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Happy New Year!

Wishing everyone all the very best for an exciting 2024

Waverley Craft & Farmers Market

Where: Waverley Community Hall
When: Sunday ~ 21st January
Time: 9am to 1pm

Come along and join the fun
at our new local market.
Stock up on fresh produce, jams,
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wonderful art and craft stalls,
car boot sales and food trucks.

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Lots of things to see and do in January

Get along to the Market or the Open Day at the Wanganui Aero Club

The Summer Blast Reading Programme is on page 7... so much for the kids to enjoy!

Looking forward to lots of news, results and upcoming events in 2024

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The dates and times for Services were not available at time of publication.

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St George's Patea
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January 2024 Mass Times

Sunday 7th January 9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Patrick's, Patea
Sunday 14th January 11.00am
Mass, St Francis de Sales, Waverley
Sunday 21st January 9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Francis de Sales, Waverley
Sunday 28th January 11.00am
Mass, St Patrick's, Patea

Weekday Mass:

There are no Weekday Masses in January 2024

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Drop in anytime - we look forward to meeting you!



A Christian Word

Another year has gone & another year has begun!

Seems like there going a tad fast, would prefer them to slow down, perhaps as we grow older the years kinda slide past without being aware of the time! But as a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, time is relevant & precious, because a time is coming & soon, when Jesus will come back upon this earth. There are a multitude of prophesy in the Bible that declare first, the birth of Jesus, then His death for the sins of the world & rising from the grave, & last, His return here on earth. These prophecies were spoken 3000 years ago! Most have come true over time, so we can confidently await the return of Jesus. Time is precise with God, exactly at His appointed time all these prophecies have happened. A thousand years are like a day unto the Lord, contrary to our daily time! So, God has given us time - 3 score + 10 = 70 years, to understand why we have been granted time, besides chasing after fame & fortune, a day in time is coming when we will depart from here & absolutely none of what we have built, pursued or stashed away will do us any good!

Unless you have invested your whole life in Jesus & obedience to Him alone. Time is running out, we are in serious trouble, not so much while were alive, but once our time is over – finished here, the realization of time wasted in pursuit of riches etc. will be very obvious, but too late to change. God is giving every man & woman here on earth the time to realize, not only today, but tomorrow, the time when you will stand alone before Gods Day of judgement, no religion will help you, no status or money will be of any benefit, just you, alone, with the consequences of your time wasted while alive. Seek you first the Kingdom of God, repent & be baptized every one of you into the name of Jesus, He is the only way unto salvation! Time is very precious & important! Don't waste it on "things". Take the time now to ask Jesus Christ to forgive you of all your sins & note the time. A time you will never forget & neither will Father God!!

Come Lord Jesus
Ted Reeves Patea

Jesus Christ said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." There is Salvation in NO other name.

Waverley Baptist Church
63 Weraroa Road, Waverley. Service at 10am every Sunday.
Email: info@waverleybaptist.org.nz Phone (text or talk): 0273 870 670

Men's Home Group.
Every fortnight. Contact Colin Prentice
06 273 8358 for time & dates. Open to all men.

Op Shop:
Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays,
10am – 1pm.
Come and take a look, or bring along any items
you may have to donate. Contact Cindy Burgess (06) 346 6424.

JESUS SAVES

Community prayer meeting:
very Monday at 1.30pm All very welcome.

Community Foodbank:
We are able to give up to 3 food parcels
ough the year to anyone in genuine need.
Please call the church on 0273 870 670.

Pensioner lunches:
On hold until further notice.

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Farmlands Co-operative Community Giveback

An idea that started over a coffee between Farmlands TFO Wazza Pope and Regional Manager Ben Sole was rolled out at the Waverley and Waitotara Schools.

Rather than the normal Christmas get together they wanted to do something different that had some real meaning. “We wanted to say thanks for the support we get in the Waverley, Patea and Waitotara area” Wazza said. “It is difficult not having a store in town and this was our way to say thank you“.

The entire Central West team turned out to do some gardening, water blasting and wood splitting for 3 hours and then enjoyed a very enjoyable lunch and game of golf croquet at the Golf Croquet club rooms in Waverley.



Wazza Pope putting his chainsaw to good use at Waitotara School

"We will be moving around all over the region helping were we can" Ben Sole said. “The entire team loved giving something back to the Waverley community”.



Woodsplitting at Waverley Primary School



Jason Wing waterblasting at Waitotara School



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Since I first wrote the Waverley books the internet has exploded giving much more access to research material than could ever be imagined in 1983 when I wrote my first Waverley book. For this reason I intend to write a series of articles called "Waverley's Forgotten" which will update the information I previously gathered and inform newcomers to the district of aspects of Waverley's past. Laraine Sole

The Forgotten - Rewi Alley

Rewi Alley was born in Springfield, Canterbury in 1897. His father was a school teacher and his mother a leader of the New Zealand Women's Suffragette movement. The parents' interest in social reform and education influenced all their children who went on to have successful careers.

Rewi's name was chosen by his Aunt Amy after the rebel Maori chief Rewi Maniapoto who resisted the British during the 1860s' New Zealand Wars – a rather controversial name I would have thought for the times!

In 1916 Rewi's brother Eric was fatally wounded and this may have been the catalyst for Rewi to try and enlist in the army when he was under age. This failed and he was nineteen when he left for Europe, serving in France where he won the Military Medal. At the Somme he was injured but was rescued by two of his unit and taken to safety, and fortunately for him the war ended soon after and he was sent home to rehabilitate.



A young Rewi Alley during World War I. Photo Alley family

There he met up with his old friend Jack Stevens who had been in the Air Force in Egypt and who was planning to take up land in South Taranaki under the Returned Soldiers' Rehabilitation Scheme. Jack invited Rewi to join him in an 800 acre property in the Moeawatea Valley 40kms inland from Waverley. The farm cost £12,000 and Rewi put in all his wartime savings, his dead brother's war time savings and some money given to him by his father. It was a tough piece of land – hilly although fertile, with half of it still in forest.

Their four-roomed whare had been built by the government on a narrow flat in a gully overlooking a river surrounded by beautiful scenery. Jack and Rewi added a kitchen and bathroom extension to the back of the house and a woolshed was constructed in a paddock opposite. A pataka built beside the house was jammed with preserves each autumn with inverted milk cans turned upside down to deter the rats from helping themselves.

The two men farmed in a pioneer way and soon increased their stock to a thousand sheep and a hundred cattle. Rewi recalled that they worked like slaves and wrote wryly that although Moeawatea means 'to sleep in broad daylight', they never had a chance to do much of that. Cooking, preserving, gardening, milking, making butter, mustering, cutting scrub, burning off, sowing grass and carrying fencing posts up steep ridges left little spare time. Then of course there were the hectic times of shearing, crutching, dipping and crutching. They also had to mend the access to their property by filling in holes. The work was relentless.

As they were so isolated the pair usually wore nothing but shorts and boots, using their shorts as



The home looks picturesque, but for the sociable Rewi, the isolation was hard to bear. Photo: Rewi Alley

pads for their shoulders when carrying posts or equipment. If it started to rain, they would put their shorts in the army packs in which they carried their billies, tea and some bread.

As the crow flew, the house was not far from the upper reaches of the Waitotara Valley and sometimes Jack and Rewi would ride over to the deserted homestead, 'Kapara' to hunt for pigs. They were also able to pick raspberries and collect the walnuts, lemons, apples and pears which lay thickly about.

Sometimes people would visit and in his autobiography Rewi wrote of one. "A Liberal parliamentary candidate came and watched us at work making a filling that had been washed out on the road, stripped to the waist, sunburnt and in shorts. He said what fine fellows we were and how wonderful it was to be a pioneer, and if only he were young again, by God, he would be with us too, However looking ruefully at the razorbacks he said, "But I'd need bag hooks in the arse of my pants to get me up there!"

During his time in the Moeawatea, both Rewi and his partner both suffered serious accidents. One a fall from a half-broken horse left Rewi in bed for three months with Jack's brother helping out.

