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# Waikite Valley School

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS



### December

- Wednesday 4 CBOP Athletics
- Monday 9 House Tabloids  
End of year reports emailed out
- Tuesday 10 PTA Meeting
- Wednesday 11 Prize Giving 1pm followed by the PTA afternoon tea celebration
- Thursday 12 Meet the Teacher  
**NO ASC**
- Friday 13 End of the Year  
**NO ASC**

### REMINDER!!

Please return all sports uniforms and library books.  
Thank you



### END OF YEAR REPORTS

This term, we are starting our move away from paper reports. All student reports will be emailed out in week 9. Please let the office know if you have any changes to your email address. If you have any questions please be in touch with the office.

Kind regards

Sue Ratcliffe (Principal)

### POOL UPDATE

Due to Pool Compliance Regulations, it is with regret we won't be opening our school pool over the holidays. It will be ready for our students at the beginning of Term 1 2025.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

**The Waikite Valley Board of Trustees**

## PTA PRIZE GIVING AFTERNOON TEA

The PTA is inviting you to come over to the school field for an afternoon tea mingle and games. Hot/cold drinks and nibbles provided.

This is a chance for the PTA to say thank you to the school whānau and the wider community for supporting our school through various events, fundraisers and donations throughout the year.



I would love to take this opportunity to meet with those of you I don't already know and of course catch up with those I do.

I look forward to seeing you all there.

Thank you

Denise ( PTA Chairperson)

**2025 TERM 1 START DATE is TUESDAY 28 JANUARY**

### REMINDER

Please help us to safeguard all our students by letting the office know if your child/ren are being picked up by someone else.

All students leaving before the end of the day MUST be signed out at the office.

### ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Regular attendance is defined as 90% attendance during the term- the equivalent of missing less than five days of school in a standard 10-week term.

The government has set a (regular attendance) target of 80% of students to be present for more than 90% of the term by 2030

If a student misses one day of school every two weeks, they miss more than a whole year of school by 16 years of age. As a parent or caregiver, you, alongside our school, play a key role in building strong habits of regular school attendance.

All students are legally required to attend school every day and it is a shared responsibility to make sure students attend and engage in learning from when they first start school.

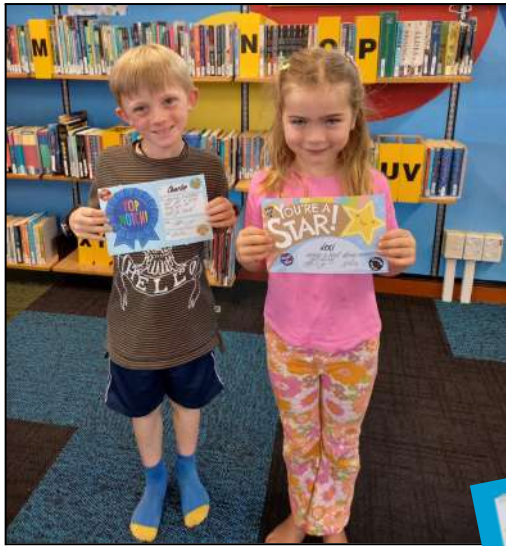
Reminder: Please let the school know if your child is going to be absent or intends to be absent for a portion of the school term for whatever reason, like a tangi or medical procedure. Family holidays or taking time off for extracurricular activities (not organised by school) are not acceptable reasons for being absent.

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS AND WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER TO INCREASE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

# Reporoa Valley Cluster Athletics 2024



# VALUES AWARDS - TERM 4, WEEK 8



Adventures

Grit

CONFIDENCE

Pod 1 - Charlie Mitchell & Lexi Fear



Rm 2 - Saskia Barclay & Nathan Barry



Respect Others

COURAGE

Stay Optimistic

Rm 3 - Zoe Morrissey & Jacob Temata



Rm 4 - Laila Gielen & Jackson Elliston

## Cluster Athletics Record Breakers -

Ruby Oldfield - High Jump

Heidi Versteynen - 200m

Zoe Morrissey - 400m



2025 Bus Monitors - Lilah Atkinson & Lochy Moyes, Ryder Trumper - Absent



Principal's Award - Heidi Versteynen

Unique

Optimistic

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