

What's happening?

Please note and put aside the following dates:-

27th February—Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm

1st—3rd March—Room 1 camp to Hot Water Beach

8th March—School Picnic

9th March—Room 4 trip to Otorohanga kiwi house

17th March—Lower Waipa Swimming sports

Classes leading assembly:

3 March	Room 3
10 March	Room 1
24 March	Room 4
31 March	Room 2

**BOT meeting –**  
The first BOT meeting of the year will be held on Monday 27th February from 7:00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

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P.G.Dip.Ed; B.Tchg;  
T.T.C  
Principal

With an array of testing completed across the curriculum our initial impression is that the traditional slide over the Xmas holidays has had an effect and a larger than desired percentage are not achieving at a level which should be expected. We have every confidence that the expectations we have of our children will, with strong learning programmes and the ever present parent support, result in significant shifts in skill acquisition, learning strategies and measured performance.

Swimming Sports –

Our annual swimming sports were held on Thursday evening with most children taking part in something. Well done to all and many thanks to all the helpers and supporters. Particular thanks to the PTA for providing sustenance for all who needed it. This is a great yet small group who do fantastic work for all the children to benefit so if you can help them, join them to ensure this continues.

Thankyou to Margie Warburton for the photos which are in this newsletter.

New South Wales Tests (ICAS) –

These will be made available again to students in English (\$9.50), Mathematics (\$9.50), Spelling (\$11.50), and Science (\$9.50) Please indicate your child’s intention to enter any or all of these test by the end of Term 1, by filling in the form below. ICAS tests are for Year 4 and over.

ICAS Entry Form

Student Name: .....

Subject (tick which you are entering)	Test Date	Cost
Science	30th May	\$9.50
Spelling	14th June	\$11.50
English	1st August	\$9.50
Mathematics	15th August	\$9.50
		<b>TOTAL</b>

Communication/Bus/After school care –

Often children are involved in activities or have a change of plans for their journey home. We need to know what these arrangements are so we can be sure children are where they should be. If you are taking children out of school please sign out and in at the office and if your child is changing their method of transport home make sure they communicate this to the office and bus monitors prior to leaving.

Change of contact details -

It is important that the school has up-to-date emergency contact numbers. Parents are requested to advise the school when phone numbers or emergency contacts are changed.

Absences -

These can be notified to the office by phone leaving a message or by email direct from the school website (just click on the “Absences” tab on the website homepage).

Class Awards

- Room 4:** Heidi - a big welcome to Paterangi School - it is lovely to have you with us.  
Avery - great thoughtful contributions to our class discussions and for being a kind and helpful class member
- Room 3:** James - for developing excellent work habits. You always work hard to produce your best. You are a star.  
Zachary - an awesome effort at our school swimming sports.
- Room 2:** Leyton - for your great attitude towards school and school work this week. You have followed rules and instructions well, and have been respectful and kind.  
Noah E - for persevering with practicing your freestyle skills.
- Room 1:** Ella P-H - for making an excellent start to her time in Room 1. She works well in class and is a considerate class member.  
Daphne - for her participation in the school swimming sports. She showed real determination and gave her races her best shot.

Paterangi School Swimming Sports





### School Picnic -

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March the school and PTA will be hosting our annual picnic from 5pm. This is an opportunity for families and members of the local community to meet informally at school bringing a picnic tea and enjoying the activities put on by the PTA (lolly scramble, water slide, sack races etc.)



### Congratulations -

To Isabella G who competed in the New Zealand Junior swimming championships comprising swimmers from each of the Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Taranaki and Hawkes Bay zones. Isabella set new personal bests in all of her 7 events gaining very pleasing placings in each.

### Parent Visits -

Some have requested a one on one meeting with staff to get a gauge on where their children are and what support they can offer. The staff is always willing to discuss your child's learning but please make contact prior to the visit and make yourself available outside school hours.

### Popcorn -

Bags of popcorn can be bought at the school office for \$1.00 at the start of morning tea and lunch breaks.



