



## Principal's Portal (written Thursday 19 July)

Dear Parents/Guardians/Members of our Community  
Welcome back to the term everyone. It was a good feeling seeing all the students return on Monday. It feels like we have hit the term running; we are a hive of activity with lots of great things unfolding after the holidays.

### School Organisation

Parents will have received a letter outlining school organisation for this term. We celebrate the appointment of three new staff members to our school, and warmly welcome Mrs Abina Pope, Mr Paul Burke and Mrs Deborah McClure to Tuatapere.

I am excited that we have been able to replace the vacancy we had as well as address identified needs in our school. I will outline more in next week's portal.

### School Reports – PARENT INTERVIEWS

During the holidays parents/guardians would have received in the mail their child's school report. Our intention to release these during the school term was interrupted by computer networking taking place at the same time. I apologise for this as it cut short the opportunity for parents to contact teachers to discuss their child's report.

To accommodate we have allocated time for parent teacher interviews. **These will take place on Wednesday 1 August from 1pm to 7pm.** I read all the school reports with interest and made individual comments on each and every one. I encourage all parents to take the opportunity to attend this meeting, particularly if a request has been made by a teacher or a recommendation has been made by me.

We are dedicated to bringing all our students to a level where they are performing to their potential. Research supports that the most successful approach to student achievement is a collaborative one. We must all work together on this common goal. Please contact the School Office to make an appointment.

### Area School Students – Congratulations!

During the holidays I had the pleasure to watch our area school students participate in the Nationals tournament in Dunedin. I would like to congratulate the students on a fine achievement and to Max, Simon, Hayley, Coleen and Sophie for gaining selection into the South Island team. I thank once again Miss Jaime Dickson, Mr Richard Bennett and Mr Troy Anderson for supporting our students on this experience.

### Computers now up and running

No looking back now! Our school has now been "SNUPPED!" – that means our school is completely networked with new computer cabling. An exercise that

was to take three months at the most took our school 12 months after the discovery of asbestos. After a total of \$50,000 spent (\$30,000 on asbestos removal, and \$20,000 of a \$100,000 Ministry of Education funded project) we can now reap the benefits of being fully networked.

Alongside we have had our new server installed, a seamless wireless system installed and computers overhauled. We are now rearing to go! We anticipate a few minor hiccups but celebrate the fact that we are now where we should be in respect of ICT capability. Already students have given feedback about how fast our network is and some have enjoyed having the mobile ability to access the internet via notebooks.

### Battle of the Mountains

In anticipation of tomorrow night, I would like to say thank you on behalf of Waiau Area School to the organising committee, the school community and the Tuatapere community for their support.

The funds generated for our school will go towards an initiative that will benefit our whole school and the wider community – the continual upgrade of our LIBRARY. We will utilise the funds to purchase library furniture, books and electronic Kindle readers.

All the best to the Battle Teams – it will be a great night of entertainment.

### Thank You

Over the last week we have had a number of parents in the school assisting our students with netball. I would just like to say thank you and how great it is to see parents in our school. Congratulations go to our Year 5 team who won the netball competition at Riverton on Wednesday. The last time Tuatapere had won this event was back in 1995.

Well done and thank you once again to parents for assisting our students and enabling them to engage in these activities.

Enjoy a fine weekend.

Maryse Anderson-Kereti

Principal

## WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Will now take place every  
Monday at 9.00am.

Parents/caregivers/whanau/  
community all welcome to attend.

## From the Office

### Welcome to New Student

This week we welcomed New Entrant **Eric Williams** to Room 1. Happy school days Eric! We are sure you will enjoy your time here at Waiau Area School.

### School Photos

Proofs and order forms were handed out to students on Friday – hopefully they have made it home in one piece!

If you wish to order any photos, please ensure your order form and payment are handed in to the School Office by **Friday 3 August**.

**If paying by cheque, please make payable to Geoff Horrell Photography – not the school.**

The proofs of Sports Teams are on display in the Office foyer. These photos cost \$11 each.

*Cheers, Gillian*

### \* Desperately Seeking Cleaning Staff \*

We desperately require the services of a permanent cleaner to work 15 hours a week, 2.30-5.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Job share or the need to work early hours of the morning, or later hours in the evening, will be considered if more suitable to applicants.

**Immediate start.**

Also, we require more relief cleaners on our books to be able to fill in when our permanent cleaners are away for whatever reason.

Please phone the School Office ASAP if interested in either of these opportunities.

We look forward to hearing from you.

### The Southland Times – *Smartsubs*

If you've given thought in the past to subscribing to The Southland Times, now is the ideal time to do so!

