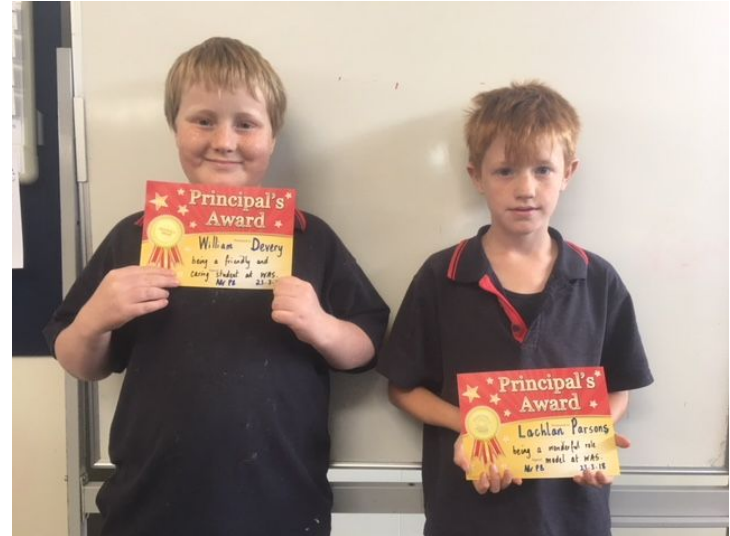




*Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,*

TERM HAPPENINGS	
Sat 07th April	Southland Primary Athletics
Sun 08 <sup>th</sup> April	Southland Primary Swimming
Thurs 12th April Friday 13th April	<b>MUFTI DAY THURSDAY AND FRIDAY</b> <b>Overnight stay Thurs - WAS – Year 3 upwards and fun activities Friday.</b>
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Term 1
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Apr	First day of Term 2
Fri 4th May	Newsletter Deadline – 12pm – Articles to be emailed to newsletters@was.school.nz or dropped in at the office
Weds 16th - Fri 18th May	Area Schools Tournament - WAS hosting

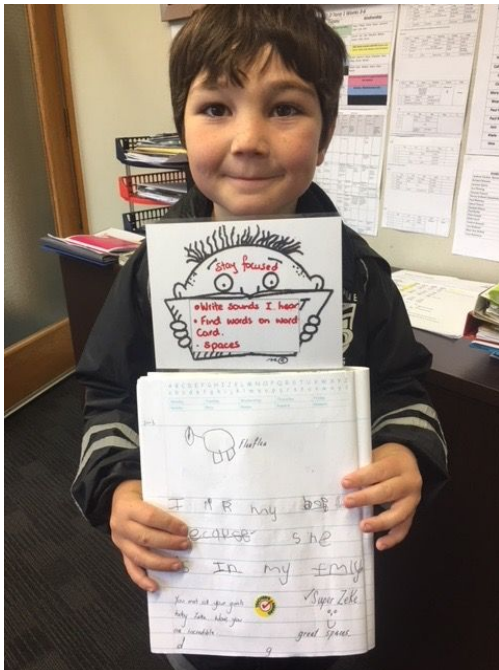
all for your child/ren. We sincerely want to make a positive difference in your child's life and give them a high quality education they deserve. We're certainly trying.



*Principal's Award recipients: William and Lachlan - congrats to you both on being WAS Superstars.*

The reality of life is that people make mistakes and things do go wrong. It's the same at school - students and staff will make mistakes. The good news is there are far more positive things happening than things going wrong. As a staff, it's important to turn student wrong-doings into learning opportunities where they're not repeated. It's equally important to celebrate success and to keep building on all the wonderful things that is happening at WAS.

Reflecting on these comments, I'm really looking forward to WAS hosting the Area Schools' Tournament coming up next month - 16-18th May. Our students and staff are gearing up for this wonderful event. Mr Bennett has been busy planning and getting everyone onboard. Year 7 students will be able to compete in this three day tourney. Not every student will be competing, however, they'll be involved in some fashion. The rest of the school will be involved in performances, celebrations and



Zeke displaying his fantastic writing. He has met his goals by having spaces between his words, sounding out the sounds he hears and writing them down and using his word chart to help him with his writing. Magic word Zeke and someone who is on the up!

