

## **East School Values**

Honesty and Trustworthiness | Tolerance and Caring Respect for Self, Others and Property | Courtesy and Manners Responsibility and Fair Play | Independence and Initiative

Waihi East Primary School Newsletter Term 4 Week 4 2016 2 November 2016

## **UPCOMING DATES**

Waihi East Athletics.
Group Day Agricultural day.
Waihi Schools Athletics.
Celebration Assembly.
BOT Meeting. 5.30pm.
Celebration Assembly.
Wearable Arts Show.
Cool Bananas Show at
School.
Music Concert.
BOT Meeting. 5.30pm.
Year 6 Trip.
New entrant hearing & vision
testing.
Prizegiving. 1pm.
Last day of 2016.

# Welcome To Our New Students and Families!

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI WELCOME

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

Aubree-Room 6

Welcome

## **Waihi Community Of Learning (CoL)**



### What is a Community of Learning?

The simple and basic answer to this is; A community of learning is a group of schools and school community coming together to identify achievement challenges (areas of common weakness or need) that all schools can work towards together; sharing expertise, knowledge, approaches and resources.

The Waihi CoL has recently being formed officially and we are in the process of identifying common needs (the achievement challenge) but to begin with, we needed to establish our what own purpose was. In doing so we have a statement of purpose that we agree upon.

The Boards of Trustees and Principals of the schools undertake to work collaboratively as a Community of Learning to raise akonga/student achievement. The intention is to raise student achievement and success through whole community engagement and collaboration.

### Does this mean all schools will do the same thing and we will lose our identity?

*NO!* The purpose is to share knowledge and ideas and work out how they can fit in, be adapted etc. to work in our school and in the way we do things. We are not going to become one big organisation that looks and feels the same as the other schools. We will still be Waihi East and do things the East way, but we will start 'borrowing more ideas' and working more closely with other schools and the community to encourage better learning.

## What are the benefits of being part of the CoL?

We will actually utilise the whole village to raise a child, Ehara taku toa, he takitahi, he toa takitini.

We, as a group of schools, we will get **higher levels of staffing and funding** to enable schools to implement any changes and share their knowledge.

## There is a 'lead principal'. Does that mean they are in charge of our school?

NO! The lead principal will co-ordinate, monitor and facilitate all the schools to work together. They have no authority over our school.

#### Where are we up to and what is next?

We are currently working with the Ministry of Education to appoint a 'lead principal'. We are looking at data and statistics across the schools to identify possible achievement challenges.

When we have established some challenges we will be delving into a fair bit of consultation and communication with staff, students, whanau and the community to try and get ideas on 'HOW' or 'WHAT' we need to look at and/or change as a group of schools to try and succeed in our achievement challenges.

## FROM ZAC

Just before the holidays we found out the level of staffing we would have available next year. We advertised 3 full time teaching positions for the 2017 school year. This week the appointment process ended.

Next year we will be welcoming back Caitlin Kneebone and Gina Davis!

We are also super excited to be welcoming into our school whanau, Kim Jones, a very experienced teacher who is doing amazing things in her learning and teaching programmes!

Now we know who our teaching team is, we will start the process of sorting out classes and class make ups for 2017.

## **Before School**

Please be aware that students arriving before 8.15am <u>ARE NOT</u> guaranteed to be supervised. Between 7.30 and 8.30am, staff that are onsite are generally here preparing for the day of teaching ahead. This is valuable time for them to think and plan.

Where possible we encourage parents not to send students to school before 8.30.

Classes will not be opened until 8.15am. If students arrive earlier, they are welcome to play outside, but we cannot guarantee they will be supervised.

STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE ARRIVING BEOFRE 8am WITHOUT COMMUNICATING WITH THE SCHOOL FIRST

## School Athletics Day Tomorrow

Thursday 2nd November

We need your help! We need some parent volunteers to help run some stations alongside the teachers. This will speed up the event and mean students get more chances at the activities.

We would love to see whanau down here supporting and encouraging all our leaners. Being here is a great way to let our kids share their learning and celebrate their success with family and friends.

If you have some spare time in your day COME ON DOWN.

#### **Programme** 9.10am: Meet on courts 9.20am: Rotation # 1 9.40am: Rotation # 2 **Events** 10:00 Rotation #3 **Shotput** 1. 10.20 - 11: BREAK 2. **Long Jump** 11:00 Rotation #4 3. 800m 11.20: Rotation #5 4. Quoits 11.40: Rotation #6 **Refreshment Station** 5. 12:00 Rotation #7 6. Discus 12.20: Rotation #8 60m / 100m Sprints 7. 12.40 - 1.20: BREAK **High Jump** 8. 1.20: Rotation # 9 **Cricket Ball Throw** 9. 1.40: Rotation # 10 10. Relays 2:00 Rotation # 11 11. Chalk & Talk station 2.20: Sprint finals

WELCOME



Waihi Cluster Athletics for our Y5/6 competitors who have qualified is Friday 11th November at Waihi College.

