



WAIHI EAST SCHOOL  
TE KURA RAWHITI O WAIHI



Waihi East Primary School Newsletter  
Term 1 Week 1  
13 February 2020



## UPCOMING DATES

Feb 14	Red Heart Mufti Day. Wear Red! Gold coin donation please.
Feb 17	Year 5/6 Camp Parent Hui. 5.15-6.15pm
Feb 20	Meet The Teacher. 3.15-4pm.
Feb 26	Year 5/6 Camp.
Feb 27	Year 5/6 Camp.
Feb 28	Year 5/6 Camp.
Mar 3	East School Kotuku Swimming Sports held at Waihi College Pool. Piwakawaka class swimming demonstrations at East School Pool.
Mar 4	Year 3/4 Surf n Turf Parent Hui. 3pm-4pm.
Mar 6	Teacher only Day. School Closed.
Mar 9	Year 3/4 Surf n Turf.
Mar 10	Year 3/4 Surf n Turf.
Mar 10	Waihi Cluster Swimming Sports.
Mar 11	BOT Hui. 5.30pm.
Mar 12	Kotuku Museum Visit.
Mar 18	9.30am-11am
Mar 19	Piwakawaka Beach Day.

Kia Ora and a massive welcome to you all!

We are so very excited to see all our lovely children back - a little taller and with stories to tell.

A special welcome to our new children and whanau - we are so glad to have you join us, and trust that your journey with us will enrich your whanau in many ways.

Thankyou to many of you, who were able to come along and support our Mihi Whakatau, it was wonderful to have our children leading this, and gosh, didn't they do SO well, on their first day back! My thanks to Mrs Hartley for helping them get ready to shine.

We are fortunate to welcome Mrs Nordberg and Ms Stevens to our teaching staff, they bring a wealth of passion and creativity to our kura. We are so looking forward to working alongside them. We also welcome our new Deputy Principal, Ms Maunder, who has joined our kura. I am super excited to work alongside such a educational leader, who brings warmth, integrity and passion to her new role. Please pop by to say hello to our new staff and whanau when you can.

A big thanks to you all, for your quick response to our water emergency on Wednesday - and by extension a thankyou to Hauraki District Council and Civil Defence for keeping us in the loop and being able to respond so quickly to a serious problem.

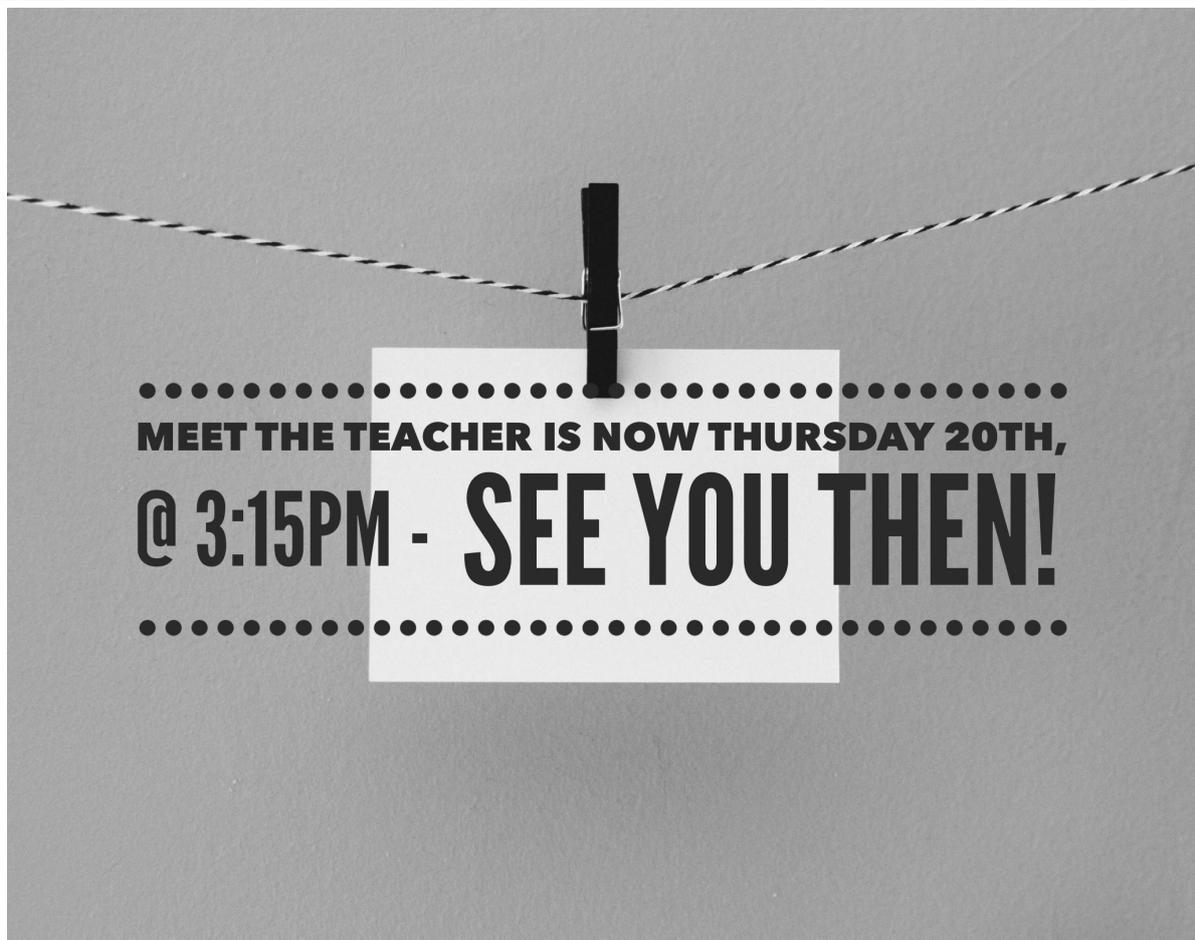
I hope to see you all next Thursday! Come and say hi!  
I leave you with this whakatoki :

