



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Caregivers

What a great atmosphere we have had at Waiau over the last couple of weeks. Last week was our inaugural WAS Arts Week. Students from Yr1-10 were all fully involved in a number of art and craft workshops. We had three visiting local artists, famous for their driftwood art, landscape art and portraits in school for 2-3 days. As I walked around taking photographs I was amazed at how focused and committed our students were to doing their creative best. We now have some stunning pieces to exhibit on 11 September when we have our auction. There's already hot competition for some of the driftwood art, sculpture and canvases!

11 September will also be the date when we have our school Open Day. We will be inviting students and parents from feeder schools to come and find out what life is all about at Waiau. An invitation will be sent out to schools and will come on the back of the Art Auction details, so watch your letterboxes.

Can I also ask to put a very important date in your calendar – 28 August will see Waiau competing in Polyfest for the first time. All our Yr1-6's and some of our more senior students are performing a number of items at the festival. Notices have already gone home to parents. Can I ask that as parents you consider offering your services as drivers. Polyfest is a truly inspiring event and well worth going in to watch even if you don't have a son / daughter in the event.

Miss Elizabeth Hannah, Principal

2015 Timeline

Mon 20 July to Fri 25 Sept	TERM 3 (10 weeks)
Mon 24 August – 7.30pm	Pub Quiz – Waiau Hotel
Fri 28 August	Polyfest – Invercargill
Mon 31 Aug to Fri 4 Sept	SISS Girls' Football Tournament – Invercargill
Fri 11 Sept	Open Day and Art Auction
Mon 14 September – 7pm	PTA Meeting
Mon 21 Sept – 7pm	BOT Meeting
Mon 12 Oct to Wed 16 Dec	TERM 4 (9½ weeks) (Tentative end date)
Mon 19 Oct – 7pm	BOT Meeting
Mon 26 Oct	Labour Day
Mon 16 Nov – 7pm	BOT Meeting
Wed 2 to Fri 4 December	Yr7-10 Camp – Dunedin
Mon 7 Dec – 7pm	BOT Meeting

School News



We warmly welcome **Noelle Ranon** to Miss Quinn's Yr7/8 cohort. Noelle has come to us from the Philippines and is a Yr7 student.

SCHOOL CULTURAL BADGES:

Badges for achievements at Art Week were awarded at Assembly this week:



Amelia Challis

- For the creativity and commitment you displayed in Collage during Art Week.

Ashton Edgerton

- For the very impressive artistic qualities you displayed during Art Week.

Abbey Erskine

- For using a variety of buttons to create your impression of the NZ map, which you made totally independently.

Holly Hammond

- For your creativity, focus, and commitment in Driftwood Art.

Alyssa Harding

- For the very impressive artistic qualities you displayed during Art Week.

Mike Herrick

- For your Oamaru Stone sculpture of a Koru.

Jasmin Hutchby

- For the very impressive commitment, talent and creativity you consistently displayed during Art Week.

Frances Keast

- For the focus and creativity you displayed in Pom-Pom Art during Art Week.

Tahlia Kennedy

- For the very impressive artistic qualities you displayed during Art Week.

Naomi Mitchelmore

- For the very impressive artistic qualities you displayed during Art Week.

Aidan Scott

- For the creativity and commitment you displayed in Collage during Art Week.

Dean Ward

- For focus, creativity and engaging with the artist in Stone Sculpture.

WAS AWESOME CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded certificates at Assembly this week:



Max Tilby – Yr1 – For working with such focus and concentration during Art Week.

Max Harvey – Yr2 – For working with such focus and creativity during Art Week.

Luca Unahi – Yr1 – For displaying talent and creativity in collage during Art Week.

Lee Edgerton – Yr4 – For displaying talent and creativity in collage during Art Week.

Brooke Stratford – Yr4 – For working with such focus and creativity during Art Week.

Ethan Clark – Yr6 – For the thought process and thinking behind developing and making your fabric canvas for Art Week.

