



# WAIMATAITAI SCHOOL

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*Kia Ora, nga mihi mahana kia koutou.*

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## 2020 Terms dates

**Term 3** Mon 20 Jul - Fri 25 Sep  
**Term 4** Mon 12 Oct - Wed 16 Dec

## 2021

**Term 1** Tues 2 Feb – Fri 16 April  
**Term 2** Mon 3 May - Fri 9 July  
**Term 3** Mon 26 Jul - Fri 1 Oct  
**Term 4** Mon 18 Oct - 15 Dec



Happy  
School  
Member since 2017

## 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](http://www.waimataitai.school.nz)  
It looks much better in colour

## The 2<sup>ND</sup> HAND UNIFORM SHOP, TUESDAY

2.50pm – 3.15 pm & THURSDAY

8.40am – 9.00am  
In Health Centre (by office)

## NEW UNIFORM & STATIONERY SHOP

Open each morning  
8.30am – 9.00am

In Teacher Aide Room

**PLEASE NAME ALL UNIFORM**

Kia haumaruru te noho  
Stay safe



## COVID-19 – LEVEL 2 in Summary

- Good hand hygiene
  - **Keep your distance**, so that you are not breathing on or near others
  - **Staying home when sick, testing**
  - Record where you have been – contact tracing is important.
  - Reduce congestion
- See over for further details ....

No disco this week

## Heads up REMINDER

TEACHER ONLY DAY  
11 September

For local curriculum planning and development.  
Please note this down.

## 2021 Planning

As you will be aware an enrolment zone will be put in place for 2021. If you know your child is in zone and will be attending Waimataitai school next year, please make contact with the office so we are aware of this and can plan for it.

Conversely, if you are aware your child will not be returning to Waimataitai next year, please let the principal know. We need to ensure we have as much accurate information as possible to plan for our organisation for next year and to see which out of zone places may be available to fill.

## Board of Trustees News

It is with mixed emotions that the Waimataitai School Board of Trustees has accepted Jane Culhane's resignation and she will end her time at Waimataitai School at the end of this year. We acknowledge that there comes a time professionally to seek new opportunities and are tremendously grateful for the service and dedication given to our students and community over the years.

The Board will begin the process of appointment for the role of Principal to commence early 2021.



## Roundhill Sense Poem

*The snow goes crunch, crunch as I try to run up the snowy hill without falling splat on the ground.  
Sliding down the hill like a penguin, whoosh!*

*“Wow” I say as people zoom down the entire hill like birds, dive-bombing their prey.*

*As the bus drove up the mountain it feels like there is an earthquake happening, the bus was shaking and bumping like it would fall over. Smash!*

*I put my bumper bar into my mouth “Mmmm,” I say, it tastes as good as ten muesli bars in one!*

*The cold smell of the snow and ice with the light breeze smells like a rainy, sunny day.*

*I feel very warm, as warm as a bed in winter.  
I feel so happy, as happy as a sleepy, purring cat.*

by Austin Reynolds, yr 5

## BREAD TAG COLLECTION



Here is Macauley Keys, one of our Student Councillors delivering a bread bag full of bread tags from our school to our public library. Please keep collecting and bringing in bread tags to the office foyer.

# COVID-19 – LEVEL 2

Be a team player working together.....

## WE NEED YOUR HELP HERE

If your child is sick they stay away.

## RESTRICTING ADULTS ONSITE PLEASE

We are asking parents/caregivers to please avoid coming on site unless you have a specific purpose, parent help is a specific purpose, like support with swimming, regular parent help in class.

We need to encourage the drop off and pick up only approach to **restrict the number of 'adults on-site'**. Where possible there should be one person designated for pick up and drop off. Please be respectful of this as it is the **'most likely'** chance of Covid-19 entering the school grounds.

We encourage you to think about dropping your children further way and allowing them to walk/scooter to avoid congestion in Trafalgar and White Street. **AVOID CONGESTION and CONGREGATING - social distance.**

If you do come on site you will need to record this on the **contact register** at class or in the office or use our code. We need records of all people onsite should there be a need for contact tracing.

**Put simply- space out.**

## SITE ENTRY

Each family/whanau will be encouraged to use the previous designated entry / exit point to avoid congestion and to reinforce social distancing.

## HOMETIME

No students playing on playgrounds / in sandpits before or after school. (straight out and home please).

## UNIFORM SHOP

New and second hand uniform will only operate on orders and payment, phone, email and we will fit out the child and it will go home. Email the office or Margaret Blackmore [mrb071@waimataitai.school.nz](mailto:mrb071@waimataitai.school.nz).

No drinking fountains, children will need their **own named water bottles**. We encourage children to have their own pencil cases, felts, colouring pencils if they have them.

**We can do this, we have done it before!!**

## WAI SPORT

### NETBALL

Great news that netball is resuming this week. There will be some changes and new rules that the teams will need to abide by. Once all the details have been finalized, coaches will be informed.

### MINI-BALL – Years 3 – 6

Details have been emailed to all those children who have expressed an interest in playing this year. Please check your email and complete the google form if they are wanting to play.

**Closing date is this Friday (21<sup>st</sup>)**

### SOUTH CANTERBURY CROSS COUNTRY

This was postponed last week due to the current level 2 requirements. Could I please ask that the uniform is held on to until we find out if this is able to be held at a later date - if not, I will be in touch, fingers crossed.

## SKIDS WAIMATAITAI -Programmes for Term 3

### Before school care

- 7am to 8.30am breakfast included each day.

### After school care

- 3pm to 4pm
- 3pm to 6pm session each day

**As we are in level 2 currently, please can parents drop off and collect children from the SKIDS classroom door only, Thank you.**

Bookable at [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz) or contact Kim MacDonald director for details ph: 027 6011 247

WINZ subsidy may apply MSD approved programme.



## Swimming Togs



Hawai, Awa and Roto students are all swimming over the next 4 weeks.

If you have any spare togs that are no longer needed at home we would love to add them to the school spares collection.