We have some *smartsubs* leaflets at the School Office that give full details of a fundraising scheme available when you subscribe to the Times. *Smartsubs* not only benefit our school, but also you as the subscriber, with savings of \$114 over the year.

If you are interested, grab a leaflet next time you're at the School Office.

## From Our Students

Welcome back guys! Hope you all had a great couple of weeks on holiday.

This week we Head Students have been busy trying to find ways to become more active throughout the school.

Starting from Week 2, we will be organising a sport to play one lunchtime a week. On Thursday 26 we will be running a game of rugby for Middle School students. If you wish to play, you **MUST** bring a change of clothes, footwear and a mouthguard.

On Tuesday 31 July we will be having a sausage sizzle. If you would like one, someone will come around to take your order on the morning. You must pay the \$2 when you order.

*From Head Students and Prefects  
Max, Simon, Logan, Nicola*

### Area Schools Tournament

On the first week of the holidays, Max Baldwin, Simon Van Dam, Travis Proud, Floyd Pipson, Hayley Adams, Sophie Unahi and Coleen Ebron travelled up to Dunedin for the national area schools tournament to represent the southern zone. We left the school gates on 2 July looking forward to the big week of sport to come. Frosts on the road meant that driving was hazardous but Mr Bennett and Miss Dickson were in total control.

The four boys went to the tournament for rugby, Max and Simon also played volleyball and futsal and Floyd played basketball and futsal.

Hayley played netball and futsal, Coleen played futsal and volleyball and Sophie played netball, futsal and volleyball. We played those sports on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and if that wasn't enough,



some of us were lucky enough to get South Island honours and play on the Friday.



Max and Simon both made the South Island team for rugby, also Max made the futsal team and Simon made the volleyball

team. Hayley, Coleen and Sophie all made the South Island futsal team, also Hayley made the netball team and Sophie made the volleyball team. An extra congrats to those who represented the South Island. The results for the southern



zone didn't really go our way all week except for the netball with the A team winning every game and the B team only losing one, the girls futsal team also got one win over there opponent. Of the South Island teams, the B team beat the North Island and the boys futsal came down to a penalty shoot-out in which they were victorious.

Last but not least, we would like to thank Miss Dickson, Mr Bennett and Mr Anderson for taking time out of their holidays and come coach netball, futsal and rugby.

By Simon and Max

## From Our Teachers

### Western Netball Team

Following from a very successful tournament on Wednesday 18 July, Ben Egerton and Ruth Bennie have been selected into the Year 6 team to play in the Southland Primary Netball tournament in early August. Congratulations.



#### Section B Grade Winners: Waiau B

Back (From left): Sam Unahi, Miss Rachael Poole (Coach)  
Middle: Livia Campbell, Georgia Powell, Wayne Blackler, Curtis Swann  
Front: Kirsten Devery, Hannah Devery (Captain), Ruth Bennie, Nic Chamberlain



Connor Fowle executing a pass. Lachlan Pratt looks on.

Alannah Skedgwell scores for the Waiau A team against Riverton.



A special thank you to Miss Rachael Poole and Mrs Tracey McCallum for their time in coaching our teams and to the many parent supporters who helped with transporting our students to Riverton. Thank you.

Mr AK

*On Wednesday morning some of the people in rm4 drove to Aparima College for western netball. The B team had five games so did A team. A grade won one game and lost the rest (sad for them) and B grade won all their games. The scores where 8-1 with Otatau, our 2 game was 3-2 with takitimu, 11-1 with Thornbury, 4-2 Riverton Kaka. B grade brought back a trophy for the top team in B grade. Hopefully our team brings it back next time. For the netball game I played GS and GA for all the games. The netball games go seven minutes each way.*

*By Kirsten Devery*

*On Wednesday 18th July, 2012, most of my year 5/6 class mates and I participated in a Western Netball tournament at Aparima High School in Riverton. Our School entered two different teams an A grade team and B grade team.*

*The A grade team managed to win one game, but they sadly lost the rest of their games. Then for the B grade team the won all the games with scores of 8-1 with Otatau blues, 3-2 with Takitimu, 11-1 with Thornbury, with Riverton Kakapos, and 4-2 with Riverton Kaka. During most of the game I was GS and GA which I was very pleased about because enjoy shooting.*

*Because B Grade did so well we were awarded a trophy for being the top team in the B section.*

*We all had a great time and were really glad that we participated and hope we will be able to enter in the tournament again one year.*

*By Ruth Bennie*

On the 18th of July most of the year 5&6's went to the Western Netball Tournament. There were heaps of different teams like Takitimu, Riverton, Thornbury, Hauroko, Blackmount and us Waiau.

