



# WAIMATAITAI SCHOOL

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*Nga mihi mahana kia koutou. Kia Ora*

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## 2020 School Terms

3 February to 9<sup>th</sup> April  
28 April to 3 July  
20 July to 25 September  
12 October to 16 December

## 2019 School Terms

22 July – 27 September  
14 October – Friday 13 Dec

## Coming up

See the Term Calendar, Skool Loop and Class Facebook Pages  
Full assembly 2 Aug 11am run by room 5

Waimataitai School has a Facebook Page. Join and you can keep up with the latest news.

View the newsletter on our Website at [www.waimataitai.school.nz](http://www.waimataitai.school.nz)

It looks much better in colour



## 2<sup>ND</sup> HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

TUESDAY

2.50pm – 3.15 pm &

THURSDAY

8.40am – 9.00am

In Health Centre (by office)

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## NEW UNIFORM & STATIONERY SHOP OPEN

EACH MORNING

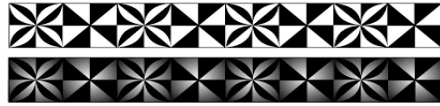
8.30 – 9am

IN TEACHER AIDE ROOM

**PLEASE NAME ALL UNIFORM**

Mālō e lelei  
Hello in Tongan

Malo  
Thank you



## Emergency Arrangements

In the event of an emergency at school or in the vicinity of the school, any decision to send students home will be made by the principal. Students will not be released until it is safe to travel. Students will be kept at school until it is safe to be collected by a parent, guardian or caregiver. Student safety will be our absolute priority.

## Room 12

We are please to announce that Room 12 will begin operating on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Mrs Katya Caird will teach in the upstairs space in the main block now known as Room 12. Students from rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 will work with Mrs Caird for some of the day with reading, writing or maths. This position has been put in place to ensure our commitment to smaller class sizes in the first year at school is achieved. We are thrilled Katya is joining our staff and we are in a position to accommodate this change in very challenging times with teacher shortages.

## Moana Science Fair

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received awards:



- 1<sup>st</sup>: Isabella Pierce
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Skyelyn Smpson & Emily Gollins
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Noah Hulme

**Highly Commended:**  
Maddy Kroening  
Harry Sargent  
Frazer McLean



## Staffing our School

From time to time there are days when we have teachers who are unable to be at school, when this occurs we employ relief teachers.

However this term it has been very difficult to get relievers on some days. Parents need to know if we cannot staff a class then the alternative is to spread the children around other classes, usually in their learning team. This is not always possible due to numbers, so we would look at spreading them across the school with teachers the children have relationships with. This is not ideal, but it avoids us asking parents to keep the children home, which is hugely problematic for families.

## THANK YOU from the PTA 😊

The PTA would sincerely like to thank everyone who came along to our Curry & Quiz Night. It was a huge success and an entertaining, fun evening!

The PTA also would like to thank parents/teachers/businesses who donated great prizes for the raffles - you are all fabulous!

**THANK YOU!**

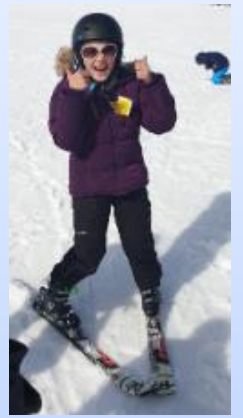
Special thanks to Tim Heke for creating the quiz and John Willers for your musical talent. Also a massive thank you to Speights Ale House for the delicious curries.

We are now looking forward to our Lip Sync event on the 14th Sept. You will find all the details on our FB event page. Tickets can be purchased from the school office or Speights Ale House, \$35 cash only.

# Hawai & Moana Skiing

*I stood at the top of the slope, scared stiff. I looked up at the bright morning sun. I was at the top of the legendary Schatzky's slope. They said that once you went down it, you'd never forget it. I wasn't exactly thrilled. I took a deep breath and sped off down the pale slope. Clouds of snow billowed out behind my skis as they cut into the snow. I rocketed off down a steep gully, people flashed by me as mere blurs. I closed in on the last jump but couldn't stop in time... CRASH! I stood up, laughing aloud. They were right. I would never forget this!*

by Benjamin Gibbs, year 6



Moana students got a lovely opportunity to go Skiing and Snowboarding at Roundhill ski field on Monday. The sun was shining and there was lots of snow everywhere ..... and what a *view*!!

We all started our day with a lesson. The instructors took groups no matter if you were a beginner or advanced. They taught us the 'ins and outs' of skiing and snowboarding. After that we were unleashed onto the big, wide, white slopes of Roundhill.



I think we can all say that we ended the day with sore legs and arms, awkward goggle lines and a tired bus ride home.

## Have you got your ticket?

WAIMATAITAI PTA  
*presents*

**2019 LIPSYNC BATTLE**

*Taking you back to the 80s*

HOSTED BY DOUBLE TALK

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

Landing Service Function Centre  
Doors open 6.30pm | 7.30pm start

\$35.00 ticket includes supper  
Tickets available from school office or Speights Ale House

A community event to raise funds for Waimataitai School  
Raffle & Auction | Full bar and etpos available

**Register your team or solo act NOW!**  
CONTACT HAYLEY ON 021 705 118

## JUNIOR SQUASH

**Finished Winter Sport ?? Give SQUASH a go MONDAYS**

Yrs 1-4: 3.30pm – 4.15pm

Yrs 5-8: 4.00pm – 4.45pm

**Free for new players in September**



Timaru Squash Club – Brunswick Street

Contact Jen ph: 021 685 441

## Highfield Tennis Club Junior Open Day

Saturday 7th September

Springs Road

1pm - 3pm

Fun games, meet our coach, sausage sizzle, spot prizes

Come and find out what our Club has to offer and Registration for returning members.

Contact Robyn ph: 0274518981

## Celtic Cricket Club JAB Kids Registration

Wednesday 18th Sept  
5.30pm

Saturday 21st Sept  
10.00am

Celtic clubrooms  
Craigie Ave

Subs: \$30  
(payable at registration)

## WAIMATAITAI SKIDS



Waimataitai SKIDS Holiday Programme is now bookable. [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz) or contact Kim MacDonald, manager on ph: 0212899229. Term 4 programme is also bookable now



## Lucky Book Club

Issue No. 6 - Orders close Thursday, 12 September



Our annual Waimataitai Family Ski Day will be on Sunday, 15 September 2019. This is a day for friends and families of our school to head to the ski field for a heavily discounted day of skiing and snowboarding fun. To book online 'control click' the following link: [Please register here](#) Alternatively, paper versions can be downloaded here [Paper copy](#) or collect a form from the office. **Bookings close 11 September**