

Waiau School Newsletter



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

2021 What's Happening

Friday, 28th May
Waiau School Cross Country

Wednesday, 2nd June
Hurunui Cross Country (pp 4th June)

Monday, 14th June
Papanui High Concert - Waiau Hall
Time TBC

Friday, 18th June
Teachers Only Day

Wednesday, 23rd June
Board Meeting 7pm School
Staffroom

Tuesday, 29th June
NZ Playhouse Visiting

Wednesday, 30th June
Keeping Ourselves Safe Visit

Wednesday, 9th July
Term 2 Ends

Monday, 26th July
Term 3 Begins

Thursday, 29th July
Ski trip (pp 5th Aug)

There is a fair bit of learning going on at Waiau School. Our staff are learners too, and this is a little snapshot of what we are doing to improve teaching and learning at our school!

This year we have been working with Louise Douglas to introduce a spelling and phonics programme to our school. Wordlab ([click on this link](#)) is an evidence-based approach to the teaching and learning of spelling. We have noticed a need for a comprehensive spelling programme in our school for a while, and this programme is giving positive results. Louise visits us frequently to ensure we are delivering a programme to meet the needs of our diverse learners.

Alison Nimmo is working with a group of our youngest students teaching the 'Better Start programme'. This is an exciting programme that is meeting a need in our learners.

Cath continues to be involved with the University of Canterbury and the ALiM programme to raise achievement in maths. This programme was run last year in our school and does produce positive outcomes.



21st May - 4th Jun

Jorja Bush

For taking responsibly by choosing sensible places to work and people to work with.

Ka Pai Jorja

Rose Gordon and Ginny continue to work on raising learner agency through inquiry learning, and ensuring that our students know what they are learning, why they are learning it, and how they will be successful.

Lots of positive learning!

You would have seen on Facebook the amazing Serina from the Hurunui District Council working with us on a Friday morning teaching a programme called Zero Waste Cooking. This is a fantastic programme that teaches the children to reduce the amount of plastic that comes to school, cooking skills, reducing waste, and making healthy delicious food easily! We are very grateful to have Serina working with our school.



We had our boiler fixed on Wednesday. Due to an incorrect installation many years ago, the water that flowed to our radiators to heat the school was flowing backwards causing all kinds of troubles. However, the staffs temper finally reached boiling point due to loud banging and noises arising from the radiators and they demanded a fix! So after 9 years, and a bit of pipe work (please see photo of some amazing engineering) our boiler is running smoothly, producing amazing heat on these cold mornings, and also very quietly! A big thank you to Pam who keeps the boiler running to ensure our school is warm on these frosty mornings!



Keep Ourselves Safe Programme

We are teaching the New Zealand Police Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme in weeks 9 and 10 of this term. There is a parents morning tea at 22nd of June at 9am with Constable Ken if you would like to find out more about the [programme \(link here\)](#).

Field Trip - Week 8

We have a secret field trip coming up on the 24th of June. The trip is a park of our learning around Ka Mua, Ka Muri. We are looking at how change over time occurs and how needs create change. This trip will take us down to explore Ferrymead Heritage Park.

Three Way Conferences

This term we have Three Way Conferences in Week 10 on the 5th and 7th of July. This is an opportunity to hear what your child has been learning in school. These will be followed by a matariki celebration where we open our new playground, our new fruit trees, and hopefully hear from the crew who installed our new solar panels. We are looking at the last day of term for this celebration. Let us know if that works for you.

Cross country tomorrow

Cross Country will be held at Waiau School this Friday (28th May) at 1.30pm. You are more than welcome to join in on the run or just wait to cheer them along at the finish line! You will be able to take your children home after prizegiving if we finish early. Please make sure children are wearing running shoes to school tomorrow.

Eastmond Trophy

Congratulations to Cassarla Marie Kreisler
The winner of the Eastmond Cup, for the most improvement in swimming this year.

