



DEVELOPING LEARNERS FOR LIFE

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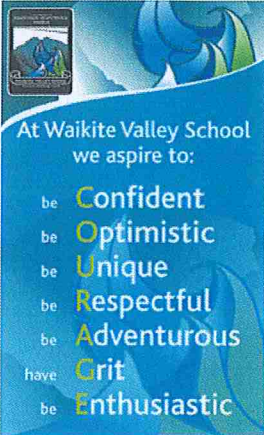


Waikite Valley School

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We are: **Confident, Optimistic, Unique, Respectful, Adventurous, have Grit, Enthusiastic**



The Heads-up for the week ahead.....

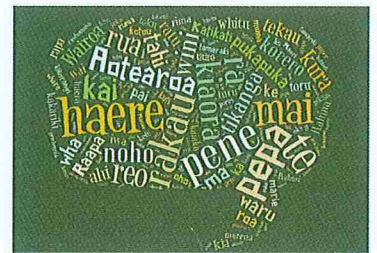
Tuesday 1 June - Waikite Valley School Cross Country: 12pm start

Thursday 3 June - Room 4 Sharing Assembly: 2pm, Settlers Hall

Friday/Saturday 4 & 5 June - **NO HOCKEY :)**

Monday 7th June - Queen's Birthday holiday

Te Reo and Tikanga at Waikite Valley School



Kia ora school whānau,

This year one of our key focus areas for improvement and progress across the school is te reo and tikanga. You may wonder why this has become a school (and indeed a national) priority. More than a quarter of our school roll is Māori, but more importantly, Te Reo is an official national language of New Zealand. It is an important part of our national identity and what makes us unique. Therefore, if we ensure every New Zealander has at least a basic level of knowledge in Te Reo we can preserve and emphasize its inherent value for our country and people.

The Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities (NELP) and the Tertiary Education Strategy (TES) set out the Government's priorities for education that will ensure the success and wellbeing of all learners. They are statutory documents issued under the Education and Training Act 2020 that direct government and education sector activities towards the actions that will make the biggest difference, and ensure that we are able to strengthen the education system to deliver successful outcomes for all learners/ākonga.

The NELP and TES priorities will help create education environments that are learner-centred, and where more of our learners, and especially more of our Māori and Pacific learners, are successful. Therefore, they encourage all places of learning to focus on:

- ensuring that they are safe and inclusive and free from racism, discrimination, and bullying
- strengthening the quality of teaching our learners receive to giving our learners the skills they need to succeed in education, work and life
- collaborating more with whānau, employers, industry and communities
- taking account of learners' needs, identities, languages and cultures in their practice, and
- incorporating te reo Māori and tikanga Māori into everyday activities.

OBJECTIVE 3: QUALITY TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP

Priority 5:

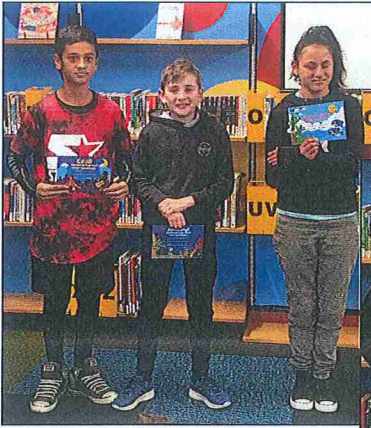
Meaningfully incorporate te reo Māori and tikanga Māori into the everyday life of the place of learning

Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities

<https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/overall-strategies-and-policies/the-statement-of-national-education-and-learning-priorities-nelp-and-the-tertiary-education-strategy-tes/#objectives>

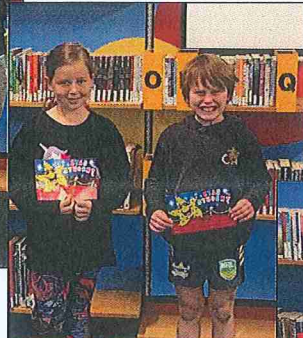
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Values Assembly Awards, Term 2 Week 4

