Newsletter

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Alistair Luke

Principal

Welcome back to everyone for term two. It seems a long time ago now that term one came to such an abrupt end with easter and a pending cyclone on the horizon. I hope everyone enjoyed a restful break and was able to experience some quality family time.

As I write this we are in the middle of a review with the Education Review Office. These reviews are an essential tool for schools as we seek to improve the experiences that we offer to our students. The visitors were welcomed with a full school Powhiri on Monday and it was fantastic to see our Kapa Haka students playing such a prominent role.

We have a couple of staffing changes for this term. Mrs Mckillop has been replaced by Mrs Bigge in year 12 and 13 photography. Mrs Bigge has a wealth of photography teaching experience and we are lucky to have secured her services. We wish Mrs Mckillop every success as she embarks on a new business venture. Mr Rainey will be leaving in a few weeks to take up a position as Head of Music at an International School in Hanoi, Vietnam. It is difficult to overestimate the contribution Mr Rainey has made in his time at Whangamata Area School. The music programme and the visibility of music in our school have been substantially enhanced by Mr Rainey's work. We wish him and his family every success as they move to an exciting new challenge. We are currently seeking a replacement for Mr Rainey.

Term two represents a vital time for student progress, particularly those working towards NCEA qualifications. Assessments will start to fall due in quick succession and it is important that students have a plan to manage deadlines when they start to pile up. If students are struggling in this regard, communication with teachers is vital before due dates fall. If a student has had a fair opportunity to complete an assessment and misses a deadline, the grade recorded is not achieved and no credits are awarded.

Another feature of term two is the onset of winter sports. At present we have a number of teams and individuals representing us in a range of sports across all levels of the school. One group who need to be mentioned are the students who travelled to Te Awamutu in the last week of term one to trial for the Central North Island Area Schools Teams in a range of sports. From our trialists, Zhane Taikato, Emmitt Wickens, and Kalani Cooney named in the tournament team for basketball with Reuben Holmes as a non travelling reserve. Lena Heegardt, Jacqueline Hay, Qiana Wharepapa, and Mia Brown were all selected for Volleyball, Lena and Qiana in Rugby 7's, and Mia for Netball. Congratulations to all these students who now progress to the national Area Schools trials in Whangarei during the next school holidays. Good luck to all students who are participating in winter sports. I look forward to watching as many of you as possible in action over the coming weeks.

A reminder to our senior students about the importance of correct uniform. Stirling Sports are fully stocked with a range of school jumpers in all sizes so the need to wear non-uniform tops is minimal. If wearing correct uniform is an issue on a temporary basis then parents are asked to provide a note of explanation so this can be excused.

On Thursday 6th July we have our annual cross country at the Titoki Golf Course. This is a whole school event and parents and whanau are warmly invited to come along and enjoy the action.

Have a great fortnight and enjoy the sense of calm around town now that the busy season has passed.

Nga Mihi.

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Year 1—6

Sue Brookes

Deputy Principal

Yr 1-6

Tena koutou,

Welcome to Term 2. As a school, we would like to welcome our new children and their families to our school and the Whangamata Community.

All the classes appear happy, settled and working well. It has been good to go into all the classes and talk about the children's learning. The Education Review Office has been working in school this week. They have enjoyed working in the school. Some of the students were engaged in great conversations with them about their learning.

Classes are busy training for the School Cross Country, which is being held on Thursday 6th July.

The Room 9 upgrade is nearly finished. It looks amazing and I know Mr Hughes class is looking forward to working in that space next week. Other classes in the Years 1-6 area are getting new doors. These will be more secure and stop the winter drafts.

We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Somerville for coming to school and clearing the gardens in our area. The next step is Mr Pipe is going to raise them further so that they are easier to plant and weed.

