



**WAIHI EAST SCHOOL**  
**TE KURA RAWHITI O WAIHI**



**Waihi East Primary School Newsletter**  
**Term 1 Week 1**  
**9 February 2023**



UPCOMING DATES	
Feb 16	Meet the Teacher BBQ. 4-6pm.
Feb 17	Kotuku Electives start.
Feb 20-24	Year 5/6 Camp.
Feb 27	Kotuku Swimming Sports.
Mar 1 & 2	Keep Ourselves Safe Programme.
Mar 7	Year 5 & 6 Boys cricket skills day. Waihi.
Mar 7	BOT Meeting. 5.30pm.
Mar 8 & 9	Class and individual Photos.—Little Smiles.
Mar 10	Waihi Cluster Swimming Sports.
Mar 13	Surf & Turf—Zoo day.
Mar 14	Surf & Turf—Beach day.
Mar 16	Year 3 & 4 Rippa Have a go day.
Mar 16	Best Start Programme. 1.30-2.30pm.
Mar 17	Yr 5/6 boys cricket tournament. Paeroa
Mar 17	Year 3 & 4 Rippa Have a go day. PP Day.
Mar 17	Principals Awards Assembly. 2pm
Mar 21	North Cluster Swimming Sports.
Mar 23	North Cluster Swimming Sports. PP Day.
Mar 23	Year 5 & 6 Rippa Tournament.
Mar 23	Best Start Programme. 11.30-12.30pm.
Apr 5	WBOP Swimming Sports.
Apr 6	Last Day of Term 1.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS!**  
**NAU MAI, HAERE MAI**

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

Jack L — Room 1  
Tyler T — Room 1  
Taye P— Room 2  
Kylo A-W – Room 5  
Judah T— DC  
Logan W – DC  
Logan J — DC  
Georgia C — DC  
Noah P-H —DC  
Ayla L— DC  
Carter M— DC  
Jade T—DC

Kia ora Whanau,



What a fabulous start to the school term! We were so thrilled to have our tamariki back, hail and hearty, and ready to learn! We were pleased to have many new whanau able to attend our Mihi Whakatau, and we welcome you to our kura.

We have camp coming up fast for our Year 5 & 6's, please read all the documents that come home, to find out more. We also have our Year 3 & 4, Surf n' Turf camp later in the term - there will be information about this coming out shortly, so please check your child's bag for notices. Our little ones (Year 0-2), have a special trip being planned for too, exciting!

The pool is up and running, so please ensure children have a named waterproof bag to store their wet things in.

Hats are a must, we finally have sun! Term 1 & 4 are sun smart terms, so please ensure your child has a named school hat available to wear. Sharon has some in the office if you need purchase one.

As always, love to hear from you, please flick me an email if you'd like to chat, and we can make a time.

Nga mihi,  
Briar

## NOTICES AND REMINDERS

### **WAIHI EAST SCHOOL EOTC POLICY FOR CAMPS 2023**

To view our policies go to <https://waihieast.schooldocs.co.nz>.  
Enter the username (waihieast) and password (eastpolicy)  
and type EOTC into the search box.

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

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### **ABSENTEE NOTIFICATION**

Just a reminder that you can send  
your absentee notification by text to  
the school cell phone

**021 0258 4817**

**Did you know that if you don't contact the  
school when your child is absent they are  
marked as Truant?**



## CLASS ORGANISATION 2023

Principal	Ms Briar Scott	
Deputy Principal	Ms Vanessa Maunder	
New Entrants	Miss Emily Croker	Room 7
New Entrants	Mrs Brenda Wright	Room 6
Year 1	Mrs Jude Brewer	Room 8
Year 2/3	Miss Renee Pennington	Room 5
Year 2/3	Mr Brendon Carroll	Room 9
Year 3/4	Mrs Dorette Hartley	Room 4
Year 3/4	Mrs Neroli Matautia	Room 3
Year 5/6	Mrs Lynn James	Room 1
Year 5/6	Mrs Joanna Derham	Room 2
	Mrs Tanya Giles	
	Mrs Sarah Cannell	
	Miss Caitlin Kneebone	
<b>Other Staff:</b>		
Office Admin	Mrs Sharon Samson.	
Support Staff	Mrs Michelle Burr, Mr Scott Spicer, Mrs Lisa Wild, Ms Sina Stowers, Mr Matt Carden-Scott, Ms Kim Parker	
Caretaker	Mr Paul Sharland.	

## START/FINISH TIMES

The start time for each school day is 9am. Active supervision by staff from 8.30am. School finishes at 3pm. The school bus leaves at 3.20pm.

## EAST SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS FOR 2023

Office hours are the same as last year.

