroschools Hui at Clutha Valley on Monday. The theme of the day was energy, the children did a whole heap of learning which they are keen to bring back to Waiwera South and share with their peers.

Kua rahi tēnei
Kaz Bissett

GARDEN CLUB

Some photos from our weekly Garden Club with Mrs Holden





Well done to these students for receiving certificates at assembly last week.

Both **Ryan Miller** and **Chase Cambridge** received their awards for Respect.

Taylor Dobbie (middle) received her award for Managing Self.

Super effort! Keep up the great work.

Waiwerian's out there doing it...

Please send in any photos and a small blurb about a Waiwerian out there doing anything exciting. We are also encouraging the kids to put forward the excitement too - You may have to help them email it through. Please send information to Nic, via email: office@waiwerasouth.school.nz



CONGRATULATIONS

to the following students for gaining a place in the SOPSSA Cross Country, to compete at the Otago Primary Schools Cross Country in Dunedin last Friday. Esther Whiteside, Bree Campbell, James Liggett, Trey Stapleforth & George Anderson.

For so many children from a small school like ours to get this far, is amazing! Well done team Waiwera.

Are you sick of feeding orphan lambs?



Well I'm not!

If you have any orphan lambs you do not want to feed please ring...

George Anderson on 4157 322

JOIN ST JOHN YOUTH! ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?



St John Youth is New Zealand's leading youth programme for young people aged 6 to 18 years. Our programme focuses on teaching young people first aid, health care, leadership and life skills – all in a fun and engaging environment that encourages growth and discovery.



Youth members meet once a week during the school term at their local division, and there's always heaps of other exciting activities throughout the year to meet new people, learn new things and have loads of fun.

The only limit to what you can achieve is how far you'll go!

Jump onto youth.stjohn.org.nz and use the interactive map to find your closest division!



Penguin Programme (6 to 8 years) - fun, discovery, building confidence and teamwork

Learn how to keep yourself and others safe, basic first aid and tips, new hobbies and interests, creative thinking and planning, and how to help out in your community.

Cadet Programme (8 to 18 years) - first aid, health care, leadership and life skills

Have fun with overnight stays and camps, adventure activities, competitions and first aid scenarios, courses and training workshops, travel opportunities and scholarships.

Youth Leaders (18+ years) - help make a positive impact on young people

Help support and develop young people as a Youth Leader.

How much does it cost to join?

St John Youth asks for a small donation to cover things like hall hire, stationery and resources – the suggested donation is \$10 per term, and \$5 per term for any additional family members. There may be additional costs for camps and activities, and we also require a uniform contribution of \$25 for penguins and \$50 for cadets – we have hardship grants to cover these if needed.



We want to hear from you:

youth.stjohn.org.nz | 0800 ST JOHN (0800 785 646)
youth@stjohn.org.nz | [f stjohnyouthnz](https://www.facebook.com/stjohnyouthnz)



We are really keen to attract some new members to our local division and grow our numbers involved in our programmes offered in Balclutha. We meet each Monday night during term time at St John in Balclutha from 6-7 pm for Penguins (those aged 6-8 years), and 6-7.30 pm for youth members (those aged 8-18 years of age); we offer both programmes in Balclutha from the St John Facility on High Street. If there is anyone interested in finding out more, they are able to just call in and visit us one Monday evening at the St John station or, contact our Divisional Manager, Jackie Greenall via St John on 03 418 0840 to find out more on what St John can offer children in the Clutha District.

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

Parents Plus Lunch Order

Friday 27th September - Meat Lovers Pizza: Harrison / Whiteside

NAME(s):

Please circle one: **CASH** **ONLINE**

QUANTITY:

(\$2 per serving)



Order must be at school before **WEDNESDAY 25th September** as it needs to be organised. please complete this form and return it to the office with payment by 25/08/19.

INTRODUCING THE NEWEST BOARD MEMBERS...

BECKY MARTIN - PARENT REP

Hi my name is Becky Martin, I am the mother of Wilfred, Nelle and Georgina. My eldest two currently attend Waiwera South School and Georgie will start in a couple of years. My partner and I farm full time on a block that is fairly close to school. We are originally from Omarama but moved to Waiwera South to be closer to family and take up the opportunity to lease the farm we are on. When I'm not on the farm I particularly enjoy exploring the Catlins. I'm looking forward to being part of the School board of trustees and getting involved in the school in a completely different way.



SANDRA CAMPBELL - PARENT REP



I'm Sandra Campbell mum of Charleigh (7) and Ryan (5) who both attend Waiwera South School. The kids and I along with my husband Chris, are a farming family and live in the Clifton area. In my spare time I enjoy getting in or on the water, diving and fishing. I'm also enjoying getting involved with our communities water catchment groups. I'm glad to be on our Board of Trustees and looking forward to supporting our cool wee school wherever I can.



