



Waikite Valley School we aspire to:

Confident Optimistic

Unique

Grit

Respectful

Adventurous

Enthusiastic

The Week ahead...

 Mon 5 - Fri 9 Sept AIMS games runs (in Tauranga) - we have a team travelling there daily for mixed hockey and an individual golfer competing

Upcoming dates....

- Mon 12 Sept Julian Prestidge (new Deputy Principal & G.P.A teacher) and Sue Ratcliffe (Acting Principal Term 4) meet & greet 11am in the staffroom
- Tues 13th Sept Reporoa Cluster Speech Competition (in our hall 9.30am)
- Tues 13th Sept PTA Meeting 7pm
- Friday 16th Sept Mini Marathon

Kia Ora Koutou Whānau,

SCHOOL SPEECH WINNERS



Yr 5: 1st - Lilah Atkinson 2nd - Bea Topp 3rd Jonathan Haskins

Yr 6: 1st - Riley Hunter (abs) 2nd - Nathan Inwood 3rd - Alexis Warren Yr 7: 1st - Felix Topp 2nd - Josie Morris 3rd - Ivy La Grouw Yr 8: 1st - Kataraina Alexander 2nd - Jessica Haskins 3rd - Harriet Topp & Adrian Briggs



A huge congratulations and well done to all of our presenters on the day - from our wonderful Pod 1 speakers right through to our brave GPA orators. Everyone who represented their year level and class did so well - it gave our judges a very tough job and they spoke highly of the level we have attained in public speaking at our school.

The winners of Yr 5-8 will represent our school at the Cluster Final competition next Tuesday (in our Settler's Hall at 9.30am).

On Daffodil Day we raised \$100 for the Cancer Society! The student leaders also raised \$80 with their sausage sizzle for the AIMS games team. Thank you for your support and kind donations.



Teresa Topp *Principal* M: 027 634 4744 E: principal@waikitevalley.school.nz Waikite Valley School - Developing Learner's for Life

Add your 'piece of paradise' to the 2023 Festival of Gardens line-up



Next year's Rotorua Festival of Gardens, being held

November 10-12, will mark more than three decades since the inaugural event launched in February 1991. After the first few Rotorua Garden Festivals, the event began making a small profit after covering costs and the committee were able to donate any profits to worthy causes locally including the Mt Ngongotaha Bush Restoration Trust, Bay Trust Rescue Helicopter (when it was still based in Rotorua) St Chad's, Alzheimer's Rotorua, a local Leukaemia group, the Rotorua based St. John's health shuttle, IHC Idea Services Rotorua, Riding for the Disabled, and the Rotorua Salvation Army Food Bank Appeal. Next year's charity (or charities) recipient will be decided with input from the festival's gardeners themselves.

Averaging more than 40 gardens every festival, organisers are always keen to add new gardens to each festival programme, so the 2022-23 committee are currently on the lookout for "new blood" to add to next year's festival.

With photographs being taken November-December 2022, the new festival committee are already inviting interested gardeners to become an integral part of this inspiring event that has attracted thousands of visitors and raised thousands of dollars in support of 11 local charitable causes to date.

If you are proud of your garden, please come forward and let us assess your 'piece of paradise' which could be anything from a tiny courtyard to a large country acreage, from a garden patch built on sustainable principles to a hard-wearing child-friendly space full of colour, from a revamped garden to a brand-new garden under development." Urban and Rural gardeners we would love to hear from you.

Gardeners who think they might be willing to add their garden to the festival, please phone Trish Adler on 027 486 8484 for a chat.

Waikite Valley School PTA Bull Calf Donation Scheme 2022

Are you willing to support our school by donating a reared calf or a virtual calf this year?

Donate a calf/ Virtual calf to the School PTA.

School Families or friends of the school can either rear a calf to donate to the W.V. School PTA or donate a virtual calf instead.

- Farmers rear a calf through to weaning. * Calf dehorned and entire.
- Calves will need to be dropped off on an arranged day and must be NAIT tagged/registered and have an ASD form (otherwise they can't be picked up)
- A receipt will be issued by the PTA for the donation and for a virtual calf a receipt will be issued for the dollar amount (the PTA is a registered charity)
- Any amount will be accepted as a virtual calf.

Collection site, date and time will be coordinated in the future DON'T HAVE A BULL CALF AND WOULD LIKE TO REAR ONE?

I have a wonderful school family that can give you one to rear and donate to the school. For more information, or if you would like to confirm your calf donation please contact the school office 0212949633 or Alice on 0223900727.

Account name - Waikite Valley School PTA Account # - 12-3155-0164206-00 References as requested for each fundraising event FUNDRAISING FOR THE UPKEEP OF OUR SCHOOL POOL OUR CHILDREN GET TO ENJOY (new solar heating pump/ chemicals etc)

Thankyou for your support Waikite Valley School PTA

SCHOOL LEADERS TRIP TO WELLINGTON





On Tuesday 30 August the school leaders, Mrs Topp and Mrs Curtis flew to Wellington for a 3 day leadership trip. We visited Zealandia to learn about our native birds, mammals and plants. We went to the Beehive and parliamentary buildings, sat in on the question time session where the 'Kiwisaver Tax' was revoked and took part in a lesson about our government. We were given an educational tour of the Supreme Court of NZ and learnt about our Justice System. We even managed to squeeze in a trip to Te Papa - our National Museum! We flew home on Thursday 1st September. The trip was covered by a generous grant from the Aotearoa Grants Trust.

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