

NEWS FROM AROUND SCHOOL



MID-YEAR REPORTS

Your children's reports will be published on Edge on the last day of term - Friday 3rd July.

You will notice some changes from the previous format, so if you have any questions or concerns about these, then we will be hosting three way conferences on August 18th and 19th.

Or you can get in touch by email to principal@waitati.school.nz



MATARIKI 2026



Thank you to everyone who came along to our Matariki celebration last week. It was wonderful to see so many of you there. The tamariki were so proud to practise and perform for their whānau, and it was lovely to share this special occasion together. Thank you for bringing kai to share and for helping make the celebration such a memorable one.

Congratulations to all our award winners. It's been an incredible term, and you really put in the hard mahi.

A special thank you to:

Shai and Riley for decorating the hall.

Bec for creating the beautiful stars in Mapounui.
Blueskin Nurseries & Cafe for generously loaning the trees.

All the teachers and whānau who supplied materials and made costumes.

We are so grateful for everyone's time, generosity, and support. It truly takes a community to create such a special event, and we couldn't have done it without you.

COMING UP!

MONDAY 29 JUNE

- Netball practice at lunchtime
- Music lunch club with Robyn

TUESDAY 30 JUNE

- Drumming with Jamie
- Netball after school

WEDNESDAY 01 JULY

- Yr 7&8, Tech at DNI - 12-3pm
- Hockey after school (practice at lunch)

THURSDAY 02 JULY

- No lunch delivery this week

FRIDAY 03 JULY

- Blueskin Bay Matariki Celebration - PTA stall
- Reports coming out on Edge

UPDATE TO EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Following our recent emergency closure, we will be asking you too update your child's emergency contacts and provide 3 contacts in priority order:

1. Name (Relationship) Cell number
2. Name (Relationship) Cell number
3. Name (Relationship) Cell number

If we cannot reach a parent/caregiver within 30 minutes, we will contact the next person listed in Edge.

Friend's House Rule: A child can only be sent to a friend's house with verbal permission from an authorised Edge contact and confirmation from the receiving parent.

Safety Check: If your child normally walks, bikes, or catches the bus and left home before receiving the closure notice, please contact 027 6241781 to confirm they arrived home safely or are still en route.

FUNDRAISING

DISCO!

Follow the call of the disco ball Get ready to dance the night away with DJ BennyBeats spinning the tunes!

Wear your brightest neon disco outfit and join the fun. We need your help to make this a success!

Please bring baking to the hall on Friday from 5pm to sell, as well as cash to buy, lollies, drinks, cakes, bbq food and glow sticks. Please help out in the kitchen and on the door - where needed.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

- Preschoolers are welcome from 5:00 pm.
- Children aged 5-13 are welcome from 5:30 pm.

Let's make this a night to remember for all the children in Blueskin Bay! We can't wait to see you on the dance floor!

Next Friday, 3rd July, we will have a stall at the Blueskin Bay Matariki Celebration.

Blueskin Bay Matariki Celebration

'Te Waipounamu celebrating Puanga'
Bringing the community together

FRIDAY 3RD JULY
5-8pm

BLUESKIN NURSERIES CHURCH
& SURROUNDING BUSINESSES

A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Lantern parade with local tamariki & whanau

Local crafts & market stalls in St Brigid's Church

FOOD TRUCKS- Just Cooks & Slice of heaven

Local businesses Open

Blueskin Nurseries Cafe, Waitati Merchant & Blueskin Gallery

'Stars of Ahi'- Fire Artists

BEST DRESS COSTUME COMPETITION

WAITATI FIRE BRIGADE - Visit the fire stations & Fire engine
LIVE MUSIC-

CARPARKING BY BLAND PARK & LIBRARY

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US

Please get in touch with us

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BERTHA ARTSPACE PRESENTS

ANIMAL ANTICS



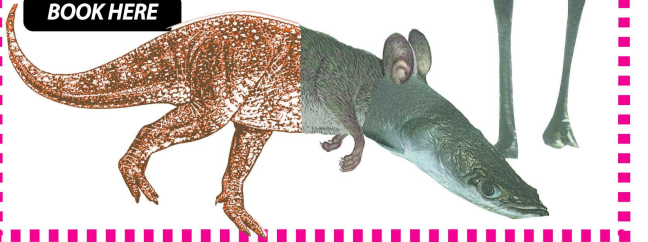
School Holiday Art Programme
7TH-9TH JULY
9am to 3pm

Animal Antics is an immersive, 3-day youth workshop at Bertha Artspace for ages 7 to 13. Led by two experienced tutors, a small class of 10 students will learn to transform textiles and re-purposed soft toys into unique, contemporary works of art.

The program focuses on building technical confidence & visual storytelling across all skill levels. The workshop culminates in a mini-exhibition where family and friends can celebrate the young artist's curated pieces.

Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th July, 9am to 3pm daily. Exhibition opens 4pm on Thursday 9th July. Cost is \$240 pp 3 days includes all materials & morning tea. (please bring packed lunch). For further inquiries & to book: <https://events.humanitix.com/animal-antics-school-holiday-youth-workshop-at-bertha-artspace>

BOOK HERE



SWIMMING

We will be swimming at Moana Pool every Friday, in Term 3. We need parents and caregivers in the water to help keep sessions safe and running smoothly.

Please let us know if you can help on Fridays between 1-2 pm.

COMING UP TERM 2-3

- Fri 03 Jul - Last day of Term 2
- Fri 03 Jul - PTA Matariki Market at the Blueskin Nurseries

Term 3 - Swimming on Friday afternoons all term 1-2 pm at Moana pool.

- Mon 20 Jul - First day of Term 3
- Wed 29 Jul Hui Ako at East Otago Events Centre 10 am
- Wed 12 Aug - BoT hui 5.45-7.45pm
- Thu 13 Aug - School Assembly 2-3pm - All families are welcome
- Tue 18 Aug - Student, Parent & Teacher Conferences, 2.5 pm
- Wed 19 Aug - Student, Parent & Teacher Conferences, 2-6 pm
- Wed 19 Aug - School closed from lunchtime for conferences
- Fri 28 Aug - Yellow Day for Cancer Society
- Mon 31 Aug - School Closed for Teacher Only Day
- Mon 07- Fri 11 September Polyfest. Time slot TBC
- Wed 16 Sep - BoT hui 5.45-7.45pm
- Thu 17 Sep - End of Term Assembly, 2 - 3 pm. All families are welcome
- Fri 25 Sep - Last day of Term 3
- Metro Rippa Rugby Day at Logan Park (TBC)
- Three Peaks Cross Country for Year 3-8 (TBC)
- Cross Country (TBC)
- School Photos in Term 3, date TBC

Helping To Brush?

'It's best to wait until they turn 8...'

...before you stop helping your child to brush their teeth

Until about age 8, your child is likely to miss brushing areas such as their back teeth and their gums



Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Community Oral
Health Service



Talkteeth Southern

AFTER SCHOOL ARTY FUN

Term 4 Bookings Now Open

3:30pm Tuesdays or 4:00pm Wednesdays

A variety of projects (painting, drawing, sculpture, mixed media etc)

Small class sizes & personal attention

BOOK ONLINE www.theimaginationarium.studio

Contact Jo - Tel/WhatsApp: 021-234-8855

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It's muddy out there, so don't forget to pack coats, boots, and a change of clothes everyday!