The tournament was hosted at Aparima College in Riverton, we entered two teams one in the A section and one in the B section. I was in the B section team and played centre. We won all our games. The scores were: Waiau vs Otatau Red, Waiau won 1-8, Waiau vs Takitimu, Waiau won 3-2, Waiau vs Riverton Kakapos, Waiau won (score unknown?) Waiau vs Riverton Kaka, Waiau won 4-2.

The Waiau B team got a trophy for winning the B section. The Waiau A team only won one of their games. The scores were: Waiau vs Riverton Tui's, Waiau won 8-1, Waiau vs Otatau Red, Otatau won 3-2, Waiau vs Thornbury, Thornbury won 11-1, Waiau vs Riverton Kiwis, Riverton won (score unknown?) Waiau vs Takitimu, Takitimu won 4-2.

I reckon I did quite well for my first game of netball and I would like to do it again.

*By Nic Chamberlain*

### Fabric Technology Classes – Year 7-10

These will start after school on the same day and time as Mr Pearce's Tech Club – Thursday 3.15-4.45pm, for Term 3. Please bring \$2 per session to cover costs. Some fabrics and threads have been donated and there are a variety of patterns to select from. It will be a free choice programme. Enquiries to Mrs Ferguson – 027 4179168.

Mrs Annette Ferguson

## Scooter Safety



Please see the information form with permission slip at the end of this newsletter regarding students riding their scooters at school.

It is important that we do not skate around the serious issue of safety; no signed permission slip, no bringing scooters to school.

*Mr Richard Bennett*

## From Our Support Staff

### From Our Sports Coordinator

#### Weekend Ski/Snowboard

#### *An opportunity for School Families!*



Take advantage of excellent school group package deals at **Coronet Peak** for both skiing and snowboarding.

Families will need to provide their own transport on these days and will be responsible for

their own children.

#### Dates:

- Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September
- Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

If your family is interested collect a booking information sheet up from the school office.

**Forms need to be returned to the office for both trips with payment by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August.**

If you have any question please be in touch.

*Mrs Tania Egerton*

## Southland Stags Visit

**On Wednesday 25 July at 12noon Stags players will be visiting our School to talk with our yr1-10 students.**

**Parents are more than welcome to come along to the School Hall and listen in.**

## 2012 Timeline

Monday 16 July to Friday 28 Sept	<b>Term 3, 2012</b>
<b>Wednesday 25 July</b>	<b>Southland Stags visit – 12noon</b>
Wednesday 25 July	PTA AGM – 7.30pm Staffroom
Friday 27 July	CareerFest Southland
Monday 15 Oct to Friday 7 Dec	<b>Term 4, 2012</b> (tentative end date)

## Community Notices

**If you have a Community Notice to advertise, please email it through to the school at [newsletters@tcc.school.nz](mailto:newsletters@tcc.school.nz) and we will ensure it goes into our newsletter.**

### Waiau Area School PTA

**AGM Wednesday 25 July, 7.30pm**

#### WE NEED YOU

We as a PTA work on fundraising for extras within our school. Here is a list of projects we have helped fund:

Cricket pitch memorial	\$466.91
Rugby jerseys	\$500.00
South Island Schools Tournament	\$1050.00
Listening post (Junior area)	\$1661.04
Teaching resources (books, maps, dictionaries)	\$2884.75
Camera (Junior area)	\$198.00
DVDs (Middle area)	\$65.50
Sunhats (Junior area)	\$660.00
(new this summer, child has own named hat that stays in their classroom)	
High jump mat and crossbar	approx. \$2500.00

#### Recent funds raised:

School Cookbook	approx. \$1000.00
Hypnotist	figures in on 25 <sup>th</sup>

We have office positions that need filled at this AGM so please come along and help the PTA help out your school.

Meeting times may suit a new committee after school so you don't have to leave the kids at home at night.

If you would like to be involved but can't make the AGM, give me a ring on 2255538.

*Christine Murch*

## Tuatapere Community Baths AGM

**Time:** 7.30pm  
**Date:** Thursday 26 July  
**Venue:** Waiau Hotel  
 Please come and show your support.

## PubQuiz

**When:** 7.30pm  
**Where:** Waiau Hotel  
**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July** – Cancer Society  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August** – Tuatapere Community Baths  
 Get a team together and come and show your support.