Thank you for all your support this term. The staff and I really appreciate the partnership we have - it's

cheerleading squads. Come Term 2, it'll be all go! Please, if you can help out in any way - make contact with us. Providing accommodation (hosting two students for two nights), transport, preparing food, supporting teams and players, recording results and so forth - let us know - it's all hands on deck for these three days.



Congrats to Tamzyn and Liam for producing some amazing work in class.

**In Week Eight** (seems so long ago!), I had the privilege of attending the Western Primary Schools' Athletics at Takitimu. We had 23 hearty competitors in attendance. They all did themselves proud and represented the school with flying colours. There is always room for improvement and I look forward to having even greater numbers competing with even greater success next year. Congrats to Peter Devery, Ashton Edgerton, Nevaeh Thomason and Jack Richards, Di-Anne Keast, Lachlan Parsons and Elektra Harding who have been selected to attend the prestigious Southland event this Saturday. All the very best to you all. I will be present in the morning and handing out Western tops, helping out on the discus etc. Miss R will take over for the afternoon shift!

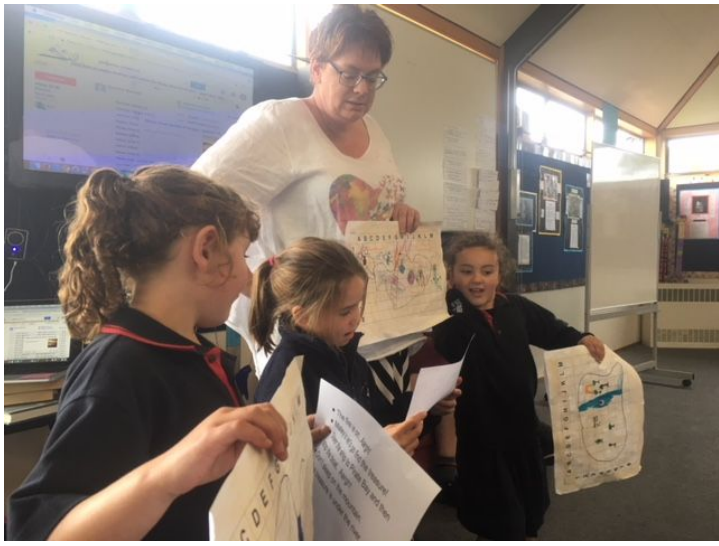
**Swimming - REAP:** Our primary aged children have completed their swimming coaching with REAP. This was another golden opportunity for our children to be exposed to some top notch coaching. Thank you to the many parents and caregivers who have helped out this term.

**Maori Consultation Feedback:** Thank you to those who attended our recent hui. Please see the notes in this week's newsletter. Please feel free to pass on any recommendations etc re your child's education at WAS.

**Overnight Stay next week on Thursday night:** Your child will need - Sleeping bag, pillow, one blanket, toiletries, towel, PJ's, torch, change of clothes, plate, cutlery, cup, water bottle, change of clothing, togs, a board game (if poss), a tent (if suitable - we'll work this out with the children) and a positive attitude. Thursday will be a normal school day where children can wear mufti. Then the children stay at school; set-up their sleeping arrangements, do some camp like games, hang out, have a shared dinner etc. Then come Friday we'll have a series of activities which the children can be involved in. Then they can leave at 3pm as per normal. I'll flick out more information early next week with a follow-up text. It would be great to have some adult helpers on Thursday night for dinner and if some could stay the night then even better. Some of our senior children will not want to stay the night for various reasons - we understand this. The Year 1 & 2 students won't be able to stay on their own overnight - they'll need a parent with them thanks. Hope this is enough info in the meantime.



More superstars in Hannah May and Abby (without an 'e') - well done on all the wonderful work and manners you two!



*Miss R and some of her wonderful Room Two students displaying their work during junior assembly.*

**Anzac Day Service:** Is on Wednesday 25th April, here in Tui. It would be great if we could get as many students as possible to attend. I'll be attending the service and reading out the 'fallen soldiers' with the support from the students. We'll need students to carry the wreaths and crosses as per usual. Have a great week and all the best for the break away from school for two weeks. Take care.