The six years Rewi and Jack spent in isolation were stressful ones with the prices of wool dropping substantially and never really recovering. In 1926 the wool price slumped to 2d a pound and it became clear that the farm could not support two people. Rewi left the property to Jack who hung on for a few years longer then walked off, the farm returning to the Government in 1930. It was then leased for grazing by Matt Hammond, a Kohi dairy farmer. He also purchased the improvements on Alley and Steven's farm in 1957 and had staff living in the whare most of the time, until he sold it in 1962. Graham Annabell who lived at the top end of the valley then owned it from 1962 until 1972, when Ernie Mathews who had first began farming in the valley in 1950 when he bought land from the Hughes Bros acquired it.

Rewi always said that his time in the Moeawatea brought him down to earth after his war service and taught him the value of simplicity as well as teaching him lessons that later stood him in good stead. He did visit the valley again in 1932 when he came home on holiday. He borrowed a horse and made the long ride out to visit Jack but no-one was home. Not realising he had gone and believing Jack was working out the back he left him a note saying "Dear Jack, Sorry you were out. See you, Rewi." I believe that was his last visit to that remote farm.

After leaving the Moeawatea, Rewi announced that he intended to go to China, a country shaken by revolution. Perhaps the contact he'd had during the war with the workers in the Chinese Labour Corps sent to work for the Allies had piqued his interest in the Chinese people. He arrived in China in 1927 and went on to have a remarkable life there being an enthusiastic member of the Communist Party. He came to greater prominence during the Japanese invasion of China in 1937 after he was involved in efforts to found the Association of Chinese Industrial Cooperatives (INDUSCO), commonly known by the slogan Alley coined – 'Gung Ho' which translated as 'Work Together'. Gung Ho aimed to organise small-scale self-supporting cooperatives which created employment for workers, while continuing production to support resistance against the Japanese.



Rewi sitting on the porch with Jack Stevens right, 1921. Photo Alley family.

The Forgotten - Rewi Alley

He was the founder of the Shandan Baillie school and its second headmaster, an educationalist, translator of Chinese classical poetry, wrote over sixty books, was a skilled amateur archaeologist, a photographer and an activist in the Peace movement. In the latter part of his life, his influence saw New Zealand being one of the first western countries to establish diplomatic relations with China. He also encouraged the establishment of the New Zealand China Friendship Society and the establishment of the sister city link between Christchurch and Gansu province in north western China, where he spent many years. In 1972 Victoria University awarded him an honorary doctorate in literature and in 1982 Beijing granted him honorary citizenship.

Both the New Zealand and Chinese governments honoured Rewi for his work in China. On his 90th birthday Prime Minister David Lange publicly eulogised him and Rewi died shortly after on 27 December 1987 at Beijing. His ashes were scattered over the Shandan countryside, in accordance with the instructions in his will.

Because of Rewi's prominence his Moeawatea cottage was given Category II heritage status by the Historic Places Trust but fell into disrepair. Ernie Matthews and Alan McPherson initially re-piled the building, then David Harre and Tom Newham from Auckland re-roofed the house with money donated by the Auckland Branch of the NZ China Friendship Society and also the Whanganui Branch of the NZ Historic Places. Harre was later able to initiate a full restoration project with the Conservation Corps under a government employment scheme. Over a six-month period the whare was taken back to its original dimensions and a new outbuilding was erected in the same style and materials immediately behind it to provide a separate kitchen and sleeping accommodation. An official re-opening ceremony was held on 28 July 1989 when the Minister of the Environment, Phil Goff, reopened the house.

Initially the Whanganui Regional Community College was to maintain the building but that fell through and in 1991 Digger Alley of New Plymouth set up a committee including Ernie Matthews, Marion Rainforth, Maurice Alley and David Hare to keep an eye on the place. (.)

In the 1990s tenants maintained the house and gardens to varying standards and by 2001 major maintenance was clearly needed. The cladding was patched and the cottage repainted in January 2002 by Dorothy Waymouth, Mike Eagle, Anita and Alan McPherson and Maurice, Dorothy and Malcolm Alley.

Although Ernie Mathews' declining health caused him to pass his farm operation to his nephew Henry Mathews in the nearby Waitotara valley, he still retained his interest in the future of the historic cottage. In 2004 he agreed to go ahead with the formation of a Rewi Alley Moeawatea Trust consisting of himself and two Alley relatives, Dorothy Waymouth and Maurice Alley to administer and maintain the whare. Ernie has since died leaving Maurice and Dorothy to continue.

Since then the Trust has upgraded the bedrooms and kitchen in the out buildings. A new bathroom and toilet have been added between the buildings and a septic tank has been installed.

Today the cottage is the only home still standing in New Zealand in which Rewi lived and as such is of special interest. It is also a reminder of the atrocious conditions many rehab soldiers were expected to farm in, causing many to walk off their land. Today by car, the trip is still a long one. How Rewi and Jack managed to live so far from civilisation when the only transport was the horse, is a testament to their determination.



Rewi did not marry and have children but he did adopt children in China so both his Chinese and New Zealand families still visit his home at Moeawatea. In April 2023, his nephew Maurice Rewi Alley and Dorothy Waymouth pose with visitors from China in April 2023. Photo: Maurice Alley

Other articles in the Waverley's Forgotten Series:

May 2023 Dickie's Flour Mill
June 2023 Two Messages in a Bottle
July 2023 Early Maori Carvings
August 2023 Herewini Whakarua and Iwiora Tamaiparea
September 2023 Waverley's Flax Millers
October 2023 NZ Cup Winner Halberdier
November 2023 The Wairoa Rifles and The Wairoa Redoubt
December 2023 The Nukumaru Hotel (Handley's Hotel)

Jenni Corbett.... Living The Dream

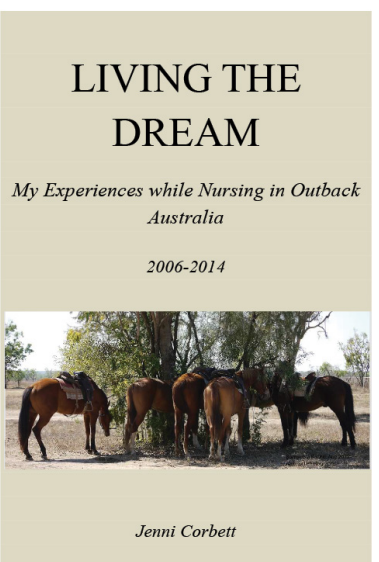


When Waverley artist Jenni Corbett booked in for a free six week writing course with local writer and historian Laraine Sole she did not imagine that she would end up writing an entire book!

Sometimes knowing where to start is the hard bit, Once Jenny decided to write about her experiences while nursing in outback Australia, she set about writing for a set period each day. This takes a lot of self-discipline, but Jenni was up for the challenge finishing all her written material by week six. She then worked with Laraine to format her text into a book and to add in the photos she had taken of her time in Australia. The job of editing and actually getting the book to print took as long as it did to write it!

The result is a highly visually pleasing book full of colour photographs and amusing anecdotes as well as vivid descriptions of the things she saw while exploring in the areas she worked in.

Jenni has proved that with focus, hard work and guidance, writing a book can be accomplished by anyone who has a story to tell and is prepared to work hard. Laraine hopes that others will be inspired by her to start telling their own stories as a precious gift for future generations.