Scarecrow Competition

All the primary schools in South Otago were invited to build a scarecrow for the Balclutha Community Garden. With prizes for the top three that enter.

Our students, were split into 10 teams and each team created a scarecrow. We had a heap of fun creating our scarecrow masterpieces - they will take up residence around the school grounds. They were on display and the parents & students that attended last weeks assembly, were able to cast a vote.

The winning Waiwera Team are pictured to the left - Maddie, Lincoln, Zoe & Florence's scarecrow will be taken into the community garden this week for the Community Garden competition.

Fingers crossed that Waiwera South School have the winning touch.

OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure your children are coming to school in the correct uniform.

The uniform items are as follows:

Plain Navy Cargo shorts, tartan culottes, navy track pants (no logos if possible), long or short sleeve monogrammed royal blue polo shirt, monogrammed navy polar fleece sweatshirt, black shoes/sandals or gym shoes, black/navy tights or white/black or navy socks.

The school hoodie can be worn to off site events such as sports.

The Board of Trustees is analysing responses from the uniform part of the survey and you will be informed if and when any changes are decided upon.

We are proud of our uniform at Waiwera South and it adds to our sense of identity, please ensure it is worn properly so we look tidy at all times.

LOADS of HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES
GO TO....



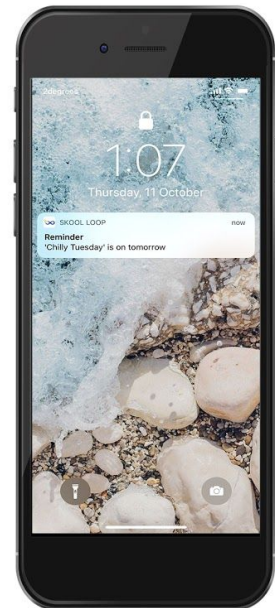
Zoe Cleghorn

who turns eight on September 17th.

Don't forget to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.



Simple free download: In Google Play or App Store search "Skool Loop" & choose our school once installed



Due to it being such a busy time of the year
Waiwera Wee Ones

IS HAVING A BREAK

Next catch up will be the

18th October 2019

(the first Friday back in term 4)

Please contact Madeline Anderson ☎ 027 4626 184
for further information.



We would like to welcome Mitchell Taylor & his parents, Michelle & Dion to our community.

Mitchell started school at the start of August and is a year 6 student in the Senior Room with Mrs Cleghorn & Mrs Bissett. He has settled in nicely here at Waiwera South School.

Welcome & we wish you many happy school days with us all here at Waiwera!!!

Welcome

Reminder



ABSENCES:

If your child/ren is/are absent from school, please either phone the office or txt Nic on 0275 377883 or you can touch base with your child's teacher directly.

Ideally this should be done before school starts for the day.

The school will contact you if we haven't heard from you by 9.30am

Community Consultation update

The Board of Trustees has been working through the information gathered in the Community Consultation, we have had a strategic planning meeting looking at the aims for our school heading into the future and as a result of this we have made a few small changes, watch this space for the grand unveiling of the improved values!



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS WHO WERE SELECTED IN THE SOUTH OTAGO REP TOUCH TEAMS ON TUESDAY.

UNDER 12 GIRLS - FREYA WHITESIDE

UNDER 14 GIRLS - BREE CAMPBELL, ESTHER WHITESIDE

WELL DONE TO GEORGE, JAMES, TREY, RYAN AND LIBBY WHO WERE ALSO SELECTED TO TRIAL.



AND ANOTHER HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO FREYA WHITESIDE & LIBBY CAMPBELL FOR BEING SELECTED FOR THE YEAR 5&6 HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT SQUAD.

WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL - RECIPE BOOK SALE!!!



We have a supply of Waiwera South School recipe books from a fundraiser back in 2013.

We have them for sale for just

\$10.00 each

There are a load of amazing recipes in this book that have been gathered by past and present students and families. Touch base with Nic in the office if you would like to purchase some.

WOULD YOUR FAMILY LIKE TO HELP SPREAD THE SEASON OF GIVING...



Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a great initiative that Waiwera South School took part in last year.

This year we have decided to leave it up to individual families to participate in if you are interested, please contact Nic in the office & she can arrange a box and pamphlet to be sent home with the details. WE HAVE ONLY NINE AVAILABLE - So first in first served.

OCC collects shoeboxes filled with gifts and delivers them to children in need around the world. This is a fantastic way to see the children here at school relate so well to the idea of helping and doing something positive for children that do not get Christmas gifts.

Each box needs to contain the following...

- Something to Love
- Something to wear
- Something for School
- Something to play with
- Something for personal hygiene
- And something special

**TOUCH BASE WITH THE OFFICE IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO COMPLETE THIS KIND ACT**