

It is hard to believe that our 3rd term is nearly over. Daylight saving starts this weekend – we look forward to the longer evenings as our weather becomes warmer.

It has been a very busy term with our students enjoying a number of opportunities to participate in events out of school. Our Dance New Zealand performance was a great success –we learned this weekend that we came second in New Zealand for stage art in the primary school category.

Congratulations to all involved.

Also our Epro8 teams competed in the local competition with the competition continuing next term. Our school is a member of Whiria te Tangata Kahui Ako – a group of 10 schools working together. Our vision is “together we will create a community in which all learners will succeed and flourish”.

Our Futures Pathways day was a huge event with 1200 year 7, 8 and 9 students interacting with local businesses to learn about the opportunities for work in their future. They also had the opportunity to hear from inspirational motivational speakers. We have a student day planned for tomorrow with 5 students from each of the 10 schools meeting together to talk about their schools and what they bring to our kahui ako.

We look forward to welcoming our students back on 15th October after a well earned rest. Have a safe and relaxing holiday.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Eloise Luff-Hansen and Sienna Going both will be dancing in the Royal New Zealand Ballet production of The Nutcracker in December as child extras.

Both girls have a full schedule as their rehearsals go for 2 months.

Organisation 2019

The process of putting students into classes will start early next term. Our teachers collate data on their students' current progress and achievement, their social skills, behaviour and friendships. They then meet with the other teachers in the same year levels and work together to place students into classes for the following year. Teachers have a wealth of knowledge to place students in the best class for their learning and social development. If you feel there is additional information that you would like the teachers to consider about your child when making placements please email it to the Associate Principals:

dhaven@waitakereprimary.school.nz for students in Years 5 to 8 and

ajelas@waitakereprimary.school.nz for students in Years 1 to 4.

As in past years we do retain a core group of students in classes which do not cross into new teams e.g. a core group of Year 5 students will remain in a class and possibly with the same teacher for Year 6. Please do not request a teacher as there will be some staff changes next year as in previous years.

2019 Enrolments

If you live in zone and have a new entrant starting next year please email me with your child's name and date of birth so I can make sure you are on my list. jwilliams@waitakereprimary.school.nz



Waitakere Primary School is supporting Red Nose Day 2018

Cure Kids has invested nearly \$40 million into research which has helped shape and change the way children who live with serious diseases and health conditions are diagnosed and treated.

Red Nose Day is Cure Kids' biggest annual appeal, with the goal to raise \$1 million for child health research.

When?

Friday 28th September - Red Nose Appeal runs through September, with Red Nose Day itself on Friday the 28th. Red noses will be available to buy for \$3 each at designated spots around our school in the morning before school begins and then in our school office. Waitakere Primary School will be promoting everyone wearing red on this day.

Thanks in advance Waitakere!

KEY DATES

Term 3

27 Sept—Awards Assembly
Full School 2pm

27 Sept—Digital Technology &
Netsafety Info Night 6.30-8.00pm



28 Sept—Red Nose Day

Term 4

15 Oct—Term 4 starts

15 - 19 Oct— Year 7/8 Motutapu Camp

24 Oct—Year 5/6 EPRO 8

29 Oct Year 5/6 Camp Parent Meeting 6-7pm

31 Oct—BOT Meeting 7:20pm

1 Nov—POD & HUB Zoo Trip

8 or 14 Nov—Athletics Day Year 3-8 - TBC

9 Nov—Kids 4 Kids Choir - Day Rehearsal

14 Nov—All day Camp Year 5/6

15 Nov—Awards Assembly Full School 2pm

Term Dates for 2018

Term 3— 23 July to 28 September

Term 4—15 October to 14 December
12.30pm finish

Term Dates for 2019

Term 1— 31 January to 12 April

Term 2— 29 April to 5 July

Term 3—22 July to 27 September

Term 4—14 October—18 December
12.30pm finish

Netball Uniform Fundraiser

Come in to the school office to guess the number of jellybeans in the container to be in to win! \$2 per guess.



Helpful Numbers

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KIDS CLUB 027 604 0907

Sports News

RE: NEW ENTRANT MORNING

Waitakere Primary holds a New Entrant Information meeting each term for parents who have children starting school the following term. The last morning for 2018 is:

Tuesday 20 November, 9.30 am

We will start our morning with a guided tour of the school led by our Year 8 student leaders. We will return to the staffroom where you will be given a brief overview of school life and some ways that will help you prepare your child for school.

