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Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

Kia Ora,

Thack's Thought: *Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most.*

Trivia: *An orange tree may bear oranges for more than 100 years. The famous Constable Tree, an orange tree brought to France in 1421, lived and bore fruit for 473 years.*

This Week's School Value

CO-OPERATION – Co-operating with teachers, parents and other children.

MAHI NGĀTAHI – Mahi ngātahi i waenga i ngā kaiako, nga mātua, me ngā tamariki.

Whakatauki (Proverb)

He rau ringa e oti ai

Many hands make light work

Recommended Children's Book

Aotearoa: The NZ Story by Gavin Bishop

Recommended Adult's Book

Think Twice by Harlan Coben.

A Song You Should Listen To

Long Tall Texan by Lyle Lovett.

Parent Tip – Explain to tamariki the importance of having a 'life balance'. Work, play, rest. Incorporate the significance of physical and mental well being and how they go hand in hand. They may not get it straight away, but they will eventually.

Tamariki Tip – Being physically fit has so many benefits. You will feel good, concentrate for longer and are much more likely to have a happy disposition.

Mr T's Mini-Study Challenge:

WHAT YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE WHEN YOU ARE AN ADULT.

Champion Class – The Silver Crown.

Mr T's Chance Card Draw -

Pippa Ngati from The Happy Frog



Merit Awards 31/05/2024

The Bees Knees – Lily Webster-Nelson - for an amazing effort at her mahi and working hard at her phonics. Tino pai Lily!

The Orange Orange - Ivory Draper

- for working really hard on your phonics, you are a star!

The Magic Morepork – Lucius

McRoberts-Tarapipipi - for trying his best to settle quickly and stay focussed on his work.

The Custard Square - Marnie Paul - for always being on task and giving 100%. You are a ray of sunshine in the Custard Square!

The Dizzy Dragon - Te Whetu Marama

Pokaia-Biddle - for displaying a hard working and positive attitude towards all that you do. You are a delight to teach and we are lucky to have you join our class.

The Tinfoil Tiger - Pine'Apple Rawiri-

Lloyd - for your enthusiastic and keen attitude towards Reading. Your hard work is shown in your progress, keep up the excellent mahi. Kei runga noa atu koe.

The Red Parrot - Jade Fox - for always coming to school with a smile and a positive attitude towards your learning, giving everything a go to the best of your ability and working hard to improve in all areas.

The Happy Frog - Pippa Ngati - for the efforts you put into your mahi always ensuring it is presented to a high standard.

Te Hikoi Roa - Ronan-Reign Nepia - for the awesome way that you have stepped up and are making good choices in the classroom. We can see the star that you are!

The Wise Weka - Leeah Fox - for your 'can do' attitude towards challenges in and out of the classroom. Your effort at Rippa Rugby was commendable and you flew the Waipa Flag high! Ka Pai!

The Wonky Donkey - Meagan Berry - for your courage when reading for Waipa Wadio, your excellent research skills and your determination and grit when working through difficult maths problems.

The Golden Goose - Grace Ngataki-Matthews - for taking on challenges, showing leadership and going the extra mile for Waipa kura. I appreciate your maturity and dedication Grace!

The Silver Crown - Ashah Ngairo Rika- *for being an incredibly helpful, responsible and respectful member of the Silver Crown whanau. You are a Super Star Ashah.*

He Wahine Kaha - Cleo Llewellyn- *for the constant care and kindness you share amongst others. Your rays of positivity light up the HWK and make it a great place to be. Thank you!*

The Changing Room - Kamira Haggie-Heremia - *for covering himself in glory (and mud) and spreading the word of Waipa's fame to Lakewood Lodge camp. He is the undisputed heavyweight champion of the Mud Run - smashing the camp record by completing 27 runs.*

Miss Hooker - Layton Taha-Williams - *for the leadership, initiative, support and positivity you share with others. Impressive!*

Mr T's - Ihi Thompson- *for consistently being a top drawer Waipa Senior. Mature, thoughtful, caring and superbly mannered. A fine role model and a real asset to our kura. I give thanks.*

Councillor Comment

Kia ora boys, girls and citizens of Ngāruawāhia.

Well this week has been another busy week at Waipa, even though it has been a short week, after having the King's birthday day off on Monday. On Wednesday we had our first game of hockey. There were lots of skills shown and a lot of good passing from everyone, but at the end of the game Tōtara won. Come on Nīkau, better luck next time.

