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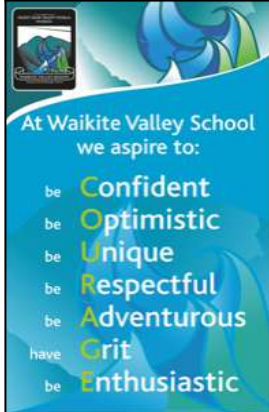
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# Waikite Valley School

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

- **Mon 25th July** - First day of school: Term 3
- **Tues 26th July** - PTA meeting 7pm in Hall
- **Wed 27th July** - BOT meeting 6.30pm

## Next Week ....

- **Tues 2nd - Wed 3rd August** - SNOW CAMP (Ruapehu) GPA class
- **Wed 3rd August** - Nominations close for Board of Trustees election

## Kia Ora Koutou Whānau,

Term 3 is upon us! This is an exciting term curriculum-wise as the following events are planned for this 10 week term:

- Speeches
- Cultural Festival performance (kapa haka groups)
- Economic Activity studies (schoolwide)
- Creative Arts event (schoolwide)
- Mini Marathon
- Snow Camp for GPA (Year 7-8)
- Leadership Trip to Wellington (Year 7-8 school council)
- AIMS games for a Year 7-8 Hockey team and golfer

An exciting mix of academic, sporting and cultural activities. We also have our tri-ennial election for the school Board of Trustees - which we need at LEAST 5 nominations from our community to fill the seats. Members of the current board will be putting their names forward to continue, but we also need new nominees. Please put your name forward, or nominate someone else who has something to offer our school board. A range of strengths, skills, knowledge and experience is required to make a strong and effective Board.

We will require your help over the term to make our school events even better - please keep an eye out for these opportunities and take some time to join in if you are able.

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## Update from Board of Trustees

Kia ora Parents, Whanau, caregivers and our wider school community,

Firstly, thank you to the families, staff and students who gave their feedback to the survey to what you would like in the new principal, this has enabled the board to establish a set of criteria for the job vacancy advert and following interview preparations.

The board has made the decision not to rush this vital appointment to the school and has engaged an independent support advisor from the School Trustees Association to assist us in this journey. Due to the timelines involved the board will be appointing an acting principal for the interim following Teresa's departure until the start of the successful new principal. Due to board elections taking place during the appointment process the new board members will be responsible for the interviewing of successful short-listed applicants and will make the final decision on appointing the new principal.

As per recent school newsletter, board of trustee nominations are currently open for this triannual election. If you have a couple of hours a month to spare and can offer diverse ideas & values

to the board and school community, please submit your nomination. **We NEED at least 5 nominations.** Details of each nominee will be published for voting soon after. The Election date is 7 September. **Nominations close Wednesday August 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

Mike France ( Chairperson, Waikite Valley Board of Trustees)



# WVS Term 3 - Planner 2022

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
July 1	25	26 PTA meeting 7pm	27 BOT mtg 6.30pm	28	29	30/31
August 2	1	2 SNOW CAMP (YR7-8)	3 SNOW CAMP (YR7-8) BOT nominations close	4	5	6/7
3	8	9	10 Voting Papers issued	11	12	13/14
4	15	16	17	18	19	20/21
5	22	23	24 Junior tough guy/gal?	25	26	27/28
September 6	29	30 SCHOOL LEADERS TRIP - WLG	31 SCHOOL LEADERS TRIP - WLG	1 SCHOOL LEADERS TRIP - WLG	2 Waikite Valley School Speech Competition	3/4
7	5 Aims Games	6 Aims Games	7 Aims Games BOT Election	8 Aims Games	9 Aims Games	10/11
8	12 Last day for BOT postal votes	13 REPOROA CLUSTER Speech Competition	14 New BOT takes Office	15 REPOROA CLUSTER Cultural Festival	16 Mini Marathon	17/18
9	19	20	21	22	23	24/25
10	26	27	28	29	30	1/2

## Term 4, 2022

WVS pet day - Wednesday 19 October

Group Day in 2022 on Friday the 21st of October - KAHAROA SCHOOL

### Truck/ tractor drivers with class 4 or 5 licence for short term contracts.

Central Transport LTD are looking for keen people to drive trucks or tractors to spread whey from the Reporoa Fontera Factory to local farms. The season runs from August through to April but we have a peak from September to November. We do 12 hour shifts with many working 6 days on and 2 days off (but we can negotiate a different roster to suit you). We do both night and day shifts . If you're keen to earn some extra money and do something different for a while (a few months or the whole season), please Contact Andrew Sinclair, 021319568 or [andrew@centraltransport.co.nz](mailto:andrew@centraltransport.co.nz)





## Waikite Valley School is looking for nominations for our Board of Trustees!

You do not need to be a parent to stand for election. The full list of who is ineligible to stand in the election as a candidate is on the nomination form. Nomination forms are available on our FaceBook page (pinned to top), there is one attached to this newsletter. They are also available at the office.

**Please have these returned to the school office ASAP (no later than next Wednesday 3rd Aug - noon)**

### What do trustees do?

Trustees on a school board of trustees work together to make sure every child/ tamariki reaches their highest possible standard in educational achievement.

As part of that key responsibility, here are some of the things boards do:

- Work with the principal and consult with staff, students and the community
- Set the educational goals and strategic direction of the school
- Monitor progress and let parents know how the school is progressing against its annual targets and how well students are achieving
- Decide how the school's funding will be spent
- Support the school's principal and support the development of all staff
- Oversee the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration

We need trustees who are focused on supporting teaching and learning and the ongoing improvement of student achievement.

For our board to be the best it can be we need people around the board table with a range of these competencies, skills and personal qualities.

**GENERAL COMPETENCIES:** Visionary leadership - Strategic thinkers - Analytical thinkers  
Practical people - People who can communicate well - Team players

**HELPFUL SKILLS:** Strategic expertise - Financial understanding - Legal understanding  
Risk management - People management - Knowledge of education environment

**PERSONAL QUALITIES:** Integrity - Curiosity - Courage - Interpersonal skills - Genuine interest in the school and its students - Time and commitment - Willingness to learn

It is not expected that each trustee will have all of these skills, but a range of skills around the board table is essential

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