Patea & Waverley LibraryPlus



Check out the dates on the STDC Events Calendar

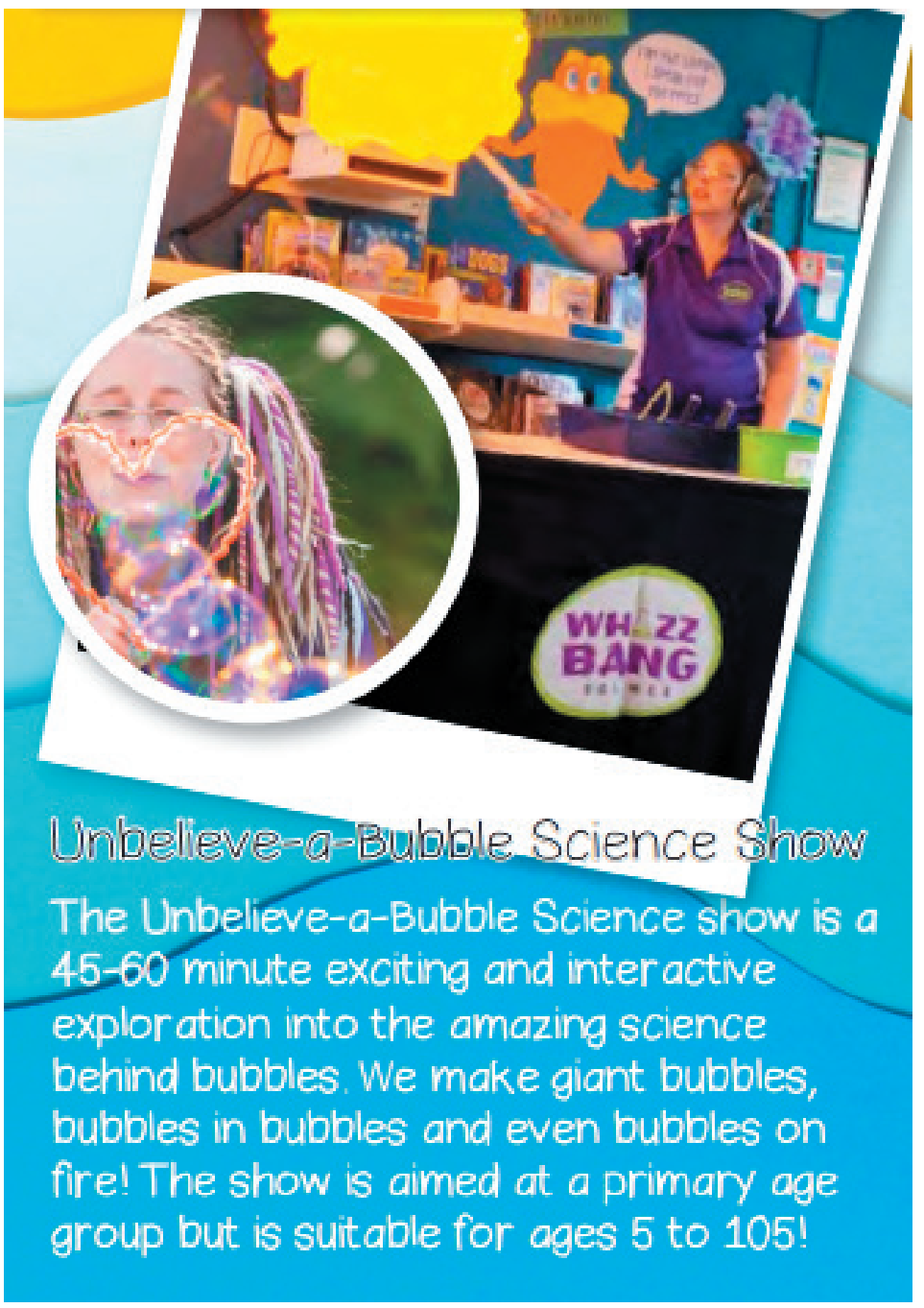
www.southtaranaki.com/our-community/events/events-calendar











Unbelieve-a-Bubble Science Show

The Unbelieve-a-Bubble Science show is a 45-60 minute exciting and interactive exploration into the amazing science behind bubbles. We make giant bubbles, bubbles in bubbles and even bubbles on fire! The show is aimed at a primary age group but is suitable for ages 5 to 105!

Summer blast

Raumati Manawawera

Activities on throughout the District during the Summer Blast Reading Programme



Paper Christmas Tree Decorations
Thursday 14 December, 3.30pm
Eltham LibraryPlus

Paper Christmas Tree Decorations
Thursday 14 December, 3.30pm
Kaponga LibraryPlus

Gingerbread Men & Iced Cookies
Tuesday 19 December, 2pm
Manaia LibraryPlus

Handmade with Love Christmas Fun
Wednesday 20 December, 10.30am
Hāwera LibraryPlus

Reindeer Games
Thursday 21 December, 10.30am
Ōpunakē LibraryPlus

Christmas Cards & Iced Cookies
Thursday 21 December, 10.30am
Pātea LibraryPlus

Christmas Cards & Iced Cookies
Thursday 21 December, 2pm
Waverley LibraryPlus

Lifeguard Games
Tuesday 9 January, 10.30am
Hāwera LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Tuesday 9 January, 2pm
Manaia LibraryPlus

Snowball Games & Make Fake Snow
Wednesday 10 January, 10.30am
Eltham LibraryPlus

Mystery Painting Roulette
Wednesday 10 January, 10.30am
Ōpunakē LibraryPlus

Enchanted Fairy or Pixie Garden
Wednesday 10 January, 10.30am
Pātea LibraryPlus

Dr. Suess' Diorama
Wednesday 10 January, 2pm
Waverley LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Thursday 11 January, 10.30am
Hāwera LibraryPlus

Secret Fairy Garden
Thursday 11 January, 2pm
Kaponga LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Tuesday 16 January, 10.30am
Eltham LibraryPlus

Dragon Crafts
Tuesday 16 January, 2pm
Manaia LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Wednesday 17 January, 10.30am
Pātea LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Wednesday 17 January, 2pm
Waverley LibraryPlus

Oceans of Slime
Thursday 18 January, 10.30am
Hāwera LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Thursday 18 January, 10.30am
Ōpunakē LibraryPlus

The Book Games
Thursday 18 January, 2pm
Kaponga LibraryPlus

If you've completed 3 check ins you will be invited to the Finale Parties at the end of January

www.southtaranaki.com/summerblast

Waverley Primary School

2023 Prize Giving Results

Girls Swimming Year 6 Hammond Cup - Rosa Alexander
Boys Swimming Year 6 J.B. Walkinton Cup - Jack Casey
Girls Senior Cross Country Year 6 Anne & Snow Lupton Cup - Rosa Alexander
Boys Senior Cross Country Year 6 Anne & Snow Lupton Cup - Jack Casey
Girls Junior Cross Country Avon Cup - Greta Casey
Boys Junior Cross Country Steven Lister Memorial Cup - William Alexander
Excellence in Attitude (Junior School) Waverley Primary School Cup - Harriet McAree
Girls Athletics Year 6 Shield - Ruby Rainford
Boys Athletics Year 6 Shield - Jack Casey
Most Determined Sports Person Year 6 Waverley Primary School Cup - Nicholas Bridson
Most Improved Netball Player Home & School Ass Cup - Isabella Edwards
Netball Player of the Year Calder Trophy - Sofia Mitchell
Intermediate Boys Swimming Dr Ian Coulthart Cup - Zachary Bridson
Intermediate Girls Swimming Dr Ian Coulthart Cup - Comien Honeyfield
Intermediate Boys Athletics Middleton Family Cup - TK Bradley
Intermediate Girls Athletics Waverley Rural Womens Cup - Comien Honeyfield
Intermediate Boys Cross Country Waverley Police Cup - Zachary Bridson
Intermediate Girls Cross Country Waverley Rural Womens Shield - Comien Honeyfield
Intermediate Most Determined Sportsperson Sandy Coulthart Cup - Charley Perrett
Intermediate Sportsperson of the Year Kiff/Lewis Family Cup - Comien Honeyfield
Excellence in Literacy Year 6 Currie Family Cup - Ruby Rainford
Excellence in Mathematics Year 6 Smith Family Cup - Ruby Rainford
Excellence in Public Speaking Year 6 Gresham Family Cup - Ruby Rainford
Personal & Academic Growth Boyne Memorial Cup - Paige Titley
Best Academic Effort Trevor Willing Cup - Lily Howe
Excellence in Attitude Duffy Mainfreight Award - John Edwards
Intermediate Public Speaking Waverley Lions Cup - Macey Wakeling
Popular student who has excelled in sport and academic subjects Ainsley Aiken Cup - Lily Howe
Excellence in the Arts Clifton Cup - Sofia Mitchell
Excellence in Mathematics Ross Dallison Memorial Cup - Stephen Large
Excellence in Literacy Sanson Family Cup - Macey Wakeling
Dux Waverley Primary School Centennial Cup - Max Amon





Year 8 Leavers Dinner

What a wonderful evening we had celebrating our departing Year 8 students. What a fantastic journey they have all had at our school. A special thank you to Jenna Wakeling for decorating the hall, it looked amazing! Also, thank you to our wonderful PFA for the delicious food!



