



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



**Waihi East Primary School Newsletter**  
**Term 4 Week 8**  
**30 November 2023**



**Hauraki Festival**



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**UPCOMING DATES**

Nov 30	Principals Awards Assembly. 2pm.
Dec 1	East School Library Closes for Issuing Library Books.
Dec 1	Year 6 Dinner. Leaving & Nomination Certificates.
Dec 2	Santa Parade Float.
Dec 7	Briar's Powhiri at Waihi College. School Closes at 12.30pm.
Dec 8	Year 6 Waimarino Trip.
Dec 8	Scholastic Issue 8 closes.
Dec 8	Juices for sale at office, \$2 each. Last day.
Dec 12	Prizegiving Rehearsal and Attendance Certificates. Hangi Prep.
Dec 13	Hangi.
Dec 14	Bring a Can mufti day. Supporting Salvation Army.
Dec 15	Prizegiving. Reports Going Home.
Dec 19	Last Day of Term 4. School Closes 1pm.
<b>2024</b>	
Jan 31	Office open for enrolments and uniform sales.
Feb 1, 2 & 5	Office open for enrolments and uniform sales.
Feb 6	Waitangi Day. No School.
Feb 7	First day of School for students.

Kia ora Whānau,

Thanks so much for your feedback on the Health Curriculum, this has now been implemented.

Massive thanks to our amazing parent Roopu, for creating such an amazing Twilight Gala for us all. We were thrilled to have so many of our community come out to enjoy the event, and time together. We raised over \$7k, which is invaluable in helping some of the amazing initiatives we provide for our tamariki. Sending much gratitude to all those who helped in various ways - you really are tremendous!

The last few weeks are filled with all kinds of various celebrations, and we encourage you to come along to as many as you are able to.

Reminding you all that next week, on Thursday, we are shutting the school at 12:30pm, and really hope you will join us at College at 1pm to be a part of the welcoming Powhiri (and walk alongside me, as it's rather nerve wracking!).

We are so looking forward to our community hangi the following week, and encourage you to pop your name forward to help if you haven't already - hope to see you at the Farewell and Hangi on the Wednesday!

Friday of the same week, will be our magnificent prizegiving, where we get to celebrate our tamariki for the incredible achievements of the year, and farewell our big Year 6's. This is being held at the Waihi Memorial Hall again this year. Help with transport will be needed on the day.

Will see you at some or all of the coming events!

Nga mihi nui  
Briar

#### NOTICES AND REMINDERS

#### WAIHI EAST SCHOOL LIBRARY

Our school library will be closing for 2023 tomorrow 1 December. Please return ALL library books to school now to allow us time to perform the annual stocktake. Thanks

#### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Issue Number 8 went home last week. Orders and payment can be done online or through the school office. Issue 8 closes Friday 8th December 2023.

Bank Account details for any and all online payments.

Please use your surname as a reference.

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#### PHONES

#### ABSENTEE NOTIFICATION

Just a reminder that you can send your absentee notification **to the eTap parent app.**

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



**Waihi Santa Parade is this Saturday 2nd December**

A big Thanks to Carters Contractors who have kindly donated the use of one of their trucks and also a driver! Thank you very Much!!

If your child has signed up for the float please meet Mrs. Giles or Mrs. Matautia on Moresby Avenue (opposite Central School) at 11.30am. At the conclusion of the parade, you must sign your child out with a teacher, and be collected from the meeting point. The theme of the float is **Christmas in the Summertime**, so please dress in your brightest, tropical colours with lots of sunscreen on.

**Early school shut 7th Dec @ 12:20pm.**

**All welcome to come  
and support Briar,  
staff and family at  
the formal powhiri,  
in readiness for next year.**

**Please RSVP  
to Sharon for catering numbers.  
Powhiri is held at Waihi College,  
1pm, 7th December.**



# BAGs for FRUIT



**MAKE YOUR BAGS GO ANOTHER ROUND**



We have teamed up with Beach Road Garden Centre to help recycle packaging bags in return for Free Fruit

you can drop any bags off to the East School Office

*(bags need to be in clean reuseable condition)*

**For every 10KGs of paper supermarket bags we supply, they will donate to us 10KG of yummy, healthy fruit to share amongst our students.**

**IT'S A WIN WIN!**

# JUICIES

The sun is finally coming out so chill down with a yummy ice block to end the week!

**\$2**

**EVERY FRIDAY**

**COME TO THE OFFICE AT THE START OF LUNCHTIME PLAY**



## FUN RUN PRIZE ORDERS

All students who qualified to order prizes from the Fun Run have now ordered their prizes now so we expect the prizes to arrive at school over the next two weeks. These will be given out to our fabulous fundraisers as soon as they are sorted.

