

# Waiau School Newsletter

Learning for Life

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## 2017 What's Happening

Wednesday 29th March  
BOT Meeting 1pm

Sunday 2nd April  
Topp Twins - Hanmer Springs 11am.  
Fundraiser for New Pool

Tuesday 4th April  
Coffee session for parents with  
Michelle Cole CDHB & Ken -  
Community Police School Library.  
2pm

11th & 12th April  
Learning Conferences Yr 4-6

Thursday 13th April  
End of Term 1

Monday 1st May  
Term 2 Begins

Tuesday 2nd May  
Rawiri Manawatu - Kau Papa Māori  
in our School



## Congratulations to Pheonix Jimmink

- The winner of the Eastmond Cup, for the most improvement in swimming this year.



Today we celebrated our swimming achievements over this term, with the presentation of Swimming New Zealand certificates and special awards. We are so grateful for our temporary pool from "Pools For Schools" and for being able to go to Rotherham Pool for the senior challenges, our school swimming sports, and our O'Malley Cup.



## Student of the week - Hollie Scarlet

Hollie could be student of the week every week. She constantly shows respect, responsibly and resilience everyday. Well done Hollie!



# Trailride

## Congratulations Everyone!

Another Waiiau School Trailride fundraiser has been successfully completed.

Thankfully there were few injuries and every aspect ran smoothly. The riders loved the courses and were very appreciative of the wonderful organisation of the event. They are all super keen to return next year.

A special thank you goes out to the landowners who have so generously opened up their properties for our School fundraiser. Saturday's ride was at the properties of the Angus, Sue, Hamish and Debbie Galletly and Hamish and Sue McFarlane and on Sunday the properties of Jason and Tracy McDonald and Tom and Meg McFarlane. Our fundraising would not be possible without their generosity.

A huge number of hours has been put in by many people - often with the jobs going unseen. Thank you to all of the volunteers, the school families and those from the community.

A few extra thank you's to the trailride committee: Trailride manager - Chris Scarlett and his committee, course managers - Chris Scarlet and Greg Williams, overall meal coordinator - Kristen Diederich, volunteer coordinator - Tracey McDonald, Saturday lunch - Karen Forbes and Sarah Williams, Sunday lunch Kerry Florance and Kirsten Scarlet, signage and resources - Alix Bush and entries and enquiries - Bridget Galbraith.

This fundraiser was a great success. It benefits the school immensely and make a real difference for our children.

Thank you all very very much.



# Bus Safety

We recently had a visit from Constable Ken Terry, Education Officer for the NZ Police. He spent the morning working with our bus monitors and then all the children on bus safety and getting to and from school safely.

This is what the children came up with regarding behaviour and safety on and off the buses:

## Waiting for the Bus

by Jack, Archie and Jake.

- Stay well away from the road
- Wear your vest so the bus driver can see you
- Do not run across the road
- Wait till the bus has completely stopped
- Don't shout on the bus
- Make sure there are no cars coming
- The youngest kids get on first

## Travelling on the Bus

by Madie, Ewan and Eli.

- Face the right way
- Nothing blocking the aisle
- No loud noise
- Don't distract the bus driver
- Listen to the bus monitor
- Seat belts on (if there are seat belts)

## Getting Off the Bus

by Bryce, James and Todd.

- Wait until the bus has stopped before you get up to leave
- Parents should wait on the same side as the bus stops
- Say thank you to the bus driver
- When crossing the road, wait 2 power poles and cross the road if needed

## The names of the bus drivers are as follows:

Cheddar Valley:	Allan Bevan	022 315 7708
Leslie Hills:	Lee Cleverley	021 163 5999
Inland Road:	Kaye Burbury	021 0221 3254 - 315 6036
Sherwood:	Mike Hillyer	027 315 8391

# Writing Examples

## Room 3

When Matua Rawiri came to talk to Room 3 about Maori we learnt about the maps of the South Island. I personally enjoyed the songs we sang and learnt. The things we did with Rawiri were songs, maps and counting in Maori.

