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2020 Terms dates

Term 1 Mon 3 Feb - Thurs 9 April
Term 2 Mon 15 April -Fri 3 July
Term 3 Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sep
Term 4 Mon12 Oct - Wed16 Dec

Coming up

See the Term Calendar, Skool Loop and Class Facebook Pages

Waimataitai School has a Facebook Page. Join and you can keep up with the latest news.

View the newsletter on our Website at
www.waimataitai.school.nz
 It looks much better in colour



The 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP, NEW UNIFORM & STATIONERY SHOP Are currently closed, but orders by phone and email will be filled and given to students upon arrangement for payment. Thank you for your understanding with this,

PLEASE NAME ALL UNIFORM

WAIMATAITAI SCHOOL

Newsletter No 09 – 27 May 2020

Kia Ora, nga mihi mahana kia koutou.

Ka mate, kāika tahi, ka ora kāika rua.
When one option fails another will emerge.

Parents as Teachers

We have all had varied experiences over the recent lockdown. Parents found themselves supporting and managing school learning and navigating a variety of different situations. And they have done a mighty job. We can tell this by the way the children have returned to school, so calm and relaxed and very pleased to be back. **A huge and sincere thank you.**

Parents are the most important teacher their children will ever have. "You are their first teacher and their lifelong teacher. You. The work that any classroom teacher does, is secondary to the teaching that you do every single day of your child's life. You may not realise it, but you've been teaching your children for years.

As well as the deliberate teaching that parents do, teaching children to talk, walk, put on their shoes, to clap hands and blow out candles, parents have unconsciously taught them too. Parents are constantly teaching them. Children look to their parents to discover how they should BE in the world. Parents teach them through:

- The way you speak to people
- The way you respond to the chaos of your life
- The way you listen to others
- The way you approach work
- The way you spend your time
- The way you experience failure and acknowledge success

You have clearly done a great job over the lockdown and this is seen in the way your children have returned calm, settled and very pleased to be back to their classes and friends. Well done.



Talofa Lava. It is Samoan Language week this week.



COVID 19 PLAYING IT SAFE

We continue to follow the advice and guidance of the Ministry with regards to what we can and cannot do as part of our programmes. We have included the remaining calendar for term 2. It looks decidedly blank which will be rather disappointing. Many activities which usually take part in term 2 have been cancelled due to Covid 19. We all await a time when we can have greater numbers in gatherings, however, until then we will be endeavoring to look at other ways of including variety and highlights for our school community. We are planning our winter activities for next term with our Year 3/4 visit to Tekapo Springs and also making use of Roundhill Ski for our Hawai and Moana students.

CORONAVIRUS

<https://covid19.govt.nz/> has the most up to date information

Symptoms include:

- Fever, Coughing, difficulty breathing

Preventing the risk:

You can take some simple steps to help stop the spread of diseases like COVID-19:

- Avoid close contact with people with cold or flu-like illnesses.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with disposable tissues or clothing.










Wash hands for at least 20 seconds with water and soap and dry them thoroughly:

- before eating or handling food
- after using the toilet
- after coughing, sneezing, blowing your nose or wiping children's noses
- after caring for sick people.

Week	2020 Calendar - Term 2				
7	25	26	27	28	29
8	1 Queens birthday	2	3	4	5
9	8 PTA	9	10	11	12
10	15	16	17		19
11	22	23	24	25	26
	Moana Swimming				
	BOT				
12	29	30	1	2	3
	Moana Swimming				

Keeping up the kindness

We're loving these simple tips to help us ease back into a new normal:

-  Some people don't agree with going to level 2 - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some people are still planning to stay at home - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some are still scared of getting the virus and a second wave happening - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some are sighing with relief to go back to work knowing they may possibly save their business or their homes - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some are thankful they can finally have a surgery they have put off - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some will be able to attend interviews after weeks without a job - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some will wear masks for weeks - that's okay. Be kind.
-  Some people will rush out to get their hair or nails done - that's okay. Be kind.
-  The point is, everyone has different viewpoints/feelings and that's okay. Be kind.

We all are in different places with different strengths and different challenges. Remember that. Be kind.