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

## SCHOOL DONATION

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

## PARKING AND ROAD CROSSING

Lots of us are getting back into school and the routine and rhythm of this - this is a timely 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 or rubbish pick up 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.

## 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 your 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 office 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. If no contact is made, your child is marked as truant.



## UNIFORM

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

## HATS

Children need to wear school uniform hats when outside in Terms 1 & 4. These are available from the office and are \$9.50 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.

## 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. E.g. camp. Please make sure you have paid your contribution for these as soon as possible or contacted the office to let us know how you will pay. Part payments every week are a good idea.

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 available every week on Fridays only. 4 pieces of sushi for \$6.00. Order forms are available at the office. Please NOTE the price increase from last year.

## UNIFORMS

At Waihi East our expectation is school uniform is 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. 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 if you can.

## FACEBOOK

We have a Facebook page that all notices will go up on.  
Please follow **'Waihi East Primary School'** FB page.

## 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

16 March 1-30pm-2.30pm.

23 March 11.30am-12.30pm.

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

## ENVIROSCHOOLS

Whanau, we are excited to announce that we are part of the Enviroschools initiative. 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).

# Information for the school community

Staff, parents, and whānau.

## About SchoolDocs

SchoolDocs was established in 2006 as a user-friendly policy platform for schools in Aotearoa.

Based in Ōtautahi Christchurch, the SchoolDocs team partners with schools across the motu to develop policies and procedures that keep pace with the changing educational environment.

SchoolDocs sites make policy information accessible to the whole school community. Each site contains a set of policies and procedures that is tailored to the school, and feedback from community members helps to ensure that the site reflects how the school operates.

## Using the site

SchoolDocs sites have a unique web address for each school. All members of the school community can access the site using these details.

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Username	<input type="text" value="waihieast"/>
Password	<input type="text" value="eastpolicy"/>

SchoolDocs sites are organised into sections that reflect operational requirements. The table of contents shows the key policy for each section, with dropdown menus that show supporting policies and procedures.

- To find a policy or procedure, use the **search function** at the top left with a topic name or keyword. Related topics will appear in the table of contents window. Clicking on the topic you want to read and then closing the search will show where the topic sits in the table of contents.
- For a list of important policies and procedures, search for the **Quick Links** topics that are available for school staff, and parents and whānau.

## Reviews and feedback

All SchoolDocs schools follow a 3-year review schedule that ensures content stays up to date.

Each term, the school community is able to provide feedback on the content and implementation of policies and procedures that are under review.

The SchoolDocs team uses feedback from all schools, along with research and external consultation, to make changes to core content. The team notifies schools of any action that is required.

- Topics that are under review have a **review button**, which allows school feedback to be sent to both the school and the SchoolDocs team.
- All topics also have a **feedback button** that can be used to send general feedback or queries about a topic directly to the school.

[Start your review](#)



For more information, go to [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz)

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EMAIL US YOUR CONTACT DETAILS (AND AGE)  
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## COMMUNITY NOTICES



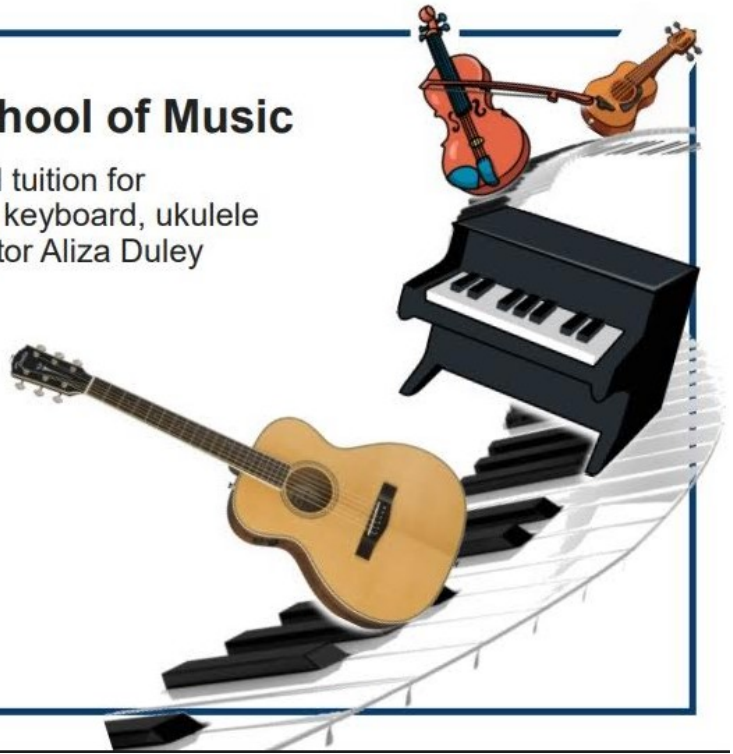
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