



DEVELOPING LEARNERS FOR LIFE

9TH MAY 2025

Waikite Valley School

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

Kia ora whānau,

As week 2 comes to a close, I'll start with a special shout-out to everyone who took part in the Cross Country—what a fantastic display of grit and school spirit. Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who attended and continue to support our school community.

Production practice is well underway—it's shaping up to be a show to remember! Get your tickets from the school office.

Winter codes have already started so good luck to anyone playing this weekend.

And lastly, below you will find information from the Ministry of Education about the Parent Portal for you to have a look at and access resources from. Later in the term, I will be sending out information regarding pupil progress for mid-year reports in light of the refreshed curriculum.

Kind regards

Sue Ratcliffe

Principal

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding school.

principal@waikitevalley.school.nz

TERM TWO DATES

MAY

12-14 Life Education

14 BOT meeting 3:15pm

Tackle 5 clinic

20 Production Dress rehearsal

23 School Production -2 shows 12noon and 6pm

27 Cluster Cross country (no pp date)

JUNE

2 KINGS BDAY- school close

2-6 Hillary Outdoors

10 Student Leaders Day

14 PTA QUIZ NIGHT

18 BOT meeting

19 Student Leaders Day

20 MATARIKI- school closed

23 Teacher only day- school closed

24 BOP Cross country

25 Matariki celebration

27 Term 2 ends

WAIKITE VALLEY SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE LIST**Price increase beginning Term 2**

Mince & Cheese Pies	\$4.00
Mince Pies	\$3.50
Sausage Rolls	\$3.00
Juicies	\$1.00
Moosies	\$1.50

**Invoices**

If you have any outstanding amounts owing for activities could these please be paid ASAP. Reminders will be sent home. Please contact Kelly Curtis in the office if you have any questions or want to know about paying your invoice off in smaller amounts.

PTA FUNDRAISING

🎉 Save the Date - PTA Quiz Night! 🎉

Mark your calendars for a fun night out - Saturday 14 June!

Get your teams ready: \$20 per person, 6 people per table.

More details to follow soon - you won't want to miss it!

Kind regards Carey Cockery and Victoria Wallace

Fundraiser for Plunket

Kids Sale

Saturday 24th May
8:30-11:30AM

Otonga Primary School Hall
105 Otonga Road, Springfield

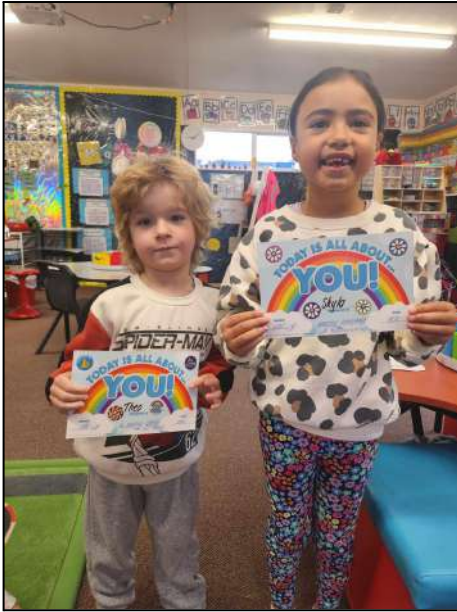


**Gold coin
entry**
(kids are free)

Bring your reusable bags!

STALLS \$25 per table
Contact Amiria for details: 027 248 0312
Email: amiria.taylor@plunket.org.nz

