



NEWSLETTER #6 -23rd June 2025

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Principal's Panui

A big thank you to the team and especially Agi for stepping in at short notice, while I was on leave attending to family matters. My parents are now settling into their assisted care facility. It means a lot to know that all is well and the team at Waitaria Bay School keeps things running smoothly for our tamariki in my absence.

Last Tuesday, we said goodbye to McCartney and Samara who have moved out of the area. We wish them all the best in their new home closer to town.

Matariki is a time to remember those who have passed, celebrate the present with whānau and friends, and set goals for the coming year (June to June). We'll be celebrating our learning to date and setting learning goals for the next half of the school year this week, capturing student voice, with reports to go home in the first week of next term, followed by learning conferences.

As we head into the final week of term 2, we are looking forward to our Life Education visit. Due to the likelihood of heavy rain on Thursday the cross country has been postponed to Thursday 17th July, in Week 1 of Term 3, which still gives time for entries into the Marlborough District Cross Country for the top competitors. We also have our termly Litter Intelligence Survey/Beach clean to fit in. If the weather and tides are favourable, we'll try for Wednesday from noon.

Looking ahead to Term 3 with Whaea Marion away in the UK, my principal release will be a little different. Lucia Hartley will be in each Monday teaching the children while Agi and I complete the administration and management tasks respectively. I will teach from Tuesday to Friday each week. Agi will cover any additional days if required, usually on a Thursday. Whaea Marion will be back for Week 9, on the 8th of September.

In August the school will host the Waitaria Bay Settlers Hall Community Dinner. We have booked SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST and we'd like to make it a themed night to remember! Talk amongst yourselves, get the WhatsApp chatter going- we'd love to hear your ideas.

Thank you for Ally and Helen Dowle from Dowle Farming for their generous donation.



BOARD NEWS

Thanks to everyone who helped with the working bee. The weather has not been kind and the last few tasks will be completed as the weather allows.

September has been set aside for the triennial school board elections. There are 3 parent trustee positions and 1 staff trustee position to be filled. The board has appointed Judith Wallace as our returning officer. Judith will call for nominations in due course following the guidelines set out by the New Zealand School Boards Association formerly NZSTA.

*Our School policies and procedures can be found at www.schooldocs.co.nz
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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 Two 2025

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
9 23/6-27/6	24/6 25/6 27/6	Life Education Caravan with Harold Manaroa Beach Clean Last day of the term	Havelock Manaroa	Students/staff Everyone

Term Three 2025

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
1 14-18/07	14/07 17/07	Lucia in Pelous Cluster Cross Country	Canwastown	Whole school
2 21-25/07	21/07	Lucia in		
3 28/07-01/08	28/07 31/07 02/08	Board meeting Agi in Social SATURDAY! - School Fundraiser	School WBS Hall	Board All
4 04-08/08	07/08	Agi in		
5 11-15/08	11/08	Lucia in		
6 18-22/08	18/08	Lucia in		
7 25-29/08	25/08 29/08	Lucia in Teacher Only Day, school closed Numicon maths training	Havelock	Tineke
8 01-05/09	01/09	Manaroa Beach cleaning, Lucia in, BoT meeting	Manaroa Board	Everyone School
9 08-12/09	8-12/09	Marion in - principal release		
10 15-19/09	16-17/09 19/09	Maud Island Pet Day, Last day of the term	Y5-6 School	Maud Island All



First Aid Course

Two First Aid Courses are being held, one in **Havelock on 12th July**. If you are interested, contact REAP Marlborough - Sharon Blount sharon@reapmarlborough.co.nz

The other one is in **Waitaria Bay Hall on Sunday, 12th December**. Please contact Ellen Orchard 03 5734203 or email gary@pelorustours.co.nz for details and bookings. Cost \$120 pp for full and refresher covering NZQA 6401 and 6402. 10 people minimum.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS



2026 Fundraising Calendar Call for Photo Submissions!

It's that time again — we're starting to plan our **2026 Waitaria Bay School Fundraising Calendar**, and we need your help!


We'd love to feature more of your **stunning Marlborough Sounds landscape photos**. If you have a great shot that captures the beauty of our region, please send it to office@waitariabay.school.nz

Submission guidelines:

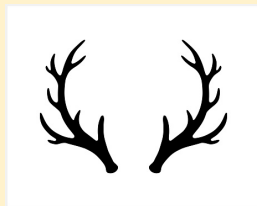
- Minimum file size: **1MB**
- **Landscape orientation** only
- **No pet animals or pupils** in the photo



to everyone who contributed last year, we completely **sold out** of our 2025 calendars! It was a fantastic success, and we couldn't have done it without our amazing community. Let's do it again!

 **Deadline: 16 July 2025**

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE- Hard Antler



Waitaria Bay School is collecting deer buds/buttons and hard antlers.

We welcome any donations. Thank you!

To the communities of Havelock, Pelorus, Rai Valley, Linkwater and Pelorus Sounds,

Thank you for supporting this year's Havelock Mussel and Seafood Festival, which proved once again that our small community can deliver a really good festival and draw people to our area from other provinces all around NZ.

Part of our goal of the Festival is to return profits to the community through a Grants application and selection process, if finances allow. Although we did make a small profit this year, we are very aware of the rising costs we are facing as well as the tightening of funding available, to help us run the festival. Therefore, the committee has decided not to offer Grants this year. This will ensure that we have enough financial resources to stage the festival again in 2026.

The opportunities the Festival provides for local groups to do some fundraising on the day is of huge benefit to the community, and we will be encouraging more community involvement in the next festival.

Looking forward to 2026

Jennie Johnson (HMSF Committee Secretary) Office@havelockmusselfestival.co.nz



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T&C's: To be included in the competition registrations must be received online by 5pm 25 September 2025. Entrants must be 18 or under and a school student.



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DISABILITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

ARE YOU A YOUNG PERSON
(AGED 5-30) WITH A DISABILITY
OR IMPAIRMENT – OR A PART OF
THEIR WHĀNAU? WE WANT TO
HEAR FROM YOU!

Help us understand the real challenges and opportunities in accessing sport and recreation in our community.

Together, we can shape a future where **tamariki** and **rangatahi** can **move, play, and thrive!**



*Be in to
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All completed surveys go in the draw to win 1 of 2 \$50 Prezy Cards.



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There is also a **\$400** prize pack for the top 3 mini houses.



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Here's something **FUN** to keep you busy these school holidays!

You can use anything you want to build with - so have a look around the home and see what you can find.

Open to Marlborough students up to Year 13.

Drop your Mini House to Harcourts Marlborough by 18 July.

More info at www.morefm.rova.nz



Marlborough Book Festival 2025



Fri 18 - Sun 20 July

Featuring: Damien Wilkins, Lucy Blakiston, Olivia Spooner, Sam Gibson, Jude Dobson, Monty Soutar, Peter Miehara, Sarah de Silva, Julie Zhu, Nalin Singh, Richard Shaw, Stacey Grogan

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