Enrolment packs will be handed out to all those who have not received one yet.

While parents are attending the information morning, the children who will be starting are invited to spend time between 9.30-11:00am in a N.E. room. Your child will need to bring a bottle of water and a snack (cut up fruit or veggies in a small container) to have at brain food time.

Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Our School Council is organising the 2019 Fundraising Calendars, Diaries and Cards made using your child's own artwork.

Children are starting their masterpieces now that will be used to make calendars, diaries and / or cards.

Order forms will come home on October 23rd— your child's teacher will let you know how they will share their art with you.

This will vary class to class. Examples of the calendars, diaries and cards can be viewed at the office.

Final orders will be due by Friday 9 November .

This year the profits that we make from the calendar art orders will go towards an outdoor concrete table tennis table.

Turning your Child's Pictures into unique products!

Examples shown include:

- Calendars: A calendar for January 2019 with a colorful drawing of a girl and a boy.
- Cards: A card with a drawing of a girl and a boy.
- Diaries: A diary with a drawing of a girl and a boy.

 Pricing:

- \$15.00 Per Calendar
- \$12.00 Per Pack of 8 Cards
- \$16.00 Per Diary

Congratulations to the following students for their superb effort at the year 5/6 cross country obstacle course.



Year 6 boys: 1st Jack England, 2nd Price Henderson-Crook, 3rd Jamie McEvoy

Year 6 girls: 1st Jasmine Ashworth, 2nd Josephine Hong, 3rd Emma Sinclair



Year 5 boys: 1st Sacha Domney, 2nd Grayson Stuart, 3rd Soverain Hong

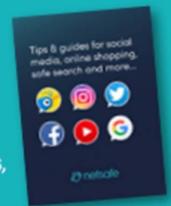
Year 5 girls: 1st Lucy Sinclair, 2nd Emma Dickens, 3rd Mazie Strickett



Netsafe

Netsafe are a fabulous organisation based here in New Zealand. They have advice for parents, educators and employees about safety online. Check out the family tips on their website or sign up to their monthly e-newsletter. <https://www.netsafe.org.nz>

Sign up for our monthly newsletter and receive an eBook with tips, tricks, and how-to guides



Set a good example ... walk to school!

Why not walk to and from school with your child? It's the perfect opportunity to teach your child road safety skills and it's good for family fitness.



Walking is Fun, Free, and Fast!

Family Math Challenge

Magic Math Trick (x=18)

1. Choose a number, any number!
 2. Multiply the number by 100.
 3. Subtract the original number from the answer.
 4. Add the digits in your answer.
- Is your number 18?!

Example:

$$5 \times 100 = 500$$

$$500 - 5 = 495$$

$$4 + 9 + 5 = 18$$

Try a few for yourself and pop your answer in the math challenge box in the entry to the library to go in the assembly math draw.



French and Spanish language classes at Waitakere School.

Learn French or Spanish in our fun after school language classes. Students learn the target language through songs, games and play, classes are open to all students. Language tutors are native speakers and classes have small numbers which makes this a great learning environment. French is on Tuesday after school / Spanish is on Wednesday after school. Book now for Term 4 - 2018 Contact: info@abclanguage.co.nz or 0274904321

Lost Property

Please take the time to look through the lost property which has accumulated during the term, as it will be donated to charity at the end of the term.

Kia ora everyone,

We have a parent that is going to Nepal as part of her midwifery training. As one of the poorest countries in the world, the Nepal earthquake of 2015 caused many Nepalese people to suffer greatly and they continue to need outside aid. We will be assisting her and her colleagues to collect good quality baby clothes. As it will be the beginning of the Nepal winter, merino or other woollens are what is mostly needed. She will be departing on 21 October, any donations will be packaged and weighed the week prior, so please drop into the school office by Tuesday 16th October.

There is an opportunity for people to donate money for medical supplies, please contact Sherab directly. via e-mail: sherabpalmo@hotmail.com or by phone: (09) 810 9561



Thank you, this is a great opportunity for our tamariki to look at and become engaged with helping those less fortunate.