When the day was finished I had a huge smile. I can't wait to sing the song we learnt at assemblies and at the Marae when we go and visit.

By Todd

On Tuesday we went to softball with Room 3. The game was in Culverden at the Amuri Area School. I learnt that sometimes the rules change. The batting was my favourite and I also liked the fielding.

We got into the finals but, we lost. It was a good game. I can't wait until next year and we will win that trophy.

By Hendrix

### Softball

On Tuesday 21 of March Waiau School went to Amuri Area School for softball. My heart was pounding like a trumpet as I hit the ball then I run to base one then I decided to run all the way home.

I was a little tired so I waited to see who is in the finals but Waiau 1 didn't get in the finals. My day was amazing and seeing everyone trying their best. I would love to play again next year, if I could.

By Olivia.

## Room 1

On Sunday Jay, Hunter and I went to the beach on a very nice day. First we went to the flying foxy. It was fun. Next we went home. Finally to sleep. I felt happy. Next time I want to go to another beach.

By Drover

I see a crocodile and it is eating fish. I wonder if the crocodile does come back.

By Issy

I saw a tiger. I wonder if I could be a tiger. It has sharp teeth. It has red eyes. It also has stripes too. It has sharp claws too. I think it is scary.

By Billy

## F.Y.I

### Parent Teacher Interviews and Student Led Conferences

**All Year 1 - 3** will have a Parent/Teacher meeting every 6 months from their start date at school (when they turn five). Your class teacher will contact you and organise a 20 minute interview to discuss progress and celebrate your children's success's at school.

**All Year 4 - 6** students will have a 3 way conference (parent/teacher/student) from the 11th - 12th April. Please indicate what interview time suits you best on the form in this newsletter.

### Clothing/Shoes Donated

We recently received some shoes from Postie Plus in Hokitika and boys clothing and girls bags from Urban Surf Fashion & Living Boutique in Sumner. There is some lovely things! If you would like to come in and have a look though the shoes and take some that fit your children. We will be leaving them in the interview room opposite the school office if you would like to come in and have a look through. Please pass the message onto any other Waiau locals who may be interested as there is many preschooler age shoes.

Hope to see everyone at the Hanmer 4 Waiau Event with the Topp Twins on Sunday!

Kind regards

*Mary Kimber*  
Principal

## HANMER 4 WAI AU - Sunday 2nd April, 11am - 5pm

Our friends Music & Arts Hanmer Springs in conjunction with the Hanmer Springs Thermal Reserve are pleased to be hosting The Topp Twins & Friends as a fundraising event for the Wai au Pool Rebuild Project

Entry is the normal pools entry fee, no pre –booking required and entry gives you access to the usual pool facilities plus all the entertainment.

50% of entry fee is to be donated to our fundraising efforts!!

This should be a fun day out for all the family and we are hugely appreciative of the support and effort that has gone into arranging this event on our behalf. See you there! (P.S.You don` t have to swim to enjoy this event!)

### Provisional Programme

11.30am - Hanmer Sings

12.15pm - Katy Pakinga

1pm - Eddie Simon

1.45pm - Test of Time

3pm - Topp Twins

3.45pm - “Spark”

4pm - Topp Twins



A few Items left from the Classic Cars Rally. If they are yours could you please collect them from the staffroom bench.

# Waiau Top Town Community Event

Saturday, 8 April, 2pm, followed by a community BBQ

Waiau Rugby Grounds

Join in the fun of the top town challenge at the Waiau rugby grounds! The challenge games will last about 1.5 hrs and will be followed by a community BBQ and catch up.

Sort out your team of 6- 8 people, or just register yourself and we will make sure you are added to a team. Activities are suitable for 7yrs +



Let us know you are  
coming by emailing:  
[events@hurunui.govt.nz](mailto:events@hurunui.govt.nz)

If you are not keen to participate we do need volunteers to help man the stations so please still come down and lend a hand then stay for the bbq afterwards!