



# WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



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Tena Koutou Katoa  
Nga Mihi Mahana- (greetings)

## NEW STUDENTS: Boyd & Emma

Boyd and Emma come to us from the Maniatoto. Boyd tells me that he is impressed with the kindness of the people here. He has had help from some caring friends. These include Henry, Ely and Tyler. Emma really likes the slide and thinks Hunter Cooper is a good friend. We welcome both of you and your family to Centennial and wish you all the best while you are here.

## SCOOTERS AT SCHOOL

The teachers have noticed that scooters are being left in places that might result in injury to other people. Tim has also been picking up scooters that are left in the playground and for safety sake he has been putting them in a shed. For both these reasons we have decided to set up some guidelines that will help children to be safe with their scooters. From now on we will be encouraging children to leave their scooters in the scooter park during the day. This is on the end of the garden boxing by the front gate. I would ask that you don't allow the children to bring their scooters on wet days to avoid the congestion of having scooters inside on the floor or being left in the rain. We also think it would be safer if the scooters went home each night. This is a good habit for children to be get into to keep their property safe.

## FAREWELL Mrs (Shaz) Murray and Family

Last Thursday afternoon the school farewelled Mrs Murray in an assembly celebration. Staff had a farewell morning tea and a lunch during the week. After five years in the school we are all going to miss Mrs Murray and I am sure she will be sad at leaving the Centennial and Waimate. Shaz we wish you and your family all the best for the future.

## STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Next week we will be holding Student Led Conferences for the senior school. If you have children in the senior school you will have received a notice asking you to come in for the interview. The conference lasts for 15 minutes. Your child will be leading the conference. There will be some questions coming home that will help you to respond in ways that support your child with the event. These conferences are very important for your child's learning. They will take a lot of pride in sharing their learning with you and showing you they know a lot about what they have learned and what they need to learn next. Ask your child questions about their learning as this will reinforce for them that you understand how important their learning is. After your child has completed their part there will be time for their teacher to answer other questions you may have.

## JUMP JAM

Our Jump Jam teams have worked hard perfecting their routines and were excited about performing at the Theatre Royal in Timaru. On Tuesday Morning we watched them perform for the last time in our community before the big event. On Wednesday they participated in the regional competition with great success for all of our teams. Well done to everyone involved. I would like to say that I am very proud of the students and adult helpers. You have worked tirelessly to get yourselves up to performance level and then to represent us in front of the rest of South Canterbury. On behalf of the school, Thank you very much.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Senior Student Led Conferences 4-5th July
- Book Week 3-7th July
- Final Assembly for term 2 - July 7th at 2.30
- Term 3 begins 24th July



## MARTARIKI CELEBRATIONS

The Waimate Centennial Kapa Haka group performed on Friday along with all the other schools in Waimate. Our group ably supported by Pania Taupo and Mrs MacMillan performed very well. I was impressed by how they took up the challenge of performing for the whole of Waimate and representing the school in the respectful way that they did.

It is great to see the joy on the faces of the students who are really in their element and having a great time. I believe we are very well supported in Waimate when it comes to Kapahaka and Tikanga Maori. With celebrations like Matariki it is good to see all the experts come out to share with the school communities.

The Waihao Marae took it upon themselves to feed the whole community with a Hangi, the food was excellent. There was quite a production line outside and in the kitchen. I was impressed with the way the long lines of supporters and whanau moved quickly inside and returned with their food. This was all done at no cost to the schools. The rain was not enough to dampen the children's spirits and before we returned to school our students made the most of the opportunity to play on the Main School playground. This was a great example of how the local schools have all been drawn closer together over the last 12 months. Thank you also to Wendy Heath and her committee for organising the Matariki event and for managing to feed so many students on the day.

## MATHS PROBLEM

Jack bought a skateboard at Friendly Sports when they were having a sale with 10% off all goods. He worked out that he had saved himself \$20 on his purchase.

What was the original (non-sale) cost of the item?

