

Waikino School Newsletter



LEARNERS TODAY, LEADERS TOMORROW

Tena koutou, Tena koutou, Tena koutou katoa
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

What a great start we have had to 2019. Our students and teachers have been enjoying getting outdoors as much as they can during this lovely weather.

Last weekend we had our first working bee for 2019 and were blown away by how many of you turned up to help! We managed to get so much done and along with our existing tpee being moved, we managed to get the new tpee up in our forest.

The next event for this term is camp and we are all really looking forward to getting down to the beach and learning all about keeping safe and having fun around water.

Joanna Wheway
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER....

28th February - Parent meetings about camp
8.00am - 8.30am
OR
5.30pm - 6.00pm

6th March . Waihi Cluster Swimming
Postpone date is 11th March.

15-17 March - School Camp at Waihi Beach

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Absentees: 021 0869 3371

SCHOOL CAMP

We are heading off on school camp 13 - 15 March. A notice came home in school bags earlier this week, with a permission slip to be completed and returned.

Please note that the information sessions will be on the 28th February 2019, not the 28th March (apologies for any confusion caused)

FRIENDS OF WAIKINO SCHOOL

There will be a meeting on Wednesday 27th February, at 3pm at school, to discuss our goals for fundraising and events during 2019. Parents/caregivers, extended family, local community members....anyone is welcome to come along! Whether you are an ideas person, a do'er, or a behind the scenes support crew type person, we'd love to see you there.

HEART KIDS FUNDRAISER

Thank you all for your support of the Heart Kids Mufti Day last week. Together, we raised a whopping \$134.50!



SEASONS FOR GROWTH

This is an innovative grief and loss education programme specifically for children, who are dealing with significant life changes. If you feel your child will benefit from this programme, please ask your child's teacher for a permission form, or pick one up from the office.



Our value of the week is Kotare (Encouragement)

ENVIRO UPDATE

We still have a few jobs needing done to get our container kitchen up and running - if you can help with any of these, please contact Jo or Jenni.

- Digging tracks for new waste pipe to connect to septic tank
- Digging and connecting up water supply
- Installing chimney flue through a corrugated metal roof for the pizza oven
- Clearing out and organising the new equipment to go into the container
- Digging out the area under pizza oven and filling with gravel for drainage
- Splitting and stacking dry firewood for the pizza oven
- Installing slab wood benches as prep surfaces for children

COMMUNITY NOTICES

WAIKINO SUMMER BARN DANCE

Saturday 23rd February at 7pm

Victoria Hall, Waikino

Entry \$20 at door (cash only)

BMX

Paeroa BMX Club welcomes anyone who wants to BMX Racing 'Give it a Go'.

Tuesdays 5.30 at Paeroa BMX Club, Taylor Ave, Paeroa.

The first 3 nights are FREE.

No need to have a BMX bike but long pants, long sleeves, shoes are essential. The club has full face helmets and gloves available for new riders to borrow each evening. Visit our Facebook page for more info or ring Terry on 0275626438

WAIHI SCOUTS MUDSLIDE

Sat 2nd March

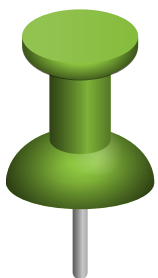
9:30am - 2:30pm

SH2, Waihi - Katikati rd (behind gun club)

\$5 entry slide as much as you want

sausage sizzle and other refreshments available

free parking



REMINDER....Please take the time to complete the parent aspiration survey for your child's year ahead.

SCIENCE UPDATE

A note from Mrs Lauren Bartram

Kia ora koutou! This week has been my fourth week on the Science Teaching Leadership Program and I have been getting involved in a wide range of projects with my host organisation The Coastal Marine Field Centre in Tauranga Moana. Building my understanding about the nature of science and how the scientific process works through real world context.

I have been involved with two biosecurity projects, checking the hulls of boats for fan worm in Tauranga Marina and baiting and trapping the asian paddle crab in Tauranga Harbour. Both of these introduced species threaten native species with the fan worm also posing a threat to our mussel fisheries.

Also this last week we have spent some time collecting sea lettuce and sorting and drying it to be able to explore its potential uses. We have been able to extract soluble fibre and are experimenting to see how this could be used in a range of applications from food additives to skin care!



Lauren baiting crab pots