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A HUGE Waipu welcome to Chase Cotterill and his family.

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UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

June	August
28 - Mark Sommerset (Author) visiting	2 - The Magical World of Crazy Science Show
29 - Des Hunt (Author) visiting	6 - PTA Meeting 7pm
	8 - Camp Waipu Cove Planting Day
July	9 - Otamatea Open Day - Y6
2 - PTA Meeting 7pm	10 - School Cross Country
3 - Waipu Speech Finals (7pm Northpine Hall)	13 - Science Road Show (Seniors)
4 - BOT Meeting 1.10pm	13-17 - Gifted and Talented Science/Tech Week
6 - Last day of Term 2	15 - School Photos
23 - First day of Term 3	15 - BOT meeting 1.10pm
	23 - Portfolios home
	28 - Three Way Interviews
	31 - Daffodil Day and Mufti Day (Yellow theme)



THANK YOU TO:

The Oxford Sports Trust for their ongoing sponsorship and support of our school. Without their support our children would not be able to experience such a wide range of wonderful events. We were thrilled to have recently received funding for our Kapahaka tutor for term 3. They have also funded the visit of author, Des Hunt (who worked with the seniors to motivate and improve personal writing), and the whole school to experience "The Magical World of Crazy Science" with Richard Scholes – a Scientist, a Magician, a Performance Artist and a Teacher! Through his show he will unlock the science curriculum for all of our students all at the same time! We envisage this show will spark our students into a love of science and technology learning. **Thank you Oxford Sports Trust, we very much appreciate your support of our school and children.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Kapa Haka Meeting

We will hold a Kapa Haka meeting to discuss new uniform designs, accessories and fundraising ideas, Thursday 5th July at 6.30pm in the school staffroom. All welcome. Please call Michele Jorna on 09 432 1432

Calf Club Day

On Monday night we held a meeting regarding Calf Club Day this year, given the outbreak of the Mycoplasma bovis infection in New Zealand. This was a lively meeting with stakeholders representing our local community including our local vets, the farming community, the Board of Trustees, the PTA and staff. Many thanks to those who attended for your participation in this discussion. We unanimously reached the decision that we would go ahead with the event with lambs and goats, but this year we will not be including calves. We will also put out some health and safety procedures for all participants to follow prior to and during the event. It is superb that this day will still go ahead and we hope to be able to bring back calves next year (depending on further information about the spread of the disease). If the situation changes, we will keep you informed. We also thought this would be an appropriate time to change the name of the day from Calf Club Day to Agricultural Day. The date remains unchanged and will be on 17th October. This is a Wednesday again this year, given the timing of the school holidays and Labour weekend. Any animals participating must be born after 1 July so now is the time to start thinking about it!

Buses

Any bus issues should be reported to Jo Brown either directly (jo@wps.school.nz) or via the school office. Please see below for an update from our awesome bus monitors.

Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform jumper. There are quite a few mufti jumpers creeping in. It is getting colder (particularly in our hall!) so please ensure your child has a warm layer of school uniform. A reminder that black thermals are able to be worn underneath regulation uniform. Don't forget we have a good range of second hand uniforms for sale at the office at significantly reduced prices, so if you're not wanting to buy new please get in touch with Kylie on 02102693876 and make a time with her to come in on a Wednesday to see what's available. Please send a note explaining why your child is in mufti if they are unable to wear a part of their uniform on a particular day. If there is no note, the mufti items will be confiscated and held at school until they are collected by a parent or caregiver.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora whanau

I had a theme in mind for this newsletter however, after listening to the speech semi-finals on Monday, I changed my mind. I was blown away by the overall quality of the speeches that our students had prepared. The job of the judges was unenviable as they decided who would go through to the finals.

Today, I was going to use my space in the newsletter to reproduce the speech of a student who presented some of the history of Waipu in a different light to the other students and from an important perspective that I would love to share. However, this student deservedly got through to the finals and I don't want to ruin the surprise for those of you who are planning to come to the finals next Tuesday evening! I will therefore reproduce their speech in our first newsletter of next term for those of you unable to attend the finals. A huge congratulations to all of you who prepared a speech that you presented to your classmates (no mean feat), and also to those who presented at the semi-finals. The speeches were funny, inventive, informative, well paced and well enunciated. I hope to see you all at the finals :-)

The speech competition finalists are:

Year 4 - Kyla Mansell, Stanley Dawson, Kacie Cookson, Lily Clare

Year 5 - Phoebe Cookson, Nate Amsterdam, Katherine Coughlan, Gabriella Uphof

Year 6 - Brooklyn Raniera, Olivia Papworth, Nia Owen, Ethan Carroll

The finals will take place next Tuesday evening (3rd July) at 6.30pm in the Northpine Hall.

