

Newsletter Week 10 Term 4 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Roll: 34 students

Kia ora koutou,

As we approach the final week of the school year, we're thrilled to invite you to the grand finale of 2023 – our very own movie premiere, "The Great Waikaretu Time Warp," featuring the talented stars of our school. Join us for an evening of cinematic delight as we celebrate the creativity and teamwork that went into bringing this production to life. A special thank you to our writer and director Julie Gifkins. Also, thanks to our director, editor and producer Bernie Denton-van Loon.

Following the premiere, we'll gather for our much-anticipated School Prize Giving, a special occasion to recognize and applaud the incredible efforts and achievements of our students. It's a time to reflect on the growth, dedication, and success that have defined this year.

As the year concludes, we extend our warmest wishes for a safe and joyful Christmas, and a well-deserved summer break. May this festive season be filled with relaxation, joy, and memorable moments for you and your loved ones.

A big thank you to you all for your support over the last four years as I led the school.

Thank you for being part of the Waikaretu School whaanau, and here's to a fantastic year ahead with Bernie Denton-van Loon as principal.

Ngaa mihi nui Justine Brock Principal

# Happy Birthday



Jasmine who turns 9 on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December Sienna turns 7 on Christmas Day Eli turns 9 on the 29<sup>th</sup> of December



PLEASE BRING A NAMED WATER BOTTLE AND YOUR OWN SPOON TO SCHOOL.

Every Friday we will heat up any food the children bring (Pie, sausage rolls, toasted sandwich etc) for lunch in the pie warmer. Please let them know to give their wrapped (not clingfilm), named food to a teacher in the morning.

#### **NEWSLETTER LIST UPDATES**





Do you want to be added to, deleted from or have your details updated for our delivered (via rural delivery) or emailed fortnightly newsletter? Perhaps you know someone new to the area who might like to receive a copy?

Please e-mail: admin@waikaretu.school.nz

#### **Newsletter Dates Term 4**

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

## **Important Dates**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December Wednesday 31st January Waikaretu School Prize Giving @ 5.15pm Last Day Term 4 First Day Term 1 2024

## Meet our new teacher Patrick Winkelman

Kia ora,

I am looking forward to teaching at Waikaretu School. I have always wanted to teach at a small rural school. I am originally from the northeast of America. I have been living in New Zealand for over 16 years and teaching years 1 to 13 for over 20 years. With the purchase of my first home in 2022, it looks as though I am going to be here for a bit longer. I am looking forward to meeting everyone.

Ngaa mihi, Patrick

#### **Community Notices**

Play Group @ Waikaretu School Library All pre-schoolers welcome!

1st and 3rd Monday of each month 9.30 a.m. Please contact Catherine

Hore: 021 1137770 <a href="mailto:cathhore@hotmail.com">cathhore@hotmail.com</a>

#### ATHOL'S LAWN MOWING and HEDGE CUTTING



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## **Garden To Table**

Our school is looking for a volunteer who either is experienced or wants to learn about growing vegetables and using these to prepare food.

Every Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3pm our Year 6 to 8 students learn about food technology by growing their own vegetables and using these ingredients to create delicious meals.

If you would like to share your knowledge on gardening or want to learn more, please contact our school on 09 2333014. For more information about Garden to Table please visit: <a href="www.gardentotable.org.nz">www.gardentotable.org.nz</a>



# Junior Sports Day at Ruawaro School















# **Senior Cluster Athletics @ Glen Massey School**











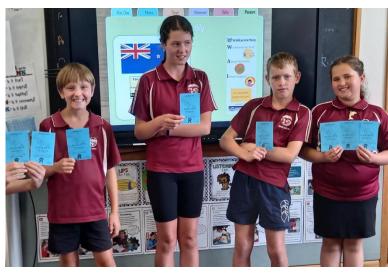








Stirling, Eli, Eric & Harrison got First Place in various events



Stirling, Zoe, Eric & Riria got Second Place in various events



Eric, Bailey, Jasper & Harrison got Third Place in various events

# Senior Cluster Athletics Certificates



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Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the children and staff at Waikaretu School

