



**WAVERLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

*Inspiring today's learners to thrive in tomorrow's world*



### Principal's Message

**National Standards** are a hot topic in education at the moment - many parents have valid questions about "What now?"

**Will you know if your child is making progress?**

Absolutely! We still assess our learners using a wide range of tools and these inform us of their successes and next learning steps.

**How do you know what level my child is working at?**

The New Zealand Curriculum has always underpinned our learning programmes. This does correlate to year levels - so if your child is in Year 6 but able to complete tasks from a higher or lower curriculum level, we will be able to tell you this.

**So basically, it's just the reporting to parents that will change?**

Yes; we now get to spend more time planning for personalised learning and individualised support as opposed to preparing lengthy reports for the Ministry of Education. We will no longer have to use the terminology "Above, Below, Well Below," when reporting on your child's learning progress and achievements.

Please see your child's classroom teacher or Mrs McColl if you would like further clarification around this.

**Free wheels day** is on this Friday - all learners will be able to bring skates, bikes, scooters etc. to use during break times for the day. Please bring the appropriate safety gear to use. It is also helpful to name the items before bringing them in to school.

We have a range of **lunch time activities** available each day for all learners to access; swimming on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Tinker Shed on Tuesday and organised sports on Thursday - please encourage your children to participate in these fantastic activities.

Teana McKechnie  
Deputy Principal

### Principal's Awards

Unfortunately  
Liam was away.

Liam Ratana-Lloyd

For a hugely positive start to  
the year - keep it up!



Maia Lupton

For showing respect to others  
by being kind and helpful at all  
times.

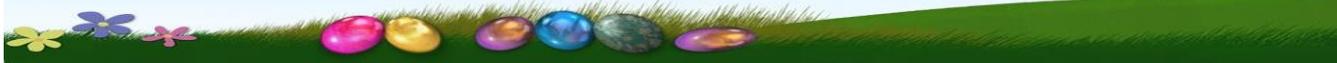
### Term 1 Events

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| <b>Fri 9 Feb</b>     | - Free wheels day - no assembly   |
| <b>Mon 12 Feb</b>    | - Life Education Bus arrives  |
| <b>Mon 19 Feb</b>    | - Technology session 1  |
| <b>Tues 20 Feb</b>   | - Yr 4-8 senior swimming practice - town pool<br>Board meeting 5.00 p.m. Staff room |
| <b>Wed 21 Feb</b>    | - Community picnic at town pool 4-6 p.m.  |
| <b>Thurs 22 Feb</b>  | - Yr 4-8 senior swimming practice - town pool 4-6 p.m.                              |
| <b>Fri 23 Feb</b>    | - Free wheels day   |
| <b>Tues 27 Feb</b>   | - Senior swimming sports Y4-8, town pool 12.30 p.m.                                 |
| <b>Thurs 1 Mar</b>   | - Cluster swimming sports - town pool Yr 4-6  |
| <b>Fri 9 Mar</b>     | - Free wheels day   |
| <b>Mon 19 Mar</b>    | - Board meeting - 6.00 p.m. Staff room  |
| <b>Thurs 22 Mar</b>  | - Yr 1-3 Junior swimming sports in school pool 1.30 p.m.                            |
| <b>Fri 23 Mar</b>    | - Free wheels day   |
| <b>Mon 26 Mar -</b>  | - Yr 6 Mangatepopo Camp   |
| <b>Thurs 29 Mar</b>  | Break for Easter holiday  |
| <b>Wed 4 April -</b> | - School returns. Y4-5 vertical horizons camp                                       |
| <b>Fri 6 April</b>   | Free wheels day   |
| <b>Fri 13 April</b>  | - End of term   |

**No assembly this Friday**

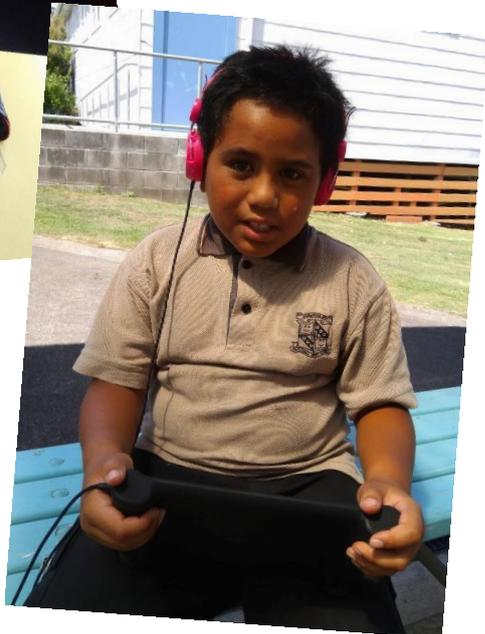
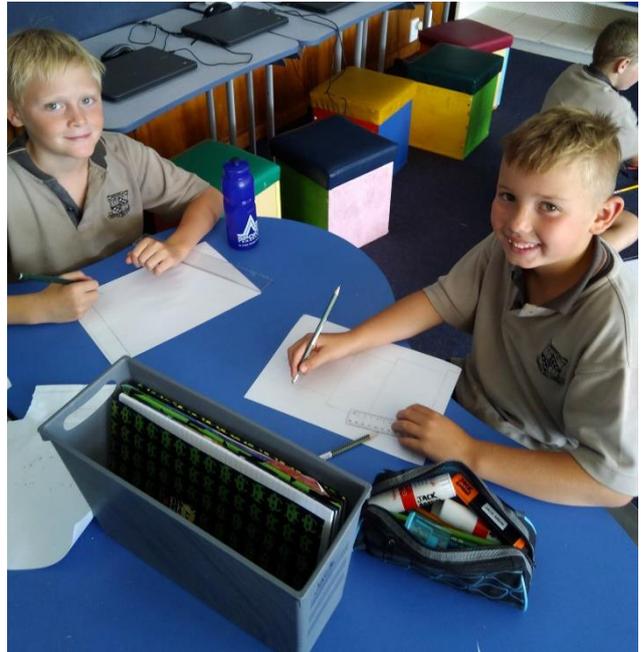
### Easter Raffle

We will be having an Easter Raffle this year. We would appreciate each family donating an item for the raffle. Easter raffle tickets will be sent home for families to sell in the next few weeks.



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Each week one class will be sharing photos of their learning & activities.  
**Check out Kowhai Hub**



## Our school values

**Respect self** – respect others – respect environment

### Interview with Miss Clark

**Q:1** How was your first week of school?

**Answer:** the first week was really good and exciting. I enjoyed getting to know all the Manuka hub students.

**Q:2** What is your favourite thing about our school?

**Answer:** how friendly all the students are.

**Q:3** What has been your highlight this week?

**Answer:** getting to know everyone.

**Q:4** What is your favourite school value?

**Answer:** Respect others.

**Q:5** What have you noticed about our school this week?

**Answer:** that it is clean and tidy and the students are enthusiastic about their learning!



### Interview with Angus Caskey

**Q1.** How has your first week of school been?

**A.** I liked playing on the playground and drawing fish too.

**Q2.** What's your favourite part of our school?

**A.** I loved playing in the playground with my friends Blake, James and Qwayde.

**Q3.** Have any other kids been helpful to you?

**A.** Yes they have, they showed me how to go on the flying fox.

**Q4.** What has been your highlight of the week?

**A.** My favourite part of the week was doing my work.