## Waiau Community Theatre

Will present the one-act play by

Matthew Carlin

**"HIDE AND SEEK" (to keep you guessing)**  
and a musical selection **"CALL MY NAME".**

**FEATURING OUR OWN IJAM EGERTON,**  
**MJSS QUINN, AND MJSS EDGERTON**

In the Waiau Area School Hall on

**Friday 27 and Saturday 28 July**

**at 8.00pm**

**Tickets – Adults \$18, Children \$10**

**Supper included.**

**Tickets available from**

**Tuatapere Health & Gift Shop.**

**Make up a table with friends and enjoy an evening out to brighten up the winter.**

Interested in playing Social Volleyball? Come and join us on Tuesday evenings as we head to Winton to participate in the Central Southland Social League. All students in Year 11 and above, parents, friends and whanau welcome. All abilities!



### SOCIAL VOLLEYBALL

#### TUESDAY NIGHTS

6PM - 9:00PM

31st July - 4th September

CSC Gymnasium

SIX A SIDE

PRACTICE 3PM - 4PM @ WAS Gym

Minimum of 6 teams must be registered to play for competition to go ahead.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

Richard Bennett  
HOD PE & Health  
Waiau Area School  
rb@tcc.school.nz

## Telecom's "Amazing Ideas Search"

Over term three we are inviting NZ Schools and their pupils to tell us what they think the future could be like thanks to ultra-fast broadband.

We're searching for amazing ideas from students all over the country who have the ultra-fast broadband at their core. Entries could be based on anything in our lives from day-to-day activities, education, agriculture, commerce, the environment or even entertainment.

**For your school** – The chance to win one of 10 prizes of \$2,000 for the top 10 ideas as judged by Telecom. These will be divided evenly, five ideas for years 1-8 and five ideas for years 9-13.

**For students** – The chance to win one of three tablets. All you need to do is enter to be in the draw for one of these great prizes, WOW!

Go to <http://www.telecom.co.nz/internet/amazing/> for further information, judging criteria, and your chance to win!



DAIRY WOMENS

NETWORK

Invercargill Regional Group

### Calf Rearing Workshop at Woodlands

Guest Speakers: Kath Taylor of Vet South,  
Andrea Murphy - Independent Dairy Nutritionist and  
Murray Behrent from Alliance Group

Find out what's new with calf nutrition

Learn how to prevent disease in calves

Understanding the processing and rearing of bobby calves

Great opportunity to catch up with other local dairy women and discuss what challenges and issues you may have with calf rearing.

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> July ; Time: 9.45am – 1.00pm

Location: 186 Fleming Road, Woodlands

RSVP by 24<sup>th</sup> July to Katrina on 03 225 7775/ 0274 854 395

or [katrina@katrinthomas.com](mailto:katrina@katrinthomas.com)

Please bring a fold out chair and lunch

The Dairy Women's Network aims to help women who are actively involved in dairying businesses to be more successful. Participation is free and you can choose from a range of activities including:

- Computer-based email networking, the DWN website, or members-only Dairwin chat room;
- Face to face, at national conference, Dairy Days, or regional meetings.

PH 07 823 4700  
[www.dwn.co.nz](http://www.dwn.co.nz)



The Dairy Women's Network is proudly supported by the following key partners:  
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# waiata Film Club

"A Film for The Junior School"

Showing:

"Shrek 3"

on the 27th of July 2012

From 3:15-5:00pm

Don't forget to bring a gold coin donation, this covers the drinks and popcorn!!!!





July 2012

Dear Parents/Caregivers

**Scooters – “a push in the right direction”**

With the increasing popularity of scooters around the school it is important that our students learn about the appropriate and safe usage of such devices.

To ensure the safety of all students, and not to put the brakes on their fun, certain conditions will now be implemented around the use of scooters at school.

- Scooters may only be used in the **designated areas** and at **Interval and Lunchtimes**, not between lessons. Designated areas:
  - **Y1-6** – Hard-court area behind the gym
  - **Y7&8** – Tennis Courts
  - **Y9-13** – Hard-court area near the Bush Track
- Scooters may only be ridden by their **owners**.
- Riders must wear a **helmet** at all times.
- Any failure to meet the above conditions will result in confiscation of the scooter.

If you wish your son/daughter to bring a scooter to school, please complete and return the following permission slip to acknowledge that the above conditions will be met and that you will collect your child's scooter if it has to be confiscated.

Richard Bennett

I ..... (PARENT/CAREGIVER'S FULL NAME) give permission for my son/daughter ..... (STUDENT'S FULL NAME) to bring a scooter to school.

I have discussed with my child the importance of using the scooter safely and according to the conditions as outlined below:

- Scooters may only be used in the **designated areas** and at **Interval and Lunchtimes**, not between lessons.
- Scooters may only be ridden by their **owners**.
- Riders must wear a **helmet** at all times.

I am aware that the scooter may be confiscated if the conditions of use are breached.

Signed: .....  
(Parent/Caregiver)

Date.....

Signed: .....  
(Student)

Date.....