

# Waipa Primary School

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## THE WAIPA WORD

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Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau  
Kia Ora

**Thack's Thought:** *I really should do something with my life..... maybe tomorrow.*

**Trivia:** *On average, a woman will speak 7000 words over the course of a day while a man will only speak about 2000 in the same period of time.*

### **This Week's School Value**

**COURTESY** – Using manners in words and actions.

**WHAKAARO ATAWHAI** – Whakamahi i ngā āhuatanga pai ki roto i ngā kupu me ngā mahi-a-ringa.

### **Whakatauki (Proverb)**

**He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai.**  
*If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive*

### **Recommended Children's Book**

**Biggles and The Rescue Flight-** by Captain W.E Johns

### **Recommended Adult's Book**

**The Persimmon Tree** by Bryce Courtney

### **A Song You Should Listen To**

**Miss You** by The Rolling Stones

**Parent Tip** – Washing machine manufacturers are saying we are using too much washing powder or liquid. Half a cap is sufficient, they say.

**Tamariki Tip** – Taking deep breaths when you're angry or frustrated can help to keep you calm.

### **Last Week's Champion Class** –

The Dizzy Dragon

### **Mr T's Current Mini-Study**

**Challenge** – FAMOUS SPORTSERSON

## **Merit Awards 12/03/2021**



**The Bees Knees - Cullen Wiggins** - for becoming a Waipa Wonder and Prince. Whaea Kim is so proud of you! Ka pai to mahi Cullen!

**The Orange Orange - David Hamana-Vaka** - for being the ray of sunshine in our class, your attitude towards learning is something to be admired. Kei runga noa atu koe!

**The Magic Morepork - Jordan Moana** - for being amazing every day and giving your best in everything you do. Keep up the awesome work.

**The Custard Square - Mia Herangi** - for consistently bringing the goods! You are polite, well mannered, dedicated and focused! Everything I LOVE! Te mutunga mai o te pai!

**The Dizzy Dragon - Legend Brown** - for working hard to stay focused this week. You have shown a willingness to learn and have impressed me with your positive attitude and effort towards your learning. Keep working hard. Tino Pai!

**The Tinfoil Tiger - Charlotte Holden** - for her positive attitude to all aspects of school life. Charlotte improved her weekly basic facts score from 3 to an impressive 33 today. Shot Charlotte.

**The Red Parrot - Adriaana-Rose Tuitama-Ward** - for being an on task, focused learner. You always come to school with a positive attitude and are a fantastic role model in The Red Parrot.

**The Happy Frog - Phantom Tokona** - for always having a can do attitude and giving his best in all subject areas. Your writing this week was fantastic. Well done, Phantom!

**Te Hikoi Roa - Eden Gilgen** - for a most consistent effort and attitude to her learning and presentation skills.

**The Wise Weka - Kiana Beckett** - for the positive way that you go about your learning each day, always giving 100%. You are a great role model for others to follow.

**The Wonky Donkey - Janae Kelly** - for the positive attitude you are showing towards school life - walking in with a smile every day and giving everything 100%.

**The Golden Goose - Maddis Rawiri** - for trying his best to stay focussed and on task this week and continuing to smash his weekly basic facts results. We are so lucky to have you as part of our Golden Goose whanau!

**The Silver Crown - Taurangi Waaka** - for overcoming an obstacle with kaha and rising to the challenge successfully. You have proven yourself to be determined and persistent. Ka mau te wehi!

**He Wahine Kaha - Chloe Cully** - for the way in which you have stepped up as Waipa senior.

*Sensible, kind, hard working and fully involved!*

**The Changing Room - Kaipapa Poutapu** - for his involvement and contributions to Waipa School and the TCR. We wish you well for the future and your BIG adventure in moving to Australia.

**Mrs Arnott - Briya Patel (TMM)** - for being an all round wonderful student. Striving to do her best always!!! Kia Toa

**Miss Hooker - Teaterangi Rameka** - for the responsibility you are displaying as a councillor and for the support you are providing to help guide our younger tamariki.

**Mr T's - Leighton Nepe** - for being an excellent addition to our Senior ranks. So mature, caring, well mannered, positive and fully involved. An outstanding role model.

## Welcome

We welcome five new entrants to our weird and wonderful world this week.

**Rivi Smith, Skyler Todd, Carter Gilgen, Ngaire Teka and Fortress Ratai** join Whaea Kim and the great little troopers in The Bees Knees.

We hope their time with us is filled with fun, laughter and learning.

## Councillor's Comment

Kia ora boys, girls and citizens of Ngāruawāhia

It's been a busy week here at Waipa with Totara taking out the cricket, beating Kauri by 10 runs.

Kauri shared the win at Mastermind on Tuesday,

We had two visitors from the Northern Districts Cricket Association come to Waipa to teach us some skills and tips.

