



WAIHI EAST SCHOOL
TE KURA RAWHITI O WAIHI



Waihi East Primary School Newsletter
Term 1 Week 1
8 February 2024



2023 Prizegiving

UPCOMING DATES

- Feb 12-14 Year 5/6 Camp
- Feb 20 Community Afternoon.
- Feb 27 Kotuku Swimming Sports.
- Mar 1 Electives Start.
- Mar 7 Waihi Cluster Swim Sports.
- Mar 4-15 Swim School.
- Mar 8 Waihi Cluster Swim sports pp.
- Mar 19-20 Surf & Turf. Year 3/4.
- Mar 26 North Cluster Swim Sports
- Mar 28 North Cluster Swim Sports pp.
- Mar 29 Easter Friday. School Closed.
- Apr 1 Easter Monday. School closed.
- Apr 2 Easter Tuesday. School closed.
- Apr 4 Handball for KidsCan.
- Apr 5 Handball for KidsCan.
- Apr 5 EPro8 Interschool.
- Apr 10 Rippa Tournament. Year 5/6.
- Apr 12 Last day for Term 1.
- Apr 29 First Day Term 2.
- July 5 Last day Term 2.
- Jul 22 First day Term 3.
- Sep 27 Last day Term 3.
- Oct 14 First day Term 4.
- Dec 19 Last day Term 4.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS!
NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

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

- Tumatauenga S — Room 1
- Spencer M — Room 9
- Ursula G— Room 9
- Laurel D – Room 9
- Reitumetse M— Room 5
- Zoe N – DC
- Akau C — DC
- Aria N — DC
- Isla H —DC
- Camille H— DC
- Frankie W— DC
- Charlotte P—DC
- Jack M—DC
- Shalron C—DC
- Mason A—DC
- Leliana T—DC



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Nau mai haere mai, welcome back to school for 2024!

It is lovely to see our tamariki and whānau back after a stunning summer break. I hope you enjoyed some special time making memories as a whānau. We welcomed a large group of new students today at our Mihi Whakataū. Welcome to our place, I know you will love your time here.

Our summer term starts with settling in, forming relationships and creating a positive class culture. Our overarching theme for our learning this year is Rangī - Sky. We start in Term 1 with 'Reaching for the Sky and Taking Flight'. In Term 2 we move into 'Reaching for the Stars', which includes looking at navigation across the ages as well as Marātrik. We have an exciting Environmental Project planned for the second half of Term 3 and Term 4.

Swimming is a focus for our first term, we would love children to have their togs at school each day to make the most of our school pool to build water confidence and skills. We are fortunate to have Swimming Waikato support again this year to provide training for our staff as well as a Swim Safe programme for each of our classes. Look out for our School Swimming Sports as well as cluster event opportunities for our competitive senior swimmers.

We wish our Year 5 and 6 tamariki and their support crew all the very best for their camp at Tui Ridge in Rotorua next week. We look forward to hearing about the amazing adventures they will have. Thank you to our teachers who make this happen and to the whānau who are able to support them.

I look forward to working alongside you all to support your child's learning journey. Please feel free to pop in and say hi or ask if there is anything I can help you with.

Nga mihi nui
Vanessa
Acting Principal Term 1

NOTICES AND REMINDERS

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 **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?

CLASS ORGANISATION 2023

Principal (Acting Term 1)	Ms Vanessa Maunder	
Deputy Principal (Acting Term 1)	Mrs Dorette Hartley	
New Entrants	Mrs Tanya Giles	Room 7
New Entrants	Miss Shawnee Marcroft	Room 6
Year 1	Mr Brendon Carroll	Room 8
Year 2/3	Miss Renee Pennington	Room 5
Year 2/3	Mrs Michelle Burr	Room 4
Year 3/4	Mrs Neroli Matautia	Room 3
Year 4/5	Mr Mathew Carden-Scott	Room 9
Year 5/6	Mrs Lynn James	Room 1
Year 5/6	Mrs Joanna Derham	Room 2
Part time	Mrs Sarah Cannell	
	Miss Caitlin Kneebone	
	Mrs Fiona Knyvett	
	Mr Paul Martin	
Other Staff:		
Office Admin	Mrs Sharon Samson.	
Support Staff	Mr Scott Spicer, Mrs Lisa Wild, Ms Sina Stowers, Ms Kim Parker, Mrs Naomi de Ocampo.	
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 2024