As this is the last newsletter before the school holidays, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for a great term. Thank you all for being so welcoming and so patient as we have worked our way through some of the issues that have come up this term. I love being here in the Waipu community and at Waipu School. Thank you to all parents and caregivers and most of all the students and staff. **You rock** and I am looking forward, very much, to the rest of the year and beyond.

Please look after yourselves during the holidays, stay safe, have fun and keep warm and see you all next term.

Jo

WAIPU PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



Left photo: Congratulations and good luck to our **Waipu 150 Trust Speech Finalists** (Back row): Gabriella, Phoebe, Katherine, Nate, Stanley, Nia, Olivia, Ethan, Brooklyn (Front row): Kacie, Lily and Kyla.

Right photo: **Marmalade for sale** - Chloe Robertson (Rm 9) and her Dad, Jaime have made some yummy Marmalade from the ripe fruit off our WPS citrus trees. These are selling for \$3 per jar (in the office) with the proceeds going towards our Good Fairy Fund. Thankyou Chloe and Jaime.



Waipu Four Square Assembly Award

The Waipu Four Square assembly award (for students who demonstrate community spirit and support of others, both in and out of school) went to **Harlyn Abraham** in Week 7 and to **Liam Pether** in Week 8. Congratulations both, you are wonderful role models and thank you for your superb attitude towards others.

This week our first class won morning tea provided once a month by Four Square Waipu. This was won by the marvellous Room 8 superstars. Room 8, your wonderful behaviour and attitude towards your teachers and other students is definitely worth noticing. You fully deserve to be the recipients of our first morning tea. Your morning tea will arrive on Thursday morning at 10.30am - so you get a few minutes of extra play too. Thank you so much to Kelly and all those at Four Square for their wonderful support.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Principal's Special Awards

Congratulations to the following students for an excellent effort in demonstrating our Key Competency for the last 2 weeks. Our Key Competency was **Thinking**.

Room 1 – Joshua McKay (wk 7) Alistair Martin (wk 8)
Room 2 – Ty Amsterdam (wk 7) Lucy Ward (wk 8)
Room 3 – Nate Amsterdam (wk 7) Gabriella Uphof (wk 8)
Room 4 – Cohen Hunia (wk 7) Ava Cullen (wk 8)
Room 5 – Harper Scrymgeour (wk 7) Stan Dawson (wk 8)
Room 6 – Ella Green (wk 7) Caleb Spring (wk 8)
Room 7 – Tait Scrymgeour (wk 7) Eliza McGlone (wk 8)
Room 8 – Ashley Ward (wk 7) Khalea Carson (wk 8)
Room 9 – Lily Gray (wk 7) Emily Dunning (wk 8)
Room 10 – Sean Brookes (wk 7) Billie Sharpe (wk 8)
Room 11 – Maia Verweijmeren (wk 7) Mila Widdup (wk 8)
Mrs Goodall - Lucas Urlich (wk 7) Evie Boulton (wk 8)
Ms Brown - Ollie Buckle

Sport and Cultural Successes

Huge congratulations to the following students who have achieved well in their sporting and cultural activities:

Rugby - Noah Cullen, Ava Pullan (Trainer of the week)
Hockey - Ashleigh Whyte, Abby Whyte, Harlyn Abraham
Netball - Sophie Heron, Stevie Heron, Maci Hutchinson-Griffin, Keira Stevens, Chloe Jorna, Kimberley Boniface, Leila Fetelika, Olive Jones, Saskia Martin, Audrey MacShane, Marama Aperahama
Soccer - Isaac Chapple, Clark Chaves, Hunter Stevens
Golf - Kaiser Jacoby - 2nd US Kids 10 year olds
Karate - Blake Ford, Ash McDonald
Circus - Kate Brownlee
Gymnastics - Ava Pullan

Clan Of The Week

Congratulations to Clan **Ross (wk 7)** and Clan **Sutherland (wk 8)** our recent winning clans. Great efforts and well done to all.

UPDATES

Student Leadership Group Update

This week we have been exploring the idea of vision mapping the school. We are undertaking an activity to map our school on to a large piece of paper. We will then publish our map and laminate it (is there anyone out there who could help us to do this so that it looks as professional as possible?) and use it to identify areas in school that we could improve as well as things that are running well. We will share this map with the rest of the school and our community once it is complete.

Communities Of Learning

The four CoL schools of Waipu, Ruakaka, One Tree Point and Bream Bay College met last week to plan an introductory meeting for the staff of all three schools at the start of next term. We will be meeting to explore commonalities, ask questions and generally korero about the direction in which we are heading as a group of schools. From this we will set our achievement challenges and will then meet with our local community to share our ideas. More information will follow next term.