Congratulations to everyone that did the PAT and STAR tests and well done to those who became Golden Stars and got 90% or better. On Tuesday we held the Inter-School trials. All of the swimmers were fantastic in the pool. Good luck to the Inter-School team. Well, that's all from me.

Halena Haggie.

## Fitness

With the swimming season coming to an end, we start our fitness programmes next week.

It's the Waipa Way that our tamariki have four sessions a week.

I get to take the senior boys three times a week and I love it. It's time out of the office and allows me time with the boys to work them hard, as well as talk to them about a whole variety of things. Miss Hooker works with the senior girls and enjoys her sessions for similar reasons. Appropriate clothing is essential.

## Boom!

Celebrations in The Bees Knees as **Cullen Wiggins** nails his thirty essential words and his writing vocab to become a Waipa Wonder and a Waipa Prince.

Congratulations Cullen, when I get myself organized, he will appear on our Hall Wall of Fame.

## Excellence

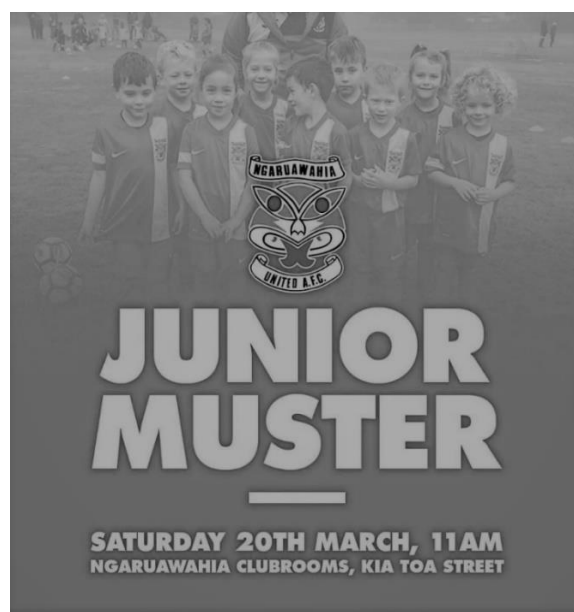
In our office we have an area where we proudly display student work on an 'Excellent' standard.

As you may be aware 'Observational Drawing' became part of the Waipa Way about ten years ago.

So from five year olds up, they get to practice the skill of observational drawing. Along with that skill comes other skills such as perspective, detail, shading, enlargement etc.

There are quite a few examples of high quality drawings on our 'EXCELLENCE' board. Check them out, any time you like.

## Ngaruawahia United AFC



## **STAR**

Our Year 4 - 8 students recently sat the STAR test (Student Test of Achievement in Reading).

It tests vocab knowledge, comprehension and word meanings.

The score they get is equal to a stanine level eg: Stanine 9 = superior

7, 8 - Above average

4, 5, 6 - Average

2, 3 - Below Average

1 - Requires Support

They sit the test again in November and hopefully they show gains in their scores.

I've told our tamariki the best way to increase their score is to put in the mileage. Like anything, the more you do, the better you get at it.

I wrote a little ditty a few years ago hoping to inspire kids.

*The more I read. The better I get. The better I get. The more I know. The more I know. The more I read. Kia Toa!*

Below are the high achievers of the recent test. They appear on our Wall of Fame.

We congratulate them!

### **GOLDEN STARS Term 1 2021**

*Students scoring stanine 7 or 8 in STAR Test*

Year 4	Year5		Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
Anthony	Eilidh Skyler A.J. Honour	Janey Lycan Indie	Chardé Michael	Pauakani Sailor	Jesse Lewis

Golden Stars receive four Chance Cards, a hug from Toby and appear on our World Famous Wall of Fame.

### **SUPER STARS**

Ryder H & Leo L

Super Stars receive four Chance Cards and a Certificate and appear on our World Famous Wall of Fame.

### **VERY CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR! NEXT TIME!**

Shane	Drew	Myah	Deijahnah	Ariel
Mikaere	Xakyah	Matthias	Arama-Toa	Maitearoha
Katie	Adrianna-Rose	Marama	Aramaia	Chevalaye
Logan	Charlie M	Ronaldo	Chloe W	Nadia
Meihana	Tiger-Leeigh	Mia H	Chloe C	Carmella
Mitai	Cipriani	Anastasia	Manawa	Dakota
Malachi	Rebecca-May	Jahmaiah	Hani	Emily
Orlando	Sunnie	Shay	Peti	Larkyn-Rae
Selwyn	Kiana	Dion	Carleya	Lana
Talon	Re'nee	Eden	Jakob	Teremai
Tane	Tyler G	Stevie-Jay	Sam	Natheliah
Te Aukaha	Kahuremu	Ashah	Hannah	Hayley-Raine
Kairewa	Te Hihi	Tapuwai	Zoey D	Harmony-Jayde
Terutene	Alyssa	Mia-Rose	Holly	
Nikita	Isaani	Faith	Brooke	
Nikki	Uneek	Egypt	Lyric	

Stay Happy

Steve