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Kia Kaha Trophy



Congratulations to Abel for receiving the Kia Kaha Trophy. Abel received the trophy for consistently demonstrating our school values of Care Share and Dare Ka rawe, Abel!

Upcoming Dates:

18th May - Yr 7 & 8 Technology Class

21st May - Yr 1 & 2 Road Safety

26th May - School X - Country

26th May - School Board Meeting

1st June - Kings Birthday

2nd & 3rd June - Yr 7 & 8 EPRO 8

7th June - School Working Bee

Kia ora e te whānau,

It has been another positive and productive week here at Waiotaha Valley School, with a real buzz of learning and activity across the kura.

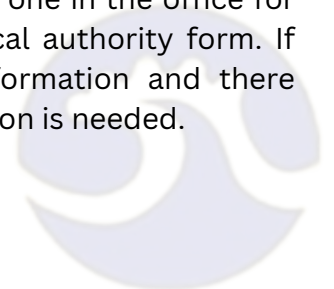
On Tuesday, our kapa haka rōpū travelled to Maromahue Marae for practice. It was fantastic to see the group in that space, and they are sounding incredible. We are all really looking forward to seeing them perform in Term 3. Matua Waka and Whaea Liah are proud of you all.

Term 2 is always a fantastic time to make strong progress in student learning, and that is certainly evident in our classrooms. There is a very positive learning environment across the school, and I thoroughly enjoy visiting classes and seeing our kaiako and ākonga in action. Our teachers have been actively implementing many of the teaching strategies explored during the recent Teacher Only Day, and it's great to see these making a difference in engaging and supporting our learners.

Our Year 3 and above students had their first netball games yesterday. Well done to all players and coaches for their efforts and sportsmanship – a great start to the season. Thank you to the parents supporting on the sidelines and with transport to Opotiki. Our hockey teams have a bye this week, with the exception of one Year 7/8 team who are in action. We look forward to all teams getting underway next week. It has been awesome to see so many students practising their hockey skills during lunch and break times – their enthusiasm is clear. Bring on our new school turf – fingers crossed for completion in June.

Training has begun for the school cross-country on 26 May. At this time of year, with colder weather and increased exercise, some students may start to feel the effects of asthma. If your child has asthma and requires an inhaler, please ensure the school has one in the office for them, along with a completed medical authority form. If you have already provided this information and there have been no changes, no further action is needed.

Ngā mihi nui,
Tai Miskell



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND WAIOTAHE THIS WEEK

Congratulations to Te Maunga for receiving the attendance this week.



Surplus Fruit

If you have any spare fruit at home, we would gratefully welcome it at school. Donations of fresh fruit are always appreciated and help provide healthy snacks for our students. If you are able to share some of your surplus, we would love to take it off your hands. Thank you for your support!



Its time to start collecting Yummy stickers, you can collect you sticker collection sheets from the office



Sports News

Netball The Netball Open Day was a fantastic success and a great way to kick off the season. Our students had a great day developing their skills, working together as a team, and showing great sportsmanship on and off the court. A big thank you to the organisers, coaches, and whānau who supported the day. We are looking forward to an exciting netball season ahead.

Hockey Draw

Weka 1 - Year 7 & 8 - 4pm

Weka 2 - Year 7 & 8 - Bye (no game)

ALL SATURDAY GAMES HAVE A BYE THIS WEEK (no game) - First games will be on the 9th of May

All games are played at the Whakatane Hockey Turf on Brabant Street Whakatane.

Please ensure you have the following

Hockey Stick, Shin guards, Mouth guard, Sports shoes, Blue long socks

If you are having trouble getting any of this sports equipment please contact our office as we may be able to help - all draws can be found by going to www.playhq.co.nz and searching Bay of Plenty hockey and looking for the grade relevant

Sports Shoes - If you are having trouble with accessing sports shoes, we can order sports shoes through KidsCan free of charge. Please contact Janelle with your child's shoe size