

# NEWSLETTER

**“WHAIA TE ITI KAHRANGI”**  
*to be the best that I can be*

## A MESSAGE FROM MR PHILLIPS

Kia ora e te whānau,

*Mānawatia ā Matariki.*

Matariki is a time to gather as a whānau, reflect on the past, celebrate the present and plan for the future. Wishing all our whānau a happy Matariki.

### Matariki Hangi

Events that bring whānau into kura to spend time together, building whanaungatanga, always uplift our collective wairua. When you pair this with a special occasion like Matariki, we have an absolute recipe for success! One of the things that makes us most proud was the fact that absolutely every child played a part! Whether it was helping with the preparation of our hangi, making resources for our star viewing, helping set up the classes for the noho, the list goes on. Everyone had a connection to making the day/afternoon the success that it was.



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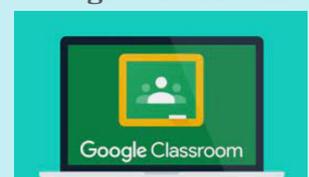
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### Winter Illnesses

We are currently in the midst of a bad run of illnesses both at kura and within our community. There is a rather nasty flu going around at the moment as well as a gastro bug that is resulting in diarrhoea and/or vomiting. Both of these ‘common’ illnesses are tending to take a number of days to recover from. Whilst we are yet to have had any significant cases in our school community, COVID is quickly transmitting within our wider community.

Waihi College have had to start rostering days off for senior students due to unavailability of staff due to COVID. Other educational centres are also noting an increased trend in positive cases and/or whānau having to isolate as household contacts. We are at the point where our students who have previously tested positive for COVID are moving past their 90 day anniversary, meaning that should anyone within their household test positive they will once again have to isolate as a household contact. Please remain vigilant, practice healthy hygiene habits and monitor your child's health to help us all protect ourselves as best we can!

We still have a heap of RAT tests here at school too. If you require any please pop in to see Tracey at the office or send us a text and we will have them ready for you to collect.



### Poitūkohu

Our Y5&6 Basketball League wraps up this week! We entered two very competitive teams into the league of 12 teams competing over the last 8 weeks. The growth in skill, effort and energy throughout has been fantastic to witness. A big fat paki rima (Hi 5) to our Waimata Dimes team who missed out on the 3rd and 4th Playoff game with a loss in their last pool game. The Waimata Dubs were a class above the rest of the competition this year with a huge 318:46 points differential across their 6 pool games, despite often playing with only 3 or 4 players on the court at a time in order to keep challenging themselves! They remained undefeated across all their 7 games taking out the Final 48-16 against the Beach Raptors.



### Tournament Team Announcement

Congratulations *Rico Edmonds, Carter Edmonds & Jayce Phillips*. We are proud to announce that these 3 were chosen out of over 70+ players as part of the 2022 Y5&6 Tournament Team. Having played in this comp since they were Year 4 these three boys were clearly a step above the rest! An awesome effort boys! Most definitely a fitting reward for all of the time and effort you have put into your basketball over the years.

### Nau Mai, Haere Mai!

A big mihi and welcome to all our new whānau who have come to join our kura. It is so awesome to have you join us *Kassius & Masayas Collier-Webster, Zeppelin Kirk, Floyd Glen, Eli Templemeyer and Harley & Travis Featherstone!* We are stoked to have you with us.

# TURANGAWAEWAE

*our place to stand, our place in the world*

## Buddy Bench

The idea is simple - if a child feels lonely, they can go to the bench as a signal that they need someone to play with. Another child will see them, go and talk to them and include them in their games.

Tūrangawaewae has been focusing on the school values Whānaungatanga/Belonging and Manaakitanga/Respect. During conversation, we decided to create a Buddy Bench. Instead of building our own, we are in the process of upcycling an unloved bench seat and making it special again.

Jacob, Liam, Evander and Tennyson have been working hard sanding it down to get it ready for decorating.



**He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata! He tangata! He tangata!**

*What is the most important thing in the world?*

*It is people! It is people! It is people!*

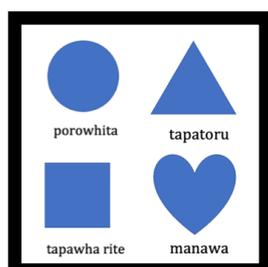
## Patupaiarehe Garden

We also decided to make a Patupaiarehe (fairy) garden at the back of the field. A group of tamariki spent time clearing the garden ready for planting. It took a lot of teamwork, muscles and a bit of Kiwi ingenuity!



## Football

The season for year 1 and 2 football has finished, sadly the weather impacted their games. We still get out and play while the year 3 and 4's head off to Waihi Beach School on Thursday afternoons for their games at 1.30pm each week. This will continue until the end of term, whānau are welcome to come along to watch.



## Waiata

We are currently learning a Māori song about shapes (circle, square, triangle and heart) Ask your tamaiti to sing this waiata to you.

