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# Waikite Valley School

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

- **Tuesday 21 June** - Rural Cluster Cross Country (Kaharoa School)
- **Wed 22 June** - **SCHOOL MATARIKI CELEBRATION - Hangi/Hakari**
- **Friday 24 June** - **Matariki observed (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)**

## Upcoming Dates....

- **Tuesday 28 June** - Altherm JCR Visit - 12PM IN THE HALL
- **Wed 29 June** - SCHOOL OPEN DAY - visit your child in their class and they will show you their work
- **Friday 1 July** - WAIKITE VALLEY **Hot pools - school visit**

## Kia Ora Koutou Whānau, MATARIKI CELEBRATION

Matariki is a time for feasting and sharing the harvest with whānau and hapū. Matariki feasts often feature food that is cooked in a hāngi.

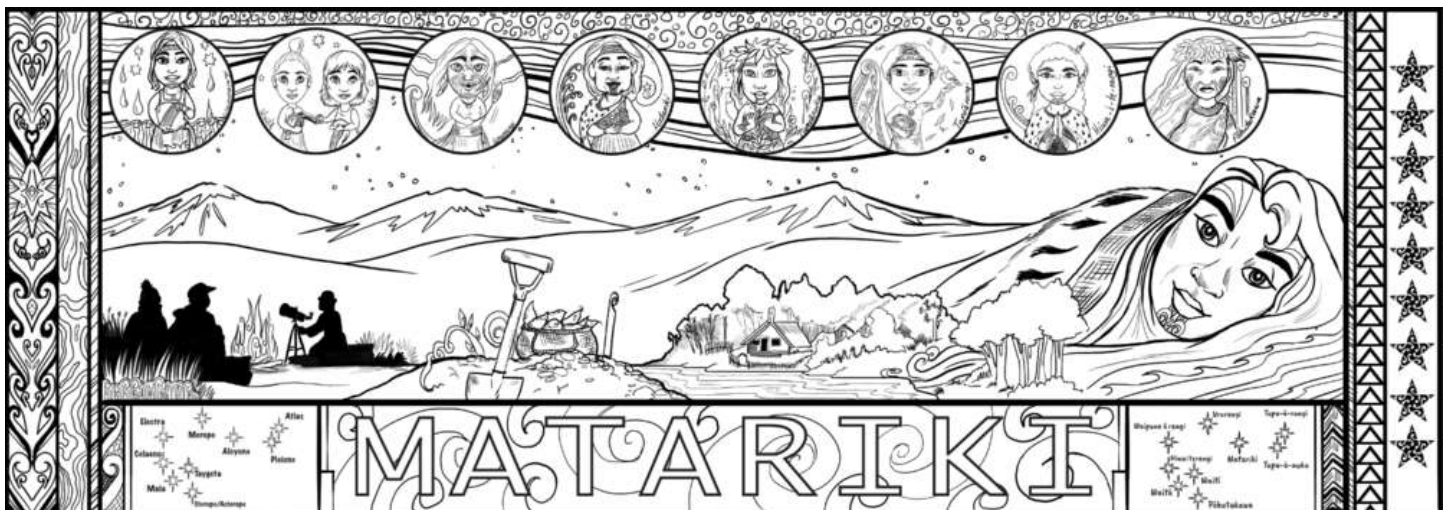
The Hākari that we will be preparing this Wednesday will have the following food:

- Tupu-ā-rangi = tree food: **turkey, chicken**
- Waitī = freshwater food: **eel, trout**
- Waitā = salt water/ocean food: **snapper**
- Tupu-ā-nuku = food from the land: **potatoes, kumara, mutton, venison, pumpkin, carrots, cabbage, parsnips**

**As part of our celebration, the students will also take part in reflecting on:**

- Hiwa-i-te-rangi = our future, wishes, goals and dreams for the year ahead
- Pōhutukawa = remembering and celebrating those who have passed

We plan to lift the hāngi and feast at 1pm - anyone who is able to come along for the day is most welcome! The fire will be lit about 5.30am - baskets put down around 9am.



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# STUDENT LED OPEN CLASSES & MID-YEAR REPORTS

We are holding our Student-Led Learning Tours on **Wednesday 29 June**. You are welcome to come into school and look through your child's classroom while the school is running as usual. Your child will be prepared to show you around and talk about their learning goals and successes this year. You are welcome anytime from 8am-4pm (break times are 11-11.45am & 1.15-2pm).

The student mid-year reports will be sent home Wednesday 6 July - these will provide feedback on your child/rens current achievement and the growth they have made over time. The report will also let you know what the next steps are in order to continue to make progress against the school benchmarks. If you would like to see the benchmarks for your child/ren (especially following their mid year report), let your classroom teacher/s know. The benchmark folders for each child will be available on our school open day (Wednesday 29th June) when we invite all parents/caregivers and interested parties to come into the classrooms and spend some time with their child/ren to hear about their learning progress and look at their work (either on walls, or in books, or on devices).

If you have any questions following the open day or your reading your child's report, please contact your child's classroom teacher to plan a meeting.



## VALUES AWARDS - TERM 2, WEEK 7



Pod 1 - Hunter Martin & Campbell Briggs



Rm 2 - Monet Kidd & Eli Skelton



Rm 3 - Lochy Moyes & Arya Peers-Adams (Absent)



Rm 4 - Cooper Morrissey & Riley Hunter



G.P.A - Joshua Inwood & Abby Morrissey



# World Cup Rippa Rugby Tournament



On Wednesday 15 June we had two teams competing in Rotorua at the Rippa Rugby tournament. The day was an excellent opportunity for our kids to get out & compete with the other schools. A big thank you to Sheena Hunter & Wayne Cathcart for coaching the teams.

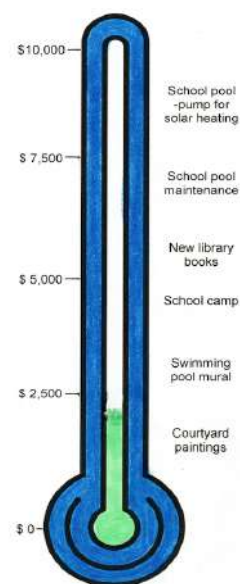


On Tuesday 14 June Mrs Topp & Mrs Curtis took the School Leaders on a trip to the GRIP leadership day held at the Novotel in Rotorua. It was an excellent day and will build on the work and ideas the leaders already have for our wonderful school.



## From the PTA Committee.....

Fundraising events have been in full swing this year with the Easter raffle, hot cross bun fundraiser, firewood raffle and catering events in the next couple of weeks. These have raised approx. \$2,200 towards our goal of \$10,000 that we aim to donate to the school each year. The funds assist the school with learning opportunities for the students, school maintenance and community engagement. The PTA committee would like to thank the school families, their extended whanau, the wider Waikite Valley community, sponsors and supporters of the school and PTA for their continued support in raising money for our school.



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