



NEWSLETTER #3 - 28 March 2025

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Principal's Panui

We've had another stunning week of learning and a first term full of successes. Last week we hosted Victoria Irvine from the Education Review Office. The Board will get the report and have the opportunity to review and respond over a 10 day period before the final report is made public and available online. The visit was a positive learning experience with a strong focus on this government's new education initiatives and how they are being implemented.

Speaking of new initiatives, there is a big focus from the Ministry of Education on lifting the attendance of students nationwide. I encourage you to follow this link for more information.

[Attendance - Ministry of Education](#). In addition, I will send home a print out of your child/rens attendance for Term 1, 2025. The aim is to have 80% of students attend school 90% of the time. To help us record accurate attendance data, which is being analysed daily by the Ministry of Education, please let us know as soon as possible if your child/ren will be absent **and the reason**. [Attendance Code Decision Tree](#)

Thank you to everyone who attended the Working Bee, it was a lovely surprise to come back to a beautifully tended school. Our Term 3 Working Bee will focus on a planting programme to enhance certain areas of our school and also to provide shade in the future.

Once again parent support has been paramount in ensuring our tamariki have every opportunity to experience the full breadth of the curriculum. Our upcoming local combined camp at Mistletoe Bay has been supported by a grant from the Jack Checkley Trust and generous sponsorship from the Port Marlborough Sounds Discovery Fund. These funds will go towards paying for the Sailing Experience, the accommodation, the Lochmara Experience and the food costs.

We continue to be the very grateful recipients of the \$500 donation from Harcourts Marlborough, given by Martyn Birch on the successful sale of a Sounds property. If you are thinking of selling or buying, give Martyn a call. These funds are going towards the purchase of new books for the library, which will benefit not only our school students but also families in the wider community through 24/7 access to the Community Library, on the school grounds.

Periodically, we also receive donations from locals and businesses. This term we thank Ralph and Jeff Lukey, Sherry Honey from Nelson for their kind donations. We truly appreciate the continued support for Waitaria Bay School.



Thank you to our parents and to Whaea Marion for ensuring our students enjoyed the Pelorus Cluster Athletics Day. The weather was perfect and we really stood out in our bright yellow shirts. Congratulations to Annie Gerard for coming first overall in the Year 2 age group. A fun day was had by all.



BOARD NEWS

The Board is currently in the process of appointing a new teacher aide who will work on Tuesdays and Thursdays to support the classroom programme. The successful applicant will join the team at the beginning of Term 2. The Board also decided not to have a bi-election to appoint a staff member to the board, as the next Board elections are due to be held in September.

*Our School policies and procedures can be found at www.schooldocs.co.nz

Login/Username: **waitariabay**
 Password: **7283**

Helpful Info on the dashboard will take you to:

Quick Links for Parents and Whānau which has links to the most relevant policies and procedures for parents/whānau.

Current Review is where you will find the policies under review each term. There is a 3-year cycle which parents/whānau are encouraged to participate in.

Ngā mihi,
 Tineke and the team.

Term One 2025

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
10	31/3-4/4 4/4 5/4	Whaea Marion in School Pool Closes-please return keys Daylight Savings Ends	Kererū class Office	Students Key holders
11	7/4-10/4 8/4 11/4	Combined School Camp with Rotoiti Lakes School <i>Sailing Instruction as part of camp</i> Last day of the term	Mistletoe Bay	Staff and students

Term Two 2025

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
1 28/4-2/5				
2 5/5-9/5	7/5 8/5	Whaea Marion in First Aid for Students with St John's Pelorus Cluster Meeting	School Canvastown	Students Tineke
3 12-16/5	12/5	Board Meeting	School	Board members
4 19/5-23/5				
5 26/5-30/5	26/5 28-30/5	Whaea Marion in Numicon training NZEI Rural Teaching Principals' Conference	Christchurch Christchurch	Tineke Tineke
6 2/6-6/6	2/6 3/6	Kings Birthday-School Closed Manaroa Beach Clean TBC	Manaroa	Everyone
7 9/6-13/6		Whaea Marion in		
8 16/6-20/6	16/6 20/6	Board Meeting Matariki	School	Board Members
9 23/6-27/6	24/6 26/6 27/6	Life Education Caravan with Harold Pelorus Cluster Cross Country Last day of the term	Havelock Canvastown	Students/staff Everyone

SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS

Easter Lambs We have 4 live lambs for sale at \$150. Please register your interest with Agi at the Office. We may have to draw names from a hat if there is a lot of interest.

Firewood We have \$500 of cut firewood to sell. Best offer over \$500 will get the lot.

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE- Hard Antler



Waitaria Bay School is collecting deer buds/buttons and hard antlers.
We welcome any donations.

SPORT START SUPPORTED BY NBS

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Sport Start is a grant that has been made available through Sport Tasman with the support of NBS.

