Waikerikeri Room 6

Note Home Week 6 Term 4 2026

Class organisation:

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Nov 15, 2026

Ata mārie whānau,

Having the elections end with a whimper and an inconclusive result, has meant we have moved on to our next topic - 'A picture paints a thousand words', quicker than I planned. We will begin by studying the composition and the hidden meanings of a great photo. The students are putting together a photo portfolio here at school and we will also analyse photos that changed the world.

As we head to the end of the year, each child will be asked to create a 'photo essay' to portray their 2026 year at St Gerards. Please encourage your child to take practice photos at home, if possible or to take time to observe what would make a good shot and why.

It is Miss Park's final week with us and we plan to head to Pioneer Park for some tennis/patter tennis on Friday at 1120. We will be there until lunch and back in time for the assembly.

Claire Cockburn from the Omakau Show Committee has asked if any of our WoolOn designers and models would be keen to model their garments at next year's Omakau Show. Could you please respond directly to me if your child would be keen to take part. The date of the show is Saturday 13th February 2027.

Ngā mihi,

Rachel

Homework:

Photography practice? Only if you have a free camera or device.

Continue to prepare for the Singing Eisteddfod and the accompanying introductory speech.

This week: Nov 15, 2026

- Guitar starts again this Tuesday
- Wednesday School Mass - Waikerikeri and Kawarau

  1:30pm Kapa Haka walking to Little Oaks and Educare to perform

  Returning to school by end of day
- Ranui visit Thursday morning.

  School band working with Paula - Thursday afternoon
- Friday - walk to tennis courts (1120-1230) for Patter Tennis Tourney and Miss Park's final day with us.

  School Assembly in hall - 1:40pm start

This term:

Tech Weeks - Week 7 and 8

This term:	
Life Education - 26/27th November	
Touch Rugby Thursday nights - Yr 6 4:50pm, Yr 7 5:20pm Pioneer Park	
Week 7 23rd - 26th November - Class Singing Eisteddfod	
Thursday 3rd December - School Singing Eisteddfod	
Last day of term - Tuesday 15th December	

Singing Eisteddfod

- In Week 7 (beginning 23th November) we will be performing our songs in class. The final Eisteddfod assembly is 3rd December, the following week.

- You may choose to have a backing track playing as you sing, but it must be karaoke and not have words.

- You may choose to sing solo, in a duo (two people), or in a trio (three people).

- You may choose to play a musical instrument if you learn one.

- You do not have to sing the whole song, you may just choose the chorus and your favourite verses.

- Most pop songs are very hard to sing without some accompaniment, choose something simple with an easy melody that is catchy to sing along to! Make it easy for yourself!

Name: _____ Song: _____

WALTs:

- Prepare and present a song using performance skills and techniques.
- Reflect on the live performances of the eisteddfod songs.

Introduction (Song name, Artist, Original Writer, Message, History etc)	**/10**
Pitch (How well do I sing in tune?)	**/10**
Diction (How clearly do I pronounce my words?)	**/10**
Audience suitability (Are the words and message in the song appropriate, entertaining and enjoyable for the audience?)	**/10**
Preparation and overall performance (Have I learnt my words, been well organised and entertained confidently?)	**/10**
Teacher comment → Well done: → Next steps:	**/50**