Poipoi te kakano, kia puawai - nurture the seed and it will blossom.

Nga mihi  
Briar

### MEET THE TEACHER

Come on down and have a chat with your child's teacher next Thursday - 20th at 3.15pm.



# WEEKLY NOTICES AND REMINDERS

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW FAMILIES! NAU MAI, HAERE MAI WELCOME

We would like to warmly welcome our newest students and their whānau.

Lily S— Room 2  
Ruby S—Room 2  
Beau S—Room 3  
Savana A—Room 2  
Samara M— Room 5  
Mackenzie K— Room 4  
Talia K— Room 9

Mackenzie O — Discovery Centre  
Archer L—Discovery Centre  
Zach B— Discovery Centre  
Grayson R—Discovery Centre  
Joseph K—Discovery Centre  
Kahutia K—Discovery Centre  
Neihana M— Discovery Centre  
Indie N—Discovery Centre  
Ares C—Discovery Centre  
Mataio T—Discovery Centre

## CLASS ORGANISATION 2019

Principal	Ms Briar Scott	
Deputy Principal	Ms Vanessa Maunder	
New Entrants	Miss Caitlin Kneebone (2 days a week)	Discovery Centre
New Entrants	Mrs Sarah Cannell—Team Leader	Discovery Centre
New Entrants	Ms Maren Johansen	Discovery Centre
Year 1/2	Ms Jude Fletcher	Room 8
Year 2/3	Miss Tammy Stevens	Room 3
Year 2/3	Mr Brendon Carroll	Room 4
Year 4/5	Mrs Marie-Louise Nordberg (3 days)	Room 9
Year 4/5	Mrs Lynette Steele (2 days)	Room 9
Year 4/5	Mrs Neroli Matautia	Room 5
Year 5/6	Mrs Dorette Hartley—Team Leader	Room 2
Year 5/6	Mrs Joanna Derham	Room 1
<b>Other Staff:</b>		
Office Admin	Mrs Sharon Samson.	
Support Staff	Mrs Leann Bellamy, Mrs Michelle Burr, Mr Alan Scott. Mrs Tanya Giles	
Caretaker	Mr Ross Cowan.	

## START/FINISH TIMES

The start time for each school day is 9am. Active supervision by staff from 8.15am. School finishes at 3pm. The school bus leaves at 3.20pm. Please note bus time change.

## EAST SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS FOR 2020

Office hours are the same as 2019.

The office will be open from 8.15am to 3.15pm for all enquiries.

## SCHOOL DONATION

Following the new government initiative we won't be asking for school donations this year.

## PARKING AND ROAD CROSSING

Lots of us are getting back into school and the routine and rhythm of this - this is a lovely reminder to please help us keep our kids safe. Please don't park in the middle of the road and beckon your child to get in the car, or cross in random places...lots of our little ones are watching and learning how to use the crossing properly.

NP means No Parking. Please do not park in any NP zones around the school. Often we are expecting deliveries and need the space kept clear. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

## PB4L

Our school is proud to be part of the nationwide PB4L initiative. PB4L stands for Positive Behaviour for Learning and encompasses a pro-active, information driven and restorative approach designed to uphold whanau values.

## **UNIFORM**

Please name **ALL** uniform, togs, towels, shoes, drink bottles and lunch boxes for ease of returning to the correct student. Thanks. 😊

## **HATS**

Children need to wear hats when outside in Terms 1 & 4. These are available from the office and are \$8.50 each. The hats are kept at school but sent home at the end of term for cleaning. No hat, means the child does not go out in the sun at morning tea and lunchtime. No other hats are allowed at school.