O'Malley Cup

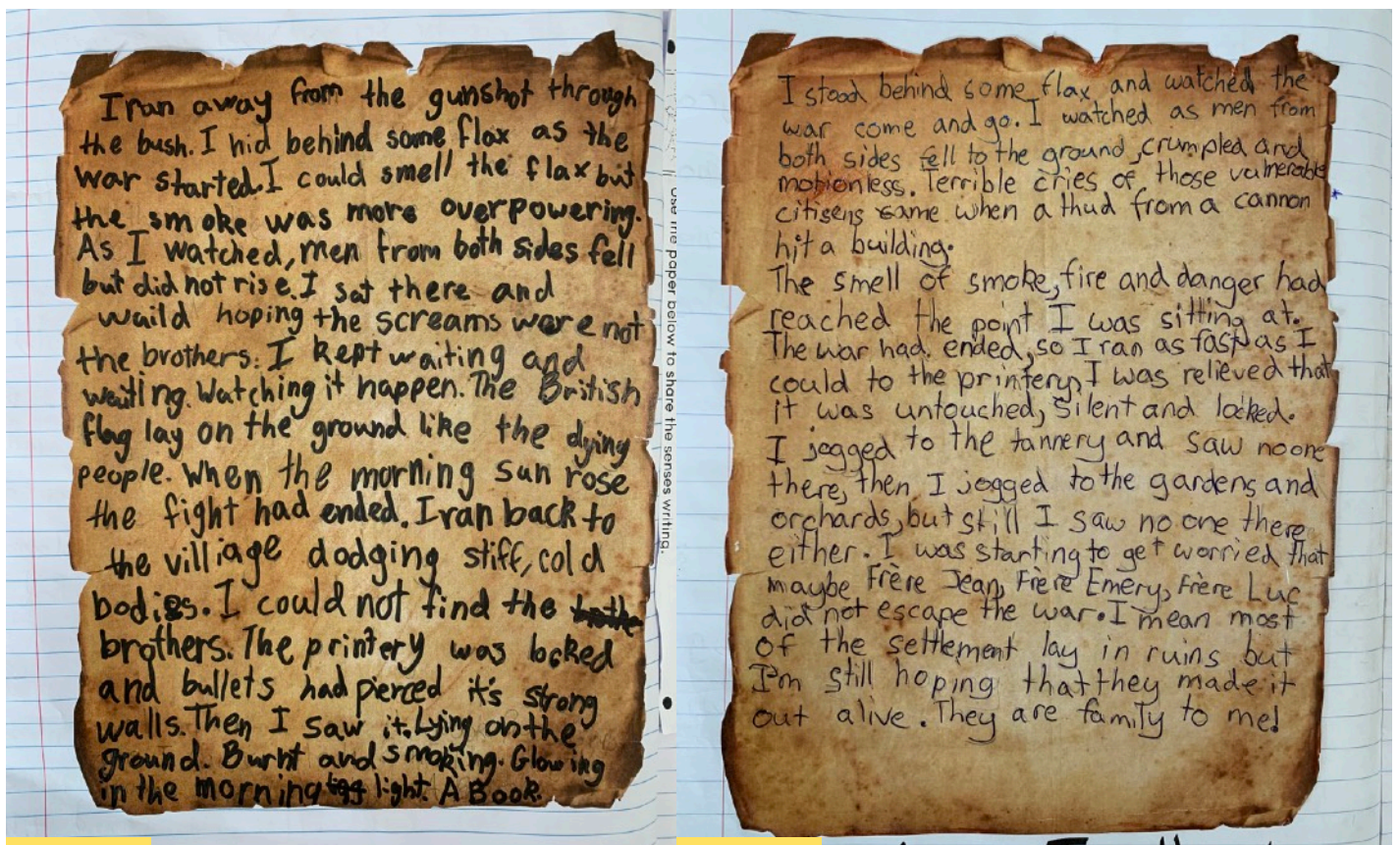
Congratulations to Charlotte Snowling
for winning the O'Malley Cup this year.
2nd place went to Issy and 3rd place went to Emily.

The O'Malley cup is a water safety skills learning programme where our older students learn water safety, rescue techniques and how to survive in deep water.



Library Class Mahi

We are looking at how change over time occurs and how needs create change.



Emily

Charlotte

Riddles - Can you guess what I am?

1. I am full of water and made of concrete. I sit on the school grounds. I am open to the public. People like to play in me. What am I? By Beth
2. I am open 7 days a week and I am full of food that you can buy. I have cold and hot machine like snow and the sun. People steal my little babies off my shelves. I give my owner little shiny things like gold. What am I? By Beth
3. I live up a hill with spikey pine trees. People bring balls up to play. Thick poles are stuck into my dirt. A building looks over my bright green grass like a pear. Sometimes people go silly sometimes people get hurt. What am I? By Issy
4. I live by Brendas and by big leafy trees. I am blue like the Waiau River. People Play on me and I am steep like a mountain. People climb up me too. By Miah

Answers 1. The Mainpower Waiau Community Pool 2. On the Spot 3. The Waiau Rugby Club 4. The Blue Slide

Lucky Book Club Orders - Issue 4

The Lucky Book Club Catalogue has been sent home today.

Please either - order direct at mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz or if unable to complete online please send cash along with the completed form.