Jorja Unahi – Yr6 – For the thought process and thinking behind developing and making your fabric canvas for Art Week.

Tekoa Mangion – Yr7 – For displaying creativity, focus, and talent in Driftwood Sculpture during Art Week.

Chelsea Evans – Yr8 – For displaying creativity, focus, and talent in Driftwood Sculpture during Art Week.

Angela Pierce – Yr9 – For your consistently high standard of work throughout Art Week.

Amanda Baldwin – Yr10 – For your consistently high standard of work throughout Art Week.

Tegan Fraser – Yr10 – For your consistently high standard of work throughout Art Week.

PUB QUIZ

7.30pm – Monday 24 August – Waiiau Hotel

Come along to show your support or to donate a raffle prize. Funds raised will be distributed among those students who have contributed to the quiz.

Fundraising for the Yr7-10 Camp to Dunedin in December.

KAREN ROBINS – PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Karen visits our school weekly (usually on a Wednesday afternoon). She is available to discuss any health concerns with parents or students. Get in touch with the office if you would like Karen to make contact with you.

OPEN DAY – FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

Students and parents from feeder schools will be invited to experience what Waiiau has to offer. The Open Day (which is focussed on students currently Yr6 and upwards) will begin with a welcome from Miss Hannah in the Library at 9.30am and will follow with a tour of the school, a BBQ at interval, and students being involved in "taster" classes. The day will wrap up at 12.30pm.



School is officially open to students at 8:30am. Students are required to leave the school grounds straight after school unless they are bus students.

ART AUCTION – DATE FOR DIARY

At 6.00pm on Friday 11 September we will be holding a silent auction in the School Hall of the artwork our students worked so hard at creating during last week's Art Week.
More details to follow ...

Sports Coordinator News**WESTERN AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS****NETBALL TOURNAMENTS**

Over the last few weeks there has been ALOT of Netball and jeeppers has it been busy!

In the last few weeks there have been competitions left right and centre starting with the Western Netball for the combined Yr 5 & 6 kids with which was held in Riverton with such beautiful weather.....Yeah right!

Despite horrible and freezing temperatures the kids never gave up hope and went out there in the freezing cold and gave it their all and I couldn't have been more proud of them!

The following week came the Yr 5 Primary Schools Netball Tournament which was held at Stadium Southland, although we had low numbers I was stumped as to how I would go about this so I decided to combine with our local neighbouring school Hauroko Valley Primary and between Lisa McCracken and myself made one exceptional team!

The kids only had a few practices together but on the day they looked like a team that had been playing a lot longer than what they had been. Although they finished 17th they had a great day and all did very well with Jay Egerton being awarded the fair play award for the tournament from our team.

The following week was the Yr 6 tournament and wow did they do great! Again we had short numbers so we combined with Hauroko Valley yet again and coming away finishing 5th out of 32 is an amazing result considering this team also only had a few practices together. They did exceptionally well and should be very proud of themselves; again one exceptional team!

I would like to thank the people who made these competitions possible; a special thank you to our coaches Dayna Adams and Bernadette Forde and team managers Dale Egerton and Sharon Hampton (Hauroko Valley), also umpires Dayna Adams and Jaimee Dowling.

Thank you all so much for making this year's tournament a huge success and to the kids for their participation, you should be very proud of what you achieved. Also, to the staff and teachers at both schools for their support and allowing the kids to have time off to play; bring on 2016!

Kane Taulofa, Sports Co-ordinator

From Our Students



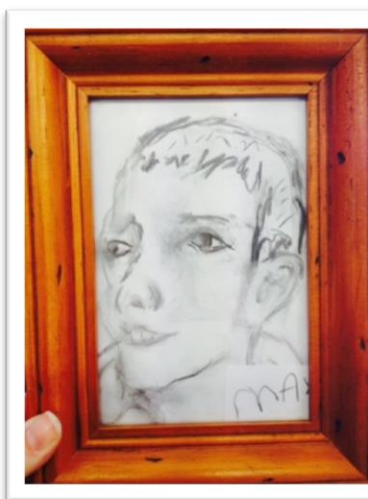
Last week all the students took part in Art Week at Waiau Area School. I made a button map of New Zealand with Mrs Cleaver and a self portrait with Ms Scott. My favourite thing was the shared lunch on Friday. I had the best time.

