

Special Assembly



During the last Friday of Term 1 Te Kōhunga reo o Ūpoko Ā Urunga visited our school. They attended assembly to present our school with a mere to thank us for the hosting the kōhunga while their usual premises underwent alterations in 2020. The mere is a traditional war club and symbolises protection and overcoming life's challenges. The unexpected generosity of the gift was appreciated by our school whānau and we are looking into ways we can use it within the school to acknowledge

special achievement and promote te ao Māori. They also made a special presentation to Mr. Jones in recognition of the manaaki he showed during their time with us and his willingness to help out with minor repairs or any odd jobs they had for him.

C.A.R.E. Certificates

Congratulations to the following children who were presented with C.A.R.E. certificates at the C.A.R.E. assembly on the last Friday of term 1.

- Room 1 – Arjun
- Room 2 – Mason
- Room 6 – Kayden and Marcus
- Room 7 – Mason and Ali
- Room 13 – Brailee
- Room 14 - Mac
- Room 15 – Dallas
- Room 16 – Flynn



CARE champs Week 10 Term 1
Dante, Hunter, Rosemary, Kayden, Enzo, Tyler

Our next C.A.R.E. assembly is Friday 14th May at 10:30am.

Electives Programme

This term we are introducing an Electives programme for students across the school which teachers can opt into.

A range of programmes will be offered which include arts and crafts, dance, cooking, sports and drama. Each elective programme will run for 4 weeks on a Friday from 11:30am to 1:00pm and we would love to have parents / whanau come in and work with a small group sharing a skill or interest they have during this time.

If you are interested or would like more information on being part of the elective programme please come in and see me, email me on principal@wainuiomata.school.nz or call me on 021 851 412.



Happy Birthday

Best wishes to Sophie whose birthday is this week.

Pink Shirt Day



On **Friday 21 May** our school will again be supporting Pink Shirt Day.

Pink Shirt day was started in Canada in 2007 by two high school students (David and Travis) who took a stand against bullying. David and Travis bought dozens of pink shirts and gave them out to their classmates to wear the next day in support of one of their classmates who was being harassed and threatened for wearing pink. The word got out online and hundreds of students showed up in pink, some from head-to-toe, to stand together against bullying! This action captured hearts across the world and the campaign went global! It has been celebrated here in Aotearoa since 2009.

The theme of Pink Shirt Day is Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

Staff and students are encouraged to wear pink on Friday and bring a gold coin donation – money raised will go to the Mental Health Foundation NZ.



Hei konei ra - Kind regards

Allison Burdon

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Hutt Park Touch Module -Term 1, 2021

Five touch teams played in the term 1 touch module. This six-week tournament is held annually at Hutt Park and is run by Total Touch Wellington. Teams competed in the: years 5 & 6 boy's, years 5 & 6 girl's, years 3 & 4 mixed, years 3 & 4 boy's and years 1 & 2 open competitions.

Year 1 & 2 Open Team – W.P.S. Juniors (Section 4)

Coach: Leah

Managers: Kylie Chapman & Georgina Kelly

MVP: Isabel

Most Improved Player: Kayden

Team: James, Mack, Kayden, Pippa, Lincoln, Elijah, Amelia H, Ameila T, Emily-Rose, Isabel, Leilani

This term our year 1 & 2 touch team W.P.S. Juniors participated on Friday afternoons, playing each week for 6 weeks. They placed sixth in section play. They retained this position in their finals game. The players learnt to work together and continuously encouraged each other to keep trying. A big thank you to Leah for coaching the team this term, we appreciated her support.

Year 3 & 4 Mixed Team – W.P.S. Pandas (Section 3)

Coach: Charmaine Barrett

Manager: Hannah Mitchell

MVP: Fraser

Most Improved Player: Gracyn

Ruby, Diamond, Michaela, Kaci, Nyra, Gemma, Aalis, Emerson, Grayson, Fraser, Blake, Blake P

The W.P.S Pandas finished third in round robin play. On finals day they maintained that position in the B final retaining 3rd position overall in their section. Charmaine congratulated all players for showing good skills whether running with the ball or tagging the opposition on defence. Charmaine complimented Fraser for being great at rallying the team. She also complimented Grayson for progressing from not being confident enough to touch the opposition to chasing them down and even scoring tries.

The players thank Charmaine for coaching the team. She in turn would like to thank Charlie and Hannah for managing the team changes (with lots of kids to sub). Charmaine would also like to thank the parents who came to the games and supported the team.



Year 3 & 4 Boys Team – W.P.S Dolphins (Section 3)

Coach: Sarah Robilliard

Helper: Lita

MVP: Devante

Most Improved Player: Harry

Enzo, Devante, Tamihana, Deklyn, Esaiah, Harry, Fabian, Fraser

The W.P.S Pandas finished third in round robin play. On finals day they maintained that position in the B final retaining 3rd position overall in their section. Miss Robilliard congratulates all players for showing good skills whether running with the ball or tagging the opposition on defence.

The players thank Miss Robilliard for coaching the team. She in turn would like to thank everyone for an awesome touch season of Year 3 and 4 boys. A big thanks to all the whānau who came along and supported the boys. A special mention to Lita for her extra support and the year 5 and 6 touch students for their support on the field



Year 5 & 6 Girls' Team – W.P.S. A-team (Section 2)

Coach: Lita Amato

Assist Coach: Jason Soderholm

MVP: Mary-Jane

Most Impressive Player: Ellie

MJ, Ellie, Eva, Kavanagh-Lee, Jannayah, Melody, Akeelah, Ella, Mariya

The W.P.S A-team finished 3rd in section play. In the final, they were unable to repeat the win they achieved against their opposition placing the A-Team in 4th place overall in their section. The players were keen and always tried hard. The players thank Lita for her effort coaching the team. She in turn would like to thank Jason Soderholm and Jimmy Sullivan for managing the team in her absence. Lita would also like to thank the families of the girls for their support. Lastly, she would like to thank the girls for their huge effort this season. According to Lita everyone improved in some way, and she looks forward to coaching them next season.



Year 5 & 6 Boys Team – W.P.S. Rockets (Section 3)

Coach: Chris Hayes

Helper - Clayton

MVP: Kovu

Most Impressive Player: Kayden

Damin, Kayden, Liam, Noah, Zeak, George, Kovu, Jackson, Rio, Dante

The W.P.S Rockets finished 3rd in section play. In a thrilling B final, they won, ending up 3rd overall in their section. The team is coached by Chris Hayes. The players were enthusiastic and always tried hard. The players thank Chris for his efforts. Chris would like to thank his son Luke and Clayton (Liam's dad) for their help.



All five teams demonstrated C.A.R.E. values of the highest order and represented our school with pride. Thank you to Leah, Charmaine, Sarah, Chris and Lita for coaching the teams, and the parents and students who provided assistance.

Finally, thank you to the supporters of all five teams who encouraged and cheered on the players.