

# NEWSLETTER: TERM 1 - WEEK 6 Wednesday, 5th March 2025

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It is important to contact the school if your child is absent. Unexplained absences are of concern. A reminder that in order for our students to receive the best education possible, they need to be at school every day. MOE now requests our attendance register on a daily basis. We will be sending home reports on your child/children's attendance on a regular basis. We look forward to a year of regular attendance to allow teachers to deliver learning programs on a daily basis. Please do our tamariki a favour by insisting they attend daily. Thank you in advance!!

If your child is sick, then please keep them at home and phone the office to inform us of non attendance.

If your child is unable to swim, then please make contact with the school. Please name towels and swimwear.

On Wednesday 12th March, Ray Downing (Northland Regional Coordinator for Experiencing Marine Reserves and Program Coordinator for Whitebait Connection and Wai Connection) will be spending the morning at our kura to take students to do a stream investigation. If you are able to assist with supervision of students then please come along and join us on these days.

Whaea Tere's class: 8.30am - 9.30am Whaea Jo's class: 9.30am - 10.30am Whaea Moni's Class: 11.15am - 12.15pm

A huge thank you to Emma for donating cucumbers and tomatoes from her garden this past week. We have a few students that absolutely love cucumber and tomato sandwiches!!!! Thank you!!!

UP & COMING EVENTS			
Friday, 7th March	Year 3-6 Girls Football Festival - Lindvart Park, Kaikohe		
Wednesday, 12th March	2nd Stream investigation		
Wednesday, 12th March	South Hokianga Swimming Sports - Rawene School		
Thursday, 13th March	Mid North Ripper Festival (Year 5-6)		
Friday, 14th March	Rippa Rugby - Rawene School (Year 1-4)		
Wednesday, 19th March	Mid North Touch Festival Boys/Girls (Year 5-8)		
Wednesday, 26th March *EVENT CANCELLED*	Hokianga Softball Day - Rawene (Year 5-8)		

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Thursday, 27th March	Mid North Rippa - Kerikeri (Year 3-4)		
Friday, 28th March	Kaikohe Netball Try Day (Year 1-8)		
Thursday, 27th March	Mid North Ripper Festival (Year 3-4)		
Thursday, 31st July	Hokianga Interschool Cross Country - Waima School will be hosting		
Wednesday, 17th September	Cultural Festival - Waima School will be hosting		
Thursday, 23rd October	Marae Noho		
<b>2026 - Term 1</b> 11th - 13th February	School Camp - Lonsdale Park		
2026 - Term 3 (date to be confirmed) Year 6, 7, 8 Snow Trip	Cost - \$300.00 per student. If automatic payments are set up now then it would be approx \$3.75 per week. Families have done this in the past and have found this easier than trying to find \$300.00 a few weeks before departure. Our school bank account details are below:  Account Name: WAIMA SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES  Account Number: 12-3097-0205558-01  Please use your child's name as a 'reference' and SNOW as the 'code' when processing payment.  Further information about this trip will be distributed in due course. Please contact the school if you are unsure of your child/ren's year level and feel free to email any payment related queries to		
	admin@waima.school.nz		

# **Award Time - Integrity**

Every Monday morning at assembly teachers announce their 'Student of the Week'. As a reward these students are invited to choose a reward from a box of various items.

## Congratulations to the following students who were awarded for Week 5

Principal Award	Classroom Award	
Arihia - showing great progress with her 6 year net.	Kauri-Ma - Great work ethic - always does what she is asked of her and gets her mahi done	
	Xaden - working hard in class to be the best he can be	
	Aaliyah - Settling into Waima Kura and Tupu Tuakana well	
	Hone Heke - Showing amazing leadership skills and developing as a senior role model	











#### Ruma Tupu Teina

Kia ora whanau,

We are settling in really well in our class since we came back from camp. Our structured literacy is going well and we are still settling in with the new structured math. We are currently working with the numicon resources and they are having so much fun learning different strategies. I also want to give a mihi to all our parents that have been sending their child/ren daily. Because of this, they are not missing anything and are scaffolding beautifully. Ngā mihi kia koutou.