Thanks to all those fabulous fundraisers, you are amazing!!!

*Can you help out please?*

# **School Lunches**

Term 4 is really tricky for some. We would love to have an extra lunch or two on hand for our tamariki who may not have one this term. If there is a day you could make an extra sandwich or have any spare fruit we would really appreciate it. Food can be dropped to Sharon in the office.



***Thank you for your kindness!***

Kia ora e te Whanau.

Children have regular dental checks to ensure their teeth and gums are healthy. It is free for 0 to 17 year olds.

We will begin inviting students from Waihi East School for dental appointments from 17 November 2023. You will receive a text message with the time of your child's appointment. To change the appointment time, please call 0800 TALK TEETH, phone us direct on 021 359 798, email [AdminDental@waikatodhb.health.nz](mailto:AdminDental@waikatodhb.health.nz), or simply pop in to see us when you're passing.

Parents and guardians are very important. You are most welcome to attend with your child. This way we can let you know what's happening with your child's teeth and mouth; tell you about the latest tips for a healthy smile; plan any additional care. Feel free to make contact to book in your pre-schoolers as well.

Check-up appointments take about 20 minutes.

If you do not attend the appointment, please be sure to check your child's bag regularly for any dental notices.

We look forward to seeing your children.

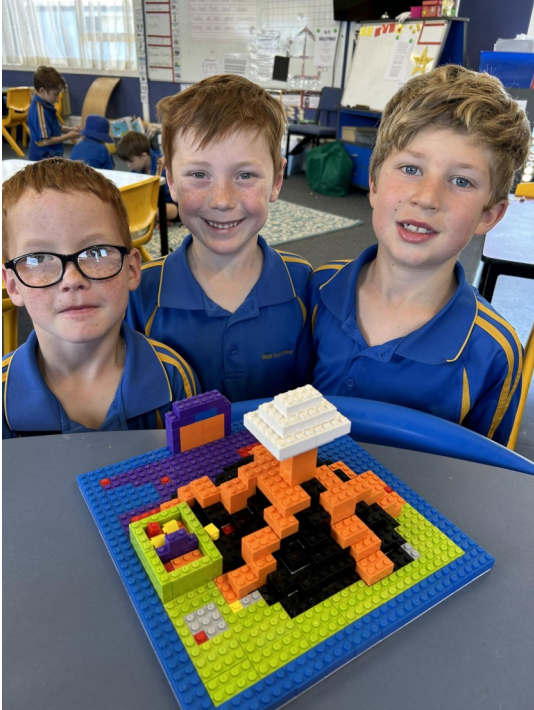
Nгаа mihi nui.







Yah!!! The pool is open for swimming!



Lego Volcano  
Lego building in Room 5



2023 Year 5 & 6 athletes at  
North Cluster Athletics

**WAIHI GOLF CLUB PRESENTS**

**JUNIOR COACHING**

**TWO SESSIONS**  
**7 & 14**  
DECEMBER DECEMBER

**THURSDAY**  
**4PM-5 PM**

Location:  
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### COMMUNITY NOTICES

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## Nature Kids Holiday Club

Would you like your children to explore, create and play in nature all day this school holiday?

Dec & Jan dates! bookings now open!

"Thanks again for a wonderful two days, they come home so full of joy and wonder, beats any other holiday programme that are on offer"  
- Rowena

At Nature Kids we,

- Connect with nature all day through intentional experiences and free play
- Are part of a small, caring group
- Build confidence, resilience, curiosity, empathy and sense of wonder
- Have fun and make new friends
- Are supported in a nurturing environment, with qualified & experienced educators

EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:  
Mount, Te Puna & Waihi Beach

Ask us about our In-term Nature School for 2024

"Kids are absolutely raving about their day! They both had such fun and made very cool memories, thank you"  
- Shannon

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YEARS  
**3-8**



# SCHOOL'S OUT 4 SUMMER

Looking for fun activities between the end of school and Christmas?

Join a cricket festival day in your area!



## DATES & PLACES

**Hamilton**  
Waikato Uni  
Mon, 18 December

**Taupō**  
Kaimanawa Park  
Wed, 20 December

**Counties-Manukau**  
Bruce Pulman Park  
Tue, 19 December

**Tauranga**  
Blake Park  
Thu, 21 December

Time: 9am-3pm

Participants will be allocated into teams of similar ages

Cost: \$15, including a tee!



Register: [tinyurl.com/SchoolsOutCricket2023](http://tinyurl.com/SchoolsOutCricket2023)

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