It is to support young people take part in sport and physical activity by providing assistance where financial hardship is a barrier to participation.

THE CRITERIA FOR THE SPORTSTART GRANT

- Financial hardship is a barrier to participation (Community Services Card Mandatory)
- Grants are for a maximum of up to \$30 - \$50 per application (see our website).
- Available for 5 - 18 year olds who reside in Buller, Kaikōura, Nelson, Marlborough or Tasman.
- Applicants are entitled to a maximum of two Sport Start applications per calendar year.

PROCESS TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE:

- Sports clubs and schools must be registered as a provider with Sport Tasman (see our website).
- Applications are to be completed by both the applicants and the sports club/school.
- Providers will be notified of funding acceptance.

For more information contact our Sport Start Co-ordinator or visit our website.



www.sporttasman.org.nz/Funding/Sportstart



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SPORT TASMAN

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DOG WALK AND GAMES DAY



4TH ANNUAL FUN EVENT
TOWN WALK, LINE-UP, GAMES, PRIZES, FOOD AND SOCIALISING

MEMORIAL PARK 29TH MARCH 2025
PICTON 9.30 AM - 2 PM

Town Walk - long and short walk
via marina, resthome

Bring family, friends and neighbours

FOR ALL AGES, ALL OPTIONAL

Games - Musical Statues
Team(4)/adult/kid Egg and Spoon
Best Trick + kids class
Fancy dress - dog, dog+owner
Look-alike pair (big + small dog)
Smallest to Tallest, Oldest dog,
Waggiest Tail and more...

Spot prizes, Music
Rally-O demonstration,
'Cinderella' **Boonies give away**
(boots valued at \$139)

Food, coffee + Mrs Whippy,



TRAFFIC LIGHT
BANDANAS



For Responsible
Dog Owners

Pre **Register** (\$15/dog) by 27th March
includes Free Bandana and entry to games
➔ Picton Vet Clinic or EVENTFINDA

Promoting safe dog interaction with
pethealthawareness.co.nz



Stop Dog
T-shirts

Promoting
Respectful interactions,
One paw at a time



UPDATE

Please check and update the phone list details if necessary. Email any required changes to office@waitariabay.school.nz. Thank you.

A		H	
		Hamlin, Ian	021 0224 1915
B		Harper, Rob	021 266 0763
Betteley, Kate	021 2484 666	Sabine	021 103 9351
Bigley, Pete	021 455 593	Hartley, Rob	027 3309742
Boswell, Carol	021 065 6789	Lucia	027 6947894
Brian	027 864 2643	Harvey/Watson, Adrian & Adi	579 8491
Bowron, Robin & Alison	573 4432	Harvey, Keelan	027 394 0671
	027 454 4712	Hebberd	579 8057
Bradley, Roly	579 8014	Hedley, Andrew & Gillian	021 333 654
Brown, Nannette	573 4279	Hertoghs, Frans & Maud	573 4545
Bush Telegraph inquiries	972 0045	Hodgson, CG	579 8293
	027 4884402	Hook, Trevor & Jann	573 4089
C		Hopewell Lodge, Mike & Lynley	573 4341
Campbell, Alan	021 079 0715	Hopkinson, Rod & Emma	579 8447
Clarke, Brian	573 4272	J	
Clarke, Graeme & Liz	579 8225	Jamieson, Josh & Kate	579 8084
Clegg, Mike & Lynley	573 4341	Jamieson, Talbot & Jan	027 351 1026
Clegg, Phil & Deb	021 045 1358	Jansen/Kroon, Joop & Hanneke	022 106 9625
Clova Cribs	579 8113	Jenkins, Robyn	573 4342
Codlin, Graeme & Wendy	021 1768592	Jones, Ben	027 365 5994
Conquest, Pete & Teresa	579 8100	Jones, Kim & Sandra	021 254 2684
Crocker, Bryan & Robbie	573 4339	Jones, Ralph & Cynthia	972 0001
Currie/Wilson, Ian & Anne	573 4004	K	
	027 948 2612	Kerr, Mick	027 2267155
Curties, Nicola & Benjamin Nic	021 2443018	Kilgour, Bruce & Brenda	573 4543
Ben	027 4787733	King, Andrew & Sandra	573 4390
Cusiel, Brett	573 4522	L	
Cusiel, Allison	573 4404	Lang, Alex	021 572 609
D		Lang, Betty	021 069 9505
Day, Marion	579 8448	Lilly, P	027 245 5566
Dowle, Ally	021 952 787	Lottermoser, Eugen & Erika	573 4565
Helen	021 226 1484	M	
Duckworth, Chris	021 965 047	Macdonald, Arron	022 151 6617
E		Noreen	021 180 1527
Edwards, Jill	027 433 0588	Mackie, Jason	021 727 247
Evans, Susan & P (Taradale)	579 8136	Mander, Debi & Paul	03 972 0153
Eyles, Barrie	021 176 6612	Debi	027 268 5363
F		Paul	027 416 5310
Fitzgibbon, Helen	027 573 4215	Mann, Ron	027 473 4182
Fitzgibbon, Mike	027 447 3988	Marchant, Cliff & Dianne	579 8483
G		McClelland, BG	573 4125
Gerard, Mike & Kristen	579 8232	McFarlene/Lewis Dave	021 404 406
Gerard, Will	022 1992005	Dorothy	027 689 7995
Georgie	027 392 0989	McGillivray, Neil & Ginni	021 022 52654

