



NEWSLETTER

Monday 21st May 2018 Term 2 Week 4

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

What a busy period we have had! The Southern Area Schools tournament was an amazing success and this is due to the fantastic staff, students and volunteers who have all put in so much effort. The Area Schools tournament was a great opportunity to showcase our amazing facilities, not only at the school but also in the wider community. The number of visiting students that we were able to billet out in the community was awesome and shows what a great district we live in. Congratulations to the students that have been selected to go to Nationals in Christchurch in July - I am certain you will do a great job in representing the whole of Waiau.

At the Area Schools tournament we were also able to showcase our new uniforms. The students competing in the tournament were modelling our new sports uniforms including the hoodies and tracksuits, while all our junior school and some of our non-competing students had on their new polo t-shirts. Everyone looked fantastic and put on such a great show for our visiting guests with the pūwhiri and our new school song - the Waiau Way! A reminder that if families are wanting to purchase additional polo t-shirts or a hoodie then these can be ordered at the office. The hoodie is \$40 and the polo t-shirt is \$25. Please note that the hoodie is not to be worn at school in place of the current polar fleece however can be worn for



sporting activities.

Our National Young Leaders are off to Dunedin this Sunday to represent WAS. Congratulations to Sofie, Luca, Elektra, Tahlia, Alisha, William, Aidan and Lachlan who have all been selected to go for the overnight stay. You will get to wear the new tracksuits for your visit!

Area Schools has been on everyone's minds for quite some

time and now that it has been and gone I challenge you all to refocus and get stuck in for the remainder of Term 2 to achieve outstanding results.

Regards Andrew Pardoe-Burnett

Student Voice

The Southern Area Schools Tournament was a great success! We had lots of awesome feedback and many people saying it was the best tournament they'd ever been to! It was such a great opportunity for our school to hold this year's tourney. The teachers and helpers of Waiau can't be thanked enough for all the hard work and dedication they put in to make this one of the best. Not only our upper end of the school made Waiau proud but the junior school gave a fierce performance for the opening and closing ceremonies.

There were so many highlights that we can't name them all so we'll just add a few! Through the hail and rain, the Waiau football team still managed to pull out the win and show the hearty Southland way! The netball girls came 2nd making it the best finishing place in many years. They fought hard even when the team had players who have never played netball before! The Ki O Rahi team also managed to come 1st equal with Lawrence! Our biggest highlight would definitely be being apart of hosting this year's tournament and we suppose also claiming victory in the Girls Volleyball! Oh and we forgot to mention, we won the most sports out of all the schools!!!

Thank you to everyone who welcomed billets into their homes and housed them for the three days; without you the

tournament wouldn't have been possible. Also a massive thanks to Trudy Anderson and everyone who donated and helped make food for the visiting staff and students. A huge congratulations to Moon and Bruin Roe, Brook Hutchby, Amanda Baldwin, Holly Hammond, Angela Pierce and Hailey Thomason who got selected to represent the South of the South at the Nationals Tournament in July! You guys do our school proud!

Here are a few highlights from a few of the students who participated in the Area Schools Tournament. First of all, Bruin's highlight was the social, which was on the Thursday night, Connor's was the competition in claybird shooting, and Joseph took a rather odd approach with his highlight being Nelson getting dunked on in basketball! But others highlights were like being able to have a good atmosphere within the teams and one that was our favourite was Destiny's which was 'EVERYTHING!' All in all, we can say that Area Schools at Waiau this year was a memorable experience for all students



2018 Southern Area Schools Champions

Touch Boys: Roxburgh
 Touch Girls: Roxburgh
 Table Tennis: Maniototo
 Hockey: Maniototo
 Chess: Waiau
 Woodchopping: Waiau
 Small Bore Target: Maniototo
 Badminton: Twizel
 Netball: Roxburgh
 Golf: Lawrence
 Ki O Rahi: Waiau/Twizel Equal
 Squash: Maniototo
 Football: Waiau
 Quiz: Roxburgh
 Mini Golf: Waiau/Maniototo Equal
 Volleyball Boys: Twizel
 Volleyball Girls: Waiau
 Claybird: Twizel
 Ultimate Frisbee: Roxburgh

Holly & Tekoa

New Students

We are pleased to welcome Tuhoe Shelford and Angel Radcliffe who are both joining Room 4 at WAS and trust their learning experiences here are supportive to their needs and endeavours.

