

Diary dates

Coming up . . .

- Monday 14th June **BoT/Council** meeting 7 pm high school
- Wednesday 16th June **Council AGM**
- Friday 18th June **Year 7's to Technology**
- Monday 21st June **Preschool Parent Education Evening** 7-8.30pm
- Wednesday 23rd June **Enterprise Parent Evening** 5-6pm
- Friday 25th June **Year 7's to Technology**
- Friday 25th June **Whānau Hui** 5.30pm

Welcome to the following students and their families...

Rewarewa – Ella Sellers

Parent information evenings



Preschool:

Our preschool education evening will be held on Monday 21st June at 7pm in Nīkau class. Tara and Amy will be presenting the Literacy topic. Please RSVP to the office ☺

Council AGM this week



All school community whānau (both preschool and area school) are warmly invited to our 2021 Wā Ora Montessori AGM meeting this Wednesday 16th June at 7pm at the High School, 175 Rata St, upstairs in our Tāwari class. Refreshments will be supplied. RSVP to hayley@waora.school.nz by Wednesday 4pm if you would like to attend.

This week

Kawakawa Coffee Cart & Canteen

By Sarah Jane Lambie – Micro Economy Teacher

This term we welcome Rebecca Faulkner to the Kawakawa team. Rebecca is an experienced high school teacher, now business co-owner of Espresso Rescue, and works on Friday afternoons in the prefab training small groups of our Y9 - 10 rangatahi in the fine art of making coffee.

Each course consists of four, two hour sessions. While on the course, trainee baristas are expected to use their independent work time on Mondays to hone their learnings. Once they have 'graduated' as baristas, students have opportunities to work in KCC&C (Kawakawa Coffee Cart & Canteen), at Coffee House pop-up café and at various school events where we know an opportunity to buy a great coffee is welcomed by the parent (and teaching) community!

The barista training is a hands-on course, balanced with some science and a look at the back story – where does coffee come from, how does it get to us, and why does it matter? Rebecca explains that

On average it is going to take around five years for a seed to grow into a plant, and then go on a series of processes to get to our cups. A single tree will produce on average 0.9kg of fruit a year! So, each cup of coffee we make has been a long time in the making – let's make each coffee we make count!

Teaching rangatahi about the interconnectedness between humans and the environment is fundamental to Montessori pedagogy. Through this holistic approach, rangatahi come to understand and take responsibility for their place in the social world as well as the living world.

"This is in contrast to the old idea which was that life in the environment meant to get as much as possible from it; today ideas are very different. Now, it is realized that each animal behaves in a particular way, not only for his own good, but because he works also for the environment. He is an agent who works for the harmonious correlation of all things"

Maria Montessori., Citizen of the World, p19

Working as a Kawakawa barista is one of the many opportunities we offer rangatahi to engage in the real-world activity of making, marketing and selling something they have produced. By experiencing what Dr Montessori called human interdependence (division of labour and exchange of goods and services to meet human needs) our students are learning, at a micro level, how society is organised along with how to develop skills, and utilise their strengths and interests, in collaboration with people and the environment, to meet the challenges they will face in the adult world.

"We must study the correlation between life and its environment. In nature everything correlates. This is the method of nature. Nature is not concerned with the conservation of individual life: it is a harmony, a plan of construction. Everything fits into the plan: winds, rocks, earth, water, plants, man, etc."

Maria Montessori., Citizen of the World, p22

Looking forward to seeing you at the Kawakawa coffee cart sometime soon!



Sarah Jane has been working at Wā Ora in various part-time teaching and events management roles since 2011. I have a Bachelors of Arts Degree, a Graduate Diploma in Teaching and a Masters Degree of Library and Information Science. I enjoy the special sense of commitment, community and belonging at Wā Ora, both as a teacher and as a parent of the school. My children are in Tāwari class and my interests include being their mother, gardening, reading and netball. For relaxation I love bush walking, listening to music and practising yoga.

Te wiki o te reo Māori*(Māori language week)***"Te kupu o te wiki"** (word of the week)**Manu -**

1st meaning - Bird (sometimes used for other things that fly eg bats, insects, kites)
 2nd meaning - "To do a manu" to jump into a pool with your body in a V shape so your tailbone/lower back hits the water first.

Matariki celebrations

Our 2021 Matariki celebration plans are underway and we have finalised the dates:

You are warmly invited to our evening feast on Friday 2nd July from 5.30pm. Please RSVP to the office by tomorrow Tuesday 15th June, with your hāngī orders.

Our annual concert is scheduled for Thursday 8th July, 10 – 11.30am.

Both events will be held in T2 at the High School.

Kawakawa Service Camp

Many of you may know that each year our Kawakawa students take part in a Service Camp. This requires them to be outdoors in the Bush in winter weather, sleeping in tents. As you can imagine, our Kawakawa community have a rather large gear list to provide and it can be expensive!

I have attached the gear list on our community Facebook page and if you (or anyone you know) has any items that you would like to buy, sell, swap, donate then please use the post to organise.

[Wā Ora Community Notice Board](#)

Late bookings for After School Care

If your requirements for After School Care change, please let us know as soon as you realise, so we can plan our staffing accordingly. Adhoc bookings on the day should be with the office preferably before 2.30pm. We do understand that this can sometimes be difficult and we would rather be informed late than not at all. Thank you for your help with this 😊

Primary Production 2021**Motu Manu Tapu**

This **Saturday 19 June** from 10:30-3pm we are running a final working bee in T2 at the High School to complete sets, props and costumes.

This is an opportunity for our community to support the Primary Production. Primary students have been working in many aspects of the show, making props and adornments for our Motu Manu Tapu Production. Excitement is growing as we come into the final weeks of preparation.

Costume requirements:

Hobnobs: All require low heeled boots
Islanders: Require a white or black singlet and short bike pants to wear under their costume

Birds: Require a plain black or white T-shirt and tights/pants

Tickets will be available for purchase this week. We are currently waiting on the printing of tickets.

All performances will be in T2 at the High School.

Tuesday 29th June 7pm
 – Tāwhai, Tōtara & Rātā

Wednesday 30th June 7pm
 – Tāwhai, Tōtara & Puriri

Thursday 1st July 7pm
 - Tāwhai, Tōtara & Kāuri

Adult - \$10
 Student - \$5
 Children – Gold Coin

Congratulations to....

our amazing Wā Ora High school choir who were awarded the Festival Cup and the Adjudicator's Choice award at last week's Big Sing Performance. Their dedication and commitment to the enjoyment of singing together saw them receive the best of recognitions; a group that best embodied the spirit of the festival!

Home Grown Pies

(actual picture of our apple pie)

IT IS FINALLY TIME! we are now letting you order your own delicious pies! We have decided on 3 types of pie to make and sell to you guys. Apple, Apple and rhubarb, and Banoffee.

Our pies are made fresh to order. They come in single-serving size and cost \$4.50 each. Order them at the following link: [Homegrown pies order form](#)

Orders need to be placed by 5pm Wednesday 30th June and will be able to be picked up on the following Monday 5th July at the lunchtime market. Please keep in mind that pies do contain gluten and dairy.

Enterprise Parent Evening

On Wednesday 23th June from 5-6 pm, the high school will be hosting a parent evening about the latest enterprise groups. Join us upstairs in Tāwari for nibbles from 4:30 pm followed by an evening showcasing what the level 2 and 3 enterprise groups are doing. We look forward to seeing the support from the community.

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