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Upcoming Events

Friday 30 June	Last Day of Term 2	
Thursday 29 June	Y7&8 Technology	
Tuesday 27 June	Y5&6 Hockey Tournament (postponement date: Thursday 29 June)	
Friday 23 June	Hot Lunch - Sausage Pie (Bielski/Forrester). Orders due Wednesday 21 June Assembly - 2.30	
Tuesday 20 June	Y7&8 Hockey Tournament (postponement date: Thursday 22 June)	
Thursday 15 June	Y7&8 Technology	
Monday 12 June	BOT Meeting	
Friday 9 June	Hot Lunch - Soup & Buns (Davie). Orders due Wednesday 4 June	
Monday 5 June	King's Birthday - NO SCHOOL	
Friday June 2	Assembly - 2.30	
Thursday 1 June	Y7&8 Technology	



National Dog Trials at the Warepa Sheepdog Trial Club

Last week the National Sheepdog Trials were held up at The Lawlor's farm and The Carol. This has been an amazing event to be held locally, a lot of hard work went into making it a huge success, we had many parents and community members involved in the running of the event. A huge thank you goes out to the amazing parents who have volunteered their time to fundraise for Waiwera South School as part of the catering crew, we had some parents put in very big hours.

A special thanks goes to Anna Whiteside who acted as our school coordinator getting all the other parents rostered on, as well as putting in huge hours leading up to and during the week of the trials.

Thank you to all of you - what a great community we are part of.



Jan Tairua
explaining the Short
Head and Yard to
the children





The Zig - hunt



Tony Miller explaining the Zig to us



The junior room have been learning about games that were played 'back in the day'.

We have been skipping, playing marbles and learning how to hopscotch (with help from the seniors).







I a whakamiharo ta matou he wiki i era wikirua. We have had a couple of wonderful weeks. Again we have been lucky enough to fit some incredible experiences into our learning, the last two weeks have been no exception, we started with a visit from Jo Bennett who came from the South Otago Museum to talk to us about some of the changes in household technology. She had a lot in interesting information about some of the local houses and families from the late 1800s and early 1900s. On Friday the Senior Class' great organisation skills shone as the school disco came together. The children all had a great time and are asking when the next disco is. It was fabulous to see a great turn out from the local community for our Burger Night, as it is always great to get together and chat with our community members.

Last week the year 3-8s took part in the annual Rippa Tournament in Balclutha, it was a fabulous day down at the Showgrounds and the children all played splendidly, showing amazing sportsmanship and supporting each other well. I think nearly every child got a try.

On Friday morning the Year 3-8s had a visit from Des Hunt who is one of New Zealand's great authors, he started life as a secondary school science teacher then authored many New Zealand based Science textbooks. From here he decided he wanted to write fiction books that were relevant to young New Zealanders. He talked us through his process of writing, failure rejection and perseverance. His message was great, he also used many science experiments as metaphors for the children to relate to their writing. All of our children were thoroughly engaged in the presentation, we were very lucky to have him present to such a small school group. Around all this the children have been doing a lot of classroom learning, it is great to go into the classes and see the children all so engaged in their learning.

Today the teachers are involved in a Paid Union Meeting to discuss their contract negotiations, the Strike was called off and a new offer has been tabled, we hope this goes a long way towards resolving the issues currently facing teachers and that we are able to hopefully get a resolution for the teaching staff. The Principal negotiations are also underway and we are awaiting a new offer from the Ministry.

We have an assembly this week and don't forget that Monday is King's Birthday, so no school.

Kia pai tō wiki Kaz





Zoe has completed her Zoology Science Badge, as you can see there is a lot of learning and work involved in gaining this award. Congratulations Zoe!

Rippa Rugby

Our students had a wonderful day at Rippa Rugby last Tuesday - we were very proud of the great sportsmanship shown by all of our Waiwera South students.

A huge thank you to Sport Clutha for organising - it is always such a good event, and to South Otago High School for supplying the referees, we really appreciate the job you did. The children (and adults) were very impressed with the reffing.













