

Kia ora whānau,

Kei te pehea koe? How are you all?

It has been wonderful to see whānau staying after school to play and chat. That is what we did prior to Covid right? With things slowly improving, we can take time to be together.

Puaka Matariki Event

Coming up is our Puaka Matariki event. This year we have funding from the Dunedin City Council to run our event. This includes money for a delicious hangi. If you would like to help us with this hangi, please email office@waitati.school.nz Thank you to Blueskin Playcentre for offering to prepare the stuffing and desert. You are welcome to invite a neighbour, grandparents and friends, please just RSVP to the office, so we know how many to prepare for.

Reports 2022

We are using Educa to report on your child's progress during 2022. In Term 1, you were contacted by a teacher to talk about your child's goals. You will find these on Educa under 'Goals'. Over the next few weeks teachers collaborate about where each child is tracking with their learning and what their next steps could be in relation to reading, writing, maths and their value goal. Teachers will write how each learner is progressing in the Goal section of Educa.

<p>Click on Goal under photo -Then click on View</p>	<p>Then look under the Subject heading for the new information.</p>
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During Week 2 and 3 of Term 3 you will be invited to school/or via phone, to have a three way conference with your child and their teacher. We will use Calendly for booking these appointments. Your child will lead the conference and let you know what goals they have reached and what their next steps might be. If you would like anything printed out please let us know. You can download anything about your child from the app.

Challenging Conversations and Gossip

As a profession, we have a Teachers Code, which sets high standards for ethical behaviour that are expected of every teacher. Using this as a basis, staff have developed an agreement on how we work as a team. Part of the function of a team is to talk about how we might work through disagreements. We do that by going directly to the person who we need to talk with and not talking about the issue behind anyone's back. Waitati School has a positive culture with staff supporting each other. We treat each other respectfully and it is a genuinely great place to work.

The other piece of legislation we encounter is the Privacy Act. This has had some significant changes in the last few years. It means as educators we need to be thoughtful about whom we share information with. The Privacy Act 2020 governs how organisations and businesses can collect, store, use and share information. It ensures that you know when your information is being collected. This also impacts on what we can share about at school. If there is an incident at school we tell you if your child is directly involved. If not we let you know in a general way via email if needed. We follow a process to unpack what has happened with those involved. We are a restorative school which means we take time to understand different sides, we recognise that children are still learning many things, behaviour is one of them.

Sometimes, you won't know what happens to the other children involved. I would ask you to continue to be kind and compassionate, as we experience challenging times. Think about what you share amongst each other.

This term we are reviewing our behaviour management procedure. If you would like to participate in a survey, [click here](#). Everyone who participates will go into a prize draw for a lottery ticket.

I always have my office door open if you have further questions about anything. If you want to know more, please look here at <https://waitati.schooldocs.co.nz/> Logon - Waitati password - feather. Search privacy policy or behaviour management.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

Huts

In free play, children learn to make their own decisions, solve their own problems, create and abide by rules, and get along with others as equals rather than as obedient or rebellious subordinates.

Peter Gray
(Free To Learn)



This hut has an amazing shield made at home.



The trading hut, where items can be traded.



This Hut is a classic. The swamp is open to all children over 8 years old to play in during Morning Tea and Lunchtime. We have had a renewed interest in building huts and playing wars. Last week we had a discussion with the 8 year olds and above about the agreed rules for the Swamp. I checked in today and apparently, things are going well.

The only thing I would say, is if they are going to make mud balls, the children need to bring a towel and a change of

clothes.

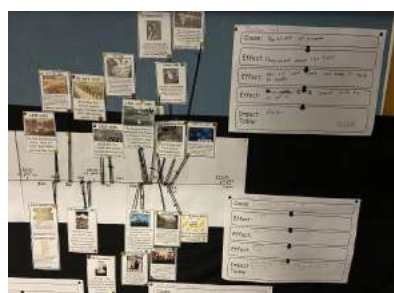
If you have any loose parts for hut building, it would be amazing. Wood, rope, tables, etc...



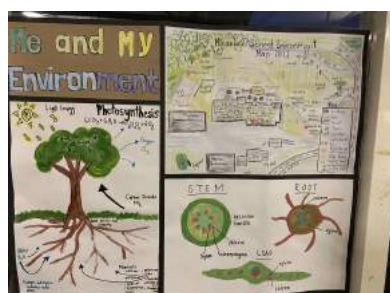
This Hut is all set up for a cup of tea.

Projects for Year 3-8

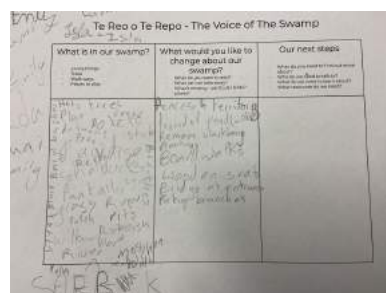
We have a rotation where each learner will spend time inquiring about the following topics. After these rotations, the students will get an opportunity to choose their next inquiry on the topic of Ko au te whenua, te whenua ko au. I wonder what questions they will come up with?



