



WAIOTAHE VALLEY SCHOOL

KA POIPOIA || KA TOHA || KA MAIA

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Key Competency:
Participating and Contributing

Whakatauki:
He waka eke noa
We are all in this together.

Kia Kaha Trophy



Congratulations to Frankie for winning the Kia Kaha trophy last week. Frankie received the trophy for always daring to be her best. She is positive and enthusiastic about all areas of school life. Ka rawe, Frankie!

Upcoming Dates:

15th May - EPRO8 Y7/8 inter-schools

16th May - EPRO8 Y5/6 inter-schools

16th May - Rippa Rugby Opotiki

23rd May - Teacher Only Day

26th May - School photos

28th May - School X-Country

2nd June - Kings Birthday

15th June - Working Bee

Kia ora e te whānau,

There is a fantastic feeling throughout the school, and I've enjoyed wandering through the classes to see our students in action. Our friendly ākonga are enjoying school and their learning. We are so fortunate to have passionate teachers who plan interesting and relevant learning tasks for our tamariki.

Room 1, Te Ngahere, has had Bobbianne and Meyer from Halo Whakatāne lead a lesson each week on pests. Students have placed pest chew cards and tracking tunnels around the school. They are collecting data to find out what pests are present in our school environment. This week, the students were able to get up close and personal with stuffed pests! They loved being able to see and touch these introduced species.

Our school board and staff will be organising a working bee on Sunday, 15th June. We'll work for a couple of hours from 9:00 to 11:00 am, before enjoying a cuppa and some light refreshments. We hope you can join us!

A huge thank you to Priya and Zoe, who have been running a breakfast club each morning. Before school begins, there is a steady stream of students filling their tummies with Weet-Bix, milk, and yoghurt. It's a fantastic way to make sure everyone is ready to go and able to stay focused on their learning. Priya and Zoe have demonstrated excellent leadership skills, and this has been appreciated by both students and staff.

Don't forget—tomorrow is our Annual Rippa Tournament in Ōpōtiki! This is always a fun day focused on giving it our best and cooperating as a team. We'd love some support down there, so if you're able to, please come and cheer on Waiotaha. Students will be leaving school by bus at 8:45 am and returning around 1:00–1:30 pm.

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Ngā mihi nui,
Tai Miskell

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND WAIOTAHE THIS WEEK

Halo brought some special guests to visit Te Ngahere



Congratulations to Te Awa for winning the attendance award

Our breakfast club is proving to be a hit on cold mornings



New furniture for Te Maunga

Hockey Draw Week 3:

Y7/8 - Friday

Team 1 - 6pm, Team 2 - 5pm Team 3 - 5pm

Y5/6 - Saturday

Weka 1 - 12pm

Weka 2 - 12pm

Y1/2 - Saturday

11:15am

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