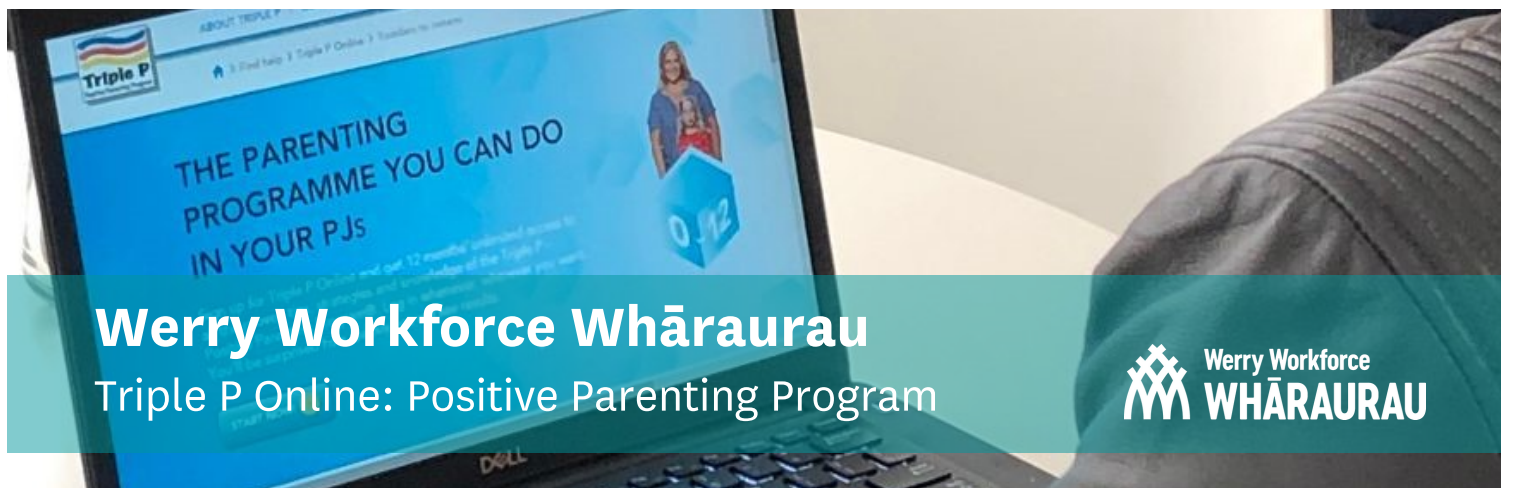
No online payments to the school.

We encourage parents to order online as this means less processing at our end. The orders will still be sent to the school at no charge. Waiau School earns 20% in Scholastic Rewards on all Book Club orders.

Instructions for ordering:

1. Go to - mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz
2. Click on the Register tab - add your contact details and your child/children's details.
3. Select your school and your child's class select - Year level - All classes.
4. Add your child's first name & last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
5. Go to the orders tab to start your order. Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
6. All orders are sent directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

Orders close Tuesday the 15th of June



Werry Workforce Whāraurau Triple P Online: Positive Parenting Program



TRIPLE P ONLINE INITIATIVE SUPPORTING WHĀNAU THROUGH COVID-19

Werry Workforce Whāraurau would like to invite you to participate in this initiative which is part of the Ministry of Health's psycho-social response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Triple P Online (TPOL) includes strategies for parenting during the COVID-19 pandemic, and will assist services to support families/whānau in building their confidence at this challenging time.

What do we want to achieve?

- Families can learn strategies/tools to feel confident about parenting during the effects of this COVID-19 pandemic.
- The workforce has the tools to provide evidence-based, responsive, and helpful ways of supporting whānau.

How will we achieve it?

- Provide access codes for the Triple P Online Programme to the workforce for distribution to families/whānau with children and teenagers free of charge.

How can your organisation or service be a part of this initiative?

OPTION 1

Request your own account within a purpose-built Triple P Online Client Management System so that you can login and issue codes directly to parents.

REQUEST YOUR OWN ACCOUNT

OPTION 2

The referring organisation completes a simple online form that is automatically sent to Werry Workforce Whāraurau. The parent then receives an access code by email from the Triple P Online Management System.

CONTACT US FOR THE OPTION 2 ONLINE FORM

Why Triple P?

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program is one of the most effective evidence-based parenting programmes in the world, backed up by more than 35 years of ongoing research. Triple P gives parents simple and practical strategies to help them build strong healthy relationships, confidently manage their children and teenager's behaviour, as well as prevent problems developing.

Triple P is currently used in more than 25 countries and has been shown to work across cultures, socio-economic groups, and in many different kinds of family structures.



For more information or to confirm your participation in this initiative please contact the
Werry Parenting Team: parentingteam@werryworkforce.org
For a sneak peek at Triple P Online: <https://werryworkforce.org/triple-p-online-tpol>



ARE YOU UP FOR A CHALLENGE?

The Hawarden Karate Club is training at Amuri Area School in the Community Room on Sundays, starting 16th May, from 9:00am to 11:00am. Enquiries to Russell 027-766-5683.