The Computation Kings, Queens and Stars had their photo shoot this week. We can't wait to see the photos. Congratulations to Kauri for winning school singing this week. With the weather being colder it's great to see everyone wearing warmer clothes. The senior boys had a great fitness session yesterday. Jumping June is coming up so try to get some practice into your skipping.

Well, that's all from the weird and wacky world of Waipa this week.

Enjoy your weekend everyone

Ngā Mihi

Wanakore Tainui Herangi

Welcome

We welcome four new students to our weird and wonderful world this week.

They are:

Hinemaia Ngati-Maxwell & Mahaki Tiaou join Whaea Kim and the great little troopers in The Bees Knees.

Avaleigh Hesketh-Auga joins Whaea Deanne and the fabulous achievers in The Red Parrot.

Isaiah Naera joins Mr Casey and the fine young men in The Changing Room.

Jump Rope

We have begun our preparations for a Jump Rope day later in June. So we have skipping ropes galore. It always surprises me how quickly children pick up these skills. So, over the next few weeks, we will be honing our skills, so when the day comes there will be a strong chance, we'll be close to looking awesome.

My Senior boys have had a couple of sessions and on day two the capabilities had improved markedly.

We tried

- 1 minute basic skip
- 10 seconds forward straddle
- 10 seconds side straddle
- 10 seconds twist
- 10 seconds bell
- 10 seconds skier
- single side swing & skip
- double side swing & skip

Then, for fun we tried working in pairs. That part remains, very much, work in progress. We look forward to the actual JUMP ROPE day.

Fire

The learning fire continues to burn bright in the Tui team and the milestones keep coming. Nevaeh Harris, Jayni Inia-Pehikino, Maliah Tupaea-Murray, Elijah Ngairo, and Meila Grace have mastered the essential words to become Waipa Wonders. Katana Poutapu, Inigo Gubb and Jack Hanes have achieved highly in literacy to become a Waipa Princess and Waipa Princes. They will be acknowledged at assembly and will appear on our Hall Wall of Fame. We congratulate them.

League

Yr 8 boy Jayden Waters has been chosen

to be part of the Warriors Under 13 development squad. A major achievement indeed. We are proud of him, and wish him all the very best.

Art

Six of our Seniors have been selected to participate in a Matariki Art project at the Ngaruawahia Art Centre next week. The students will learn how to make and prepare paint sourced from earth, clay, rocks and plant materials from our local area. They will also learn simple kowhai whai patterns and will be mentored through the design process to create art works which will become one larger art work, that will feature in the Matariki exhibition.

The talented students are:

Atareta Noble
Uneek Whaiapu-Diamond
Cadenza Lee
Tyla Tupaea-Murray
AJ Morley
Issac Harris

Its fabulous that the people who run the Art Centre are willing to involve the younger tamariki of our town. We hope they enjoy, and benefit from the experience.

Soccer

The finals of the lunchtime Inter-house Soccer tournament have just been completed. The playoff for third and fourth between Nikau and Tōtara was fast and skilful with both teams unable to put away the winning goal, so at full time we went to a penalty shoot out, with four players from each team involved. Tōtara won the shoot out 2-0, so take third place. The Grand Final between Kauri and Rimu was a classic. Jam packed

Stay Happy
Steve

with speed and great passing, and some wonderful saves by the goalkeepers. Rimu took the lead early, then Kauri equalized. One all at halftime. Kauri dominated the attack in the second half, scoring three goals and becoming the soccer champions for 2024.

Current House Points:

Totara – 12
Kauri – 13
Rimu – 16
Nikau – 19

Interhouse Hockey started yesterday. Playing this game on our Tiger Turf makes for a better game.

Fitness

A big part of our school is our fitness sessions. At least four days a week our tamariki have a session that benefits them aerobically; helps develop co-ordination, balance and strength. The most obvious to enhance the sense of well-being. Our Seniors get to use our fitness room, 'The Sweaty Sock' every second week. A typical session includes eight stations, with two minutes at each station, the last 30 seconds going hard out.

We do:

-Rowing
-Weights
-Skipping
-400m Run
-Floor Exercises
-Bikes
-Boxing
-Step work

We often do it with music playing and the tamariki joining in with the vocals. While this is fun, it can sometimes be a bit painful to the taringa.

Numbers of Interest

45 Senior Boys at our kura	44 Senior Girls at our school	34 Adults work at our kura
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