NZ History with Elizabeth.



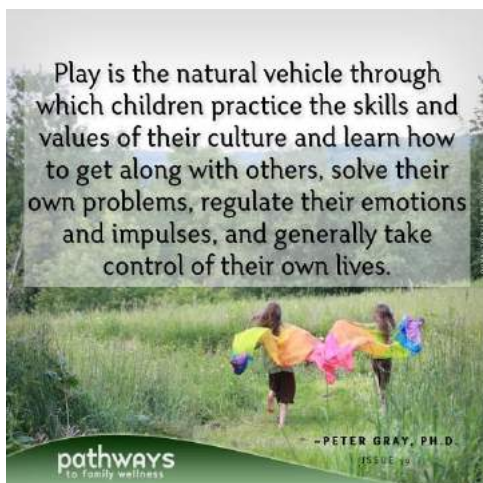
Science with Mikaela.



Design and environment science with Maria and Jess. Designing a Wellbeing swamp.

Powerful Play for Year 1-2

There has never been a time in history where children didn't need daily opportunities to lead their own play. Bex and Haidee spend many hours setting up the environment to allow for this opportunity.



A Fairy House.



Experimenting with mixing ingredients.



Koha and I made kai for our hangi.



Vita's colourful woodwork steps.



Collage table in action.



Dot made the foundation of a lantern for our Matariki Parade. All it needs are fairy lights.

Fundraising for Ski Camp.

Thanks to Bex, Robert, Fergus, Bea, Elayna, Taylah for helping us to run our first BBQ at the Waitati Market.

Dates for Fundraising!



Wed 15 June Bake Sale at school
 Wed 29 Jun - BBQ at School
Orders taken on Tuesday mornings in Mapounui. \$2.50 per sausage.
 Sun 26 Jun - BBQ at The Farmers and Artists Waitati Market
 Sun 31 Jul - BBQ at The Farmers and Artists Waitati Market
1-4 pm on Harvey Street. Plus Car wash at Fire station
 Sun 03 Jul - BBQ at Blueskin Bay Community Market
 Sun 07 Aug - BBQ at Blueskin Bay Community Market
10- 1pm at Watiati Hall. Plus Car Wash at Fire station



Fundraising is a great opportunity for real world learning. Elayna is serving people and taking the money. It is not often we get actual cash now, so the opportunity for a brain workout is real. Thanks to Hellers Sausages for donating 720 BBQ sausages to our Ski Camp fundraising, that is incredible!

Taylah and Elayna had their own stall, selling toys etc. They did really well.



Student Teachers at Waitati School



Georgia is a third year student teacher in Huatea.



Desiree is a third year student Teacher in Kapuka.



Mario is a Masters student training to be a teacher in one year.

Painting

Thanks to Dunedin Paint and Restoration Limited for the amazing job of restoring the beautiful old Dental Clinic and Kapuka Building.



Anthea and Dean have done an amazing job of restoring this beautiful old Dental Clinic.



Kapuka with a new outfit looks stunning



Dunedin Paint & Restoration Limited, 1 Glenmore Street, Glenleith, Dunedin 9010 Phone: 0220453599 - Highly recommended.

PTA



Grocery Raffle

Thank you for the support of the PTA Grocery Raffle. Money raised has been used to purchase 3 new picnic tables from Cargill Enterprises.

Beanos' Pies

This week we sent home the Beanos' Pies order forms - a great selection of savoury and sweet pies, loaves and biscuits.

Order forms to be returned by **Tuesday 28 June** to the office. Please pay online to the PTA account 03 1726 000 8823 000 using child's name as reference. Orders will be ready to pick up from school approx Friday 8 July.

Scrap Metal Collection

Sunday 19th June 9am - 12pm

PTA are still looking for volunteers 'with muscles' to help with the collection- please contact Kirby on 027 556 8659

Waitati School Pta SCRAP METAL COLLECTION

SUNDAY 19TH
JUNE 9-12



* ROOFING IRON * ALUMINIUM * BATTERIES * WHITEWARE
* HOT WATER CYLINDERS * STAINLESS STEEL * COPPER PIPES
* CABLE

GOODS FOR COLLECTION MUST BE READY & CLEAN FOR PICK UP AT THE ROADSIDE FROM 9 AM

- PICK UPS FROM WAITATI PROPERTIES INCLUDING DOCTORS POINT

- DROP-OFFS CAN BE ARRANGED AT 7 KING STREET EVANSDALE (CARGILL CONTRACTOR'S YARD)

CONTACT KIRBY 027 556 8659 OR WAITATI SCHOOL TO LET US KNOW YOU'VE GOT METAL FOR COLLECTION

CALENDAR for Term 2

For our online calendar: [Click Here](#)

