NEWSLETTER

"WHAIA TE ITI KAUHRANGI" to be the best that I can be

HE KŌRERO TĀ MR PHILLIPS

Kia ora e te whānau,

Over the past 12 months we have been working with a company called Tuku Design to create some visuals that best represent the journey our kura has been on for the last few years. The purpose behind our creation was to support the development of our progress and achievement standards by incorporating the pepeha and taiao of our kura, in order to connect all the many parts that make us the kura that we are.

School Logo:

Apart from the obvious names of our kura, our new logo also houses significant connections to our whenua. The crest of the wave at the top tells us that to our east we have the moana. The flowing lines that represent our awa depict the Waimata stream and Ohinemuri rivers. The maunga that help locate us are shown via the peaks to the left of the visual.

Our Manu:

The manu that we have used tell the story of growth for the tauira of our kura. The rākau that they share the visual with are special to our environment at Waimata, both in the past and at present, with the specific designs at the bottom of each connecting our manu to our whenua and logo.

Pukeko Y0-2

This represents the beginning of a child's journey at our kura. The softly flowing waters of our awa nurturing their development at their own pace. This is also an acknowledgement of our history at Waimata which once possessed significant wetland habitats.



Te Kura o Waimata

WAIMATA SCHOOL

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Make sure you stay connected with what's happening through our main communication portal HERO.







Tui Y3-4

Our Tui is an example of the growth our tauira make from their humble beginnings. The Tui and the cresting waves represent developing independence and courage to prove themselves to others, taking on the world ahead of them. The Kowhai is quite literally a rākau that brings many Tui to our kura when they flower each spring and have quite a presence in our kura.





Kereru Y5-6

The Kereru is the rangatira of our manu. He represents the final development and finished journey for our tauira at our kura. The maunga he sits upon are the literal reflection of our whakatauākī "Whaia te iti kahurangi" with the Miro berries that surround him representing the opportunities in life that our tauira have to choose from. The 'Redbands' are a special nod to the rich history our kura has with farming.

Lastly I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone that has made this year the success that it has been. It's easy to sit here and only acknowledge all the great things that have happened over the last 12 months. However, the convenience of ignoring the challenging times that we have all experienced, comes at the cost of failing to acknowledge that often in our darkest moments even the smallest flicker of light has the ability to shine brightest. These times of the year provide an important reminder to us all that life without comparison is often empty. Just as you can't truely understand heartbreak without first experiencing love, we can't ignore the failures that help make our success that much sweeter!

Have an outstanding summer break whānau, a very Merry Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all again in the new year.

He mihi nui tēnei! A big huge thank you to all our whānau who have supported us this year.



Koro Dunc, Shannon Hargreaves, Deirdre Henderson, Phil Salmon, Josh Smith, Meares Earthworks - Bridget & Eddie Meares, Cowboy Dysart, Malcom Douglas, Shay Perkinson, Manaia Nathan, Theresa Ng Wun, Shelley McArthur, Stacey Coleman, Kaylea & Nick Choat, Katie Pavletich, Jessica Daniels, Sam Troth, Sanitarium Breakfast in Schools, KidsCan, One Foundation, Ron Van Marrewijk, Des & Cheryl Mulhern, Waihi Paper Plus/Toy World - Stephan & Petra Bosman, Waihi Beach Automotive - Richard Taitoko, Shaun & Rochelle Stewart, Andrew & Hollie Smeaton, Roberts St Cakery - Sharon Malcom.

TURANGAWAEWAE

our place to stand, our place in the world

Nau Mai haere mai ki te Akomanga o Tūrangawaewae

He mihi māhana tēnei. A big warm welcome to our new whānau members who joined Turangawaewae this term. Ngāwai Newton, Konnor Sydney and their whānau. We look forward to watching you grow.



Nau mai ki te Kura tuatahi o Waimata'

Self Management

How we manage ourselves, looking after and taking responsibility for own belongings. For some of our TWW tamariki, this is a huge learning goal for them and so we are asking parents to please name all belongings that are brought to school, so, if things do get misplaced and we come across it, we are able to return them to the rightful owner.

We <u>do not encourage</u> our tamariki to bring lollies, toys and other personal items from home. We would really appreciate it if you could talk to your tamariki about <u>not bringing such</u> <u>items to kura.</u>



Swimming



Please encourage your child to make use of the heated kura pool. Students are expected to bring named togs and towels each day as it is a part of our school curriculum and a great way to cool down on the hot summer days.

