

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Namaste
 Talofa ni Malo e lelei Kia orana Konnichiwa Malo ni
 Ni sa bula vinaka Bula Selamat Pagi Nin hao



Te Kura o Wairau

Tia



Tia is our school companion dog who supports our students. We look after Tia as she has had all her teeth removed. She is such a lovely soul and so incredibly kind and caring. Our students absolutely love her and treat her with such kindness and respect. Tia has to sign in and out of school just like we all do. On this day (in the last week of Term 1) we were celebrating Easter and of course Tia was fully involved with this. Thank you Tia for the awhi you give us when you are at kura.

Assembly Awards

Wairautanga Awards

Classroom – Adam R11, Te Rangimarie R4, Sylus R11, Johnny-Mac R4 & Arif R7, Fluent R11, Xander R1, Koru R4, Yovela R14 & Alexandra R4

Playground – Mia R14, Xander R6, Sisa R14, Ezra R7 & Emma-Jane R4, Rotu R10, Maddison R4, Estlynn R1, Tuwharetoa R14 & Larz R1

Pa Alex Award –

2nd April - Ashton Room 14

8th May – Laicey Room 1

Top Cat Class –

2nd April -Room 14

8th May – Room 1

Lunch with Mrs Johnson

2nd April – Mia R14 & Evan R7

8th May – Kahurangi R11 & Harness R7

100% Attendance Award

2nd April - Laicey R6

Papatūānuku Awards

Room 7 – Rueben, Caleb, Ezra, Ziggy, Tevita & Charles

Room 9 - JoJo

Room 10 – Shaelah-Raen, Toeaso, Rotu, Vayanga, Qacety & Zane

Star Staff Award



At our assembly the Staff Star Award was given out and Pou Steph received this because of all the mahi she put into the cross country prior to the event, at the event and after the event. Congratulations Pou Steph.

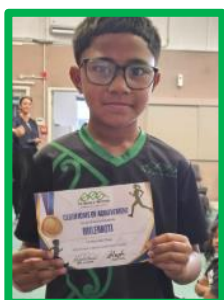
Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Kia ora
Whanau & Friends of Te Kura o Wairau

Whole School Assembly

Last week Room 14 hosted our assembly. I am very proud of how they led from the stage and how they coped with the long assembly we had due to the celebration of so many of our tamariki. One of these celebrations was to do with our

Whole School Cross Country

Last week we had our whole school cross country event at Bill Brown Park. This was such a hugely successful day. Thank you to all our whānau and supporters who attended this event. You too were fabulous at encouraging our students and running beside them to support as well. At our assembly it was great to see all those students who placed in the top 5 for their year group get a certificate, as well as some other students who were amazing participants and supporters. We all agreed that Pou Sia deserved a certificate too for the amount of times she ran with students to support them.



Another highlight from Room 14's assembly was the acknowledgement of our Mum's on staff (due to Mothers Day) and the gifting of lolly ola. Ngā mihi nui Room 14. The personalised letters we were all given were much appreciated.



During this school assembly Room 1 was the class who got chosen from our Uara barrel to receive Pa Alex's Pou. This was very special because last term when Whaea Anjali was teaching the students from the Room 6 classroom they were also the recipients of Pa Alex's pou. Room 14 handed over the pou to Room 1 with a haka and karakia. Congratulations Room 1.



Our next Whole School Assembly is on Friday 29th May at 10am. Room 6 is hosting this.

Anzac Ceremony

In the first week of school we gathered all together under our flagpole and went through our ceremony acknowledging and recognising those who served as ANZAC's. Some of the beautiful wreaths that were laid this morning are now in our administration area, joining those wreaths that were made by past students. I am very proud of our students and the leadership that was shown at this important ceremony.



Sign Language Week

Last week was Sign Language Week. We acknowledged this as a school learning in our environments more signs to add to our sign language dictionary. It was lovely to use sign language in our whole school assembly when we are singing our National Anthem.

Road Patrol Reward for Service

We have more Road Patrollers who have achieved their goal and therefore been rewarded for their achievement. Thank you Road Patrollers for keeping us safe when we cross the road.



Pasifika Pride & He Haupihi ki Hine

Our two roopu have begun again. Both groups will be getting ready to take part in Pae Tamariki and Pasifika Legacy in the near future. I am very proud of all the students who put their names forward to join these groups. Both Pou Sia and Pou Breanna will be working with the performers group leading up to these events.



Pink Shirt Day

Today was Pink Shirt Day. It was amazing to see everyone supporting this cause by wearing something pink and also by donating a gold coin which will be sent to this organisation.

Student Leaders

I am so impressed with our Student Leaders this term. They know to sign in as a Student Leader every morning after they have signed into their classrooms. They take note of the responsibilities they have each day and they prepare themselves to be the most successful role model and leader when out during break times. Congratulations Student Leaders on being 'Wairautanga'.

Nga mihi
Teena Johnson
Tumuaki/Principal

Attendance

It was encouraging to hear from the Ministry that our Attendance has increased last term compared to term 1 2025. A fantastic effort by both students and whanau. What helps us with our progress is when you let us know why your child is away. It makes a huge difference to how the Ministry records the absence.

