



WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL

'Learning for Life'



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Upcoming Events

Wednesday 13 Feb	Small School Athletics
Friday 15th Feb	Small Schools Athletics pp
Friday 15th - Sunday 17th Feb	Waiwera South School and District 150th Reunion
Monday 18th Feb	Swimming @ Clinton 11-12.30
Wednesday 20th Feb	Swimming @ Clinton 11-12.30
Thursday 21st Feb	Senior Class Camp Meeting 3pm
Friday 22nd Feb	Yr 7-8 Technology @ SOHS Transition to school - 11 - 12.30
Monday 25th Feb	Understanding Boys workshop @ T&C 7-9pm- Let school know if you would like to attend
Tuesday 26th Feb	Growing a reader writer talker workshop 8- 10 am @ T&C -Let school know if you would like to attend Swimming @ Clinton 11-12.30
Thursday 28th Feb	Swimming @ Clinton 11-12.30
Friday 1st March	Assembly 2.30 in Church



Tēnā tātou e te whanau o Waiwera South,

The start of school year is well & truly underway and it's continuing to look incredibly busy for the rest of the term! But how cool is it to be back in the swing of things! The children all seem to have just slotted back into the school routine, which is great to see.

We have had a lot of changes over the holidays, with the Middle Room upgrade being completed, the painters have now finished the external paint work & along with the working bee on Friday, the school and grounds are looking fabulous. **A great big thank you to everyone that was involved.** We are certainly heading down the right track to look our best for the Reunion this weekend.

We can't stress enough about the importance of being at school for the Reunion on the Saturday afternoon (16th Feb). All the students have been practicing our new school song and we do need everyone at school to perform this for the crowd that will be here celebrating. At present we only have 38 children on the roll so all singing voices are required to attend this event please. There was a note came home on Friday so please check the bottoms of school bags if you haven't seen it already.

Hockey starts today so good luck for the Waiwera players.

Small Schools Athletics is on Wednesday, you are responsible to get your own children to the SOHS sports grounds by 9.15am and to pick them up by 2.15pm. THERE WILL BE NO BUSES RUNNING. If you cannot get your children there - Please let the office know ASAP & we will try and organise transport with someone with spare seats.

Have a wonderful week

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OUR DIGITAL SCHOOL!

There are numerous ways you can keep in contact with what our school is all about and what we are doing. These include:



SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our website is an excellent source of information. Make sure you tell all your families and friends about our website too!

www.waiwerasouth.school.nz



FACEBOOK PAGE

Follow our school on Facebook! Search Waiwera South Primary School, like us and keep in the loop with happenings that involve our school!



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Upcoming Events - Continued..

Monday 4th March	SOPSSA Athletics
Tuesday 5th March	Clutha Primary School Swim Champs
Wednesday 6th March	SOPSSA Athletics pp
Friday 8th March	Yr 7-8 Technology @ SOHS
Wednesday 13th March	Transition to school - 11 - 12.30
Friday 15th March	Assembly 2.30 in Church
Monday 18 - Friday 22 March	SENIOR CLASS CAMP
Tuesday 19th March	Sport Clutha Triathlon - Yr5s
Monday 25th March	Otago Anniversary - No School
Friday 29th March	Assembly 2.30 in Church
Monday 1st April	Transition to school - 11 - 12.30
Tuesday 2nd April	School Trip to Dunedin??? Save the date???
Wednesday 3rd April	Top Team
Thursday 4th April	Otago Primary School Triathlon Champs - Cromwell
Friday 5th April	Yr 7-8 Technology @ SOHS
Monday 8th April	GRIP seminar in Gore Yr 8's
Tuesday 9th April	Football Tournament Yrs 3-8
Wednesday 10th April	Cultural Celebration
Thursday 11th April	Football Tournament pp Yrs 3-8
Friday 12th April	Last day of Term 1

SUMMER DAYS

Please ensure that your children have their Waiwera South School sunhat at school at all times, they must be wearing a hat to be able to play outside. We have suncream at school but it may be a good idea to put some on in the morning before coming to school in this hot sunny weather. The children will also need a drink bottle at school as it is super important that we keep hydrated.