Luca Unahi



Last week it was art week at Waiau Area School. I made a pom-pom pencil and a button map of New Zealand. I had a sausage for lunch from the yummy sausage sizzle. It was a fun week.

Abbey Erskine



Last week it was art week at Waiau Area School. I made a pom-pom pencil and a secret diary. I drew a portrait of myself. We had a great time.

Max Harvey

Capital E Theatre Production of "Stealing Games"



The Big Day

On Monday the 10th of August at 10.00am we jumped into the car and waited for Mr Pearce. "FINALLY" Naomi, Lily, Frances and I said. I got to sit in the front seat the whole way there. Suddenly we were there. We parked the car beside Mrs McClure.

My favourite part of the Stealing Games show was when Judd stole the iPhone, but he didn't really, Abbey did because Abbey wanted to go to the same play park as Nicole. I also had another favourite part which was when Judd threw the ball at Abbey's nose and it started bleeding. Nicole tried to help her but she got blood on her white fluffy NEW jacket. She shouted out "mum is going to kill me."

Brendon SMASHED a window with a rock and stuck a letter onto the rock and... SMASH went the window.

After the show we went to Andersons Park and had a run around and also some lunch. Finally we got into the car and left to go back to school. On the way back we stopped to look at the yellow life boat near Colac Bay that is now

screwed down to the ground. It is going to be turned into a holiday house for people to stay in. I really enjoyed my day. The show was very enjoyable.

Written by Brooke Stratford.

Stealing Games

Yesterday we went to the Stealing Games show at Invercargill's Civic Theatre.

I went in Mrs Devery's truck with Peter, Jackson and Quinn.

The show was funny, my favourite part was when Abbey had stolen the cell phone and not Judd.

After the show we had lunch at Andersons Park. I had a very happy day because I enjoyed the Stealing Games show. I was glad to get home because I had a sore tummy and thought I was going to be sick. Mrs Erskine took me home early.

Written by Brycen Erskine.

Amazing Stealing Games

Yesterday Mr Pearce, Lily, Brooke, Frances and I went in Miss Hannah's flash, amazing, shiny blue car. We went to the Civic Theatre in Invercargill to see the Stealing Games performance.

First we went to the theatre and met our school and we all lined up.

The show started; there were only four actors, Abbey, Nicole, Judd and Brendon. My favourite part was when we got to ask the actors lots of questions.

Finally we had lunch at Anderson's Park. I played on the slide and the roundabout. I fell off and skinned my knee. OUCH! I was very brave and I didn't cry.

It was an awesome day. The Stealing Games show was fabulous.

Written by Naomi Mitchelmore.

From Our Teachers

NCEA FEES

A reminder that NCEA fees of \$76.70 need to be paid to the school by 21 August 2015 at the very latest. A late fee of \$50 may be imposed by NZQA for any payments after the due date.

Remember that financial assistance is available in some circumstances, reducing the fee to only \$20. All parents of NCEA students were sent the Financial Assistance form with the School Invoices. Spare forms are available from the School Office.

Mr Paul Maloney – Principal's Nominee

Community Notices

If you have a Community Notice to advertise, please email it through to the school at newsletters@was.school.nz.

TUATAPERE After School Art with Helen Scott

An after school course for children aged 8–12 years who want to begin to experiment with their art. Helen will extend students' use of colour, teaching the "rules" of choosing different colour combinations and increasing their confidence working on their own art pieces.

DATES: Wednesdays (4), 26 Aug, 2, 9, 16 Sept

TIME: 3:30pm–4:30pm

COST: \$35 for the four lessons

VENUE: Waiiau Area School art room TUATAPERE

For more information or to enrol please phone Tracey or Lynley at Southern REAP on 0800 111 117 or 03 236 6008.