

Waiau School Newsletter



Term 4 . No 17
28th October 2021

Our community, our growth, our success, our future.

2021 - 2022 What's Happening

Thursday, 4th November
Army Band Performance

Friday, 5th November
School Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday, 10th November
Athletics Day

Friday, 12th November
Canterbury Anniversary Day -
School Closed

Friday, 19th November
School Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday, 1st December
Board Meeting 7.30pm
Staffroom

Friday, 3rd December
School Assembly 2.30pm

Monday, 13th December
Prizegiving - Waiau Hall

Wednesday, 15th December
Last Day of Term 4

Wednesday, 2nd February
School Starts Back - Term 1 2022

Pet Day

Pet day has to be the one of the best school days! Thank you to our school whānau who made this day happen. We had more lambs, horses, rats, dogs, cats, goats, and calves than you could shake a fencing standard at!

A big thank you Sarah Williams from North Canterbury Vets who came along to school for hydatids dog dosing and for coming along to give her amazing autopsy demonstration. This was a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn about the anatomy and about major organs of a sheep.

(Extensive consultations were undertaken to ensure that this learning experience complies with the New Zealand Animal Ethics Committee guidelines. The lamb used in the autopsy had died from natural causes.)



22nd Oct - 5th Nov

Billie McElroy

For demonstrating our fortnightly value of showing self control when returning from the school holidays. Ka pai Billie!

Ka Mua Ka Muri

In the last week of Term 3 we performed our production Ka Mua Ka Muri to our community in the Waiau town hall. This year our show was based on the learning we have done this year. The students designed, wrote and made the production with the support of our amazing staff. It was exciting new territory for our learning. The performance took our community on a journey to step back in time to learn how our past has impacted on our future. We had some amazing positive feedback. Thank you to those who took the time to share the positives messages with us.

A big thank you to our whanau and community that came to watch, and followed the Covid guidelines and to our amazing performers who managed to learn their lines and pull it all together in a very short timeframe due to lockdown interruptions.



School Garden

The children have been busy little bees in our school garden we have recently planted potatoes radishes, peas and strawberries. Small groups of tamariki have been working away weeding, pruning, laying straw and checking progress on the seedlings. Thank you to Hayley and Amanda for their time watering and maintaining the garden over the school holidays.



Room 2 Writing

Arthurs Pass Camp

Room 2 has been chattering like Chimpanzees all week about Arthurs Pass Camp. They are still waiting for Mr S to tell them what cars they are going in and who will be their cabin mates. There are some exciting activities planned for camp like orienteering and some walks like The Devils Punchbowl. Victoria Kelly said "I am so excited for my first camp at Waiau School". Everyone is so excited to go!

By Beth Harris

Camp!!!

I hope we will achieve the fire building challenge.

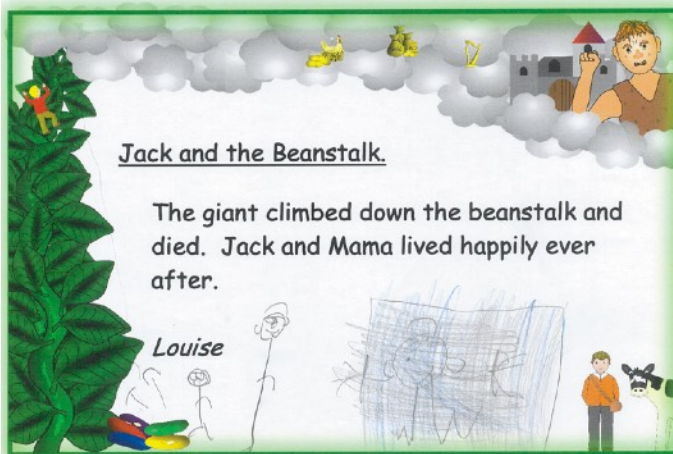
I think I will enjoy the nature art and the walks.

My highlight will probably be the river crossing and seeing the waterfall.

My biggest challenge will definitely be missing my Mum and Dad and being away from home.

By Miah Thomas

Room 1 Writing

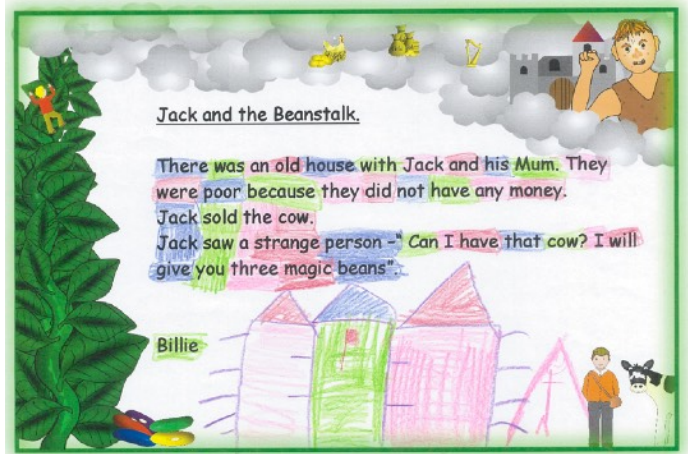


Jack and the Beanstalk.

The giant climbed down the beanstalk and died. Jack and Mama lived happily ever after.