Santa's Visit

Santa and his elves had a wonderful time driving around the streets of Waverley, visiting tamariki at their houses and then at the park. Books and treats were gifted to all as a way of saying Merry Christmas to our Waverley Primary School whānau.



















Inspiring today's learners to thrive in tomorrow's world

Maxwell & Districts Kindergarten

Kia Ora, what an awesome year we have had here at Maxwell & Districts Kindergarten. We had a year full of FUN, LAUGHTER, LEARNING, and with the help from our amazing WHANAU we were able to celebrate our year and our Tamariki with an excursion to the Whanganui Boys & Girls Gym Club, and also had a special visit from Santa.

Next year we will have spaces available from ages 2yrs - 4yrs, so please do come in, meet the team, see our learning environment, and take an enrollment form.

We would like to Mihi to all who have supported our kindergarten whanau, and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Maxwell & District
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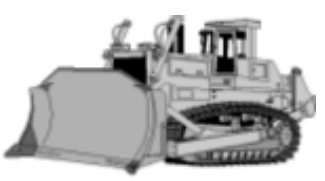

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Settle in with a cold drink and enjoy the first Puzzle Page for 2024!

Quick crossword

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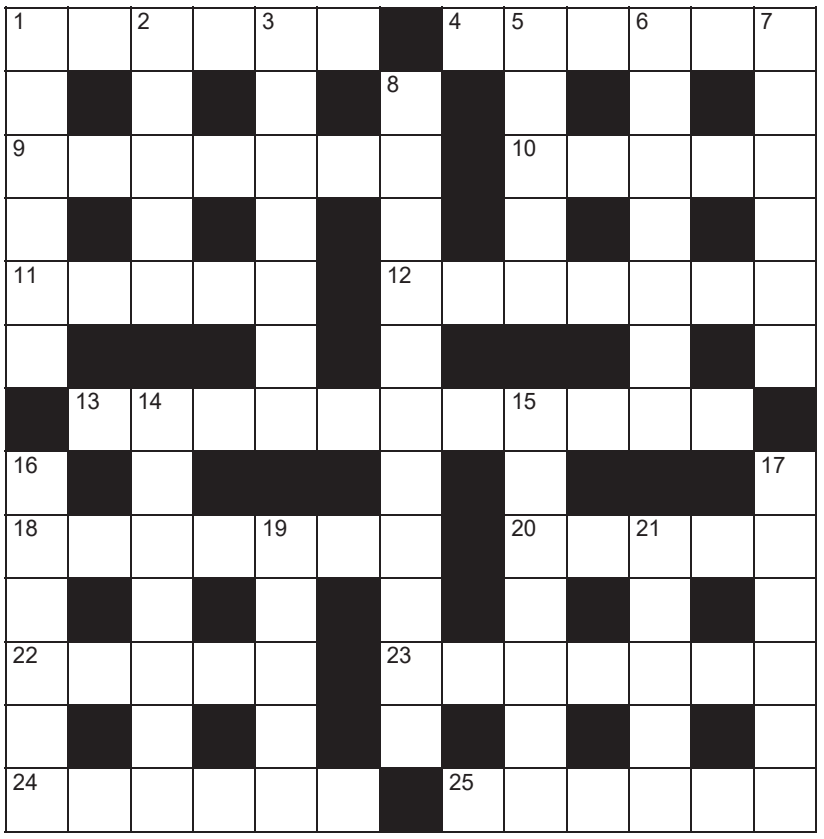


Across

1. Adjourn (6)
4. Add on (6)
9. Split (7)
10. Horrify (5)
11. Make a minor adjustment (5)
12. Soundly defeat (7)
13. Intricate (11)
18. Stream (7)
20. Troubled (5)
22. Decorate (5)
23. Result (7)
24. Soak up (6)
25. Entry (6)

Down

1. Unusual event (6)
2. Thicket (5)
3. Conceited (5-2)
5. Musical instrument (5)
6. Cost (7)
7. Sweet sounding (6)
8. Limitation (11)
14. Easily discernible (7)
15. Relating to water (7)
16. Misprints (6)
17. Emphasise (6)
19. Cruise ship (5)
21. Cursed (5)

Crossword solution

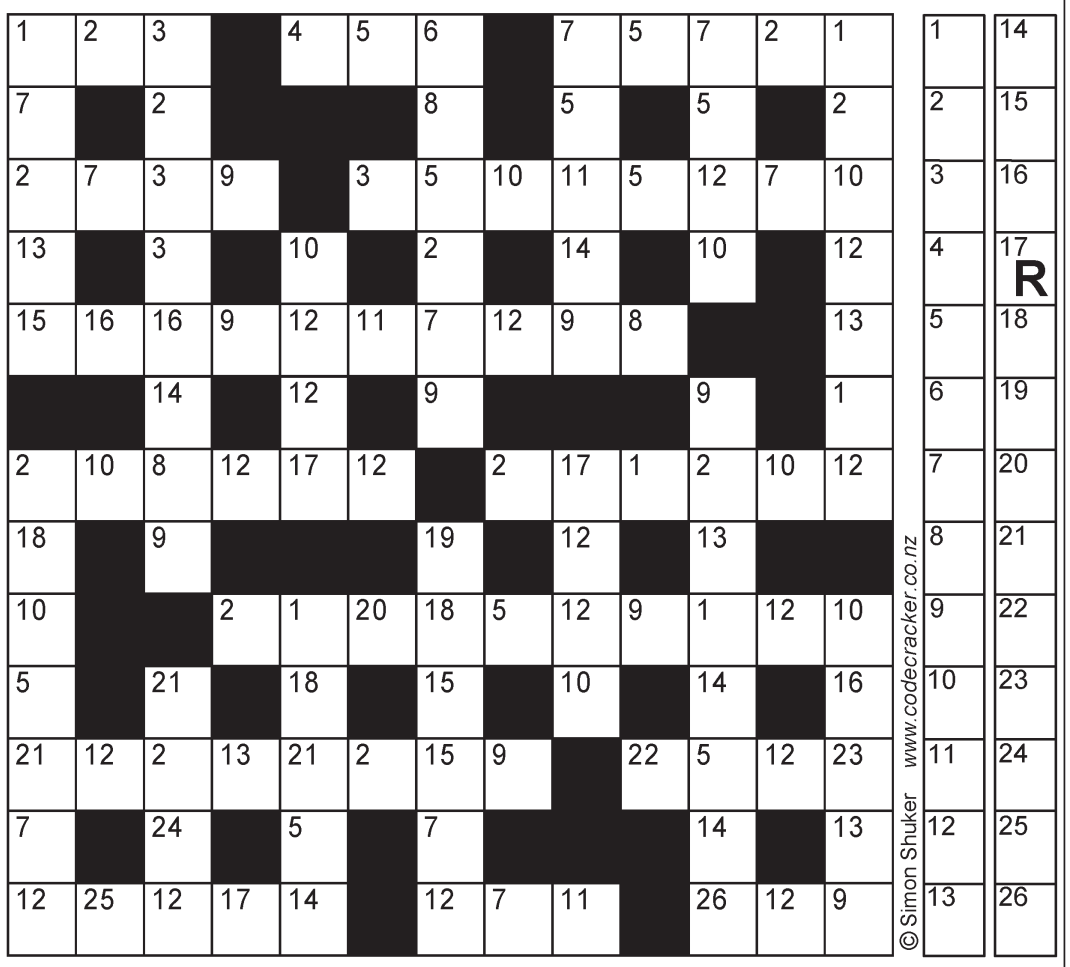
Across: 1. Recess, 4. Append, 9. Rupture, 10. Appal, 11. Tweak, 12. Trounce, 13. Complicated, 18. Rivulet, 20. Upset, 22. Adorn, 23. Outcome, 24. Absorb, 25. Access.
Down: 1. Rarity, 2. Copse, 3. Stuck-up, 5. Piano, 6. Expense, 7. Dulcet, 8. Restriction, 14. Obvious, 15. Aquatic, 16. Errata, 17. Stress, 19. Liner, 21. Swore.