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 using the eTap parent app.
- 2) sending a text to 021 0258 4817.
- 3) by telephoning - 863 8693
- 4) by sending a note to the office via another child.

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.

ENVIRO SCHOOLS

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.

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

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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 reusable 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!

COMMUNITY NOTICES



6 week After School Pottery Course

Learn to make useable and sculptural pieces of pottery

3.15pm – 5.15pm, Starts Term 1, 19th February

Where: The Arts Junction, 36 Main Road, Katikati

Maximum 10 kids aged 5–16years

\$210 for 6 weeks

all materials supplied, tutoring, Clay, Glazing, Firings.

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For more info and to book

Contact Juliet 021 2711433

Email: JPFceramics@gmail.com





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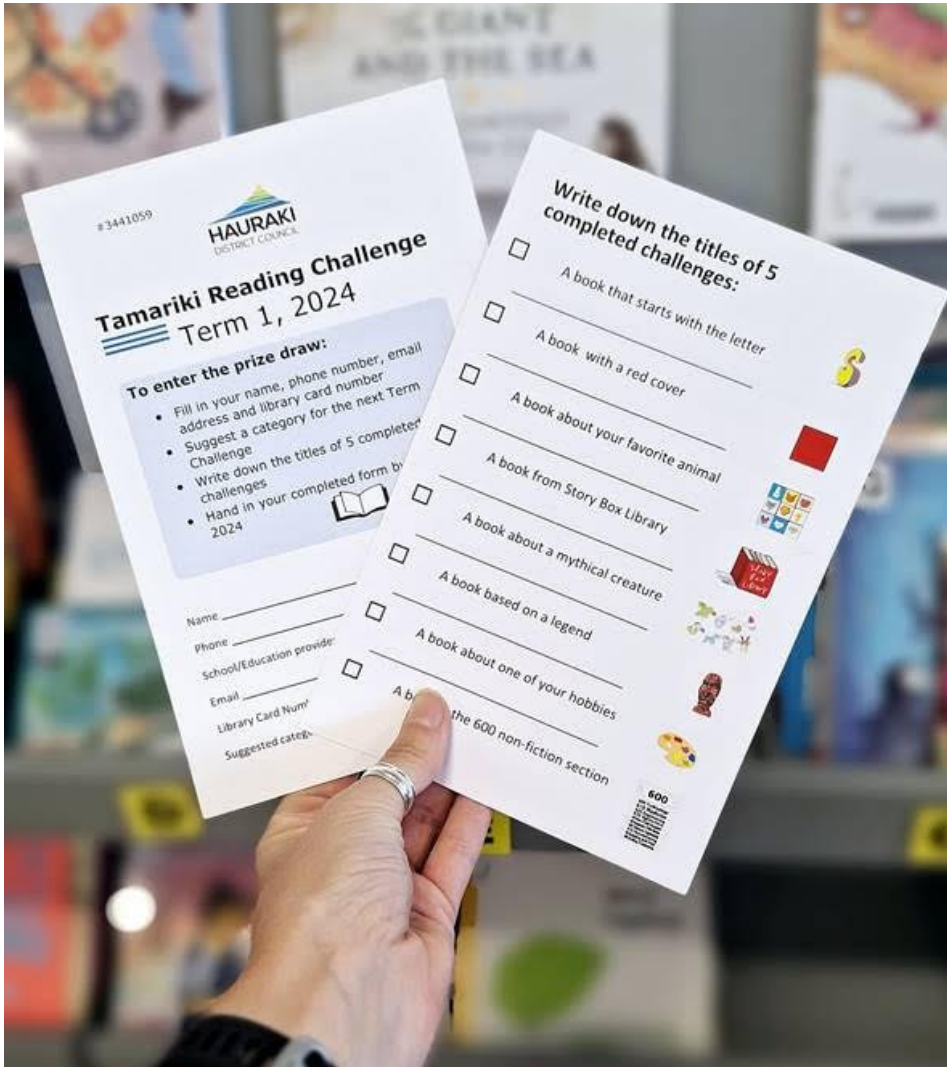