For the next couple of weeks all students who are attending over 90% and/or made considerable progress with their attendance will go into a draw to go and have an afternoon with Pou Steph at the Regent to watch a show. it sounds exciting!



Sports News

Rippa Rugby

A big shout out to the Rippa Rugby team that competed at the Junior Cup at the end of last term. Our team was lucky enough to win the tournament placing 1st out of 20 teams! The player of the day for this tournament was Sisa. Well done everyone, we are so proud of you all!

Badminton – (Fees are 35)

We have 1 badminton team which plays on a Thursday afternoon.

Basketball – (Fees are \$40)

We have 2 teams this season.

Basketball is played each Thursday @ CET Arena 3/4 or Crossroads Central Baptist Church.

A notice for all parents - All sports notices for the year, as well as sports teams, are posted on the window of Room 5. **Thank you to all who have paid their sports fees so far. If you haven't, please pay the office.**

Te Kura o Wairau

Cross Country Results

- Year 1 Boys** – 1st Lucas-Jay, 2nd Arif, 3rd Jagger-Reign, 4th Rawiri-Jay, 5th Hezekaiiah
Year 1 Girls – 1st Hailey, 2nd Nica-Blu, 3rd Cavieria, 4th Maisie, 5th Nina
Year 2 Boys – 1st Tevita, 2nd Qaeda, 3rd Kayson, 4th Zane, 5th Evan
Year 2 Girls – 1st Nykaia-Hayze, 2nd Lylic, 3rd Shaelah-Raen, 4th Ngawai, 5th Neriah
Year 3 Boys – 1st Milemoti, 2nd Sokiata, 3rd Saxton, 4th Akuila, 5th Kemu
Year 3 Girls – 1st Charlie-Rose, 2nd Maddison, 3rd Te Riuu, 4th Rushmin, 5th Mareikura
Year 4 Boys – 1st Jericho, 2nd Larz, 3rd Kasey, 4th Parker, 5th Xander
Year 4 Girls – 1st Lala, 2nd Koru, 3rd Emma-Jane, 4th Rylee, 5th Patience
Year 5 Boys – 1st Kotahi, 2nd Caleb, 3rd Levi, 4th Sylus, 5th Joel
Year 5 Girls – 1st McKenna, 2nd Fluent, 3rd Gloria, 4th Yovela, 5th Faafetai
Year 6 Boys – 1st Josefa, 2nd Sisa, 3rd Ishan, 4th J'ose, 5th Shem
Year 6 Girls – 1st Alice, 2nd Kahurangi, 3rd Fono, 4th Analia, 5th Mia

Well done everyone! Great effort!

IMove week

There was an increase of the way students were coming to school whether it was biking, scootering or rollerblading. Thank you to the staff that also role modelled this to our students. I believe Whaea Lisa scootered and Whaea Eva biked. It was lovely to also hear students asking me what could they do if they were brought to school by car. We solved this by deciding that if they were able to go out and walk twice around the track before school – then that would count. We are continuing to support this initiative and Sport Manawatu will be coming to our next assembly to draw out names for prizes.

A big thank you to all the Sport Manawatu employees that also stationed themselves at certain places so the students could walk with them.
Pou Steph.

Reminder – if late to school or if picking up children early

Tēnā tātou e te whānau, just a reminder if a child is coming into school late in the morning please go to the office and get a late card to give to the teacher.

School finishes at 2.55pm – if you pick up your child early you must sign them out in the 'Out of School safety' book at the office and take a blue card to the teacher. Please do not just grab a card.

This is for health and safety, so we know who is here and who is not.

Nga mihi nui

'Dress as your favourite Book Character' Day was lots of fun!





NEW ZEALAND RED CROSS BOOK SALE

King's Birthday Weekend 2026

Friday 29 May, 10am-8pm
Saturday 30 May, 10am-6pm
Sunday 31 May 10am-4pm
Monday 1 June, 10am-2pm

Barber/ Bell Hall

Waldegrave Street, Palmerston North

100,000+ books Games, DVDs, Jigsaws, Music, comics and more!



All proceeds go to New Zealand Red Cross in their mission to help improve the lives of vulnerable people here in New Zealand and overseas.

Vomiting Bugs

Please remember if your child is away from school due to vomiting, they should not return to school until 48 hours after vomiting has ceased.

Dental Treatment

You can call the Dental team on 0274440085. Or you can contact the Dental Unit after hours at The Palms in Ferguson Street - Phone 3547737 or 0800 825583.

School Uniform @ Academy Apparel

A reminder that Academy Apparel in Broadway Ave stock our school uniform, so if we don't have what you require in stock at school you have the option to purchase it there. You can also shop online through their website - & "Click & Collect". Our school community can also go to them for their Winz purchases.

LOST PROPERTY!

Please be sure to come and have a look through the lost property for any lost items on a regular basis.

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PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for **ANY** reason.

Contact us on 0800 45 44 44 or 3543274 or download the school app (from School Apps) and leave a message.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as TRUANT.

Also, if you have a change of address or your phone number changes, **PLEASE** let the office know.

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