Code-Cracker

14 T	15 G	16 O	17 R	18 U	19 J	20 Q	21 B	22 V	23 W	24 K	25 X	26 Y
1 C	2 A	3 M	4 Z	5 I	6 P	7 L	8 H	9 S	10 D	11 F	12 E	13 N

SIMON SHUKER'S CODE-CRACKER Extra

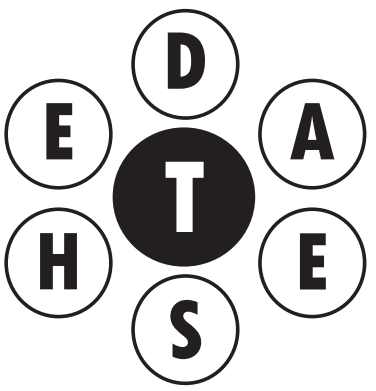
EACH number in our Code-Cracker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 17 represents R, so fill in R every time the figure 17 appears. You have one letter in the control grid to start you off. Enter it in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the list of alphabetical letters as you identify them. *Visit www.codecracker.co.nz*



Circle of Words

How many words of four letters or more can you make? There is at least one seven-letter word. Each letter may be used only once and all words must contain the centre letter. No words starting with a capital, no plurals ending in s unless the word is also a verb.

Good 12 **Very Good** 18 **Excellent** 26+



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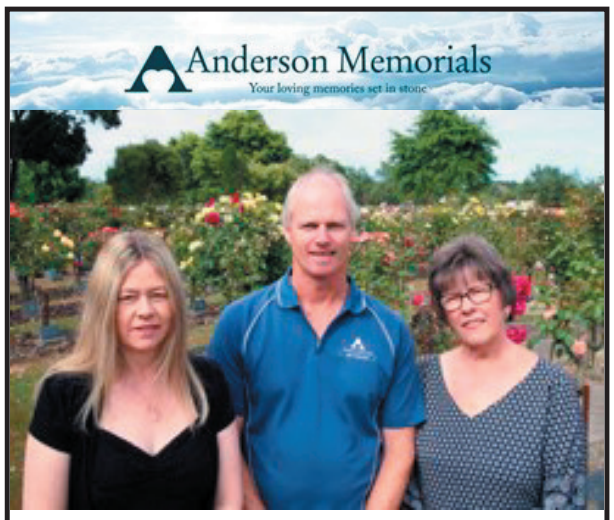

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Rainfall

KAKARAMEA
Rainfall recorded by Kevin Ford, Spence Rd.
Rainfall for Nov 2023 - 114.0ml in 12 days
Rainfall for Nov 2022 - 192.0ml
Average for Nov - 105.0ml over 53 years
YTD for 2023 - 1191.0ml

WAITOTARA
Rainfall recorded by Marie Hawken, Waitotara
Rainfall Nov 2023 - 79.75ml in 12 days
Rainfall Nov 2022 - 207.25ml in 19 days
YTD totals - 2023 - 1188ml (End Nov 2023)

WAVERLEY
Rainfall recorded by Stu Buckman, Waverley
Rainfall Nov 2023 - 82.0ml in 14 days
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Rainfall Nov 2021 - 86.5ml in 8 days
YTD total for 2023 - 1225ml in 139 days

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MON	01 JAN	02:18	2.0m	14:36	2.1m
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WED	03 JAN	03:40	1.9m	16:04	2.0m
THU	04 JAN	04:27	1.9m	16:54	1.9m
FRI	05 JAN	05:21	1.8m	17:49	1.9m
SAT	06 JAN	06:21	1.8m	18:47	1.9m
SUN	07 JAN	07:26	1.9m	19:47	1.9m
MON	08 JAN	08:28	1.9m	20:45	2.0m
TUE	09 JAN	09:24	2.1m	21:40	2.1m
WED	10 JAN	10:15	2.2m	22:33	2.2m
THU	11 JAN	11:02	2.4m	23:24	2.3m
FRI	12 JAN	11:48	2.5m		
SAT	13 JAN	00:13	2.4m	12:34	2.5m
SUN	14 JAN	01:01	2.4m	13:21	2.5m
MON	15 JAN	01:49	2.4m	14:08	2.5m
TUE	16 JAN	02:38	2.3m	14:58	2.4m
WED	17 JAN	03:28	2.2m	15:50	2.3m
THU	18 JAN	04:21	2.1m	16:46	2.1m
FRI	19 JAN	05:21	2.0m	17:47	2.0m
SAT	20 JAN	06:29	1.9m	18:54	2.0m
SUN	21 JAN	07:43	1.9m	20:03	1.9m
MON	22 JAN	08:52	2.0m	21:08	1.9m
TUE	23 JAN	09:49	2.1m	22:04	2.0m
WED	24 JAN	10:36	2.2m	22:51	2.1m
THU	25 JAN	11:16	2.2m	23:32	2.1m
FRI	26 JAN	11:52	2.3m		
SAT	27 JAN	00:09	2.2m	12:26	2.3m
SUN	28 JAN	00:43	2.2m	12:59	2.3m
MON	29 JAN	01:16	2.2m	13:31	2.3m
TUE	30 JAN	01:48	2.2m	14:04	2.2m
WED	31 JAN	02:22	2.1m	14:38	2.1m

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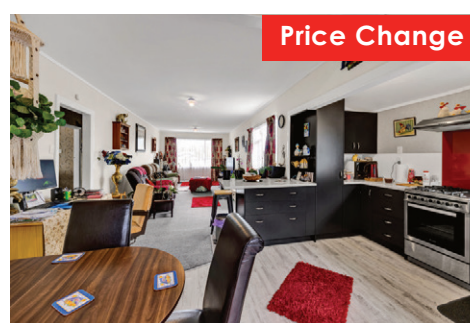

THE BIG JOBS ARE DONE!!

24 Dorset Street, Patea

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Welcome to Pātea Kindergarten 2024!

Where did 2023 go?! What a fun filled year we all had at Pātea Kindergarten! Some of the highlights were our celebrations at Easter, Puanga and of course Christmas when Santa called in for a visit.



Our wonderful Whānau committee entered a float in the Pātea Christmas Parade which was enjoyed by children and adults alike!



Earlier in the year we had Zappo, the Magician come in to entertain the children, which is always very popular.



We have a strong focus on our outside environment. Last year we planted potatoes in buckets and vegetables in the gardens and grew sun flowers with the children.





During the year we have also had several visits from the Librarians who read stories to our children and the very popular Coach Mike who introduced the children to different ball games to develop their coordination and balance while having lots of fun!







Welcome to Pātea Kindergarten 2024!

In 2023 we also welcomed a whole new teaching team at Patea Kindergarten. During the year they have done a marvellous job creating relationships with the children and the wider community while building on the fantastic work of our previous longstanding teaching team.

Our centre whakatauki is “HE TAONGA TE TAMATI” – “THE CHILD IS OUR TREASURE”

We work together to provide an environment that reflects bi/multi-culturalism, learning about ourselves, our heritage and our community. Each child’s strengths and qualities are respected and whānau aspirations for their child recognised and woven into their learning and development.

We encourage whānau to share and contribute to their child’s learning journey with us, we have an open-door policy, and It is important to us that all whānau establish a sense of belonging here. Children can be put on our waiting list from the age of 2yrs. That does not mean they will be able to start straight away though, as they will gain a place on our rolls according to age.

The Kindergarten has 4 fully qualified and registered teachers and we are well resourced, providing a programme that is suited to children aged 2- 6 years old. We provide 5 sessions a week, Monday to Friday, 8.30 am – 2.30 pm. We offer up to 30 hours of free ECE (Early Childhood Education).

Our programme is guided by our Curriculum Te Whāriki, which we are happy to share with parents. Within this document there are five areas: Belonging, Well Being, Communication, Contribution and Exploration, all wonderful ways to support our tamariki as they learn through play, extending on their skills and ability.

We are proud of our beautiful environment and over the years we have worked together to provide lots of natural resources and have replaced the majority of our plastics with wooden alternatives. The outdoor area is huge, offering many areas to explore and we try to be outside as much as possible, if the children want to and the weather allows it.

Please feel welcome at any time to drop in for a visit or pick up an enrolment form. Finally a big thank you to our community and whānau for your ongoing support! We look forward to meeting you all in 2024.



Lorraine, Melissa, Hima (Head teacher) and Karen with Santa

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Trade Waste Compliance Improving Steadily in South Taranaki



Yarrows conducting their own trade waste sampling.