## BOOK WEEK

In week ten we will be having our annual book week. This is a fun week packed with reading and book activities. It culminates with the parade of book characters. There will be visiting VIPs reading to the whole school and to classes each day. Your child will ask you about a costume for one of their favourite book characters. In most cases you can create this costume out of materials you have at home.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Putting pictures on Facebook of assembly celebrations.

Over the last twelve months I have been adding pictures to the school Facebook page. The staff have discussed this. With our cyber safety consciousness we think it is time to have a discussion with the community about how this is going. The school Facebook page is dedicated to the school but I understand that people who are not from the school can gain access to it. We will only post images of school events that:

- don't include students who are not allowed to be shown on the internet.
- are about public events or celebrations.
- have no names attached and no way to identify anyone.

If you would like to comment on the way we are putting images on the Facebook page please contact me and have a chat. In the meantime here is a site that promotes cyber safety for teenagers. Each of these little videos are quite short and have a clear message about how as adults and parents we can support our children with their online behaviour.

<http://www.simulate2educate.co.nz/tv-and-radio>

## Breakfast in schools - Kickstart Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club is being used by several students each day. They are having weetbix, yoghurt and fruits. I enjoy the chatter that goes on while they are eating. Thanks to Kick start and Fonterra for the produce. Mrs Pinches has joined in with setting up the breakfast and she would like to remind parents that children can arrive at 8:15am in the morning.

Maths problem: The non-sale price of jack's skateboard was\$....

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## STANDING TALL

**Respect for Self** - Maddison Matthews, Rachael Hodder, Zaydee Proudman, Toutouwai Taylor, Maia Lawrence, Grace Herbert, Felicity Hutt, Emily Anderson, Eli Taupo, Aaliyah Tagiaia

**Respect for Others** - Henry Lucas, Aaliyah de Wit, Toutouwai Taylor, Willaim Charles,

**Respect for Property** - Maddison Matthews, Aaliyah de Wit

**Effort & Progress in Reading** - Kourtney Constable, William Nichol, Evie Anderson, George Clavey, Connie Cousau,

**Effort & Progress in Art** - Hunter Cooper

**Effort & Progress in Spelling** - Murphy Page

**Effort & Progress in Writing** - Jason Waugh, Isabella Lightfoot, Jasmine de Waal, Cade Richardson

**Effort & Progress in Maths** - Regan Beazley

**Risk Taking** - Kadin Davis

**Effort & Considerate Class Member** - Fabian Knipe

**Positive Attitude** -Alexa Morresey, Olivia Carline, Heinrich Hutt

**Settling to Work Quickly** - Arwen O'Donnell

**Enthusiastic Classroom Member** - Aiden Morrison

**Conscientious Worker** - Zoe Wilson

**High Level of Understanding** - Georgia Soper, Sam Wilson

**Settling Well into Ruma Kakapo** - Tommy Willock, Boyd Anderson

**Settling Well into Ruma Kiwi** - Mayah Peters, Emma Tudor

**Settling Well into Ruma Tui** - Tiffany Milne

## GOLD BAND WINNERS

Alexa Morresey, Layla Pathe, Arnyka Jamieson-Smith, Cade Richardson, Hunter Guyton, Jason Waugh, Alex Wilmshurst, Ely Ryder-Ennis, Jack Waugh, Evie Anderson, Felicity Hutt, Micah Roberts, Emma Ottley, Joel Roberts, William Nichol, Pat Huwes, Milla McKenzie, Zaylee Davis, Tate Hargreaves, Raven Williams-Tullet, Annabelle Agnew, Rua Taupo, Dan Patterson, Regan Beazley, Enya O'Donnell, Scarlet Evered, Erica Lucas, Jack Williams, Sophie Hargreaves, Sammy Hill, Mackenzie Mehrstens, Callum Rempala, Cody Swatridge, Lily Upston, Sharlit Mitchell-Fellows, Abby Swatridge

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