ATHLETICS

We are practicing for athletics at the moment so having good running shoes at school would be beneficial, maybe for the girls a change of shorts may also help their practice.

Small Schools Athletics is this Wednesday February 13th at the South Otago High School bottom field. All children are to wear their school sports top and blue or black shorts or leggings. Children will need a full lunch and drink bottle as there is no canteen. Please can students have togs at school everyday as we will be swimming when we can.

FULL SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AT THE REUNION

We have been practicing our item in earnest for the School and District 150th Reunion. All the children will be involved in this. We will be performing our item at school for the Reunion at 1.30pm Saturday 16th of February, if the children can be at school at 1pm, that would be fantastic. After our performance we will be involved in cake cutting and the unveiling of the plaque. The children are all expected to be there in full tidy school

uniform.

5 aside Futsal/Football

Junior - School Teams Year 5-8

- Thursday Afternoons
- Starting 7th March – 11th April
- Starting at 4pm
- \$100 per team
- Minimum of 5 players
- Mixed aged teams preferred
- Team managers to ref games

Senior – Year 9 and above

- Thursday Evenings
- Starting 7th March – 11th April
- Starting at 6pm
- \$100 per team
- Minimum of 5 players
- Mixed teams preferred
- Each team to supply a ref

Get a team together & come have some fun!!

Entries to be in by Monday 4th March
Enter online at: www.crossrecreationcentre.co.nz – registration form under Events tab
Queries: Please contact Bryony | phone or text 027 368 0320
Or email: info@crossrecreationcentre.co.nz



Cross Recreation Centre
home of recreation & sport

Balclutha Scout Jamboree Fundraiser

SPLIT DRY PINE FOR SALE

\$70 PER CUBIC METRE
FREE DELIVERY IN BALCLUTHA
OUTSIDE BALCLUTHA DELIVERY NEGOTIABLE

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<h2>CLINTON YOUTH GROUP</h2> <p>Youth Group is back for 2019!</p> <p>We start up again on 8 February with some awesome outdoor fun.</p> <p>Free Admission and supper provided</p> <p>Ages: 11-16</p> <p>Time: 7pm - 8.30pm</p> <p>Location: Clinton Presbyterian Church</p> <p>Contact: Alex Watt 0274054772</p>	<h2>CLINTON COMMUNITY SQUASH CLUB</h2> <p>First round of clubround for 2019 will start on the week of February 18th. If you want to have a go at playing squash you can play in a club round first before having to pay subs (there will be a minimal club round fee).</p> <p>From beginners to regulars are most welcome to play in this organized social competition held on weeknights – a great way to get some high intensity exercise, sweat away some Xmas cheer as well as meeting some more people in a fun social community club!</p> <p>Enquiries to Ken 027 235 5558 or Karla 027 726 5875.</p>
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PARENTS PLUS LUNCH ORDER (Parents Plus Account Number: 02-0918-0035370-00)

Parents Plus Lunch Order
Friday 15th February - American Hotdogs: Brony Campbell

NAME(s):

QUANTITY:
(\$2 per serving)



Order must be at school before **WEDNESDAY 13th FEBRUARY** as it needs to be organised. please complete this form and return it to the office with payment by 13/02/18.

A Google Form will be emailed out for the rest of the terms hot lunches once the roster has been completed.

New Zealand School Trustees Association

NZSTA is working very hard to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children.

Please find links to resources about this below:

[Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees 180119](#)

[Korari programme form - Interactive 090119](#)

[Korari poster v4](#)

We have copies of these in the office if you are interested and unable to access online.

Attendance

As part of our reporting to the BoT we report against attendance, this will also be reported to you in your child's school report. Waiwera South School has a target attendance of 92 % and above. I found this interesting break down when compiling the individual children's attendance rates.

The Ministry of Education outlines attendance rates as follows

Absence Rates across the year:			
Acceptable	95%	=	10 days (2 weeks of school missed across the school year)
A concern	90%	=	20 days (4 weeks of missed school, one month)
Critical concern	85%	=	30 days (6 weeks of missed school, over half a term)
Very serious	80%	=	40 days (8 weeks of missed school, nearly one term)

Another interesting but scary fact - If your child misses one day a fortnight for various reasons, by the time they reach year 10 they will have missed a whole year of schooling.