Compliance with trade waste rules have improved steadily in South Taranaki over the last year with Council staff actively working alongside businesses to increase their understanding on the importance of discharging their trade waste properly.

STDC Trade Waste Officer Komal Devi says many businesses both large and small discharge contaminants like grease, fats and oils into the Council’s wastewater network.

“Large amounts of these contaminants in the system can cause major issues like sewer blockages and wastewater overflows, posing serious risks to public health and pollution of the environment as well as being expensive to get fixed,” says Komal.

To reduce the likelihood of this happening Council has been working extensively with local businesses to get the right equipment and processes implemented and compliant with a trade waste consent.

"So far over 70% of South Taranaki businesses which discharge trade waste are compliant with a valid consent and it’s great to see them doing their part,” says Komal.

A local business which has committed to complying with the South Taranaki trade waste standards is Yarrows the Bakers in Manaia.

Working closely with Houghton’s Plumbing, consultants, and the Council, Yarrows have improved their processes and practices to reduce water consumption and solids discharge, improving their trade waste discharge quality overall.

However, while there has been a vast improvement, Komal says the work is not yet complete.

"While it’s great that 70% have come on board and gained compliance, we’re still working on the last 30%. So if you think your business needs a trade waste consent, even if you’re not sure, just contact the Council and ask to speak with me. I’m here to help.”

South Taranaki on the Rise

South Taranaki is the second most hospitable district in New Zealand, according to Airbnb.

The online accommodation marketplace recently released a list of the towns, cities and areas of regional New Zealand based on the highest density of five-star reviews.

Carterton in the Wairarapa claimed top spot with South Taranaki second. The Waikato was well represented, with Waipa, South Waikato and Matamata-Piako rounding out the top five.

South Taranaki Mayor Phil Nixon said the placing came as no surprise.

"Our unique landscape with the mountain, ocean and mix of town and rural character means we really get the best of both worlds" says Nixon.

"Accommodation providers of South Taranaki know what this District has to offer and take great pride in maintaining and offering their properties as a friendly home away from home for workers and travellers, from near and afar".

But it's not only AirBnB that's putting the district on the map. Latest tourism stats released by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) showed that South Taranaki saw a massive 328.9% increase in international visitor overnight stays in September 2023, compared to the same period in 2022. This was the largest increase across the region.

South Taranaki District Council economic development manager Scott Wilson says Taranaki is being increasingly seen as a destination of choice for international travellers looking for 'unique, off the-the-beaten-path' destinations.

“South Taranaki is on an upward trajectory. These stats show the promising potential the district has, to further develop as a destination with plenty to offer domestic and international visitors,” he says.

The following article is one of a collection of stories written by Ian Revell Fowler (b.30/11/1915, Patea - d.03/02/2011, Hawera) recalling his early life in Patea. It has been submitted by his daughter Heather Moore.

The Potteries

Ian Fowler and Ginty (William) Fowler were the sons of Ted (William) and Adelaide (nee Amon) Fowler who lived in Egmont Street, Patea. Ted Fowler was the proprietor of the Egmont Cordial Factory from 1913-1919, killed when his wagon rolled while delivering bottles of cordial in town. Adelaide later married Hector Lord.

What happy days were spent fishing at the Potteries - that secluded stretch of the Patea River, with Patea's town traffic a mile or more downstream and the railway viaduct a hundred yards upstream. "Egmont View", Mrs Honeyfield's impressive home, stood on the town ward side of the clifftop above, while at the clifftop to the north were several interlocking caves. A large area nearby (Te Ngaio) was the site of the first military action of the 1865 campaign when Maori from Kakaramea Pa opposed British advance. What better recipe could you have for brothers Ginty and Ian Fowler and schoolmates to let their imaginations run riot in such an exciting area?



Fowler siblings with an unidentified friend c1924. Left to Right – Unidentified, Ginty Fowler, Naomi Fowler, Ian Fowler.

In those days of the 1920s, Cemetery Lane (Scotland Street) leading from Patea's main road was a magnificent avenue of pine trees, meeting overhead to make a cool approach on a summer's day. Beneath the canopy grew many smaller trees, such as the sycamore with their seeds fluttering as they floated to the ground. In the shafts of sunlight many varieties of birds like the fantail, yellow hammer, goldfinch and quails abounded and high above a skylark could be heard singing. This lane was the route to The Potteries.

An alternative route was down "Beamish's" Lane past Mr Beamish's house with its lovely garden and two huge macrocarpa trees - a safe home for sparrows. Next we pushed open the squeaking five-barred iron gate leading to a rise overlooking the river. Then down past the big weedy dam with a little hydraulic ram alongside which pumped water to a trough on the hill. We then followed the sandy trail through the lupins, with a stream running alongside leading to a small waterfall and ending amongst the swamp and blackberries. A tall karaka tree at the foot of the hill led us to the river.



John Gilman Beamish's home at the end of Gloucester Street, known as Beamish's Lane in early days.

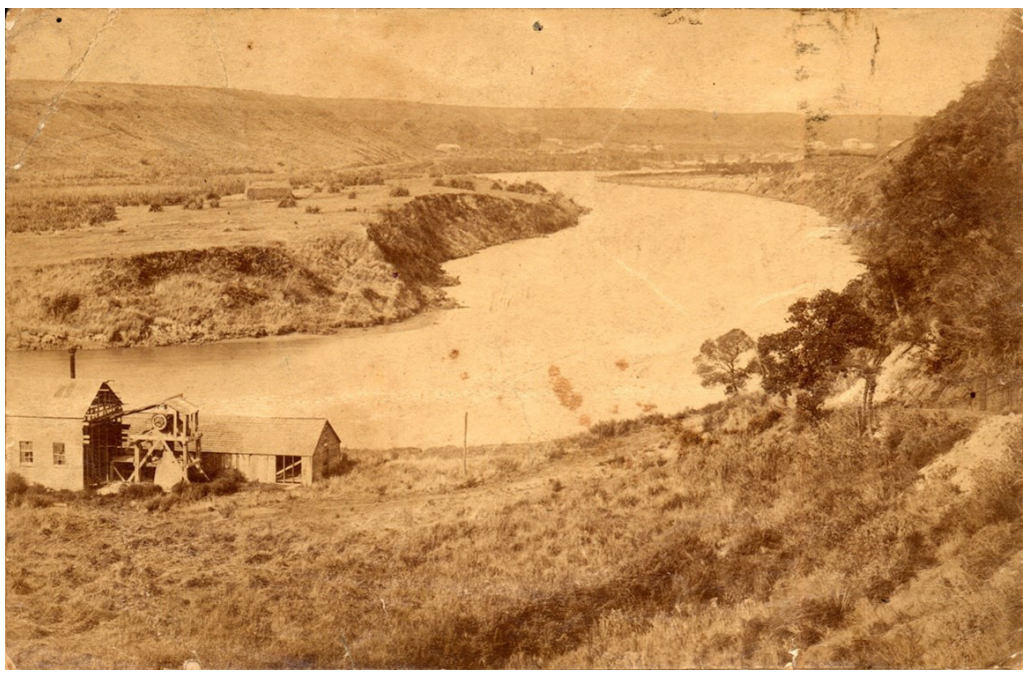
The Potteries provided Ginty and me with ample recreation. Flounder to catch; boats, moored by their long ropes, to play pirates; and when the tide was in, fresh seawater to swim. Willow trees supplied us with supple branches to make bows, and toetoe sticks were great for arrows. Flax bushes were useful to plait whips and when scraped the leaves gave us fibre to make whips that could make a loud crack. Dried flax sticks, light and strong, were ideal for swords and staffs for "Robin Hood". The clear stream, pure enough for drinking, was easy to dam up for sailing our toy boats and to turn a waterwheel fashioned from tobacco tins.

Acres of lupins supplied us with endless fun. What a thrill it was to dive into the hillside of lupins - rolling, tumbling and tossing until we emerged dazed and excited onto the sandy track below. Bird nesting in the area, mostly for blackbird and thrush eggs as these were considered quite a feat. Climbing some of the larger trees on the hillside was exciting, especially sliding down a clothesline rope and trying to avoid rope burn.