Term 2, Week 2 Values Assembly



Pod 1 - Theo Neale & Skyla Johansen

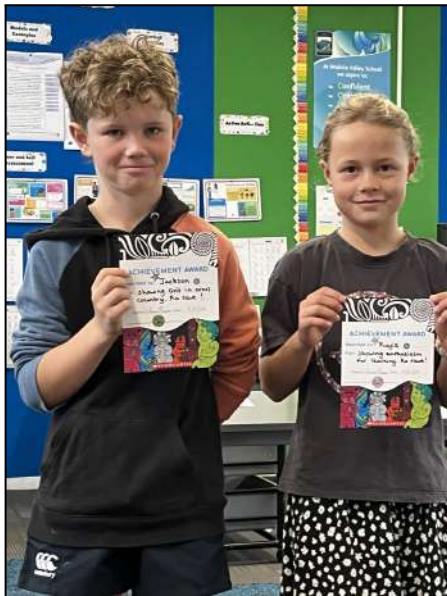
Respect
OTHERS

Stay
Optimistic

Grit



Rm 2 - Charlotte Lischner & Huka Hase



Rm 3 - Jackson Sowman & Kayla Temata

optimistic

Adventures



Rm 4 - Ben Briggs & Lilah Atkinson

Principal's Award

Unique



Charles Compliza

COURAGE



Matthews

EYECARE

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MINI MARATHON



WAIKITE VALLEY TIMES

READ ALL ABOUT IT!



*Waikite Valley School
presents...*

The Capsules Secret!

Upon stumbling across an old artifact, prepare to be
transported through the different stages in time.

What will we discover?

Friday May 23rd 2025

12pm OR 6pm

Tickets available at the office

\$5 per ticket



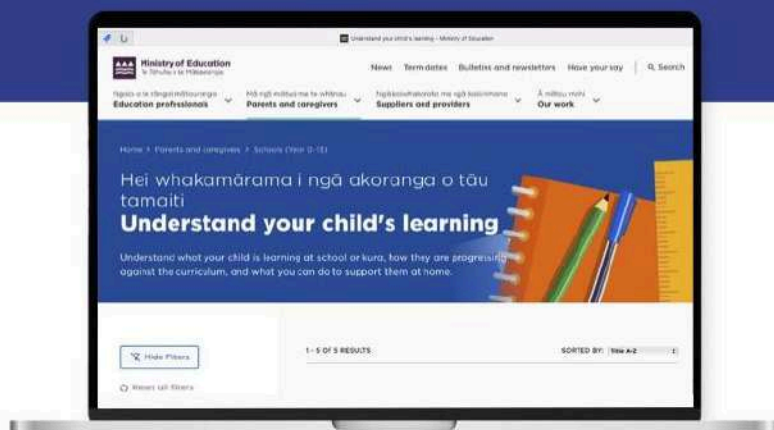
Understand your child's learning

Information and resources for parents, caregivers and whānau

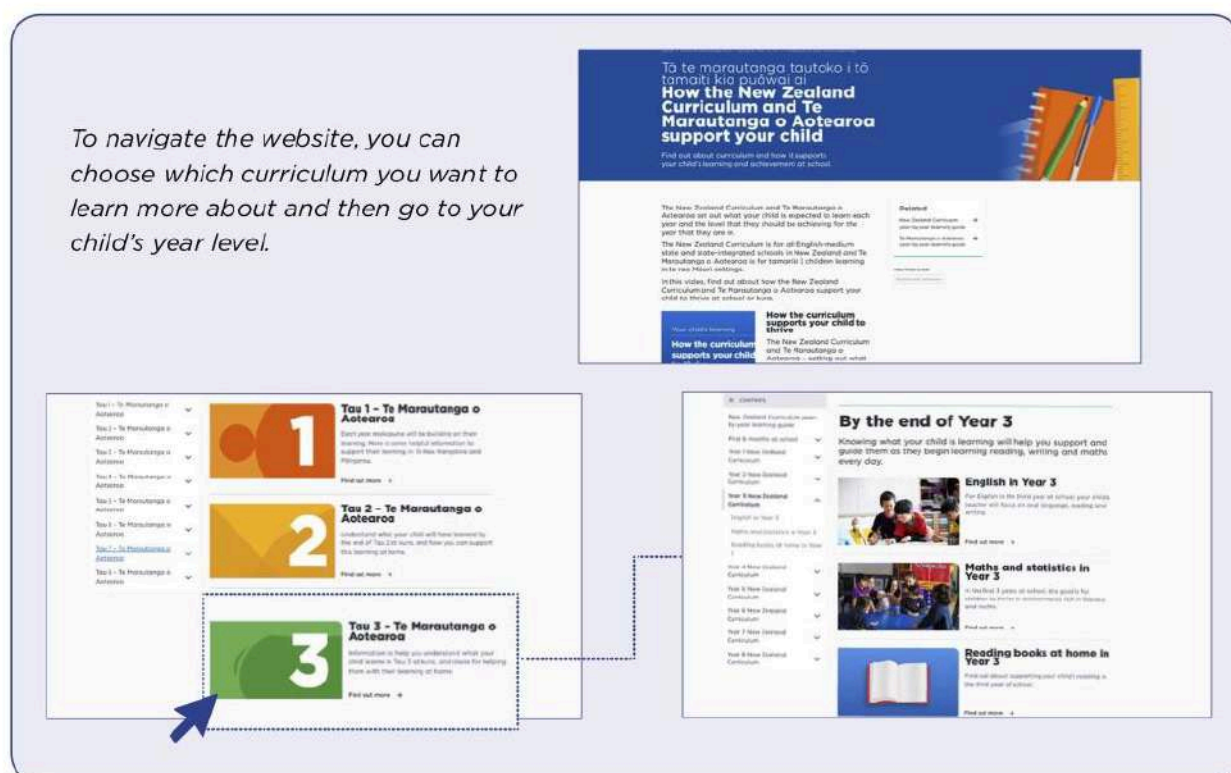
A new webspace on [education.govt.nz](https://www.education.govt.nz) houses practical videos, activities and resources for supporting learning that are easy to understand, empowering you to take an active role in your child's education.