Absences do have a significant impact on a child's learning, please be mindful of this.



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

Ryan Cleghorn who turned nine on the 29th January
Harriet Anderson who turned nine on the 7th February
Cooper Hale who turned eleven on the 12th February

(´•̊•̊*) (´•̊•̊*) WE HOPE YOU ALL ENJOYED YOUR SPECIAL DAY *•̊•̊*) *•̊•̊*)

HAVE YOUR SAY...

Tomorrow's Schools Review: Consultation update



The report by the Tomorrow's Schools Independent Taskforce *Our Schooling Futures: Stronger Together \ Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātinini* was released in December 2018. The Independent Taskforce is now very keen to receive feedback from as many people as possible to help complete their final recommendations.

Public consultation on the report is now open and we really encourage school staff, board members, PTA members, parents, whanau and the wider school community to have their say on the future of our schooling system....

- The Taskforce will be holding public consultation meetings around the country, starting on Thursday, 14 February and finishing on the 27th March. We really encourage everyone to come along to these events and find out more about the report and its proposals. The full schedule is now available on the website (venues will be added for events as they are confirmed)
<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/tsr>
- An online survey which canvasses opinion on each of our 32 recommendations is now available and will remain open until 31 March 2019
<https://consultation.education.govt.nz/tsr>
- Postcards: for students, families and anyone that just wants to briefly 'have their say' on a recommendation or the full report. Postcards will be available at the public meetings.
- An 0800 for Oral submissions will be available from 11 Feb. Call 0800 FOR TSR to leave your thoughts on the future of our schooling system.
- Formal written submissions about our report can be sent to: tomorrows.schools@education.govt.nz

Consultation closes 7 April 2019. We want everyone to have their say and we want to do our very best to listen carefully to what is said.

From the Independent Taskforce

Bali Haque (Chair), Barbara Ala'alatoa, Mere Berryman, John O'Neill and Cathy Wylie



**REMINDER:
WEET-BIX TRYATHLON
10th MARCH
2019**

SETTING UP A DEVICE SAFELY FOR KIDS

YOUTUBE
SETTINGS → TICK SAFE SEARCH FILTERING → TICK STRICT

TURN OFF IN APP PURCHASES
SETTINGS → GENERAL → RESTRICTIONS → TURN OFF IN APP PURCHASES (NOT GREEN)

DISABLE SAFARI BROWSER
(IF YOU DON'T WANT THEM SEARCHING ANYTHING)
SETTINGS → GENERAL → RESTRICTIONS → ALLOWED CONTENT

MAKE ITUNES SAFE
(TO KEEP DEVICES SEPARATE, WHERE YOUR ITUNES ACCOUNT HAS BEEN CONNECTED TO)
ITUNES ON YOUR COMPUTER → EDIT → PREFERENCES → DECIDE WHICH SHOWS AND RATINGS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS DEVICE AND OTHER DEVICES.

SAFARI
SETTINGS → GENERAL → RESTRICTIONS → SET IT UP THE WAY YOU WANT IT AND APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR CHILDREN.

DISALLOW UPLOADING OR DELETING OF APPS
SETTINGS → GENERAL → RESTRICTIONS → INSTALLING APPS OR DELETING APPS

GUIDED ACCESS
(FOR KIDS TO STAY WITHIN AN APP, TO AVOID GOING TO OTHER APPS AND WEBSITES)
SETTINGS → GENERAL → RESTRICTIONS → SCROLL DOWN TO LEARNING → ACCESSIBILITY → GUIDED ACCESS → TOGGLE ON

A Waste Wizard Tip...

Got Recycling or rubbish to get rid of?

The Clinton Transfer Station is open on Sundays from 10am - 12pm

18 Hillfoot Road

Recycling	FREE
Refuse bag (Max 70L)	\$4/bag
Up to 0.5m³	\$20
0.5-1.0m³	\$33
1.0-1.5m³	\$47
1.5-2.0m³	\$95

Glass can be dropped off free of charge.
Charging will be based on estimated refuse volume.
Large volumes of waste in excess of 2.0m³ will not be accepted.
Special waste will not be accepted.



