

Hello      Tena koutou      Talofa lava      Fakaalofa atu      Namaste  
 Talofa ni      Malo e lelei      Kia orana      Konnichiwa      Malo ni  
 Ni sa bula vinaka      Bula      Selamat Pagi      Nin hao



# Te Kura o Wairau

## Tāne Mahuta Awards

Room 7 – Malachi

Room 14 – Kemu & Qaeda

## Assembly Awards

### Wairautanga Awards

**Classroom** – Malachi, So'o, Milemoti, Quinn & Johnny-Mac

**Playground** – Ezra, So'o, California-Shine, Harness & Jasmin

**Top Cat Class** – Room 12

**Lunch with Mrs Johnson**

Te Waiohū & Te Riuu



## Star Staff Award

Whaea Lisa received this award for all the behind the scenes organisation that it takes to run a camp.



Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Kia ora  
Whanau & Friends of Te Kura o Wairau

### **Teacher Only Days - Term 4**

Structured Literacy Teacher Only Day on Tuesday  
14th October - Week 2 of Term 4

Mathematics & Statistics Teacher Only Day on Friday  
24th October - Week 3 of Term 4.

### **Camp Concert**

We had such an amazing concert 3 weeks ago that was held to help raise funds for our senior camp and to provide an opportunity for our students to showcase their talents and passions through music, dance and performance. Our Just Brass group started the evening and were then followed by both group and individual performances that were much welcomed and celebrated by our whānau and friends. Our hall was full, and the kai was much welcomed. As it was the end of Cook Island Language week too, we acknowledged this by lowering the flag and ending our concert and week with a karakia. Thank you to everyone who supported this kaupapa.

### **Whole School Assembly**

Last week Rooms 5 & 6 led our whole school assembly. We celebrated our students' mahi, and their achievements with their Uara Awards, Student Leaders Awards and Road Patroller Awards. We also included our Tongan Flag lowering ceremony at this assembly. As part of this we were very fortunate to have Pou Sia's Dad close our ceremony by lowering the Tongan flag and then blessing this time with us. Our last whole school assembly for Term 3 is on Friday 12th September (Week 9). Room 11 will be leading this assembly.

### **ParentTeacher Interviews**

Next week on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September we will be holding our Parent/Teacher Interviews. An online booking system is set up for you to book your tamariki interviews with their kaiako. To make a booking to meet your child's teacher please follow the link, book with your teacher, or at the office, so you can secure the timings you want.



At this hui you will learn more about how your child/ren are doing in their Reading, Writing and Mathematics in comparison to the information you learnt at the end of Term 2.

### **Tongan Language Week**

We began our recognition and celebration of the Tongan Language Week with our Flag Raising Ceremony last Monday morning. The sun was shining for us on this day which meant we could hold our ceremony outside. Thank you Pou Sia for organising some of our Tongan community members to join us. They contributed to our ceremony by raising the Tongan flag and blessing our week.





### Attendance Matters

At assembly we acknowledged the two students that have had 100% attendance this year. I would also like to congratulate the 85 students and their whānau who are achieving the government's target of 90% attendance. This means that over 50% of our students are having less than 5 days off per term. We need to be getting to 80% of our students attending. Please reach out to Pou Steph if there is anything we can do to support your student.

### Today is Daffodil Day

We acknowledged 'Daffodil Day' and supported the cancer society by dressing in yellow today and donating any pūtea/money to the Cancer Society. Thank you everyone who showed their support towards this.

### Market Day - Camp Fundraising - Saturday 30th August 9am-1pm

Tomorrow is our Market Day at our kura. There will be different food trucks available for you to buy yummy food from. There will be stalls with items you can purchase. We even have 'The Lash Lounge' beautician Sarah coming in who can do some threading and make you more beautiful as you browse around the market. Please come along and join us for a fun filled morning.

### Camp

Today is the day that the payment for your child/ren attending the Senior Camp to Forest Lakes is due - \$200:00. Please pop in to pay for this at our office.

Nga mihi nui  
Teena Johnson  
Tumuaki/Principal



Pa Isaiah, Pou Sia, Pou Amy & Pou Lynn showing us their great dancing skills during assembly.

## Sports News

### OUTSTANDING SPORTS FEES

As a kura we really value the importance of sports and physical activity for children's growth and development. For this reason we heavily subsidise sports fees. The amount we ask from you has been discounted in most cases by 50%. Please can you pay your contribution as soon as possible. If easier you are able to pay it off in parts, just let the office know. What is also exciting is that we contribute more if you choose to coach. Please reach out if this interests you.

**The PE team- Pou Steph, Pou Lisa. Pa Isaiah, Pou Amy and Pa Jah.**

The sports fees are listed below, please pay at the office. Nga mihi nui

**Netball - \$40**  
**Touch- \$35**

**Jump Jam - \$10**  
**Tee ball-\$10**

**Basketball - \$40**  
**Flipperball-\$35**

### Board of Trustee Elections

The Board of Trustees elections are taking place in September. This is very important as you, as parents/caregivers, are eligible to vote for people to represent your school and to sit on the Board of Trustees, which runs your school. Nominations have now closed. You will be advised via email or snail mail by **Schooled Election Pilot** of further actions needed to be taken by yourselves prior to the 10th September 2025.

# TRY SOFTBALL

**FREE FUN DAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY. AGE 0+**  
**30TH AUG & 7TH SEPT**

**TAKARO PARK**  
**9.30AM - MIDDAY**



KIDS SEASON FEES FREE THANKS TO



Takaro Softball Club



## Vaccination Drive

Canine Vaccination drive thru – Vaccination, Health Check and Microchipping for your dog.

**WHEN:** 13 September 2025

**TIME:** 1pm-4pm

**WHERE:** Highbury Whanau Centre

155 Highbury Avenue, Highbury, Palmerston North



This event is a drive-thru, please stay in your vehicle and keep your dog on a lead inside the car until instructed otherwise.



### School Facebook page

Keep in touch with the Kowhai, Rata, and Kahikatea teams, on their facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly puts photos and exciting news of what is happening within their teams and around the school.

Search for them:

[Te Kura o Wairau Kowhai Team,](#)

[Te Kura o Wairau Rata Team,](#)

[Te Kura o Wairau Kahikatea Team.](#)



Download the School App for up-to-date notices, and to let us know if your child/ren will be absent from school.



# Te Kura o Wairau

### Vomiting Bugs

Please remember if your child is away from school due to vomiting, they should not return to school until 48 hours after vomiting has ceased.

### Dental Treatment

The Mobile Dental Clinic is visiting our school at present. You can call them on 0274440085. Or you can contact the Dental Unit after hours at The Palms in Ferguson Street - Phone 3547737 or 0800 825583.

### School Uniform @ Academy Apparel

A reminder that Academy Apparel in Broadway Ave stock our school uniform, so if we don't have what you require in stock at school you have the option to purchase it there. You can also shop online through their website - & "Click & Collect". Our school community can also go to them for their Winz purchases.

### LOST PROPERTY!

Please be sure to come and have a look through the lost property for any lost items on a regular basis. Items are displayed outside Room 4 at present.

**PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for ANY reason.**

**Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or download the school app (from School Apps or scan the QR code below) and leave a message.**

**If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as TRUANT.**

***If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, PLEASE let the office know.***

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