**Regards  
Andrew**



Congrats to Tiffany and Jazmin for being students of the week in their respective classroom - our Year 7&8's are now displaying the positive role model attributes we knew they always had! Keep up the excellent work Room 4.

***Grandfriends Feedback:***

Room 2 would just like to say that we love Mrs Brown and Mrs Erskine coming in each Wednesday to share reading with us. Thank you all for your time.

***Miss R and Room 2 Students.***



Ranudi and Jack (hiding their certificates!) - students of the week - congrats to you both for being well mannered and positive citizens of WAS.

**Student Voice**

The term has been flying and we're already a week away from the holidays. Things have been going pretty smoothly here at Waiau, and the school is definitely progressing within the learning and behaviour areas. Everyone is very busy at the moment, organising the upcoming Southern Area Schools Tournament. We want to make this an unforgettable experience for those coming and everyone participating. By hosting this tournament, we get the chance to socialise, meet new people and also compete against them to show our skill and ability. Another addition to our school, is Room 4 has two new turtles, named Winter and Wayno. (Wayno being called after Mr Edgerton, as he bought one!) They are very supportive of the students learning and give them lots of feedback! It's coming towards the end of the term, so if any students have



belongings of the schools, now is the time to bring them back. Of course, we can't forget our weekly joke, this one may be used quite often by hard working mothers!

‘Anton, do you think I’m a bad mother?’

My name is Paul.’

**Holly & Tekoa**

## **Southern Area Schools Tournament**

Here is a copy of the draft timetable (changes might be made depending on the number of teams entered in an event).

### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

11.30am - Schools arrive and shown to Home Rooms

11:45am - Assemble in Quad

12:00pm - Opening Ceremony in the Gym

1:00pm - Afternoon activities begin

- Ø Basketball
- Ø Touch
- Ø Table Tennis
- Ø Hockey
- Ø Chess
- Ø Double Saw

4:30pm - Return to Home Rooms and wait for billets

6:50pm - Meet at Waiiau T&C Club/Field, Squash Court or RSA Hall

7:00pm - Evening activities begin

- Ø Football – T&C Club field
- Ø Quiz – T&C Club
- Ø Indoor Games – T&C Club
- Ø Squash – Squash Club
- Ø Small bore target shooting – RSA Hall

9:30pm - Home with billets

### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

9:00am - Meet in Home Rooms

10:00am - Activities Begin

- Ø Netball – School courts
- Ø Rugby – School field
- Ø Golf – Tuatapere Golf Club

Ø Badminton – WAS Gym

1:30pm -

- Ø Ki O Rahi – School field
- Ø Indoor Cricket – WAS Gym
- Ø Mini Golf – Shooters Backpackers

3:30pm - Leave with billets

8:00pm - Social at RSA Hall and Nationals selection meeting at Gallery 65

10:30pm - Home with Billets

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

8:45am - Meet in home rooms

9:00am - Morning activities

- Ø Volleyball – WAS Gym
- Ø Ultimate Frisbee – School field
- Ø Claybird Shooting – Gun Club, Pukemaori-Tuatapere Highway

11:45am - Meet in WAS Gym

12:00pm - Closing Farewell

**We would also like to invite the community to the Opening Ceremony.**

Also, look at this amazing t’shirt that our students designed.



## Athletic Champions 2018

5YG	Brooke 5 Gold
5YB	Zeke 3 Gold, 2 Silver
6YG	Tamzyn 4 Gold
6YB	Hamiora 5 Gold
7YG	Kylie 5 Gold, 2 Silver
7YB	Lukcas 6 Gold
8YG	Abbey 5 Gold, 1 Silver
8YB	Ashton 5 Gold
9YG	Di-Anne 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 1 Bronze
9YB	Jazaiah 3 Gold, 2 Silver
10YG	Alisha 5 Gold, 1 Silver
10YB	Lee 2 Gold, 3 Silver
U12G	Nevaeh 7 Gold
U12B	Peter 5 Gold
U13G	Alyssa 5 Gold, 1 Silver
U13B	Ethan 4 Gold, 1 Silver
JUNG	Hailey 7 Gold
JUNB	Josh 3 Gold, 2 Silver
INTG	Holly 6 Gold
INTB	Shayle 3 Gold, 3 Silver
SENG	Moon 5 Gold, 1 Silver
SENB	Brook 3 Gold, 4 Silver

