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Kia Kaha Trophy



Congratulations to Rocky for receiving the Kia Kaha trophy. Rocky shows the qualities of Care, Share and Dare every day. Daring is a special quality that Rocky shows by always doing his best when he attempts any school activity. Also, when we set a learning goal, Rocky strives to achieve that goal. Awesome mahi, Rocky.

Upcoming Dates:

31st March - School Board Meeting

2nd April - Last Day of Term One

20th April - TEACHERS ONLY DAY

21st April - Term Two Starts

Kia ora e te whānau,

A big thank you to all the parents and caregivers who attended our goal-setting interviews yesterday afternoon. These are continuing after school today. If you have not yet booked a time, please contact the school office or your child's classroom teacher to arrange a suitable time. These conversations are a valuable opportunity to connect, share aspirations, and support your child's learning journey.

Today we have four students representing our kura at the EBOP Swimming Sports in Whakatāne: Avie, Taylor, Abel, and Lenke. We wish them all the very best and are proud of the effort they have put in to reach this level.

Last Sunday, a group of our Year 7 and 8 students competed in the Top School competition at Awakeri. Despite the wet weather, our students had an absolute blast. They showed fantastic teamwork, resilience, and a great attitude while taking on a range of fun and challenging activities together. A huge thank you to Whaea Emma and all of the parents who stood on the sidelines in the rain supporting our students – your encouragement makes a real difference.

On Monday, we were fortunate to have a visit from "Science in a Van," who delivered an engaging and interactive science show focused on forces. Our students were fully engaged, curious, and excited by the learning. It was also inspiring for our staff, sparking ideas for bringing science to life in the classroom.

I would also like to acknowledge the ongoing pressure many in our community are feeling with the rising cost of living, particularly fuel prices. We understand this can make getting children to school more challenging. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us if you need support – we may be able to help connect you with other whānau for carpooling or find ways to assist.

Ngā mihi nui,
Tai Miskell



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND WAIOTAHE THIS WEEK

Attendance award goes to Te Ngahere



Smiles all around from our students competing in the Awakeri Top Schools



Head Lice

We have been made aware that some students have head lice. Please check your child and treat ASAP to stop this spreading. KidsCan have provided us with free treatment and combs, which are available at the office. Please contact the office if you need some.



Te Maunga are learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We were lucky enough to observe a Monarch caterpillar (larva) metamorphosing into a chrysalis by shedding its skin and revealing a chrysalis underneath.



Let's give back to Mr. Cass.

Many of you will know Mr Cass through Waiotaha Valley School. George is a much-valued teacher and hockey coach, and an important part of our school community.

At the moment, George has taken extended leave to support Te Manawa through a long and challenging period of treatment. This is a tough time for their whānau, and we know many in our community will want to show their support.

The Givealittle page is due to close on the 31st of March, so if you have been thinking about donating, there is still time. Any contribution, big or small, would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to support, please visit givealittle.co.nz/cause/giving-back-to-mr-cass