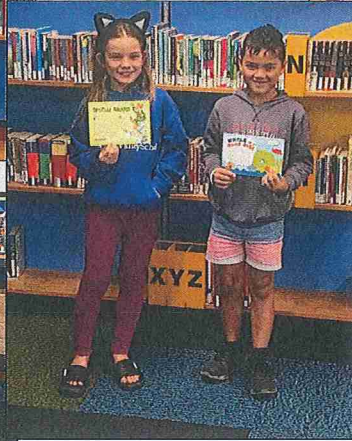


Room 4: Alexis Warren
& Riley Hunter

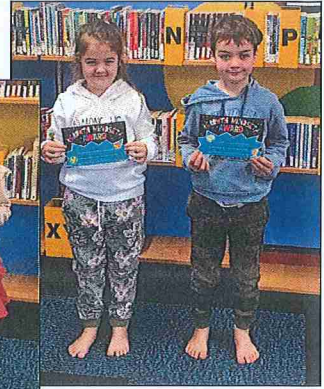
GPA: Thomas Emery, Bayden
Moyes & Kataraina Alexander



Room 3: Beatrice Topp &
Alexander Peers-Adams



Room 2: Ellie Burns &
Jenna Bain



Pod 1: Baylee Salmon
& Campbell Briggs

Decorate your gumboot prize
winners from Friday. Junior:
Baylee Salmon Senior:
Jonathan Haskins &
Gumboot Day
organiser: Bayden Moyes



Results show that participation in Pause, Breathe, Smile:

- Improves focus and attention for better learning outcomes
- Increases calm and student wellbeing
- Enhances self-awareness and pro-social behaviour
- Reduces test anxiety and boosts resilience
- Decreases teacher stress and burnout

PAUSE BREATHE SMILE - On Monday 26 July (the first day of Term 3) our school is holding a **Teachers Only Day** to take part in learning about implementing the Pause, Breathe, Smile wellbeing programme. If you would like to know more about this programme and what we will be learning in the workshop, please visit:

<https://mindfulnesseducation.nz/pbs-the-new-zealand-curriculum/>

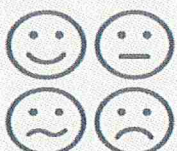
Internationally recognised published research

Pause, Breathe, Smile (PBS) leads to statistically significant increases in wellbeing.

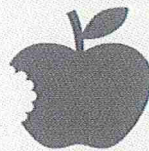
Core Mindfulness Practices



Mindful Breathing



Emotional Literacy



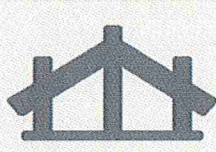
Mindful Eating



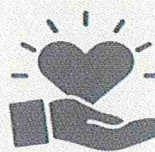
Gratitude



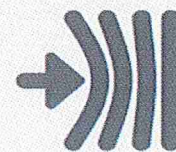
Mindful Movements



Te Whare Tapa Whā



Kindness



Resilience

NETSAFE DAY - July 6

Please **set this date aside** as we have arranged for a Netsafe educator to visit our classes on this day to teach about cyber safety, cyber citizenship (our rights and responsibilities online), gaming and social media, and answer questions our children have. They are also hosting an afternoon workshop for staff; followed by an **evening workshop for parents, whānau and other interested community members.**



UPCOMING DATES

Monday 7th June - Queen's Birthday holiday

Monday 7th-11th June - Hillary Outdoors Camp - Kelly Teague, Daniel Hornby, Bayden Moyes, Harriet Topp & Mr Topp

Tuesday 8th June - PTA Meeting 7pm (Settler's Hall)

Thursday 10th June - Room 3 Sharing Assembly 2pm Settlers Hall

Tuesday 15th June - BOT meeting 6.30pm

Thursday 17th June - Meeting for Camp (all parents/caregivers welcome to attend) 3.15pm

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