Pōtae /Hats

With the warmer months upon us a pōtae is an absolute must. Please ensure your child/ren has a pōtae at kura everyday. Even on cloudy days.



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"Whangaia ka tipu ka puawai"

That which is nurtured will grow and blossom.

Learning through experience will allow our tamariki to develop important skills such as: Language and communication with adults & peers. Understanding themselves and developing relationships with others. Learning about different environments and how to act in unique situations.



WELL WISHES

All the best to our tuakana Year Threes joining Te Mauri O Te Wai in 2024. We are proud of you and privileged to have been a part of your learning journey 🤎

"Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui" be strong, be brave, be steadfast

Eastern Smith, Jai Coleman, Jim Davies, Loretta Cameron, Maddilyn Moffat, Max Stewart, Micah Mapu, Noah Phillips, Rhythm Rhind, Riley Chivell, Steiner Courtney, Tavia Courtney, Taylor Kaipo-Pourau, Tiana King, William Bartam & Xavier Meares.

HE PĀNUI, HE PĀNUI

News Hub

IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER - TĪHEMA

13th - Year 6 Trip 14th - End of Year Assembly @ 1pm 15th - Te Mauri o te Wai EOY Trip 20th - Last day of kura for 2023.

FEBRUARY - PEPUERE

1st & 2nd - Office open for new enrolments6th - WAITANGI DAY7th - First day of kura!



We have a massive amounts of unclaimed clothing & footwear.

Please come look through the clothes maunga before the end of the term.

Reminder to please name your child's kura clothing.

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

A reminder student's unpaid accounts need to be settled before the end of term please.



schoolstream

CANCELLING SCHOOL STREAM:

As majority of you will know we use to use School Stream as another source of communication with whānau. With the introduction of School HERO this year we have decided to end our subscription with school stream fro 2024 onwards.

Therefore whānau, if you have downloaded the app on your devices you may now delete the app.

Ngā mihi.

KO TĀTOU TĒNEI

This is us

Pet Day!!!

Dogs, horses, calves, guinea pigs, giant snails and more!! Was a fantastic day seeing our tamariki share their love for their beloved animals. The creative side of pet day was amazing too as tamariki

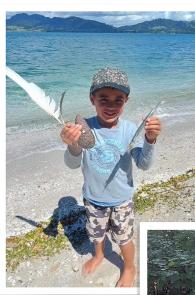
created some wonderful master pieces along with the cakes

that were auctioned off.

Year 3 & 4 Transition Camp

What a lot of learning about each other, self management and initiative took place during our Year 3 & 4 transition camp last week. So awesome to see the students working out their limitations and then carefully extending them with the help of their peers. Our first lesson next term will be how to make a piece of toast and a cup of milo.





End of Year Trip to Shelly Bay & Cave Bay

What an adventure! Nga mihi to those whānau who came to support us, we appreciate you giving up your time for our tamariki. We explored, found MANY taonga and enjoyed some treats.





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TE MAURI O TE WAI

the deep connection between water, the environment and us as people

Its a wrap!

Wowzers!! This has been a very busy term. Its been a whole lot of academic, arty farty, field trips & sports packed sort of term and we have enjoyed being amongst it all. Check out the footage!!



TE MAURI O TE WAI

Kia Kaha Tātou / Lets be strong and keep going!

We only have a couple of weeks remaining and with the joys of the festive holiday creeping up on us all, we begin to see a lot of tired tamariki. We understand that this time of the year can be a real struggle for our tamariki and we would really appreciate it if whanau could ensure our tamariki are getting enough sleep.

Kā kite / Farewell

"Tūwhitia te hopo, mairangatia te angitu" Feel the fear and do it anyway!

Farewell to all our Year 6s heading off to Intermediate & College next year. We hope that you take all that you have learnt from here at Te Kura o Waimata and carry it with mana into the new journey ahead. We wish you all the very best!!

Carter Edmonds, Abby Dodd, Alayna Ng Wun, Andre Troth, Daniel Carson, Elijah Torrens, Ellana Mannix, Heath Sammons, Jimmi Courtney, Kahli Nilsson, Kimiora King, Kobi Picard, Lyrical Hamiora, Noah Lindsay, Pippa Bartram & Sophie Perkinson.

