



WAIMATAITAI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora, nga mihi mahana kia koutou.

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2020 Terms dates

Term 4 Mon 12 Oct - Mon 14 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

It looks much better in colour

The 2ND 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

*Kaitiakitanga Guardianship
Toit`ū te whenua, whatungarongaro, he tangata*

The land remains when people have disappeared



Teacher Only Day

Friday 4 December

We are getting close to the end of the school year, and what a year it has been. COVID-19 has put a lot of pressure on our community but together, we have risen to the challenge.

I want to thank you once more, for all you have done to keep yourselves, your whānau and our community as safe as possible. Through reinforcing good hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, staying away if sick and seeking medical advice, we have kept operating safely and our tamariki have, importantly, continued to learn.

I also extend a specific thank you to all those in our community who have worked in health services and on the frontline to support New Zealand's defence against COVID-19. They and their families and whānau have sacrificed so much to contribute to our own safety and to support the return home for more than 70,000 New Zealanders.

WAI LEARNER ASSEMBLY



At our Wai Learner Assembly last week we introduced our new principal, Jonathan Young. I personally found this an honour to do, to show our students that we were all onboard with this new change and for them to see that I am handing over my role/job to a new leader. I know you will all enjoy working with Jonathan and that he will bring a new skill set and a great leadership to Waimataitai.

We also acknowledged and congratulated the WAI LEARNERS for TERM 4. Tino pai, tumeke.

Year 1/2

Year 3/4

Year 5/6

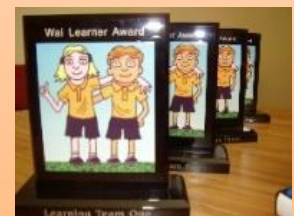
Year 7/8

Roamy Pritchard

Mackenzie Thompson

Ilaivaha Finefeuiaki

Margaret Peters



2020 WINNING HOUSE REWARD

Peel House is the winning house for 2020 and will have their reward **Tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 2pm.**

Please remember to bring a change of clothes it'll be WET out there !!! ☺

Congratulations Peel House !!

HEADS UP this term

FINAL Assembly

1.30pm Fri, 11 December

School finishes

12pm Mon 14 December

CLASSES & STATIONERY LISTS FOR 2021

These will go home on Monday, 7 December.
Class placements can change and should this occur, parents will be contacted

THANK YOU

To everyone who responded to our recent pleas for help. In particular:

TNL for supplying a flat deck truck for the Brass Band to use this weekend at the Christmas Parade.

Also, **Hugh Charteris** who donated a 'Supaloo' portable toilet for 2 days during our recent Wetlands trip – a *necessary luxury* we simply couldn't afford 😊 CALL 03-684 6237

We always appreciate your kind offers to help us out and it enables us to 'keep it local' 😊

Email Addresses / Reports

We will be emailing out all students reports on Monday, 7 December - it is therefore essential that we have your **correct email address**. If you are unsure whether we have your current email, email the office to let us know office@waimataitai.school.nz.

If you do not receive the school newsletter by email, then we do not have your correct email address.

Helpers Afternoon Tea

To say thank you for your support, we invite all parents and whanau who have helped us throughout the year to join us for afternoon tea.

There has been many occasions where we have had to call on your help, whether it be camp, swimming, help with trips or classroom support, the list is endless!

When: Wednesday, 2nd December

Where: Staffroom

Time: From 3:10 to 4pm

TODAY 🌀

We hope to see you there!!



Final meeting for the year
7 December
Speights Ale House
7.00pm

Heads up

2021 Meeting dates are as follows:

15th February

15th March

12th April

10th May

14th June

No meeting July

2nd August

6th September

18th October

15th November - AGM

6th December

Cheese rolls - 14/15 May

AWA WETLANDS TRIP

Recently Awa had a trip to the Otipua Wetlands. We were lucky enough to do some bird watching and identification with Keely Kroening from the SC museum. Debbie Eddington from ECAN also helped us out. She showed us evidence of pests at the Wetlands and we got to see how they got footprints from the animals to identify the types of pests that are down there. We moved on to the Botanic Gardens to have lunch and a play before heading to the Crow's Nest in the afternoon. We have been learning about our impact on the environment and this includes being able to reuse or repurpose things, rather than buy new all the time. We had a lot of fun and learned a lot. Thank you to all of our wonderful parent helpers who made our trip possible.



SKIDS WAIMATAITAI Teacher Only Day

Open this week **4 December** for *Teachers only day*. Our Holiday programme is booking out fast as end of the term is near.

Trip days and Full day session fees are now \$40.00 - WOW 15 dollar price drop !!

Book online: www.skids.co.nz or contact Kim
Ph: 276011247 Kim MacDonald Director
WINZ subsidy may apply. MSD approved programme.

FRESH FRUIT !!



James Pateman, a student councillor, wanted to provide some healthy food for his peers.

Countdown, Browne Street kindly donated fruit to help James make his idea come true. Thanks James and Countdown for promoting kids' health at our kura!

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