Week 7

Sun 12 Jun Play with Clay, ceramics studio open for whanau, 4-5.30pm
Mon 13 Jun Swimming at Moana Pool - afternoon session
Kapa Haka 4-5pm - Waiata with Poutama. (ākonga can go home after school and come back for this)
Te Reo lesson with Poutama 5-6pm (All welcome)
Wed 15 Jun Bake Sale fundraiser for Ski Camp
Thu 16 Jun Year 6-8 leadership programme day - Chingford Park
Blueskin Nurseries Lunch delivery
Fri 17 Jun Passion Projects - Lantern making & Creatives in Schools ceramics project
Music lessons at Playcentre - Don't forget instruments / music books

Week 8

Sun 19 Jun PTA Scrap metal fundraiser
Mon 20 Jun Swimming at Moana Pool - afternoon session
BoT Hui
Tue 21 Jun Vision & Hearing Screening at school
Wed 22 Jun Puaka Matariki Lantern Parade & hangi start at school from 5.30pm
Blueskin Nurseries & Cafe lunches (instead of Thursday)

Thu 23 Jun

School closed for Teacher Only day

Fri 24 Jun

School closed for Matariki public holiday

Week 9

Sun 26 Jun BBQ fundraiser at the market for Ski Camp
Play with Clay, ceramics studio open for whanau, 4-5.30pm
Mon 27 Jun Swimming at Moana Pool - afternoon session
Tue 28 Jun Deadline for Beanos Orders
Wed 29 Jun BBQ fundraiser at school for Ski Camp
Thur 30 Jun Te Aro Matariki Performance at East Otago Events Centre.
Fri 1st Jul Music lessons at Playcentre - Don't forget instruments / music books

NOTICES

Blueskin Nurseries & Cafe - School Lunch - Lunches delivered on Wednesday 22nd as school is closed on Thursday 23rd June.

Please remember to place your orders by midday Tuesday for a Thursday delivery. You can place your order at the cafe and pay there in the usual ways or if you cannot make it to the cafe, then you can drop an order form and cash payment into the office.

This week's menu 16th June : Macaroni cheese \$5.20, chicken & chips \$5.50, orange & choc chip muffin \$3.50

Next week's menu Wednesday 22nd June: Fish & chips \$5.50, fried rice and cashews \$5, blueberry muffins \$3.50

Waitati School Puaka Matariki
Lantern Parade & Hangi

PUAKA MATARIKI

ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN
Wednesday 22nd June from 5.30pm
RSVP office@waitati.school.nz

The lantern parade in Waitati is a cultural event that began when our German community celebrated the shortest day at Playcentre many years ago with a lantern walk. The parade has grown over time, we now celebrate Puaka Matariki, the Maori New Year, in conjunction with the lantern parade.

Please bring:
A plate, cutlery and a cup. Food and drinks are provided

Lighters (long handled) or matches

Please Wear:
Warm clothes, jackets / waterproofs and gumboots

This year we would like to invite you to a special Matariki hangi at Waitati School supported by the Puaka Matariki Festival Contestable Funds

17:30 Arrive at school and meet in classrooms to light lanterns

17:45 Walk to Bland Park and back with lanterns

18:15 Arrive back at school for the hangi

18:30 Start heading home

Please note that this is a community event, open to all. Parents and whanau are responsible for their own children at this event. The teachers are not responsible for the tamariki. If your lantern catches fire please stop, drop it to the ground and step back until it goes out. Stay calm. Keep a good distance from the person in front of you.



Te Punaka Oraka:
Vision Hearing Technicians
Main Block, Level 2, Wakari Hospital
Taieri Road, Dunedin
Private Bag 1921, Dunedin 9054
Tel: 03 476 9800 Fax: 03 476 9858
0800 885504 Ext: 7

YEAR SEVEN VISION SCREENING

The Vision Hearing Technicians from Population Health, Southern District Health will be visiting your school to screen all year seven students for distance vision on **Tuesday 21st June 2022**

- **Distance Vision (Amblyopia & Hyperopia)**

This determines how well your child is able to see at a distance. It involves reading an eye chart.

(Not required if child wears glasses/ or is currently under care for their vision)

If you do not wish your child to be screened please fill out an opt-out slip, which are available at the school office before our visit.

Te Aro Performance

<https://www.aromusic.co.nz/>

In the morning, a small group of ākonga get the opportunity to attend workshops at Puketeraki Marae and then participate in the afternoon show. More information to come.

Emily and Charles of Aro present their collection of stories and waiata celebrating our natural heritage in this beautiful country, including award-nominated waiata about the native birdlife of this land. Fun for the whole family, a combination of folk, soul, haka, and jazz bring audiences of all ages together in a celebration of the natural world that surrounds us."



Music lessons

on Fridays - Don't forget your instruments and music books!

Play with Clay

Tara will open up the studio on 22nd May, 12th & 26th June. 4 - 5.30pm

Families and community members are invited to Play with Clay afternoons at Mahi a Ringa, Waitati Ceramics Studio. Come and get stuck into your own creative projects.

This is a koha event to cover the cost of clay and firing
RSVP as there is a limit on numbers

Remember to please wear a mask



Mahi a Ringa Waitati Ceramic Studio
Waitati School 1121 Mount Cargill Road, Waitati 9085
Enquiries to Office@waitati.school.nz