# PHOTOS OF THE WEEK















2016
East
School
Calf
Club















Congratulations to Ms Fetcher for her amazing Calf Club organization and Thanks to the judges who came along to judge all our animals.it was a fantastic morning.

Our thanks to Paul Madsen from Harcourts who sponsored all the ribbons for the day and to Agri-sea for suppling the tonic for the animals prior to the day.



**Project Energize Nugget** 

## WEEKLY NOTICES AND REMINDERS

## **SIGN IN BOOK**

For safety reasons we need to know who is on site at all times. If you are spending time in your child's classroom (any time after 9.05am) we need you to sign in and out at the office and collect a visitor's badge. This is in case of emergency i.e. fire, earthquake etc.





## **DUFFY \$5 PARENT OFFER**

Brochures are attached to this newsletter today for the Duffy \$5 parent order.

All books are \$5 each and make great Christmas stocking fillers!

All orders and payment to the office before

## **Tuesday 15th November.**

Spare order forms available at the office.

## RECYCLING MATERIALS NEEDED

Our Term 4 focus is 'Toi Pueru' which means wearable arts made from recycled materials.

So we are still on the scrounge for any/all clean recyclables from your homes and businesses this term.

Our learning inquiries will be based around how we can 'reduce, reuse and recycle'.

We will be having a wearable arts show on 2nd December.

## **ELECTIVES**

Our Thanks to all the parents who have volunteered to help us with electives on Friday Morning.

Your help is greatly appreciated. We wouldn't be able to do electives for our students with out your input!





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## WAIHI EAST AGRICULTURE DAY

We held our Ag day last Monday 31st October. What an awesome day! Congratulations to all our participants! Your animals looked amazing!

## **RESULTS**



Golden Valley Cup - Calf Leading- Evah Carey
Kinloch Cup - Aggregate Points for Calf- Ciara Hennessy
Champion Best First Calf- Rory Douglas
Scott Trophy- Champion All Breed Dairy Type - Rory Douglas
Agricultural Cup - Champion Rearing Calf- Isabelle Carey
Boyd Cup—Champion Lamb- Meg Thomas
RD1 trophy for Best Junior Lamb- Alesha Ross
Harcourt Cup for Champion Rearing -Lamb- Anika Telfar

Group day will be held this Friday 4th November at Waihi A & P Showgrounds. 9am start and is hosted by St Joseph's School.

## **DIGITAL LEARNING WORKSHOP**

Using ICT to promote children's learning in a fun, interactive workshop. You will get practical tips and information about how you can support your child's learning using online games and activities. It's FREE and FUN. See you at school on Thursday 17th November at 2pm to 3pm. Please text Nik Laing



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#### **AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS**

#### **TOUCH RUGBY**

Wednesdays 3.30 - 5 30 at Waihi Rugby Club. Year 1-6.

There is now a sausage sizzle running at touch. \$2 for sausages and \$1 for a juicy.

#### **TERM 4 BASKETBALL**

School Years 1&2 - College Gym. Mondays. 3.20-4pm. 40mins. \$5 or \$20 if you want a Waihi Mini basket-ball t-shirt.

School Years 3&4 -College Gym. Mondays. 4.00-5.00pm. 1 hour. \$20. Includes t-shirt. School Years 5-6 – Fridays. Junior Summer League Basketball Years 5-11 - College Gym. \$10 per player. 3.30pm. If you have any questions or queries or would like to register a player or team. Please contact Rachael via Facebook, email. rachaelr@waihicol.school.nz or 0278700937.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### FREE EAR CLINIC SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

Visit the Ear Nurse for advice on; Glue ear assessment and management, wax/foreign body removal, grommet check and treatment of discharging ears. All children must be accompanied by a parent of caregiver. The Ear caravan will be at Waihi Central School, Moresby Avenue tomorrow, Thursday 11th November 9.30am-1.30pm. (closed for lunch 12 noon –12.45pm).

#### **WAIHI BEACH SCHOOL FUN RUN**

Over the Top Fun Run – Something for Everyone! Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 @ 10am

This community fun run/walk is a school fundraiser with proceeds going towards finishing the school fitness trail. There are 3 different run/walk options (3km, 6km & 10km) so there is "something for everyone" making use of our unique and gorgeous beach/bush surroundings. Further information and registration forms can be found on the Waihi Beach School website or on Facebook under "Over the Top Fun Run" <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a>

<u>events/1717623278503317/</u> or call Kris on 021 181 8897. Registration forms can also be collected from the Waihi Beach School Office or Sport 'n' Action Office at the Waihi Events Centre

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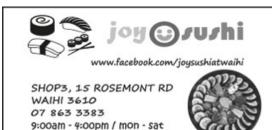


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