Giddy, Tineke	027 298 2541	McNab	021 296 5536
Godsiff, Helen	027 6037916	Menzies, Bob & Caroline	579 8222
Godsiff, D	579 8292	Moleta, Braden	579 8062
Godsiff, Chris	573 4660	Moleta, N&D	579 8064
Goodlass, Jamie	027 249 2900		
	Dennise 027 449 1601		

N		V	
Norris	573 4666	van der Linden, Kees & Irma	573 4662
Neal, Lyel & Gillian	579 8007	Irma	027 277 6075
Lyel	027 448 6858	W	
Gillian	021 268 4503	Waitaria Bay School	573 4377
O		Warren, Mark	027 223 5022
O'Connell, Laurence & Sheryl	027 302 4831	Wells, Gary & Vicki	573 4814
Offen, Trevor & Lynley	579 8113	Wilson, AJ	573 4107
Orchard, Gary & Ellen	573 4203	Wood, Patricia	573 4799
Gary	027 434 5488	Whitehead, Andrew	021 734 623
Ellen	021 141 3235	Marlene	021 439 741
Osborne-Bartlett, Emily & Mitch	573 4345	Whitham, David Thomas	573 4799
Emily	021 892552	Withell, Sylvia & Ross	573 4833
P		Y	
Powlesland, Ralph & Mary	027 386 3323	Young, Johnny	021 028 66980
Podjursky/Day, Steve & Marion	579 8448	Young/Godsiff, John & Lyn	573 4909
Price, Kevin	0220851437	Z	
Chris	0276481859	Ziegler, Peter & Ursula	573 4263
Price, Gary	027 4423690		027 539 0493
Mel	972 0045	Rural Mail	
Pudney family	573 4302	Adam Coleman	027 255 8882
Punga Cove	579 8561	EMERGENCY NUMBERS	
R		Power outage	577 7007
Radzik/Takacs, Karoly & Agnes	021 081 61168	Blenheim Police	578 5279
Raetihi Lodge	573 4300	Havelock Police	574 2011
Rands, Amos & Paula	928 4436	Havelock Med	574 2233
Redwood, AB	579 8172		
Richards, Mike	573 4029	Civil Defence/Emergency Management	
Rolston, Lorraine & Ron	573 4877	Call the Blenheim Emergency Operations Center	520 7490
Rowe, Stuart & Gail	021 563 573		
S			
Schulz/Koester, Stefan & Heike	021 161 8451	Wairau Emg Depot	520 9939
Screen, Sharon	027 289 1006		
Sharp	021 443 749	Wairau after hours GP	579 4871
Sheppard, J	579 8010		
Smith, Warren	021 294 5695	WATER TAXIS	
Solomon, J	573 4523	Kenepuru Water Taxi 2023 Ltd	573 4344
Stevens, AJ	573 4406		027 472 7200
Stevens, Julie & Nelson	573 4888	Gary Orchard	573 4203
Stewart, Paul	021 184 8433		027 434 5488

Stone, G	573 4052	FIRE & any EMERGENCY:
Sumby, Maureen	573 4103	
Sumby, Neville	021 265 9828	Call: 111
T		
Takacs, Agnes	021 081 61168	
Taylor, Tania	021 767 225	
Te Mahia Bay Resort	573 4089	For fire permits go to:
Teonea, Rebecca & Danny	022 140 6092	
Thompson, GM	579 8182	Go to: www.checkitsalright.nz
Tipler, Maryanne	573 4939	
Toms, Trevor & Judy	574 2218	Notes:
Turner, Marina	027 247 0881	
Mason	027 463 8515	



Giving back to the community

Nominate [Waitaria School](#), [Waitaria Settlers' Hall](#), [Kenepuru Rural Women](#) when you list your home exclusively with Harcourts Marlborough and we will donate **\$500** on the sale of your home.

Harcourts has a long history of supporting the local community. The Helping Hands Network is our way of giving back to a community that has supported us for over 35 years.

Talk to **Martyn Birch**, your Harcourts Sounds Specialist on 027 570 5036.



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