### Total House Points as at 12/3/18

Activity	Dean	Longwood	Rowallan
Swimming	280	141	144
Athletics	665	554	722
Gotchya's	601	470	613
TOTAL	1546	1165	1479

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## Waiau Area School Maori Consultation Hui- 22/3/2018

- Mr PB welcomed everyone and shared apologies
- Explain what the consultation is about (MOE requirement)
- We have Whaea Hine in all our classes at WAS
- Pip from Oraka- Aparima Runaka is here to present opportunities for Maori students

### Pip's Presentation:

- Ngai Tahu Scholarships and Opportunities
- Able to get some funding and support for Aparima with their Senior Te Reo lessons
- Succession Planning- teaching our kids the traditions and the culture to get them to pass on traditions and understand who they are and where they come from
- Pip had a handout of her presentation
- Aoraki Matatu School Packs for registered Ngai Tahu whanau
- Ngai Tahu whanau can get extra support for children who are "below" (funded by Ngai Tahu). They work on it by a case by case basis (5- 18 year olds)
- STEM Boot Camp for children in Year 9 & 10- Children get to go to San Fran to be part of the Google team there. It is only available to 8 children a year
- Cultural Leadership- 20- 35 year olds to learn about their Maori tanga
- There is support for children going to Uni and even support with finding housing etc. -
- If anyone needs to get ahold of Pip her contact details are: 027 824 7118 or [Phillipa.TenakiHakopa@orakaaparima.org.nz](mailto:Phillipa.TenakiHakopa@orakaaparima.org.nz)

### Waiau Looking Forward:

- Marae visit even years
- Polyfest odd years
- Whaea Hine in all classrooms teaching Te Reo me Tikanga Maori

Encouraging whanau to come and talk about what they would like to see at WAS for the students.

**TUATAPERE COMMUNITY SUPPORT TRUST**

Community Hangi

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April - 5pm

Tuatapere Domain

Bar Facilities Available

Entertainment: Jason Schmidt from Invercargill Playing from 6pm till late.

Please can you all book your meals in advance to Keri Potter "The Tuatapere Community Worker on mob: 0277575983 for catering purposes thank you.

Cost: \$10.00 per/ person

Cost: \$5.00 Children under 10 years

**RUGBY:**

Is your son keen to play this year? You have a couple of options (age depending). Under 17 combined team

(Aparima/Riverton/Waiiau/Nightcaps) - Brit Cleaver 0273793699. Under 15 Nightcaps/Waiiau - Peter Stoddart - 0274258845.

Please ring them directly to find out more information. If there is a strong interest then we could look at transporting our lot to practice and games - I know one of our caring caregivers is keen to help out.

**SOUTHLAND LIFE EDUCATION COMMUNITY TRUST AGM**

To be held Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018, 7.00pm at Windsor North School, Chelmsford Street, Invercargill.

If you are interested in becoming a Trustee please make an effort to attend and support the Trust - it's for the children's benefit!

Any queries to Val (03)235-8910

All welcome.

**SOUTHLAND BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION - HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

ILT STADIUM SOUTHLAND 9AM – 3PM  
YEARS 3 – 6 YEARS 7 - 10 THURSDAY

19 APRIL TUESDAY 24 APRIL \$35 \$35

\*FAMILY DISCOUNT AVAILABLE  
FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO

REGISTER GO TO

[www.basketballsouthland.co.nz/HOLIDAY](http://www.basketballsouthland.co.nz/HOLIDAY)

**Congratulations to Jasmin Hutchby who participated in the National Swimming Championship in Rotorua. She qualified into the top 5 for backstroke, keep up the great work Jasmin.**