Enjoy the autumn weather

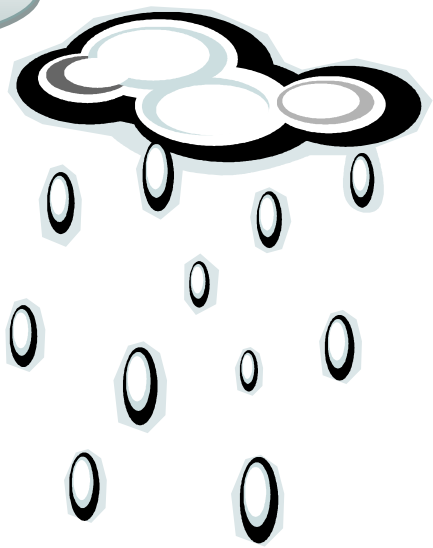
Regards

Sue Brookes

Assembly Awards

Room 1 Pia Rogers /	***Room 20*** Sharneece Sydney / Hamish Moncur
Rm 8A Cooper Anderton/ Ella-Rose Luke/ Fleur Van Niekerk	***Rm 8B*** Kian Fleming /Ash Rogers
Rm 9 Kai Hurst / Finn Hamilton	***Room 3***
Room 4 Kate Turnbull / Jax Allen	***Room 5*** Beau Rogers, Tyson Hurst, Andy Kingsley-Fleming.
Room 6	***Room 7*** Katie Fleming /Micah Tai'i

Poem by Krishna Lander Aged 6



All Wet
Dripping wet
Vroom in the cold car
Exciting puddles
Nausea from rain
Trash getting wet and goes splash
Urchins go yay
Rain waters trees and knocks them down
Everlasting wetness
Full water tanks
Ultered marshes
Lovely pools
Ludicrous laughs

Mobile Dental Unit

Have started examinations at Whangamata Area School. They will be seeing and treating all children at school that have enrolled for dental treatment.

If any parents would like to attend their child's appointment please call them to make a time that is convenient on 0800 talk teeth (0800 8255 83384

If all parents could please help them by signing and returning any dental forms you may see in your child's bag as soon as possible, it would be an enormous

Free ear Clinic

Thames South School, Rollerston St Friday 9 June 10.00—2pm

Waihi Central Schook, Moresby Ave Friday 26 June)

Friday 16 June) 10.00—2pm

Whangamata Netball Club Ball

The theme for the Ball this year is "Secret Garden" and is on Saturday 24th June at the memorial hall. Tickets are $50 for a single and $90 for a double with doors opening at 7pm.

Tickets will be on sale in the next few weeks at the school office

Any queries phone Shona 0274977236

Fun Ferns Netball

If you have a child from Year 1 to year 4 that would like to learn some netball skills please come along next Friday 19th May 3.30pm at the area school netball courts.

Nurses Natter

Thank you to all parents who returned consent / non-consent forms for their child's year 7 Boostrix vaccination. This year the Public Health Nursing team will be immunising the consented year 7 students in Term 2. If your child has already had their 11 year old vaccination (Boostrix) at the GP in the meantime please email or phone me to let me know.
Thank you
Tracey Hilt
Public Health Nurse
tracey.hilt@waikatodhb.health.nz

Phone 021 241 7800

WaiKids
WAIKATO CHILD AND YOUTH HEALTH

From the school office

EMAILED NEWSLETTERS: Newsletters will be emailed to all parents/caregivers who have a current email address registered with the school. There will be a few hard copies available at the school office if receiving an email is not suitable. Unfortunately if you have more than one child at school then you will receive more than one copy of the newsletter.

ABSENCE REMINDER: If your child is going to be away from school or will be late arriving can you please phone the school ASAP and let us know. Please do not be offended if we ask the reason for the child's absence—it is a Ministry requirement that the reason be noted. Could all late arrivals please come to the office first to let us know you have arrived (Seniors will need a late slip to take to class). Students who are arriving late will need either a written or verbal note from your parent/caregiver.

UPDATING YOUR DETAILS: If your phone number has changed, you have changed addresses, emergency contacts have changed or any details that need updating can you please let the office know. This is very important. If we need to notify you in an emergency we need to have your correct details.

