

NEWS FROM AROUND SCHOOL



HALLOWEEN DRESS UP DAY!



PASSION PROJECTS - Hugh McEwan and his watercolour painting created in the art passion group with Antoinette.

ARE YOU A KEEN BAKER?

Bring your best treats to the Waitati Market on Sunday and help raise funds for the school. Drop off from 9 am at Waitati Market - We'll be there selling homemade baking to support our school — and we'd love for you to join us! Whether you're bringing goodies or just coming to enjoy the atmosphere, your support makes a difference.

See you there! Sunday 02 Nov 9am - 1pm.



PLEASE RETURN TROPHIES TO THE OFFICE

It's that time of year when we start to plan for the end of term prizegiving (where has the year gone?!) Please can you return your trophies to the school office as soon as possible.

COMING UP THIS WEEK!

Sunday 02 November

- Waitati Market fundraising stall - please bring baking to sell at the market from 9am.

Monday 03 November

- Music lunch club with Robyn

Tuesday 04 November

- Drumming with Jamie 12 - 3 pm
- Music lunch club with Jamie
- Swamp lunch club with Nathan
- Blueskin Cafe Lunch order deadline - midday

Wednesday 05 November

- School photos for those who missed out.
- Tech at DNI for years 7 & 8
- Fundraising Meeting at school 3-4 pm

Thursday 06 November

- Junior athletics in Palmerston for years 1-3 (all day)
- Piano with Brenda 11am-2pm
- Blueskin Cafe Lunch delivery
- Ceramic lunch club with Stephen

Friday 07 November

- Guitar and ukulele with Che, 9-9.30am.
- Passion Projects 11am-3pm
- Dunedin Symphony Orchestra at School

JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Aged 8 and under

Thursday 6th November - Palmerston Primary School







We will take the bus to Palmerston Primary School at 9:15am sharp, so please be here by 8:45am. We will return to school by 3pm. Please wear, a Waitati t-shirt, black shorts or pants, sneakers, warm clothing, sunhat and sunblock. Remember to pack a good lunch, snacks and a named drink bottle.

FROM YOUR ACTING PRINCIPAL

PB4L

Positive Behaviour for Learning, is a school-wide approach used in New Zealand to create a positive, safe, and supportive school environment. It treats social and behavioural skills just like any other subject, teaching students how to behave appropriately and giving them the tools to make good choices. Below, in the Waitati Way Expectations Matrix, you will find what is expected, linked to our values, in various areas of the school. Please discuss this with your child.

Please also check the website for this information.

The Waitati Way Expectations				
	Manaakitanga - Care and Respect	Kotahitanga - Unity Working Together	Rangahatanga - Leadership	Turangawaewae - Belonging
School Hui 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sit quietly - No talking to others - Eyes on the speaker - Keep your hands to yourself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joining in the karakia and waiata - Putting your hand up to contribute - The conversation is around the topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Being in control of your body - Presenting the hui - Showing the Waitati Way - Use THINK 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sitting in the space provided - Being aware of your body - Show good character
Toilets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flush after use - Wash your hands - Turn taps off and empty the sink - Quiet Voices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If there's a mess, quietly ask for help - Pick up paper towels off the floor. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use the three 'p's around the toilet - Nothing down the toilet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Toilet paper in the toilet - Hand towels in the bin
Classrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pick up after yourself - Do your jobs - Keep spaces tidy - Keep Tote Trays tidy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Everyone does the job - Timely coming to groups - Stop and listen immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Glue in your sheets - Put your books away - Help others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be proud of your belongings. - Look after your belongings
Playground 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kind words, gentle voices - Taking turns - Being inclusive - Think of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take turns - Sharing friends - Asking others to play - Be aware of those around you 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ask others to join in - Be an upstander, not a bystander - Take responsibility for your actions - Use your words - How big is your problem? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Look after your clothes, hat or shoes - Wearing your hat
Kai time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wash your hands before you eat - Only eat your own kai 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't move until the second bell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sit down and eat all of your kai - Bringing health lunches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Put your lunch box in your bag AFTER the second bell - Rubbish goes home
Library/Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sit quietly - Whisper only - Keep your hands to yourself - Stay in the right place - Only on the stage when asked 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line up and shoes by the window - Leave when you are asked - Work as a team - Safely walk on the footpath 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Move politely in the hall/library - Follow the Waitati Way when out of school - Listening and following directions - Represent the school well 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sitting in the space provided - Being aware of your body - Show good character
24/7 - Everywhere	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Show respect and manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be supportive and inclusive - Take care of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be a good role model - Being proud of who you are - Show self-management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be someone you would be proud of

IMPORTANT DATES

- Wed 05 Nov - Fundraising meeting in the kitchen, 3-4 pm
- Thu 06 Nov - Junior Athletics all day in Palmerston
- Fri 07 Nov - Dunedin Symphony Orchestra at Waitati School
- Tue 11 Nov - BoT Hui, 5.45-7.45 pm
- Thu 27 Nov - Afternoon tea for volunteers 2-3 pm
- Fri 28 Nov - Orange Day Road Patrollers Fun Day
- Tue 02 Dec - BoT Hui, 5.45-7.45 pm
- Fri 05 Dec - Reports going home
- Mon 08 Dec - End of Year Celebration for Year 6-8 Programme 4-6 pm
- Thu 11 Dec - End of Year Celebration Hui at Waitati Hall, 1 - 3 pm. All families are welcome from 12.45 for a 1 pm start
- Fri 12 Dec - Last day of Term 4 (Half day)
- Tue 03 Feb - First day of 2026!



IMPORTANT FUNDRAISING DATES!

Sunday, 2 November - Waitati Market Fundraiser

🕒 9:00 AM–1:00 PM 📍 Waitati Market: We'll be out there raising funds and spreading good vibes. Please bring baking to sell from 9 am. If you're not a baker then stop by to say hi or to lend a hand — every bit of support counts.

*NEW DATE... Wednesday 05 October - Fundraising Meeting

🕒 3:00–4:00 PM 📍 School Kitchen: Let's gather after school for a catch-up. We'll brainstorm and plan for the next 6 months — your input is invaluable!



NOTICES

**SAVE THE DATE
TUE 03 FEB
First day of 2026 !**

WEET-BIX TRYATHLON 2026



Are your tamariki interested in taking part in the Weet-Bix Tryathlon in March 2026 at Taieri College in Mosgiel?
We need 10 participants to make a school team (there will be a small entry fee)
Let us know in the office if you are keen to take part.

Save the Date
Sunday 01st March 2026, 7:00 am
office@waitati.school.nz



NEW DATE FOR PHOTOS Wednesday 5th November

Sinead is coming back to photograph all those who missed out in October.



GROUNDSKEEPING AND DIY HELP NEEDED!

Our caretaker, Pete is busy making the school house shine—but the jungle outside needs taming!
Join our temporary Groundskeeping Club to help mow, weed, and tidy the grounds.

Prefer tools over trimmers? Bex has repair jobs ready for anyone with some DIY skills.

Whether you've got an hour or an afternoon, your help makes a big difference.

If you are interested then contact Bex or Willie directly, or let us know in the office in the usual ways.

office@waitati.school.nz / 03 482 2888

BLUESKIN NURSERIES' LUNCH MENU TERM 4

Place your order at the cafe by midday on Tuesdays for delivery at school on Thursdays.
Extra order forms are available in the office or at the cafe.

WEEK 5 6th November	COST
Cheese Burger (gf on request)	\$6.50
Vegetaran burger	\$6.00
Orange Chocolate Chip Muffins	\$4.00