Newsletter Week 5 Term 1 28th February 2024 Roll: 25 students

Tena koutou,

I hope this newsletter finds you all happy and healthy. In particular, I hope you are healthy because we are currently experiencing another wave of COVID-19 in our community. Therefore, I would like you all to know that, here at school, we are still welcoming all children from COVID-19 affected families that are not testing positive and/or have no symptoms. It is important to send your children to school every day if you can. Any time off can affect their learning.

The students and teachers have been working hard to get into a school routine and we are noticing that everybody is settling in well. We are looking forward to seeing friends and whaanau on Friday 1st March from 5pm to 7pm at our 'Meet the Teacher' picnic and swim. Our students are excited about sharing some of the great mahi they have been doing this term so far. Please bring a plate to share.

Lastly, you will find a flyer with this newsletter, encouraging our community to pre-enrol their 3 or 4 year olds for 2024 and even the beginning of 2025. The Ministry of Education will look at our total number of students a year prior and this allows them to forecast any funding that we as a small rural school rely on. If you know of someone with children in this age group in the area, we would be very appreciative of spreading the word!

Atewa,

Bernie Denton-van Loon

PLEASE BRING A NAMED WATER BOTTLE AND YOUR OWN SPOON TO SCHOOL.

Every Friday we will heat up any food the children bring (Pie, sausage rolls, toasted sandwich etc) for lunch in the pie warmer. Please let them know to give their wrapped (not clingfilm), named food to a teacher in the morning.

NEWSLETTER LIST UPDATES





Do you want to be added to, deleted from or have your details updated for our delivered (via rural delivery) or emailed fortnightly newsletter? Perhaps you know someone new to the area who might like to receive a copy?

Please e-mail: admin@waikaretu.school.nz

Newsletter Dates Term 1

Wednesday 14th February, Wednesday 28th February, Wednesday 13th March, Wednesday 27th March, Wednesday 10th April

Important Dates

Friday 1st March
Tuesday 12th March
Friday 29th March
Monday 1st April
Tuesday 2nd April
Friday 12th April
Saturday 13th April

Meet the teachers' Shared Picnic and Swim
Technology Huntly Year 7/8
Good Friday (no school)
Easter Monday (no school)
School Holiday (no school)
School Term 1 Ends – Centenary Celebrations
Centenary Celebrations



Community Notices

Play Group @ Waikaretu School Library All pre-schoolers welcome!

1st and 3rd Monday of each month 9.30 a.m. Please contact Catherine

Hore: 021 1137770 cathhore@hotmail.com

ATHOL'S LAWN MOWING and HEDGE CUTTING



Ride on or Hand Mowing Chain Sawing Water Blasting



Please phone Athol Berry 09 2333278

Waikaretu Hall Working Bee

Sunday 3rd March from 10am

Clean up the grounds/courts in preparation for the Centennial Celebrations

Bring shovels, secateurs, gloves

Alternative rain date Sunday 10th March



Garden to Table

Our school is looking for a volunteer who either is experienced or wants to learn about growing vegetables and using these to prepare food.

Every Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3pm our Year 6 to 8 students learn about food technology by growing their own vegetables and using these ingredients to create delicious meals.

If you would like to share your knowledge on gardening or want to learn more, please contact our school on 09 2333014. For more information about Garden to Table please visit: www.gardentotable.org.nz







Thank You

Tom Whitford, Dayne Woodley and Cam Dawson for installing the new basketball hoops.





Thank you also to Kim Loveridge for donating books to our School Library.

Year 4-8 Cluster Swimming Sports Friday 23rd February











TE KAUWHATA DOMAIN **THURSDAY 7TH MARCH 2024** 2PM - 7PM







Kai Stalls

Free Sausage Sizzle

Purpose - Inform, share, empower whaanau and community by providing an event for well being, social, education, and career services to share what support and assistance is on offer.

TE KAUWHATA CHILDREN'S DAY SPLASH N DASH

TOI AKO CREATIVE SPACE

2024

SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 10AM - 2PM TE KAUWHATA DOMAIN

FAMILY GAMES BOUNCY CASTLES

ALL FREE ALL WELCOME

SLIPPERY SLIDE

PRE-SCHOOL AREA



NO DOGS, SMOKING, VAPING OR ALCOHOL, THIS IS A FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

WAIKATO BOP SCHOOLS XC MTB CHAMPS 2024

Sponsored by Evans Doyte Accounts + Advisors

Track suitable for all abilities - Open from Year 5 - Year 13 Enter through your school by Tuesday 5th March NEW FOR THIS YEAR - TEAM RELAYS

Thursday 14 March Te Miro MTB Park

Please email temiromtbevents@gmail.com for any queries

Food and drink available - please bring cash





For more information, please read the Event Manual on the Te Miro MTB Club website

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CENTENARY

Honour the Past Connect in the Present Look to the Future

FRIDAY 12 APRIL - SATURDAY 13 APRIL 2024

Register to be kept informed as plans are finalised and tickets go on sale.



This QR code takes you to an online registration form

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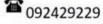
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