

27 November 2025

This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming Central Southland College to Waikaia as part of their Social Studies "Local Stories" programme. Our senior students teamed up with their visitors for a fun and interactive scavenger hunt around town; an exciting way to explore our local heritage. Meanwhile, our junior students proudly shared their own family histories and knowledge at the museum, helping bring local stories to life. Both days were filled with laughter, learning, and connection, and it was fantastic to see our students engaging with such enthusiasm. A huge thank you to Central Southland College for partnering with us; we hope to do it again soon!

We had our final assembly for 2025 today. Congratulations to our last group of award winners. Enjoy the pizza Euan. Thank you Waikaia Hotel for sponsoring.

Winners:

Monthly values - Euan Values - Aaron, Alfie, Euan, Aribella Handwriting - Monty, Alfie, Archie, Aribella Gold nuggets - Monty, Darcy, Axl, Toby, Albie, Ben, Evie, Aribella

Policy review: The scheduled review for term 3 is open. This term's review focuses on student wellbeing and safety policies within the Health, Safety, and Welfare Policy section.

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Warmest regards, Waikaia School

MOST WANTED

PLAYGROUND

@Waikaia School

Waikaia School is excited to be planning a brand-new playground for our tamariki and we'd love your support to help make it happen! We're currently seeking donations or sponsorships of any amount to help get this project underway. Every contribution, big or small, will make a real difference. If you'd like to make an even bigger impact, there will also be opportunities to sponsor individual playground items — a great way to leave a lasting mark and be part of something special for our children. The new playground will be a fantastic addition to our school and a wonderful space for children across the wider community to enjoy for years to come.

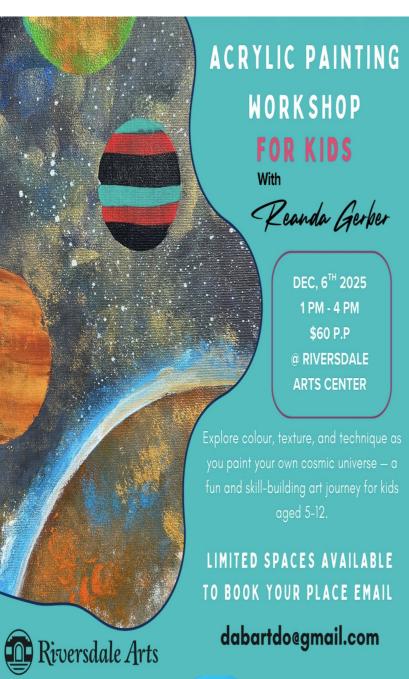
If you'd like to support our great wee school and be part of this exciting project, we'd love to hear from you.

Thank you so much for your generosity and community spirit.



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BUSHCRAFT & SURVIVAL SKILLS Holiday Experiences

CHILD VS WILD [5 Days]

7 to 13 year olds Invercargill

15th December to 19th December 2025 19th January to 23rd January 2026

An Adventure quest in different locations. Children spend four days learning and acquiring bushcraft and survival skills ready to be tested on the final day in a teamwork survival challenge.

NATURAL CREATORS [I Day]

5 to 16 year olds

Invercargill 9am to 3pm

22nd December 2025

27th January 2026

A one day creative cooking experience preparing nourishing meals in the kitchen from scratch. Children will come home enthused, feeling capable and independent after a day with Geraldine from the Ferment Kitchen.

BUSH KIDS [I Day]

7 to 16 year olds Invercargill & Gore 9am to 3pm

Monday 26tb January GORE Wednesday 28th January Invercargill Thursday 29th January Invercargill Friday 30th January Invercargill

A one day bushcraft and survival day experience*:

Advanced fire starting skills Knife work, whittling, carving Bush exploration, navigating, orienteering Shelter building Cooking on gas stoves/ fires Survival first aid Plant medicine Foraging

*Every day brings a different adventure. Activities are weather, location and seasonally dependent

📵 Riversdale Arts Christmas Workshops Book now at www.riversdalearts.co.nz **DISCOVER** DISCOVER THEART **OF DAIRY OF MAKING** PANTRY BASICS With Clare Ryan MOZZARELLA With Clare Ryan Saturday Saturday 22nd Nov. 22nd Nov. 10am-12pm 1pm-3pm \$75pp \$75pp Riversdale Arts Wire Christmas Trees with Queenstown artist, Lee van der Geest Sunday 30 Nov. With Clare Ryan 9am-12:30pm 1:30pm-5pm Riversdale Arts Sunday 23rd Nov. 10am-3pm \$150pp Riversdale Arts



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