The Great "Bright Colours" Disco of 2023

Nothing like a disco to dance away your Friday night. The children all had a great night, a lot of pizza was eaten and there were some incredible dance moves shown! What more could you want?









Welcome to Cindy, our new Waiwera South School, Office Manager.

Cindy is excited to be a part of our school and brings a wealth of experience from her previous jobs in the education sector. She is looking forward to meeting the people who make up the Waiwera South community, so drop into the office and say hello.

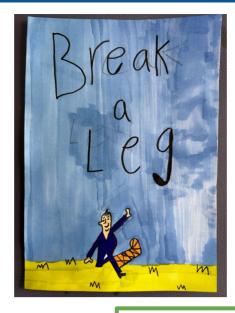


Idioms

Break a Leg

Break a leg
Good luck they said
But they also said
Bite the bullet
You can't do that
You're getting out of hand
In the sand
Easy does it
Who do I listen to?

Charleigh





To Pig Out?

Grandpa Lost His Marbles

Grandpa said the only thing he feared Was losing his marbles It's too late He has already missed the boat

Hit the Hay

Mum said to hit the hay Now all I do is itch

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Losing her temper

My Mum loses her temper a lot

So do I

So I will make sure to keep mine somewhere safe And locked tight Because it always finds a way to get out When the time is never

Zoe

right







Half Pie

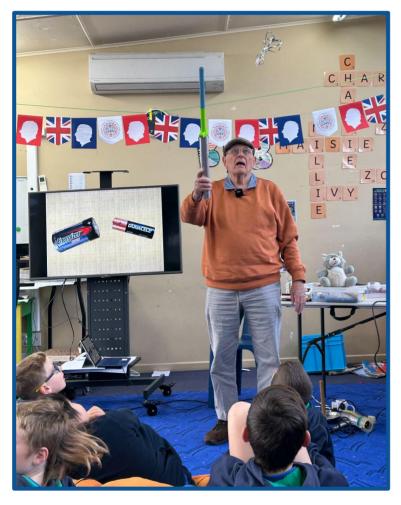
That's a half-pie job my dad said So I cut a pie in half and let it do its job

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Des Hunt

On Friday the year 3-8s had a visit from Des Hunt, Des is one of New Zealand's better known authors, he writes novels for intermediate aged children. It was great to hear Des' story of how he went from a secondary school science teacher, to a science text book author, to an author of fiction books.

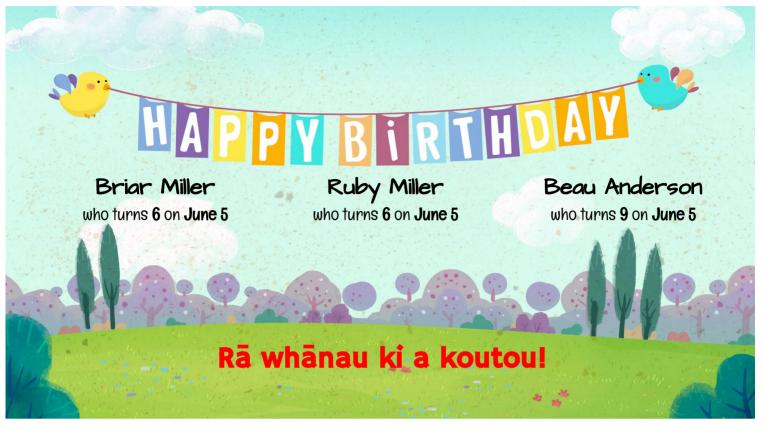
He talked about failure, rejection and perseverance and that being prepared to make changes when needed were important skills in both writing and life. The whole way through his talk he related his writing back to science - keeping us all thoroughly engaged.













FRIDAY 12 MAY

Come for a casual morning to meet new parents in the area with preschoolers, there are fun things for the kids to participate in, no matter what age.

Waiwera South School - Old Church Building

10am - 12pm
Come along to keep this group going!!!

Please contact Sarah Currie 2 027 366 2595 for further information.



HOT LUNCHES - Term 2

Date	Lunch	Rostered
Friday 9 June	Soup and Buns	Davie
		Bielski /
Friday 23 June	Sausage Pie	Forrester



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.