### Congratulations -

To all those students who took part in the annual Weetbix Tryathlon on Sunday in very trying conditions. Well done, a great effort.

### Year 7 & 8 Leadership Project -

A fantastic start to the Year 7 & 8 leadership project with 56 children from Paterangi, Pukeatua, Ngutunui, Arohena and Wharepapa South all joining together to share their experiences. The day started with a powhiri followed by erecting the tent city to house everyone. Lunch followed then leadership and team building activities with Project Energize. The late afternoon involved fun activities, a water slide and swimming in the pool. After dinner the children were challenged with a quiz competition and then discussions well into the night. The next day was hectic with tent pack up, breakfast and then a tramp up Mt. Pirongia which saw many tired and weary children staff and parent supporters return. Many thanks go to all the staff organisers and the many parent helpers. We look forward to our continued on line collaboration and joining together next term for the careers expo.

Photos can be found on our school Facebook page.

### Mathsbuddy -

The Board of Trustees has agreed to subsidise this per child making the cost \$20 for the year. While this is not compulsory we would like every child to take part as the programme is highly effective and supports what is being done in class. Students are able to access the programme from any computer any time as long as they remember their log on and password.

### Reminder - Parent pick up -

I am concerned at the number of vehicles and people who are in the parking area at the front of the school, particularly at the end of the day. There appears to me to be a likelihood of an accident and so to try and avoid this I request that all parents park in front of the tennis courts to the right of the hall and that you escort your children to your vehicles across the courts and not the parking area.

### Bus -

We would like to appeal to parents to more closely supervise their children at the bus stops before school and make sure there is someone to meet them after school.

### Welcome to Paterangi School -

This week we welcome 3 new students and their families to Paterangi School -

Heidi has joined Room 4 as a new entrant; Ella is a Year 5 student in Room 1 and Rose is in Year 7 in Room 5.

### School Jackets & Sweatshirt -

We will be making an order for school jackets and sweatshirts on 20th March if there is enough interest so if you are wanting to order one, please let us know by then. Orders are only made once a term on pre-orders with no jackets or sweatshirts being held in stock at school.

Prices are:  
Childs jacket \$55  
Adult jacket \$85  
Hoody sweatshirt (child and adult sizes ) \$55

Samples can be seen at the school office.

## Open Day 2017

Friday 17 March, 10.00am to 12.00pm



10.00am - Welcome and Principal's Address in All Saints Chapel followed by tours of boarding and the day school.

Waikato Diocesan School for Girls,  
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7 - 9 April 2017



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For more info email [marketing@waikatoshow.co.nz](mailto:marketing@waikatoshow.co.nz)

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Te Awamutu Association Football Club is  
now taking registrations for junior players  
for the 2017 season.

Players can register via the club website  
[www.teawamutuafc.co.nz](http://www.teawamutuafc.co.nz)

Alternatively they can visit the Te Awamutu  
Stadium at Armstrong Ave on the 11<sup>th</sup> March  
between 9am and 12 to register in person.

Any queries please email  
[teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com](mailto:teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com)

COOLING DOWN FOR SUMMER

## SUPER SMOOTHIES

Smoothies are a great drink that can double as a snack. They are quick, nutritious and easy to make.

Ingredients:

- 1 banana
- 150g pot of fruit yoghurt
- 1 cup low fat milk
- Ice cubes (optional)

Blend all ingredients together and enjoy. Experiment with different types of fresh, canned or frozen fruit.

Developed by Sport Waikato 2016

### Website and Newsletters -

The school website is regularly updated with information about upcoming events. Please use this site, our school Facebook page and the weekly newsletters to keep up with school events.

# JOIN our CLUB

Junior Muster 2017

Saturday 4 March 10:00 - 12 and  
Wednesday 8 March 6-7pm  
If your child is between the age of 3 and 13 years  
Come along and join our club!  
Subs \$35 or \$50 per family for season.

Free BBQ provided for all registered members  
On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of March Muster at  
Ohaupo Rugby and Sports Club

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