BIRTH CERTIFICATE/PASSPORT and INTERNET AUTHORITY Welcome to all our new students. If you have not already done so, please bring your ID to the office to copy for our records. It is also a requirement that we have a signed authority for students to be able to access the internet. If you have not already done so can you please see the school office. This MUST be done.

LUNCH ORDERS

Monday: ***No lunch orders taken.*** Can parents please make sure your child comes to school on Mondays with lunch. This day is set aside for fundraising events e.g. sausage sizzle or bake sale.

Tuesday—Friday: SUBWAY. Please come to the office for a Subway order form. Subway order form and money (enclosed in an envelope) will need to be at the office before 9.00am. Orders will need to be collected from the school office by the student.

Thursday: SUSHI. Order forms available at the office. Please have your Sushi order to the office by 9.00am. Orders to be collected from the office.

SUBWAY ORDER FORM

Name						
Year		Year				
		Tick	Cost		Tick	
Ham	Ftlong		$7.00	Cheese		
	6 inch		$4.50	Lettuce		
	Wrap		$4.50	Tomato		
	Mini		$3.00	Cucumbers		
Roast	Ftlong		$7.00	Pickles		
Beef	6 inch		$4.50	Capsicum		
	Wrap		$4.50	Carrots		
	Mini		$3.00	Mayo		
Chicken	Ftlong		$9.00	BBQ		
	6 inch		$5.50	HoneyMustard		
	Wrap		$5.50	**Extra's**	Tick	Cost
	Mini		$4.00	Cookies:		$0.80
Salami	Ftlong		$7.00	M&M		
	6 inch		$4.50	Choc chip		
	Wrap		$4.50	Dbl Choc		
	Mini		$3.00			
Tuna	Ftlong		$7.00	Yoghurt		$2.00
	6 inch		$4.50			
	Wrap		$4.50	Apples		$1.90
	Mini		$3.00	**Drinks**	Tick	Cost
Veggie	Ftlong		$7.00	Apple Juice		$2.00
	6 inch		$4.50	Mini Primo		$2.00
	Wrap		$4.50	Mini Pump		$2.00
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2	8 May	
	9	
	10	
	11	L1 Drama Trip / ERO visit
	12	10 Hauturu Wintec
3	15	L1 Kayak Expedition / Boostrix
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	18	
	19	Yr 13 Waikato Uni Open Day Yr 9 Outdoor Ed day /Yr 9-13 Assembly
4	22	Y 1-6 Assembly
	23	First Aid course
	24	First Aid course / girl's rugby – Have a Go day
	25	11 Lit Rail Trail bike ride /
	26	11Lit Rail Trail bike ride / Yr 10 Outdoor Ed day
5	29	
	30	
	31	Thames Valley Secondary Schools Cross Country
	1 June	
	2 Sat 3	Yr 11 Outdoor Education Tramp / full school assembly Yr 11 Overnight Tramp
6	5	QUEENS BIRTHDAY – School closed
	6	
	7	Year 5 -8 Junior Tough Guy/Gal
	8	
	9	
7	12	Year 7/8 Camp – (ALL WEEK – returning Friday 16 June)
	13	
	14	
	15	Stage Challenge
	16	Stage Challenge / Yr 9-13 Assembly
8	19	Yr 12 – 13 Heli Tramp / Yr 1 – 6 Assembly
	20	Yr 12 – 13 Heli Tramp
	21	Yr 12 – 13 Heli Tramp
	22	
	23 Sat 24	Whangamata Netball Club Ball
9	26	Yr 1 – 6 Matariki Week (ALL WEEK) BOP Polytech Open Day
	27	
	28	
	29	
	30	Yr 1-6 Reports issued / Yr 9 – 13 Assembly
10	3 July	Yr 1 – 6 Assembly
	4	Yr 1 – 6 Parent interviews
	5	Yr 1 – 6 Parent interviews
	6	**School cross country**
	7	FULL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This calendar was correct at time of print. For confirmation on any items please check with your child's teacher or the school office