

To-do list

Waikerikeri Room 6

Note Home Week 6 Term 3 2026

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Aug 23, 2026

Po mārie whānau,

This week is all about Kapa Haka and the wonderful tamariki who make learning the wāiata and haka look easy. As we prepare for Polyfest on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, the group will perform at Alexandra Primary School at 2pm on Monday. Family and friends are welcome to see the performance, with the added bonus of the school bands also performing.

The students who are not attending Polyfest, will remain at school in a blended class with other Manuherekia students. It will be a chance for them to work on their speech prep and any unfinished work, as well as any tasks Mr Dowling has for them.

On Monday and Tuesday we will begin a LEARNZ online field trip called, On Unstable Ground: Exploring landslide risks and management.

'On this virtual field trip, we'll take you from urban Tahuna | Queenstown to the rural Cromwell Gorge | Tīrau and its famous Clyde Dam on the Mata-Au River. Expert geoscientists will guide you on this journey to explore different types of landslides, their causes, how to prepare for them, and what engineers do to manage their impacts.'

On the 3rd of September we will be taking part in a virtual classroom talk with scientists and other school groups. I am hoping we will make plenty of connections to our own local landscape, so if you are out and about you might take time to notice the scars on our landscape.

Lots to look forward to this week. Take care and stay well.

Ngā mihi,

Rachel

Homework:

Practise your lines for the production. All performers have access to the shared script online. Use this if you haven't got a revised copy yet.

Start thinking about your speech topic. You will need to bring your research materials (books, reports, print outs, interviews) to school next week. We will write the initial draft speech at school. You will then rehearse and refine the speech at home. Your research might require a trip to the library or you can rely on the many books we have in class. We are limited computer wise, so aim to be self-sufficient and bring your own research. Remember we want to inform, entertain or persuade. Personally, I think a good speech can do all three.

Get prepared for Kapa Haka Polyfest Trip. Check skool loop for more information.

Be on time for your Wool On Rehearsal on Friday afternoon: 2:30 pm at the Bowling Club if you are involved.

This week:

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- Band and Kapa Haka Performance - 2pm Alexandra Primary. Everyone welcome.
- Guitar Groups Tuesday
- Waikerikeri and Kawarau School Mass Wednesday Morning - Charlotte and Coleman reading.

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- Ranui are unavailable this week.
- Teacher Only Day (TOD) Friday
- Teo, Caitlyn, Lucy, Todd are heading to Bandquest in Dunedin. Go well you rockstars you!
- Wool On here we come!

This term:

Wool On

- **Friday the 28th of August** (day before the actual event!)- **Alexandra Bowling Club - model and entrant present for dress rehearsal between 2:30pm.**
- Wool On Matinee and Evening Event - please check the shared running sheet.
- ☐ **Teacher Only Day** - Friday Week 6 (28/08/26)
- ☐ Polyfest for Kapa Haka Group Wednesday 26th August
- ☐ Year 7 Tech Even Weeks - except for Week 6 has been changed for Week 3 (7 August)
- ☐ Speech Eisteddfod: Class - Week 9, Whole School- Week 10 Thursday