FUN-tastic Fridays at the Library!

- Movie Afternoon**
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- PlayStation sessions**
3rd Friday of the month
- Board games**
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SCHOOL OF DANCE

Do you like to Dance?

My name is Michael McPhee and I am a qualified and registered dance teacher.

This year I am running Ballet, Tap, and Jazz classes at local halls in Turua, and Karangahake.

Classes are available from age 4 through to Adults.

If you would be interested in trying a dance class please get in touch. I offer one free trial class before requiring enrolment.

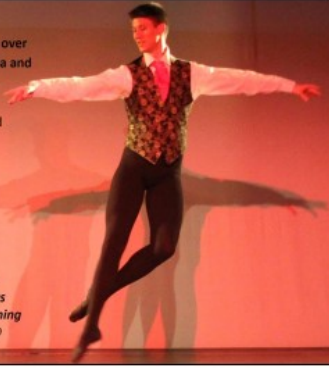
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I started Dancing at the age of 5, and now have over 23 years of dance experience and have been teaching for more than 10 years. In 2019 I took over the Lee Jarvis School of Dance (now Attitude NZ School of Dance) in Paeroa and have been working closely with the Thames Hauraki Ballet Theatre (now Thames Hauraki Dance Theatre) since 2020. I have been very fortunate to learn from and work with many experienced dancers and dance teachers.

I have a Level 4 Diploma in Imperial Classical Ballet, a Gold Award for Level 13 Glenn Wood Tap, an Advanced Two Diploma and Solo Performance Diploma for Jazz. And I am a Registered Teacher of NZAMD.

I endeavor to use safe and effective teaching methods to teach dance in a professional but fun and enjoyable atmosphere. My aim is to help students develop correct technique and a positive attitude towards dance, maintaining high standards of conduct and respect. - Mr Michael McPhee ANZAMD SPD



Come Dance With Us This Year!

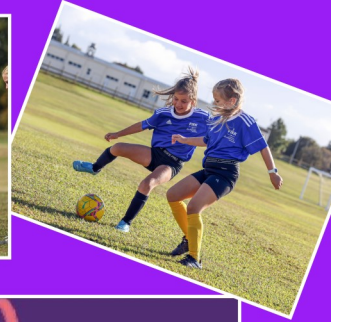
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FOOTBALL FUN DAY



Girls and Women

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Want to give football a go? Come and join our Football Fun Day!

Run by Katikati FC and supported by local federation WaiBOP Football.

DETAILS

- 'FREE EVENT'
- GIRLS ONLY.
- DATE: 2nd March 2024.
- TIME : 10am -11:30am.
- AGES: 5yrs - 15yrs.
- VENUE: Moore Park, Katikati.
- Registrations essential.
- Txt or phone with name & age to 0274061216.
- Registrations close 29/02/24 at 5pm.



Kids Pottery Workshop

Make a silly/cute/Funny Chicken

When: Saturday 23rd March 2024

Time: 10am -1pm

Where: JPF Ceramics Studio, Aongatete



\$60 per person

All Materials supplied, tutoring, clay, underglazes, glazes, and firing

You will need to have on old clothing or an apron to wear (Clay is messy),

Max 8 persons First In, First Served,

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