Thank you to Whaea Patsy who kept the fires burning in Tupu Teina while I was away at a wedding. Ngā mihi nunui kia koe Whaea Patsy.

Yesterday we had the privilege of seeing a show about emotions, what they look like and strategies that help us to overcome them. The whole school was on their best behaviour and thoroughly enjoyed the show. They learnt a song, learnt about the voices in our head and how to identify the good voices to the bad. We even had our very own Whaea Mereana up there, turning on her acting skills, I am sure they were very surprised. Thank you to Rasta for standing up on behalf of our kura to acknowledge the kaimahi and of course to our school for a beautiful waiata.









#### Tupu Tuakana

The students had an amazing time last Wednesday investigating the health of our water and the life in it. Thank you to Matua Ray for guiding us with our learning in this area and an extra thank you to the whanau that came along to support the tamariki. This type of hands on learning is so valuable to the students and would not be possible without you.

Following on from our findings the students did some research on Friday about some of the creatures that were in the water.

#### **Bullies**

There are seven species of bullies. It can grow over 15cm long. Bullies are well camouflaged against sand and rocks but can be seen darting in the shallows during the day. It is presumed that giant bullies have a marine phase in their life cycle. Bullies fish find insects. Bullies fish live up to 4-5 years and live in rivers and lakes.

#### Jarell

#### Dobsonfly

Dobsonflies eat small worms and small mollusks. Dobsonfly can grow up to 25-38mm long. Adult Dobsonfly are short-lived (about 3 days for males and 8-10 days for females). Dobsonfly has a life cycle that lasts two to five years. Dobsonfly can swim 'crawl' and they're active at night. Dobsonfly larvae habitats are where there are stony or hard-bottom streams nationwide in bush-covered or farmland areas. When Dobsonfly is a male they have a long 'curved' sickle-shape mandible (jaws) approximately 1 inch in length. The females have a short inconspicuous jaw. Aaliyah

# Dobsonfly

- Males have big jaws
- Dobsonfly have wings
- They have six legs
- They lay eggs in gas
- Dobsonfly are 100-104mm long
- Adults typically live for a few days

#### Kahukura

#### Freshwater Fish

New Zealand currently has 63 fresh water fish species. Of these 43 are native and 20 have been introduced. About seven are more estuarine than fresh water. Only a few introduced species feed on plants such as carp which were introduced to reduce aquatic plants (such as macrophytes). Our native species are dominant.

# Jaydah and Eliza







#### <u>Puawai</u>

Well half way through the term already. Puawai students have completed their mahi on our tangata rongonui and people studies and are wrapping up their Te Tiriti o Waitangi unit. This week we have a contingent of girls going to Kaikohe for a football tournament and next week a swimming squad off to Rawene - Good luck to you all!

2025 BOT MEETING DATES				
TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4	
11th February & 18th March	13th May & 17th June	29th July & 2nd September	21st October & 25th November	

#### PB4L

During weeks 5 & 6 our focus is on Integrity.

# Learning Focus

Our focus is to show integrity in all areas of our day.

#### Skill/Rule

We show integrity every part of our day when we display high self-esteem, believe in ourselves and when we make good choices

#### **Actions**

When showing integrity:

- Know yourself
- Display honesty
- Do the right thing at the right time stay on task
- Be honest and proud of your achievements
- Be in the right place at the right time
- Encourage others
- Follow the rules of the space you are in













Remember to use our website to keep updated about school information - <a href="www.waima.school.nz">www.waima.school.nz</a>

We also have a Waima School Facebook group. You can find this group by following this link <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/400262154975410">https://www.facebook.com/groups/400262154975410</a>, alternatively you can search for Waima School and you will find the page under the groups section.

Jenny Colebrook (Principal)

We are excited to announce our first activation for 2025 here in the K......
We will be kicking off with tag and flag football, if you have a team or no team come along and have some fun

Grades: Years 5-6, 7-8, 9-13 Whanau

All information is on our flyer which is attached, if you have any patai flick our page a message and we'll get back to you! See yous there.

Jazz Munro (021 956 325)





# Taheke United JMB Rugby Muster 2025

SUNDAY 9TH MARCH
Taheke United Rugby football
Grounds



Sausage sizzle available

