

NEWSLETTER #3 - 21 March 2024

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Kia tū, Kia māia, Kia rere Stand tall - Be brave - Fly high



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Principal's Panui



<u>School Production</u> -values of Aspiration, Initiative, Achievement You may have noticed that your child/ren have been bringing home songs to learn in their Word Work Books. This is because we have been invited by Rotoiti School (our unofficial sister school) to collaborate in a whole school production. Production dates are set as **Tuesday 2nd July evening for stage set up, Wednesday 3rd July for dress rehearsals, and Thursday 4th July (the final week of Term 2)** for a matinee and evening performance. This is a unique opportunity for our students to be part of a whole school performance. The production is called "The Rocky Monster Show". Our students will take the role of the 'Waitaria Superbs', and possibly some of the villagers roles along with joining in the chorus

work. We will join in rehearsals via zoom sessions. Rotoiti School is using the Community Centre over the road from their school and will be booking professional lighting and sound techs, as well as a videographer. This event will require our school to travel on Tuesday, stay in overnight accommodation for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings with Friday being the travel home day. A Google form will be sent out to gather the information needed to make travel arrangements, book accommodation and catering etc. If you would like to help with the organisation of the logistics please email office@waitariabay.school.nz and we will be in touch.

<u>**Our Values**</u> We are exploring what the values of Aspire, Respect, Initiative and Achievement mean and celebrating them each day. We are using the four manu (birds) to remind us of each of the values. Once a fortnight, usually on a Friday we recognise students that have demonstrated the values in action over the past week or two. They receive a certificate and get to take home their bird for the weekend. Sometimes students nominate each other, sometimes they get to nominate themselves and sometimes the staff team have input as well. Through these discussions and recognition we are reinforcing our values so that they become fully embedded.

2024 Biosecurity Award Finalist On the evening of Monday 8th of April Keri, Emma, Agi and I will represent Waitaria Bay School at the Awards ceremony which is being held in Parliament in Wellington. Mr Dan Cowie will be teaching on Monday and Tuesday and Lucia will be our teacher aide. I will be in touch with families individually as



we need to make some alternative bus travel arrangements for those two days.

Swimming Our swimming pool is heated and sits at around 27 degrees, however the cooler mornings and wind chill factor, along with student overall health and wellbeing means that the decision to swim or not will be made on a daily basis for the remainder of this term. The pool will close for the season on Friday 12th April.

Ka pai to ra,

Tineke and the team

BOARD NEWS

*The Board reviewed a number of policies. Policies can also be viewed and/or reviewed by staff and parents Our School policies and procedures can be found at <u>www.schooldocs.co.nz</u>

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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. Current Review is where you will find the policies under review each term. There is a 3 year cycle.

*The Board is in support of the Whole School Production initiative and signed off a painting and maintenance contract which will see the school sporting new colours by the end of 2024.

*The Board also prioritised the actions from the 2024/2025 strategic goals that will form this year's annual targets/plan and will share these in due course.

<u>Education Review Office</u> the Board welcomes our Evaluation Partner, Victoria Irvine, who will be working with us as we complete a School Improvement Framework process and a Board Assurance Statement.-These documents are to be completed by **Tuesday 23rd July**. This will be followed by an onsite visit in Week 5 (19-23rd) August.



Thank you to Robbie, Kate, Josh, Karoly, Agi, and Colin for helping out at the Havelock Mussel Festival. We raised \$600 for our school. Thanks also to "Happy" for his kind donation.



NEW FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE- Hard Antier

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

School Term Dates

TERM ONE:29 January- 12 April 2024 (Easter 29 March- 2 April)TERM TWO:29 April- 5 July 2024TERM THREE:22 July- 27 September 2024TERM FOUR:14 October- 13 December 2024

Term 1 2024

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
9	27/3 Fri 29/3	Firewise visit Good Friday- Easter Break School Closed	School	Students Everyone
10	1/4 2/4	Easter Monday- School Closed Easter Tuesday- School Closed		Everyone Everyone
11	8/4	Biosecurity Awards Ceremony 5.30pm-10.00pm	Parliament Wellington	4 Representatives
	12/4	Last day of Term One	School	

Mark the date in your calendar... Saturday, 25-27th April Sounds Hunting and Fishing Competition (School Fundraising opportunity)

Term 2 2024

Week	Date	What	Where	Who
1 29/4-3/5				
2 6-10/5				
3 13-17/5	14/5 16/5	Whaea Marion in Board meeting Pelorus Principals Cluster	Classroom Havelock	Board members Tineke
4 20-24/5				
5 27-31/5	29-31/5	Whaea Marion in Rural Principals Conference	Wellington	Tineke
6 3-7/6	3/6 6/6 7/6	King's Birthday- School Closed Manaroa Beach Clean Pelorus Cluster Speech Competition MoE PLD Day School Closed	Manaroa Waitaria	Everyone Years 5-8
7 10-14/6	13/6	Speech Comp postponement		
8 17-21/6	20/6	Whaea Marion in Board meeting	Classroom	Board
9 24-28/6	28/6	Matariki- School Closed		
10 1-5/7	2-4/7 5/7	Whole School Production Rotoiti Last day of School	Rotoiti	Everyone

Sounds Hunting & Fishing Competition 25 - 27 April 2024



Competition Hours:

1pm Thursday 25 April - 3pm Saturday 27 April

Weigh-in: 2pm - 3:30pm Saturday 27 April at Manaroa Woolshed

Entry Fee for Weigh-in & Prize Giving:

\$5 per adult (includes hunters and spectators). Under 18 free! *Kids Activities:* 3pm

Presentation of trophies and BBQ: Late afternoon/early evening

Bring cash for entry, raffles, school fundraiser - BYO alcohol and meat/plate for shared BBQ dinner Inquiries to Will Gerard 022 199 2005

HUNTING & FISHING CLASSES:

PIGS

Best Boar (Robbins Shield) Best Tusks (Jones Trophy) Best Sow (Orchard Cup) Best Stalked Pig (Gerard/Harvey Trophy)

DEER

Best 'Sounds Head' Best Deer (Club Knife)

OPEN

Most Possums Shot/Trapped (during competition hours)

RULES

* Area eligible for hunting – central Pelorus, Kenepuru and outer Sounds at Committee's discretion.
* Hunters eligible: all Sounds locals. Non-locals to be hunting with/vouched for by a local.
* Animal presentation: must be fully gutted.
* No long-lines or nets.

* Hunters must observe firearm safety rules and respect private property boundaries.

* Trophies: presented annually and remain the property of club. Winners responsible for engraving.

FISH

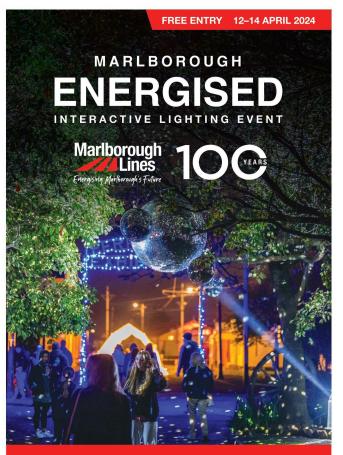
Heaviest Fish caught on a rod or spearfishing (excludes sharks & stingrays)

JUNIOR (UNDER 18)

Best Young Hunter (Pete Timoko Trophy) Biggest Pig (Zane Collins Trophy) Biggest Possum Biggest Rabbit Biggest Goat Biggest Fish (No Eels!)



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9am-3pm | Cnr Thomsons Ford & Old Renwick Rd | www.mll.co.nz