Enviro News

We have been encouraged to hear some wonderful speeches at the semi finals this week which address an issue of sustainability (for example waste and pollution). It is clear that there is a huge amount of enthusiasm amongst the students in this area. For next term, we are looking at two project groups. One will be a design and build project in our outdoor learning area beside the vegetable gardens and the other will be in the sphere of waste. For the latter projects we will be investigating and re-designing our own waste systems and will also be branching out in to the local and wider Bream Bay communities.

Digital Technology Info

Many thanks to all those of you who attended our Netsafe meeting for parents and caregivers last week. This was a very useful meeting which stimulated some lively discussion and useful examples of how we interact with our children around the internet. We will be continuing this work with the students and staff and will update you as things develop. Network for Learning (N4L), who provide one level of internet filtering for WPS, have announced the rollout of a new, more secure platform over the next couple of months. Please visit their website (www.n4l.co.nz) for further information. If you are concerned about your child's use of the internet, please do contact school as we are able to point you in the direction of a range of sites and resources for support. Netsafe also have a range of resources that can be used at home. Please visit their website (www.netsafe.org.nz) to order/download their resources.

Library Corner

It is great to see our students using the library and enjoying reading. With the holidays coming up we wanted to remind you to keep going with reading, find something that interests you and read for information or for pleasure each day. Below is a link to our library (ask you child's teacher for their username, the password for all is waipu). You should also be able to access this from the Waipu Primary School web page.

<http://waipups.softlinkhosting.co.nz/oliver/libraryHome.do?anonymous=true&corporation=waipuschoollibrary&url=%2Foliver%2FlibraryHome.do>

Clan Leaders Lowdown

We have begun to meet as a group this term though our main work will start in Term 3. We are excited to have more responsibility and are looking forward to some leadership training and to learning how we can support our clans in the playground and in the classroom. Watch this space :-)

Bus Leaders Brief

We have been having a few issues on the bus in recent times and have begun to meet as a group to try to problem solve. We have realised that we have some of the same issues and talked to our local policeman, Martin Geddes, to get some advice. We have decided to publish 'bus rules' and to share these with students who ride the bus. This agreement will come home as each student that uses the bus will need to sign the agreement to show that they have read it and agree with the rules. We are also going to share with all students, the details of our role which those that ride the bus can expect from us. We will be making short videos to share in the newsletter so that everyone knows the bus rules.

REGULAR UPDATES

Newsletter Content

If you want to advertise any events/items in the newsletter, please email Jo Brown - jo@wps.school.nz. If you want to take up a paid spot let Cindy know - cindy@wps.school.nz.

Office Payments

Only small cash payments for lunches/mufti days are taken through classrooms. Any large cash payments are to be made directly to the office by Parents please. We now have EFTPOS available for your convenience (credit card payment fees apply). All other usual methods of payment other than cash or EFTPOS will be accepted.

Worm Tea - Liquid Plant Fertiliser

For Sale at school office, great for plants.
\$5 - 2 litre, \$2 - 1 litre.

Newsletter News!

We have moved from a paper newsletter to an electronic copy only, from this week on. A paper copy will be available at the school office for you to collect if required. We are redesigning what we share and how we share it with the community and feel that there some exciting opportunities to share things such as show information videos via an electronic newsletter. If you would like a name added to the email distribution list please let the office know.

BITS 'N' BOBS

Art 'n Tartan Wearable Art Awards

We are looking for ushers for two of our shows - Friday night 20th July 6pm-10pm, and Saturday matinee 21st July 12pm-4pm.
See the show for free and join a fun team of helpers. Please call Steve Jones 027 2352506 to register your interest.

Host Families Wanted

Otamatea High School is looking for families of all kinds who might be interested in **hosting international students for short or long stays**. We are currently working to increase our international student numbers and as such, need to have suitable host families on file who can take students at short notice if necessary. Our next confirmed group is a **Thai group coming for 3 weeks from October 8th to 27th** (we still need host families for this group), but we are also working on getting groups from Korea, China, Japan and maybe South America. If you are interested in hosting any one or several of these students please contact **Heather Troost, International Student Director, Otamatea High School, 021 080 98222** heather.troost@otamatea.school.nz

USEFUL CONTACTS

Uniform Sales

Second hand uniforms are available from Kylie Jacoby. Phone Kylie on 02102693876 to see what she has available. If you have a uniform you do not need, please consider giving this to Kylie as the money from second hand clothing comes back to the school.
The uniforms are held at school but you need to arrange a time with Kylie to view on Wednesdays between 8:00am and 9:30am.

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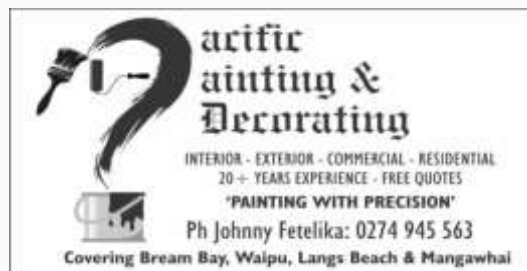
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