Board of Trustees Report

As a Board we would like to take this opportunity to let you

Waiau. We have a new staff representative on the Board – Jasmine Quinn and in December last year Rachael Poole was co-opted onto the Board. Amanda Baldwin has remained as the student representative, Dwayne Unahi and Honorlea Mangion are co chairing and Phil Erskine and Graeme Parsons complete the Board. If you ever have any questions concerning the school and its governance then please make contact with one of us - we would love to hear from you.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Leeanne de Vries who was appointed by the Ministry of Education back in August 2014 as a Specialist Advisor. Leeanne has provided ongoing support to the Board as we transitioned from a Commissioner back to Self Governance. You have provided the current board with the tools and knowledge to perform the governance roles and responsibilities to monitor student achievement and strive for continued improvement in this area.

We are also excited to let you know that we are part of a joint pilot approach that is supported by both the Ministry of Education and the Education Review Office and through this initiative a comprehensive action plan has been developed with clear goals and identified time frames.

We would like to remind you that at the heart of all decisions that we as a board make is to ensure that every one of our students is achieving to the best of their potential.

We are now required by legislation to publish our annual accounts on our website so from the end of May you will be able to find these on the school website. Please take this opportunity to have a look at these and also at the School Charter which shows what our priorities are for the coming years. And if you have any queries please ask one of us or if you want to find out some more about how the Board functions you are always welcome to attend the Board meetings.

He aha te kai o te rangatira? He Kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero. (What is the food of the leader. It is knowledge. It is communication.)

More Photos From Area Schools



TERM HAPPENINGS	
Wed 23 rd May	BOT Meeting – WAS – 6:30pm – 8:30pm
Sun 27 th - Mon 28 th May	National Young Leader Day Museum Sleepover – Dunedin – 4pm onwards
Mon 28 th May	Community Meeting – WAS Library – 6:30pm -
Fri 1 st June	Constable Fenton – Dare Programme Year 7&8 – WAS
Mon 4 th June	Queen’s Birthday

Wed 6 th June	WAS Cross Country – 11-13 – Starting at WAS 12pm-3pm
Fri 8 th June	WAS, Thornbury, HVP & Isla Bank Cross Country - Thornbury - Up to 13 years old
Thur 14 th June	Tony - Primary School Hockey Coaching
Fri 15 th June	Western Southland Cross Country – 9:30am-2pm - Otautau
Fri 15 th June	Constable Fenton – Dare Programme Yr 7/8 – WAS
Sat 16 th June	Primary Southland Cross Country – 9am-3pm - Edendale

Southern Area Schools Tournament Uniforms

Please remember to wash and return all of the uniform that was issued for the Area Schools Tournament - this includes the tracksuit, t-shirt and hoodie.

From The Community

Winton Football Club

GIRLS ONLY - Southland Football is running 8 weeks of girls only football in groups of 9 & 10, 11 & 12 and 13 & 14 years. These are to be held on Friday afternoons starting 18 May, 4-5pm on the ILT Football turf. A great taster if you have not played before or some extra coaching if you are a club or college player already. Registered club players are free, all others \$20 for the season. Registration can be done on line once you click on ‘read more’ on the article in the latest news at www.southlandfootball.org.nz/ All enquiries to: jack@southlandfootball.org.nz.

Tuatapere Playgroup/Plunket and WAS PTA Cheese Rolls

The Tuatapere Playgroup, Tuatapere Plunket and WAS PTA are combining forces once again to fundraise by making cheese rolls this Thursday the 24th May. It is starting at 9am in the school tech block and helping hands are required so if you have the time to help out these great community groups then come on down to the school and be part of the mass making!