An introductory video that walks you through the content is available [here](#).

With the launch of the 'parent-friendly' versions of both our national curricula, you will know exactly what your child is learning, why it's important, and when they'll be learning it, so that you can actively support and complement your child's learning at home and have meaningful conversations with your child's teacher or kaiako.



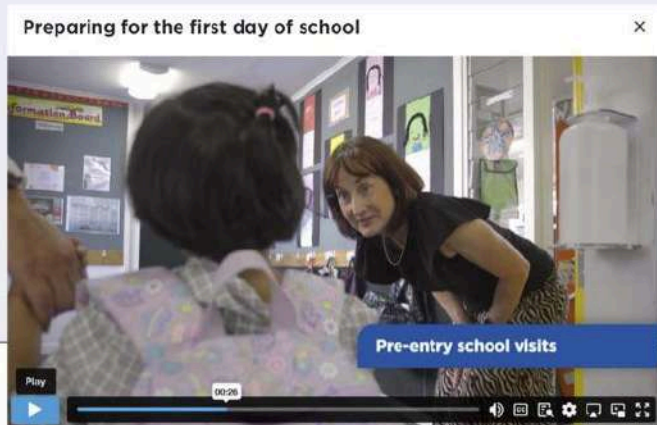
To navigate the website, you can choose which curriculum you want to learn more about and then go to your child's year level.



There are practice activities for each year level that you can do with your child, and 'tips and tricks' to support learning at home. Phonics cards come with parent guidance with audio files to model the correct sounds.



There is also a guide on how to prepare for the first day of school, and tips for parent-teacher interviews.



The webspace also houses important information about how children will be assessed in the early years of schooling through the new Phonics Checks and Hihira Weteoro. It describes how parents and whānau can access additional support that their child or tamaiti might need.



As the national curriculum continues to be updated and implemented in all schools and kura over the next few years, more resources and supports will become available for parents, caregivers and whānau. We encourage you to visit the new webspace and check out the current resources, guides and videos available. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please email us at tepoutahu.engagement@education.govt.nz

Waikite Valley
School PTA
Presents:

Maui Hatter

Quiz Night

Spot
prizes
for
best
hats

Tickets
\$20 Per
Person
presales only!

and Playground
Fundraiser Auction

14th June, 7pm
Waikite Valley Hall

Cash bar.
Nibbles provided.

Teams of 6 – Get a group together,
or be assigned a table on the night.

Auction donations wanted!

Please email: waikiteschoolpta@gmail.com

Ticket sales – Use name as payment reference:
Waikite Valley School PTA – 12 3155 0164206 00

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