There were caves, seven in all, on a cliff face – the one on the corner you had to pass through to get to the caves on the other side. It also had a third room which was entered through a hole; it was pitch dark inside and a bit scary. Gint made a lamp by putting a stick wrapped in a cloth smeared with dripping and stuck upright in a tin of dripping. This supplied an eerie light as the heat of the flame melted the dripping. We would take dry gorse bushes to the back of the cave and light them to illuminate the interior and cast flickering shadows on the roof. Sometimes we would roll cigarettes made from dried tea leaves, just to be really wicked. We never seemed to come to any harm, just filled the summer with long happy days of adventure.



Ginty and Ian Fowler outside their home, 219 Egmont Street, Patea.



George F Sherwood's 1883 Brickworks at 'The Potteries'. Looking down the River toward Patea, the road bridge, Portland Quay etc

- In 1883 Patea Pottery and Drain Pipe Works was established at the foot of Scotland Street, Patea. Samples of bricks, flooring tiles, pipes and pottery were turned out. The venture was unsuccessful and closed down in the same year. (Ref - Patea: A Centennial History)



'Egmont View' the home of Catherine Honeyfield for 40 years at 1 Hadfield Street.

KAKARAMEA SCHOOL

‘E tipu, e rea…grow and keep growing’

END OF YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS

In Term 4 we had a wonderful end to the 2023 school year. We were fortunate enough to be able to hold many of our celebrations and see our Year 6 Leavers off in true Kakaramea style. Here are a few highlights of the last few weeks of the 2023 school year.



Photo featuring: Libby Tate, Riley England, Azalea Abraham-Pullen, Heremaia Pullen-Davis, Boston Symes and Jimmy Gibbs

Our Year 6 Leavers, the Class of 2023. As Kakaramea School and Community we would like to wish our Year 6 Leavers all the very best for their next learning journey. We thank them for their outstanding contribution to our school during their time here. We look forward to hearing of their stories and tales of adventure and of course their many future successes in the near future. We are very proud of them all. Remember to fly that Kakaramea Flag high!



Back row : Jimmy Gibbs, Charlie Werder, Azalea Abraham-Pullen, Libby Tate
Front row: Cooper Knight, Mason Knight, Heremaia Pullen-Davis, Boston Symes, Frankie Werder, Matilda Skipper

2023 WAKA WAY VALUES TAONGA RECIPIENTS

Wairua Award - Matilda Skipper
Ako Award - Frankie Werder
Kotahitanga Award - Heremaia Pullen-Davis
Awhi Award - Libby Tate

We are very proud of these recipients and all they have contributed to the culture of Kakaramea School. ‘E tipu…e rea..grow and keep growing…’



Photo featuring: Matilda Skipper, Frankie Werder, Heremaia Pullen-Davis and Libby Tate

Recently we held our Annual Year 6 Leavers Dinner to celebrate our amazing graduates at the Rough Habits Bar and Restaurant. A wonderful night was had by all and very well supported by their close whanau.

A very special time to reflect, celebrate and recognise all they have contributed to Kakaramea School. Thank you for making Kakaramea School such a special place to be!



Back row : Boston Symes, Azalea Abraham-Pullen
Front row: Heremaia Pullen-Davis, Jimmy Gibbs, Riley England, Libby Tate

2023 END OF YEAR PRIZE GIVING FAMILY CUP RECIPIENTS

Werder Family Cup – Cultural and Arts Cup – Azalea Abraham-Pullen

Northcott Family Cup – Sportsperson Cup – Charlie Werder

Huston Family Cup – Diligence Cup – Mason Knight and Cooper Knight

Cole Family Cup – Dux – Jimmy Gibbs

Dwyer Family Cup for Leadership – Libby Tate

Schrider Family Junior Citizenship Cup – Matilda Skipper and Frankie Werder

Principal’s Senior Citizenship Cup – Heremaia Pullen-Davis and Boston Symes

Congratulations to all recipients once again. Well done to you all.

In the last week of school we held our WAKA Way values rewards day for the school. We had a brilliant day out starting with a visit to Stratford Bike Track and an afternoon in the pool at Wai o Rua, Stratford Pools. Fun in the sun had by everyone!



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WATER SAFETY WEEK 2023!

BEACH EDUCATION





We had a fabulous day despite the wet weather at Fitzroy Beach for the Beach Education programme where we learned about how to stay safe at the beach and especially in the water. Huge thank you to the lifeguards for a great day out! We look forward to putting these learnings into practice in the coming summer months.

SUNSMART ACCREDITATION



In recent times we have been working hard towards achieving our Sunsmart Accreditation criteria. Giving recognition to our Wairua School value to live a healthy lifestyle and make good choices. On the 7th December we were gifted a plaque in recognition of all that outstanding work. We are very proud of it! SunSmart for life!

Photo featuring Estelle Croot, Kate Dawson (Health Promoter Toitū Te Whenua), Libby Tate

CHRISTMAS ELVES



Our Kakaramea School Elves spread some Christmas cheer for those less fortunate at Christmas time. Thank you to the generous contribution of our school community. We were able to give these presents to children and their families supported by the Salvation Army. These gifts were well received. Kindness goes a long way!

RIVER SAFETY AT TOPEC





We had an epic day out on the water with our River Safety Programme at TOPEC recently. A huge thank you to Josh and his brilliant crew of TOPEC instructors who looked after us so well and left us with some amazing learnings and how to be super safe around rivers and what to look for when entering, using and swimming in rivers. We can’t wait to go back!

PĀTEA CHRISTMAS PARADE - NURSERY RHYMES



On the first of December we took part in the Pātea Christmas Parade with our ‘Sing a Song of Sixpence’ nursery rhyme truck! We were lucky enough to come away with 3rd prize! A huge thank you to the staff and all the people helping in the background to pull this fabulous float together! The kids' smiles say it all! We look forward to next year!





2024 SCHOOL YEAR INFORMATION

Kakaramea School
06 273 8695

We welcome all new and returning pupils to the 2024 school year.

The school office will be open for enquiries, enrolments and visits on Monday 29th January from 9am-1pm

The school year commences on Thursday 1st February at 8.50am

Reminder: All school stationery is supplied this year and please bring your togs.

Shannon O'Brien
Principal

2024 TERM 1 INFORMATION DATES

Monday 29th January – School office open for enrolment from 9-1pm

Thursday 1st February - First day of school – 'Kotahitanga Time' afternoon

Tuesday 6th February - Waitangi Day (No school)

Friday 9th February - Alton Touch Tournament

Thursday 15th February - Step Up 4 School Transition visits begin for 2024

Thursday 22nd February - Junior Cluster Swimming Sports Year 1-3
PP: Friday 23rd February

Thursday 29th February - Senior Cluster Swimming Sports Year 4-6
PP: Friday 1st March

Thursday 7th March & Friday 8th March - Patea Dam Camp - Whole School

Monday 11th March - Taranaki Anniversary Day

Lastly, on behalf of the staff of Kakaramea School we wish you a safe and relaxing holiday. Make the most of this sunshine!

We look forward to seeing you all well rested and ready to go for another exciting school year in 2024!



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Are you 35 years and over, retired from competitive rugby league/rugby?
Do you still want to play and have fun?
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Well now is your chance to play with your friends and family members.
Introducing Masters of Rugby League Patea Team.
If you are interested, please feel free to put forward your name.
All players must be registered with the Patea Masters Team.
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Patea Golf Club - December 2023 Club News

Flying Nine

A nine hole stableford competition is played on Wednesday nights from 4.30pm. Visitors and non-golfers are welcome. Unfortunately, most nights have been very windy and playing numbers have been low but the mystery hole has jackpotted to $200 so hopefully someone can win some extra cash for Xmas

Business House Golf

Business House Golf started on Thursday 7th December with nightly cash prizes and sponsors draws. 16 teams have entered the competition this year and two of last years well performed teams Below Average and Hooper Engineering have played well the first 2 nights and will be hard to beat for the aggregate prize. After our Xmas New Year rest, we will start again on Thursday 25th January 2024

Junior Golf Coaching

Junior golf coaching will take place on the 15th and 16th January 2024 at the Patea Golf Club at 1pm. Taranaki Futures golf has organised this coaching

Roger Rei Memorial Open Golf Tournament.

This tournament will be played on Saturday 27th Jan 2024. Enter early to get your preferred tee time. $500 best gross $300 best nett ladies and men $200 longest drives for men and ladies and a $150 lucky draw prize are the main tournament prizes. Book your day off work so you can play. Thank you to the sponsors who have supported this tournament again.

