



WAIHI EAST SCHOOL  
TE KURA RAWHITI O WAIHI



**Waihi East Primary School Newsletter**  
**Term 2      Week 6**  
**21 May 2020**



Pet Day



Friday  
15th  
May



**UPCOMING DATES**

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| Jun 1  | Queens Birthday. School Closed.  |
| Jun 19 | Teacher Only Day. School Closed. |
| Jul 3  | Last day Term 2.                 |
| Jul 20 | First day Term 3.                |
| Sep 25 | Last Day Term 3.                 |
| Oct 12 | First Day Term 4.                |
| Oct 23 | Teacher Only Day.                |
| Oct 26 | Labour day. School Closed.       |

# WEEKLY NOTICES AND REMINDERS

Kia Ora and a huge warm welcome back to school.

It has been absolutely fantastic to reconnect with most of our students, and families too.

We learnt so much about what is important to each of our families during Lockdown, and I really want to encourage us all to keep these things precious to us, intentionally making time to just be together at home, doing simple things that grow our whanau bonds.

With this in mind, we are developing some simple and kind ways to start our school day. We are aware that some kiddies find coming into school and transitioning from home a challenge, and others are right as rain. Large amounts of time have been spent with siblings, and we want to carry that on, for those who need this, or may need a quiet space to gather themselves.

Hauora time and activities are in action from 8.30 in each classroom. Children are welcome to join any class - this might be with a sibling or older friend - to construct, paint, dance, read and so much more. Those who love to kick a ball around and play on the playgrounds can still do this of course. Teachers will have music on to indicate it's time to work together to tidy up and return to their learning rooms. Our day will carry on from here.

Walking around the classrooms this morning was just fabulous - older and younger worked together to craft and paint and build. Teachers were able to spend time with those who need a little bit of 1:1, and the school felt calm and welcoming.

On another note, we are very excited that our Discovery Space covered sandpit will be starting after Queen's Birthday weekend. It is going to be fabulous to have this space for our children, and I'm quite sure the little ones will be fascinated watching the landscapers create this fun space.

Our new signage has arrived!!! Over the next few weeks we will be getting this put up. Once we hear more about the possible new alert level, we will decide when we can have a wee ceremony to show off the final touches of these signs, which reflect a 2+ year journey, in crafting our vision and values, along with you and our community. Pretty special!!!

Please feel free to make a time and come and have a chat, and also to thank your child's incredible teacher for their part in leading us all through a tricky time in history, to a new normal.

Nga mihi  
Briar

## TEACHER ONLY DAY DATE CHANGE

Teacher only day was scheduled for Friday 29th May but has now changed to Friday 19th June, This has been shifted to give us time to settle back into school.

### CHICKEN POX

We have had a case of Chicken pox in our school community recently.

Early symptoms to watch for are, fever and spots with a blister on top if each spot.

Time between exposure and sickness is 10-21 days after being exposed.

Chicken pox is spread by coughing, sneezing and contact with the weeping blisters.

(Source: Ministry of Health, Health promotion agency.)



## CHOCOLATE EGG FUNDRAISER RETURN

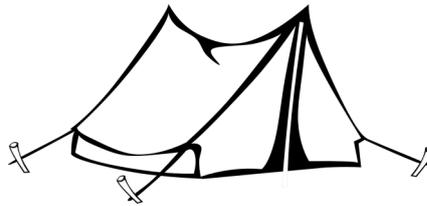
Chocolate Eggs fundraising boxes went home last term. Please return the \$\$ from your sales to school as soon as possible.

Or a direct credit can be made into the school account  
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## CAMP PAYMENTS

There are still a lot of camp payments outstanding. Year 5 & 6 senior camp is \$70 and Year 3 & 4 surf n turf is \$50. This can be paid off with weekly payments if you wish. Automatic payments can be set up to the school account 020472 0084492-00



## LOST PROPERTY

Can't find your togs & towel? They might be in the lost property box here at school. Please come in and check.



## POOL KEYS

There are still a few pool keys to be returned. Please drop into the office as soon as you can.

## RIPPA SHIRTS

Rippa will not be restarting this term so could all rippa singlets be returned to school as soon as possible.  
Thanks



## SCHOOL CHROMEBOOKS

Please return your borrowed school chromebooks back to the blue room as soon as you can. This is so Ms Maunder can sort and return to classes. Thanks for your assistance with this.



## SUSHI LUNCHES

Sushi for lunch is available again. There is a choice of Chicken, Seafood and vegetarian. 4 piece pack for \$4.50. Fridays only. Order forms available at the office.



Bank Account details for any and all online payments . Please use your surname as a reference.

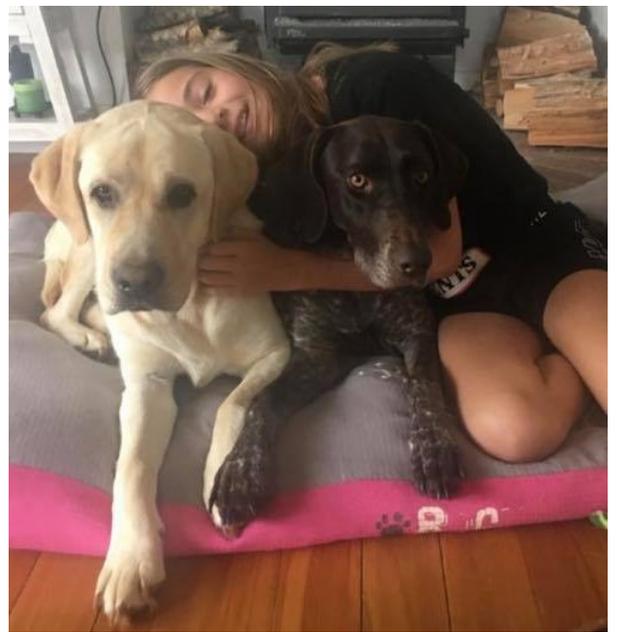
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Virtual Pet Day Photos.



**This is my cat vee vee, she sleeps on my bed at night and keeps me company.**





Virtual  
Pet Day  
Photos.



*These are my pets. I love them*



*By Freya Cannell*





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