## **PUPIL ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**

So there are no doubts as to a child's whereabouts, parents are asked to inform the school whenever their child is going to be absent. If the child is away for several days it is only necessary to let the school know on the first day of absence. It is still appropriate to send a note of explanation or make contact with the teacher after a lengthy absence. On the first day of absence the school can be notified in either of the following ways:

- 1) by telephoning - 863 8693
- 2) by sending a note to the child's teacher via another child.
- 3) sending a text to **021 0258 4817**

Sharon or another staff member will take the message and note it on a form that is circulated to all classes by 9.30am each day.

**Note:** It is a legal requirement for schools to be advised of children's absences.

## **INFORMATION ON YOUR CHILDREN**

The school keeps certain information on your children and it is most important that we are updated if any of the following details change: Phone no's, address, email, doctor, medical problems, change of caregivers, emergency contact (which we use if we cannot get anyone at home). Please call into the office or send a note with any changes.

## **PAYMENTS**

We realise that money can be a wee bit tight at this time of year. To make the start of year slightly easier, the administration team can help you set up an automatic payment. Our bank account number for all payments is 020472 0084492-00. Eft-pos is also available.

## **UP AND COMING EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Most students are going to be attending some form of extra curricular activity in the coming weeks. Please make sure you have paid for these as soon as possible or contacted the office to let us know how you will pay.

As you will be aware the government DOES NOT fund at high enough levels to cover all the costs of extra curricular activities. However as a school we do budget and fundraise to subsidise most excursions and trips. This does mean we ask parents for a contribution towards the activities. We are aware that this is an expensive time of year for everyone right on the back of Christmas and summer holidaying, however we love to see all students taking part, so if you are having trouble making ends meet, please contact us at school so we can make arrangements.

## **HEALTH MATTERS AND ALLERGIES**

Parents are asked to write a note or speak with the child's teacher if there are health matters or allergies such as bee stings that may seriously affect your child. Wherever necessary, medication, named and with full instructions affixed, will be kept in the locked medical cupboard at school. The school needs a medication consent form for any child that staff may have to administer medication to. If your child is one of these, see Sharon in the office. Parents of children who have grommets in their ears or who have ear infection problems are asked to discuss problems associated with swimming with the teacher. In such cases tight fitting bathing caps can be a partial solution. [Any wounds should be covered for swimming].

## **SUSHI LUNCHES**

We have sushi bought lunch every week on Fridays only. 4 pieces of sushi for \$4.50. Order forms are available at the office.

## **MUSIC TUITION 2019**

Music lessons will be available at school this year. New pupils welcome! Spaces limited. Contact Meryl Bennet ASAP to secure your space. 021 2341721 or email [merylmusic@outlook.com](mailto:merylmusic@outlook.com)

## UNIFORMS

At Waihi East our expectation is school uniform to be worn. Clothing may be supplied if your child is often out of uniform. Remember our bottoms are to be plain black, navy or denim, minimum of mid thigh in length.

**Please name ALL uniform, togs, towels, shoes and lunch boxes for ease of returning to the correct student.**

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS—THURSDAYS

Thursday is school newsletter day. This year, newsletters will be emailed only. If we don't already have your email address or if you have recently changed your email address please update these details at the office. These newsletters are one of the means of communicating with parents and I would ask that parents read them carefully. Many thanks! We appreciate the support of those who pay for adverts on the newsletter. Please support them with your patronage.

## FACEBOOK

We have a Facebook page that all notices will go up on. Please follow **'Waihi East Primary School'** FB page. There will be a poll on Facebook, asking for interest and assistance with 2 very cool opportunities. on the **16th of March, we are offering Cricket Smash** - a day out for seniors (with Parental support) and on the **17th of March -Hockey Big Day Out**, this is for Year 2-6. These events will ONLY go ahead with parent support - for cheerleading and transport. Please respond to the poll or let the office know via phone call if you are interested in helping out.

## NITS

Nits are always present at school. If you need some KidsCan spray please see Sharon in the office.

## BEST START PROGRAMME FOR NEW ENTRANTS

If your New Entrant child has enrolled this term, or will be enrolling this term, please contact Briar about securing your place in our awesome workshops.

### Best start Waihi East

Week 6 Wed 13 March 9-30am

Week 7 Wed 20 March 11.30

Week 8 Wed 27 March 1.45.

Contact Briar on [bfrew@east.school.nz](mailto:bfrew@east.school.nz) or 863 8693.

## ENVIROSCHOOLS

Whanau, we are excited to announce that we are seeking facilitation to become part of the Enviroschools initiative. In order to proceed with this further we need to know if we have whanau and community support to engage in the Enviroschools journey. Becoming an Enviroschool is a long term commitment by our kura, empowering our children to engage in a sustainable future, developing projects for not only our school but also the wider community.

