

Waianiwa School Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk

1 August 2018

Warm Greetings

What a great turn out for Parent/Teacher interviews on Monday and Tuesday. Thank you for taking the time to come and talk with your child's teacher about their progress and general well being at school. Our next formal reporting will be end of year reports in Term 4. You are always welcome to make an appointment to see your child's teacher anytime and we enjoy having parents pop into the classroom when they are able.

As you may have read in the news, across New Zealand, Teachers and Principals will be on strike on August the 15th for the full day. This is the first time such action has been taken in 24 years.

Why are we striking?

Both Primary Teachers and Principals are determined to send a strong message to the Government and demand change so our students can have a teacher in every classroom, the learning support they need and teachers are recognised as the professionals they are. Both Primary Teachers and Principals feel the Ministry's June offer did not address workload issues, extra learning support or ways to stem the growing crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

At our Waianiwa Board of Trustees meeting tomorrow night a decision will be made by the Board as to whether the school will be open or closed for the day. I will inform you of this decision as soon as possible, so you will have plenty of notice. If you need to make alternative arrangements for the 15th.



Invercargill

19 September 2018 – Aurora High School

Netsafe LIVE is a free event for parents and whānau about keeping young people safe online. Netsafe's Education Advisors Anjie Webster and Pauline Spence will be talking about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can all help young people to be safe online. The session will look at how parents/ whānau can support and enable children and young people to navigate online opportunities, challenges and complexities.

Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm

For more info and to register visit [netsafe.org.nz/netsafe-live](https://www.netsafe.org.nz/netsafe-live)

School Assembly this Thursday will be led by Room 3.

Our Value for the next 4 weeks is Honesty.

Kind Regards
Karen Wilson
Principal

Pupil of the Week



Charlie Sowman

For a top start to the term by being a caring and helpful member of our class this week. An excellent effort !

Samantha Jordan

For great problem solving skills, looking out for those around her and being a great friend.

Sam Sorensen

For being an awesome Maths problem solver and being a great leader in Room 1 by helping the new students.

Certificates

Shyla Christey

For writing an excellent recount story about her holidays. Well done!

Joseph O'Connor

For a great start to the Term by listening and following instructions well. A top effort!

Athena Celocia

For a fantastic effort with your reading. Keep up the great work.

Amy Fieten

For writing amazing descriptive stories.

Cody Scott

For great editing of your Writing!

Samuel Strang

For working well with Left and Right and making an awesome position poster.

Upcoming Events

August

2nd BOT meeting 7pm

3rd School assembly led by Room 3 9.00am

6th Friends of Waianiwa PTA meeting 7.00pm

10th School assembly led by Room 2 9.00am

10th Matt Randall Olympic ambassador visit 1.00pm

10th Possible School closure

16th Life Education

31st Polyfest

September

6th BOT meeting 7pm

Community Notices

Friends of Waianiwa School (FOWS)

The Friends of Waianiwa School are holding a supper in the staffroom on Monday 6th August at 7pm. This is an opportunity for new families to meet and discuss ideas

WHY COME TO FOW MEETING?

- Connect with other parents.
- Be the first to hear about important news and upcoming events.
- Have a voice in the activities the FOW supports.
- Learn how the children and teachers benefit from the work the Friends of Waianiwa do.
- Volunteer your time at School or home, to make a difference in our community.

CAN'T MAKE IT?

If you are unable to attend but would like more information, or to stay involved.

Please contact Lauren Hayes 027 3404 549

Lees Canteen

If you would like to order lunch for delivery on Friday, please make sure to order by 7pm each Thursday..

For every order you make you go in to the draw to win a \$5 meal

Congratulations to Samuel Strang who won last week

Please visit the following facebook page to make your order

<https://www.facebook.com/leescanteen>

You can also email office@leescatering.co.nz or phone/text 027 652 5913 in your order

Piano, keyboard and guitar lessons available at Waianiwa school for children 8 years of age and up. Please contact Sara-Jane on 021 250 7796

Waianiwa School requires a person to maintain and cut our lawns. Please contact the School office for contract details 235 2858

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook for regular school updates. To receive txts via your phone text: follow (leave a space) waianiwa_school send to 8987 Make sure to visit our website www.waianiwa.school.nz