# TE MAURI O TE WAI

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

## What learning looked like in Te Mauri o te Wai this term.

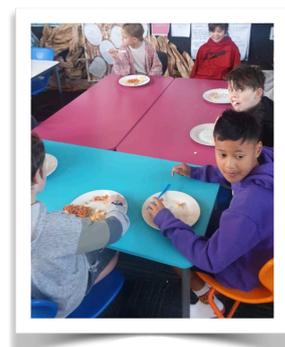
This term we have covered a wide variety of learning areas. We have learnt about the work of Fibonacci the Italian mathematician and the continuous number sequence. Vincent Van Gogh the Dutch Impressionist painter, the science behind 'butter', with a strong literacy focus on grammar, and building stamina in our writing and reading.



## He aha mō te parakuihi - What's for breakfast?

We would like to send a huge mihi to all our mātua/parents who have helped us with our Thursday breakfast club this term. We appreciate the time you have given to help prepare our kai and the koha of kai to help us feed our tamariki. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

It has been a great time for the majority of our tamariki to just sit, be present and kōrero over a warm winter's kai. We will continue our winter warmer parakuihi next term as well. A menu for this will be out next week.



## Hakinakina

This term we have seen the inclusion of inter-school sports being played during school time. This has been a prime opportunity for the many taura whom may have been unable to attend after school events to get out there and participate with their friends in a sporting activity.

We've had awesome results come through for both our Year 5 & 6 Basketball teams. Our Year 3 & 4's are out kicking the football around at Waihi Beach school on Thursday afternoons, showing off their skills and learning new ones. We entered a Year 5 & 6 Boys team plus Abby Dodd into the recent Thames Valley Rippa Tournament held at Waihi College and they took out 3rd place.



Waihi Junior Netball also started this term. We have 3 teams entered into the Year 5 & 6 Grade this year. Team Stingers, Team Wizards and Team Magicians.

All teams showing great sportsmanship and team spirit throughout the season so far. Keep up the awesome mahi!

A big mihi to all our parents who have stepped up to help coach, manage and umpire our teams this term.

# Matariki e ara e!

## *Matariki the pathway to the new year.*

### Matariki Sleepover excitement!

Playing with fire is an exciting and sacred element urge (water, earth, air, fire) that needs special adult supervision. We don't get to handle fire often so creating our own special Matariki lanterns to use while looking for the Matariki stars is a unique opportunity the children were excited for. We used recycled aluminium tin cans, drew our own designs and used a hammer to create holes for the light to shine through.



### Matariki hunga nui - Matariki of many people.

We have been focussing on building our kete of knowledge about “Ko wai au-Who am I” so that we can share our stories about our identity and our place in this world. It has been a huge effort by all our tamariki and they are producing some awesome mahi to be extremely proud of. We look forward to the end product of their individual pukapuka as a taonga for their whānau to hold and treasure forever.



### Matariki a time for what?

Matariki a sign of a new year.

Matariki shine bright in the eastern skies.

Matariki a time to come together.

Matariki time to heat the hangi baskets.

Matariki a time to cherish the memories about our tipuna and to tell the story about how they became a star.

Look to the stars of Matariki for the signs of the new year.

# IMPORTANT DATES

## JULY - HURAE

- 1st - Waimata Annual Netball Tournament
- 5th - Closing Day for Future Ferns Netball.
- 7th - Waimata Dubs - Basketball Tournament
- 8th - **Last day of Term 2.**
- 8th - 24th **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.**
- 25th - **First Day of Term 3.**
- 28th - Year 3 & 4 Basketball Starts.

## AUGUST- AKUHATA

- 2nd - Closing Night for Senior Netball.
- 5th - Year 5 & 6 Football Starts.
- 11th - BOT Meeting

## SEPTEMBER - HEPETEMA

- 6th-9th- Te Mauri o Te Wai - Snow Camp
- 15th - BOT Meeting
- 20th - Hockey Big Day Out
- 25th - Daylight Savings Time
- 30th - **Last Day of Term 3**

## TE REO MĀORI GLOSSARY

A glossary to help us grow our word bank and knowledge of Māori words used within our newsletters.

- Mihi - a greeting
- Ngā mihi - thank you!
- Kōrero - to talk or a speech
- Whakaaro - thoughts or thinking
- Whānau - family
- Tauira - students
- Tamariki - children
- Tamaiti - child
- Tumuaki - Principal
- Pukapuka - book
- Mahi - work
- Kura - school
- Tauira - student or pupil
- Parakuihi - breakfast
- Matariki - Māori New Year
- Noho - sleepover or stay
- Hakinakina - Sport
- Wairua - spirituality
- Kete - basket
- Kai - food
- Taonga - gift / treasure
- Hāngī - food cooked in the ground
- Patupaiarehe - fairy

### KATIKATI COLLEGE



#### OPEN DAY

Wednesday 3 August 2022

Tours from 9am

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