

Week 5, Term 3, 2024

A MESSAGE  
FROM OUR  
PRINCIPAL

Natalie  
Todd

Kauri Syndicate facilitated an exciting learning opportunity for our learners by organising a visit from Bo Peeps Farm. The experience allowed all our learners to immerse themselves in the sensory aspects of a farm visit, which tied in with our Term 2 Science topic, "Our Senses" and "Living Things." The visit also supported our Term 3 focus on "Author Studies," particularly with books on farm themes.

Our learners were highly engaged, participating enthusiastically in petting the animals. The staff found the visit to be incredibly worthwhile, making learning fun, relevant and meaningful.



Our kapa haka group made us all proud with their performance at the Matariki Kahui Ako day. They impressed everyone receiving numerous compliments and great feedback. We were especially moved by the Haka Tautoko performed in our honour, leaving many of us in tears. Congratulations to Stacie and the entire kapa haka team for their outstanding performance!



A big  
THANK YOU  
to our principal,  
NATALIE TODD,  
for all the beautiful mahi she  
does for the school and the  
community.

Staff and students surprised  
Natalie with simple tokens of  
gratitude on **Principal  
Appreciation Day** last Tuesday,  
the 13th of August.



2023 - 2025

WVSS Kaupapa

TŪHURA AKO TUTUKI  
EXPLORE LEARN SUCCEED

VALUES : Acceptance Respect Understanding ARU : To follow

VISION : Engaged, empowered and challenged learners.

# GOALS

A culturally safe and inclusive environment.

A curriculum that supports our learners to explore, learn, and succeed.

Committed staff with skills, knowledge, & understanding to work across our kura.



## What's on at WVSS

20 Aug, Tuesday  
MAC Hui

30 Aug, Friday  
Daffodil Day (see next page)

# Daffodil Day

Te Rā Daffodil



Kia ora parents & guardians,

Our school is proud to be supporting the Cancer Society this Daffodil Day.

1 in 3 New Zealanders will receive a cancer diagnosis in their lifetime. With free access to important resources including specialist advice and information, transport to treatment, and accommodation when undergoing treatment far from home, the Cancer Society ensures that none of them have to go through cancer alone.

Your support helps to fund cancer prevention policy and life-saving cancer research, and to provide support and hope to cancer patients and their whānau from diagnosis through to post-treatment.

If you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you for supporting our Daffodil Day fundraiser!



## How we're celebrating Daffodil Day

When: **30 August 2024, Friday**

What's happening: **Students and staff wear yellow plus a yellow bake sale by staff (additional donations welcome, contact the office)**

How can I help: **Bring a gold coin or scan the QR code to donate electronically. This takes you to <https://daffodilday.org.nz/wairau-valley-special-school>.**



Ngā mihi,

**Wairau Valley Special School**

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