Check out the Enviroschools website for further information - [www.enviroschools.org.nz](http://www.enviroschools.org.nz).

We would love to hear your thoughts on this proposal. Please email, or come and have a chat with, Sarah Cannell - [scannell@east.school.nz](mailto:scannell@east.school.nz)

## CAMPS/TRIPS

### YEAR 5/6 DICKEYS FLAT CAMP

Our up and coming camp to Port Waikato is going to be awesome!! Thanks to all of the parents who are coming on camp. **Camp is 26-28th February**. Camp is \$70 per child and can be paid off in weekly instalments if you prefer this option. **There will be a Year 5/6 Camp Parent hui on February 17th, 5.15-6.15pm in Room 2.**

### YEAR 3/4 SURF n TURF

Surf n Turf is on March 9th & 10th- and its going to be AWESOME! Big thanks to those who have got their forms in, please send them in asap.

Big thanks to those parents who are able to come along and help us out - without you we couldn't make these wonderful opportunities happen for our tamariki. Year 4 only stay the night and a gear list has been sent home. If you need another copy, see the office. Cost is \$50. Please pay to the office or online as soon as possible. **There will be a parent hui for any parents who would like more information and for parents who will be attending camp. March 4th 3pm.**

### PIWAKAWAKA BEACH DAY

Piwakawaka will be having a Beach Day on March 19th. Parent help will be needed as we need a 1:4 ration around water. More information to follow.

# Red Heart Mufti

Help us to raise money for the  
Heart Foundation Charity.



Wear red/pink mufti to school on Friday 14th February -  
gold coin donation.

Prizes for best dressed Kotuku boy and girl and  
Piwakawaka boy and girl.

Go the extra mile and pack a heart healthy, waste free  
lunchbox ... give it a go!



## LITTLE HEART DAY

Every week in NZ 12 babies are born with a congenital heart defect (CHD), affecting over 600 families! CHD is the most common birth abnormality in NZ needing ongoing medical intervention. Sometimes, previously healthy children can develop a heart condition due to illness like Rheumatic fever or Kawasaki disease. There is neither prevention or cure for CHD. Every year over 550 major heart surgeries are performed on children or babies - sometimes in their first few hours of life! Heart kids is not for profit and entirely funded by the generosity of New Zealanders! Heart Kids provides support to heart kids and their families for life! The practical and emotional support from Heart Kids is hugely important to individuals and families living with the day to day challenges of living with a childhood heart condition.

## BREAKFAST IDEAS

# START YOUR DAY THE BREAKFAST WAY!

Eating breakfast is a great way to kickstart our brain and body for the day. Let's begin every day the right way - with a healthy breakfast!



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## BREAKFAST IDEAS

# A CRACKING BREAKFAST

Eggs are a great source of protein which helps us to grow strong, healthy muscles. Add some wholegrain toast for a tasty, filling breakfast.

- Scrambled - add herbs for extra flavour
- Boiled
- Poached

BOILED



SCRAMBLED



### TIP:

Add spinach, tomato or avocado for extra goodness

POACHED



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## SPORT TERM 1

We have Rippa coming up, starting week 4! A note will be coming home Monday for you to register your child's interest, please send this back asap so we can formulate teams.



## STAFF EMAIL ADDRESSES

Room 1;	<a href="mailto:jderham@east.school.nz">jderham@east.school.nz</a>
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Room 3;	<a href="mailto:tstevens@east.school.nz">tstevens@east.school.nz</a>
Room 4;	<a href="mailto:bcarroll@east.school.nz">bcarroll@east.school.nz</a>
Room 5;	<a href="mailto:nmatautia@east.school.nz">nmatautia@east.school.nz</a>
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Room 8;	<a href="mailto:jfletcher@east.school.nz">jfletcher@east.school.nz</a>
Room 9;	<a href="mailto:mnordberg@east.school.nz">mnordberg@east.school.nz</a>
	<a href="mailto:lsteale@east.school.nz">lsteale@east.school.nz</a>
Principal;	<a href="mailto:principal@east.school.nz">principal@east.school.nz</a>
Deputy Principal;	<a href="mailto:vmaunder@east.school.nz">vmaunder@east.school.nz</a>
Office;	<a href="mailto:office@east.school.nz">office@east.school.nz</a>

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### FREE EAR CLINIC SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

The caravan will be at Waihi Central School, Moresby Avenue on 16th March 2020. 9.15—1.30pm.

Visit the ear nurse for advice on Glue ear assessment and management, Wax/foreign body removal, Grommet checks and treatment of discharging ears. All children must be accompanied by a caregiver. For enquiries regarding this service please contact 07 838 3565.



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