Patea Closed Xmas Hamper Tournament

This tournament was played on the 16th December with a shotgun start at 10.30am. The course fairways had all been mown and the day was fine but once again a strong westerly wind blew for the last 7 holes. After a delicious afternoon tea the tournament prizes were presented. The annual presentation of trophy and cup winners followed. After this a large group of players played 5 holes of skinners while some other members played cards. The evening barbeque finished a good club day. The steaks were tender and there was a great selection of nice salads and good desserts and the evening concluded with another game of cards.

On Sunday the 17th December the final shootout was played. The first player eliminated was Ray Finlay who 3 putted the first green. The second player eliminated was Nick Williams who went out of bounds on the second hole. The third player eliminated was Leroy TeNgahue who went out of bounds on the third hole. Mike Taikato drove into the rough on the fourth hole and had to take a penalty drop and was eliminated. On the 5th hole a three-person chip off was required and Roger Edgecombe was eliminated. On the 6th hole a three person putt off was required and Gerald Rutten was eliminated after a close measure. On the 7th hole a two-person chip off was required and Neil Edgecombe was eliminated. On the 8th hole Jamie Close-Adams had a nett 6 and was eliminated so the finalists on the 18th hole were Dillon Pullen and Cyril Faiers. Both players missed the green with their third shots and both chipped on with their fourth shots. Dillon putted first and sunk a good 20-foot putt to make par and Cyril failed to make his putt from 12 foot so Dillon was the winner. Well putted Dillon.

Summer Matchplay Competition.

Please enter your names on the sheet provided. Two matches guaranteed. Cash prizes

Upcoming Events

6th January	**Summer Cup Net and twos**
7th January	**Garnett family trophy foursomes a plate please**
13th January	**Summer Cup Net and twos**
20th January	**Summer Cup Net and twos**
21st January	**Opunake Open 18 holes**
27th January	**Roger Rei Memorial Open Golf Tournament**
3rd February	**Opening Day Canadian Foursomes - plate please**
4th February	**Interclub V Waverley at Patea plate please**

Club Prizelist 2023

C Hori	1st Summer Cup 1st Flying Nine 2nd Senior Matchplay Champs 2nd Adams Trophy 2nd Senior Strokeplay Champs
N Edgcombe	2nd Summer Cup 1st G Oakley Trophy 2nd Logan Trophy
C Faiers	1st Garnett family trophy 1st Patea Cup
J Close-Adams	2nd Garnett family trophy 1st Summer Matchplay 1st Remuera Cup 1st Intermediate Strokeplay Champs 1st Roots Vase
G Rutten	2nd Summer Matchplay 1st Black & White Cup 2nd Wayne Railton Trophy
R Edgecombe	1st Oakes trophy 1st Watt Cup 2nd Logan trophy 1st Adams Trophy 1st G Oakley trophy
N Williams	2nd Oakes trophy
M Taikato	1st Williams Cup 2nd Junior Matchplay Champs 2nd Black & White Cup 1st Junior Strokeplay Champs
R Bourke	2nd Williams Cup 1st Wayne Railton Trophy 1st SHE Cup
R Finlay	2nd Watt Cup 1st Logan trophy 2nd Junior Strokeplay Champs 2nd SHE Cup
D Faiers	1st Senior Matchplay Champs 1st Senior Strokeplay Champs
D Cole	1st Intermediate Matchplay Champs
K Cameron	2nd Intermediate Matchplay Champs
Mike Rio	1st Junior Matchplay Champs
A Pullen	1st Limit Matchplay Champs
B Rutten	2nd Limit Matchplay Champs
E August	1st Pending Members Matchplay Champs
L English	2nd Pending Members Matchplay Champs
S Hughes	1st Wayne Railton Trophy
Wallace Sanson	1st Logan Trophy
L Te Ngahue	2nd Remuera Cup
O Cole	1st Limit Strokeplay Champs
T Katene Faiers	2nd G Oakley Trophy
S TeNgahue	2nd G Oakley Trophy

Ladies

K Faiers	1st Garnett Family Trophy 2nd Wyne Railton trophy
K Honeyfield	2nd Garnett Family trophy
V Bourke	1st SHE Cup
W Finlay	2nd SHE Cup

Closed Xmas hamper Prize List 2023

1st Nett Total field	O Cole	67
1st Gross Total field	C Whanau	79
Ladies 1st Stableford	V Bourke	39
Ladies 2nd Stableford	B Hill	34
Ladies 3rd Stableford	E Gibbs	33
Men Div 1 1st Stableford	A Nui	36
Men Div 1 2nd Stableford	T Simpson	36
Men Div 1 3rd Stableford	S Hughes	34
Men Div 1 4th Stableford	C Hori	33
Men Div 1 5th Stableford	K Cameron	33
Men Div 2 1st Stableford	M Paamu	38
Men Div 2 2nd Stableford	M Taikato	37
Men Div 2 3rd Stableford	W Newbold	37
Men Div 2 4th Stableford	T Katene Faiers	37
Men Div 2 5th Stableford	R Finlay	36

Accuracies sponsored by Janice and Greg Huston

1st Green	J Cole	7th Green	Kim Cameron
10th Green	E Gibbs	15th Green	N Cameron

Twos E Gibbs 10th



Sports News & Results

Waverley Croquet Club

December turned out to be a busy month for us as on the 2nd we played our Club Doubles which was taken out by Jessie Wirihana and Trish Adams, congratulations to you both and a close 2nd was Cheryl Rapson and June Lupton a good effort by them.

We had a visit to Inglewood Club and the members who went had a great day. They learned a new fun way to play differently which we played at the Club closing for Christmas. After being treated to morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea it was time to head for home.

A very pleasant day was had by all. Our Club hosted a group from Farmlands and for most of them it was their first introduction to Croquet, don't think the rules were completely followed but alot of laughs were heard coming from the greens. Before they departed they were treated to some good rural home baking and nibbles which went down very well. It was a great day and the Club enjoyed hosting them very much.

It was a quiet month on the Hole in Ones with only 5 achieved and not much better for the Jump Shots with only 6 achieved, nevertheless they were exciting for those who managed to get them.

We had our breakup for Christmas on Wednesday the 20th. We played three games of the social game members played at Inglewood and with hardly any rules followed it was fun. That was followed by a bountiful afternoon tea which was enjoyed by all. We start back up on the 6th of January.

Up and coming events
17th January Wanganui Club to visit us.
27th January RSA Handicap Doubles.
31st January Tasman to visit us - still to be confirmed.
7th February Inglewood Club to visit us.

Wishing all a Happy New Year.





Winners Jessie Wirihana and Trish Adams being presented by Club Captain Alan Macdonald



Waverley Golf Club

What a fantastic way to end the golfing year, a full field in the Not Quite New Year's golf touranmanent.

We were foutunate with the weather, as rain fell over much of the region the sun shone on Waverley. A great surprise was having Jordie Barrett play, an outstanding ambassador for the All Blacks!

A great day was had by the 96 players with a big thanks to Steve and Rosalie Dowman for their sponsorship!





November - December Results

Sunday November 25 Ladder
Winner: Nigel Alexander
2nd Brent Dallison, 3rd Warren Pope,
4th Jack Hodges, 5th Tom Symes,
6th Davendra Singh, 7th Rangi J Kahukaka,
8th Sam Lennox, 9th John Hodges,
10th Dan McAree

Sunday November 26 Stableford
Winner: John Boon 37
Alan Hawken 37, Jack Hodges 33,
Tony Symes 32, Rangi J Kahukaka 31
Accuracy's: 15th: Alan Hawken
Two's: Jack Hodges

Sunday December 5 Closed Christmas Hamper
Winner: Glen How 42
John Boon 36, Claire Symes 36,
Davendra Singh 34, Hayden Street 34,
Helen Fairweather 33, Tony Symes 33,
Alan Hawken 33, Brent Dallison 33.
Accuracy's: 5th: J Hodges, 8th: Davendra Singh,
13th: John Hodges,
16th: Davendra Singh.
Two's: Davendra Singh, Alan Hawken

An Ace on the 5th Hole - Congratulations Tony Symes!









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