Louise

A handwritten story on a green-bordered page. The page features a decorative border of green leaves and a small illustration of a boy and a cow. The text is written in black ink. The author's name 'Louise' is written in the bottom left corner. There is a small drawing of a giant and a beanstalk.

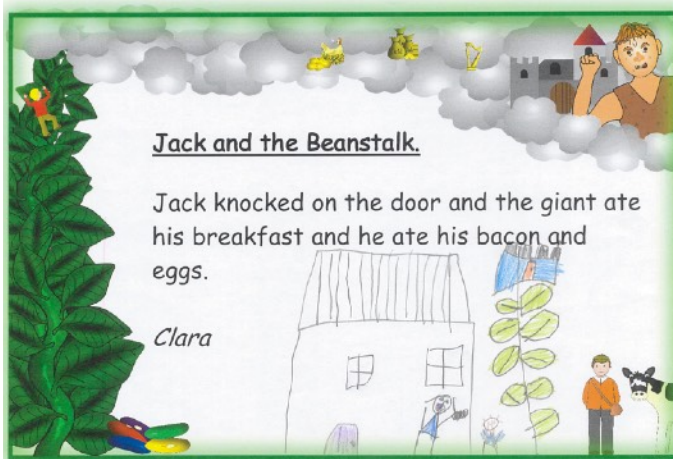


Jack and the Beanstalk.

There was an old house with Jack and his Mum. They were poor because they did not have any money. Jack sold the cow. Jack saw a strange person - "Can I have that cow? I will give you three magic beans".

Billie

A handwritten story on a green-bordered page. The page features a decorative border of green leaves and a small illustration of a boy and a cow. The text is written in black ink. The author's name 'Billie' is written in the bottom left corner. There is a small drawing of a house and a beanstalk.

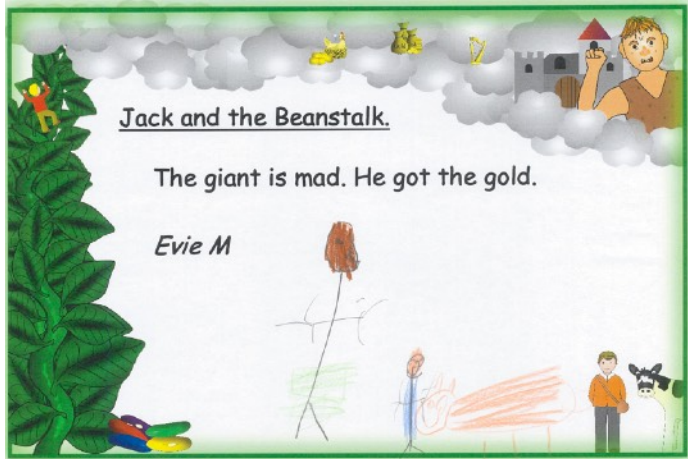


Jack and the Beanstalk.

Jack knocked on the door and the giant ate his breakfast and he ate his bacon and eggs.

Clara

A handwritten story on a green-bordered page. The page features a decorative border of green leaves and a small illustration of a boy and a cow. The text is written in black ink. The author's name 'Clara' is written in the bottom left corner. There is a small drawing of a house and a beanstalk.



Jack and the Beanstalk.

The giant is mad. He got the gold.

Evie M

A handwritten story on a green-bordered page. The page features a decorative border of green leaves and a small illustration of a boy and a cow. The text is written in black ink. The author's name 'Evie M' is written in the bottom left corner. There is a small drawing of a giant and a beanstalk.

Thank you!

A big thank you to The Community Response Committee for the lovely gift hamper we received to recognise the hard work and support the teachers gave our tamariki over lockdown this year. It was very much appreciated.



Athletics Day

Wednesday, 10th November

The children have started preparing for Athletics Day 2021!

The children will be involved in events throughout the day. Lunchtime will be at 12.30pm, so bring a picnic along. We encourage parents to participate in our parents relay and the preschoolers race will be at approximately 2pm. At this stage we will be following level 2 guidelines where only our immediate school family can attend this event at this stage. We will keep you informed with any changes.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Cans for a Cause

We were the recipients of a \$1000 prize from Baileys for participating in their Cans for a Cause food drive! Thank you to all who gave to help our community, and Baileys North Canterbury for being tremendously generous with the prize!



Arthurs Pass Camp

Room 2 has had a great camp at the YMCA Arthur's Pass facility. We have had lots of great experiences including tramping to hidden valleys, fire building, sensory trails, walks to waterfalls, orienteering, compass use, preparing meals, river crossing, shelter building, wild life spotting, search and rescue and much more. It has been a fantastic opportunity that has challenged all of us in many different ways.

We had incredible support from our parent helpers, Annabel, Peter, Jenny, and Courtney. Thank you from us all.





PhotoLife School Photos

School photos are ready to order. You should have received a form with a unique access code to purchase your photos online. If you have lost your code please let liv know.
<https://photonlifeonline.co.nz/ordering/access>

FYI

Assembly

Our next assembly will be **Friday, 5th November at 2.30pm**. Please come and join us.

*Our Community - Nō Ūkaipo
Our Growth - Te Kunengatanga
Our Success - Te Angitū
Our Future - Me Tiro Ki Muri*