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A HUGE Waipu welcome to our new students Hayden Blossfeld,
Lacey Davenport, Zavier Dunning and their families.

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UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

November 2019	December 2019
11-15 - Year 5 & 6 Camp week	2 - PTA Meeting Staffroom 7pm
11-15 - Year 4 Activity week	6 - Carnival Mufti day
19 - Y5 & 6 BBC Taster day	11 - Junior production - Evening performance 7pm
19 - BOT meeting 7pm Staffroom	12 - Junior production - Matinee 1pm
20 - Helpers morning tea 10.30am staffroom	12 - Junior production - Evening performance 7pm
26 - Bus monitors to Aquatics Centre	13 - Y6 shared lunch
28 - Zone athletics day	13 - Reports home
	17 - Beach day
	18 - Prizegiving 6.30pm Northpine Hall
	19 - Last day of Term 4 - 12pm finish

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tena koutou,

At present staff are busy deciding on your child's class placement for 2020.

When placing children, teachers base their decision on factors such as social maturity, academic ability, gender balance of the class, behavioural factors, friendships, learning needs and amount of time in the junior school.

It is a time-consuming process and we try to do our best for each child and in the end, it is the school's decision as to where your child will be placed. Historically, this process has worked very well despite caregivers' thoughts at the time.

If you have any concerns about the placement of your child, please make a time to see me or give me a call prior to the end of the month. If I don't hear from you before then, there will be minimal chance of us being able to make a change. I will do my best to accommodate your requests but make no promises.

Children with birthdays after the end of March will spend the remainder of that year and two more years in the Year 1 and 2 classes. Studies show that this is more beneficial than pushing them through to the next class level.

In all classes, children are taught at the level they are at – e.g. reading/maths material will be at the child's level, whatever class they are in. Mixed year classes provide us more flexibility with placement.

You will find out your child's placement and teacher before the end of the year.

Nga mihi nui,
Julie Turner
Principal

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2019 Term dates

The 2019 Term dates are as follows:

Term 1: 4 February - 12 April

Term 2: 29 April - 5 July

Term 3: 22 July - 27 September

Term 4: 14 October - 19 December

2020 Term Dates

The 2020 Term dates are as follows:

Term 1: 3 February - 9 April

Term 2: 28 April - 3 July

Term 3: 20 July - 25 September

Term 4: 12 October - to be confirmed

Hidden Helpers Morning Tea - Wednesday 20th November

If you have helped out in any voluntary way at school this year we appreciate your help and invite you to a morning tea on Wednesday 20th November at 10.30am in the staffroom. Classroom, camp, sports, PTA, and BOT helpers all welcome. Please RSVP at the office to help with the catering.

Carnival Mufti Day - Friday 6th December

We have set the date for our first carnival mufti! It is in Week 8, Friday 6th December. Can we please ask that you bring a small toy or stationery as your donation. Thank you in advance.

Junior School Production – The Litter Munchers

The Junior School Production is being held on Wednesday 11th December and Thursday 12th December. There will be four shows.

Wednesday 11th December - 1.00 pm - Waipu Primary School Senior School students and Kids 1st and Waipu Playcentre

Wednesday 11th December - 7.00 pm – Public performance

Thursday 12th December - 1.00 pm matinee – Public performance

Thursday 12th December - 7.00 pm – Public performance

Because there is limited seating in our school hall, you will need to purchase tickets for the public performances. **Adults \$2-00 Students \$1-00 Pre-schoolers Free.** More information about purchasing tickets will be sent home soon.

Hat reminder

It is compulsory for all children to wear a hat at morning tea and lunchtimes, during the warmer months of Term 4 and Term 1. If students do not have a hat they will be required to play under the shade shelter. Best hats are the full brimmed type that covers face, ears and neck. We are in the process of ordering full brimmed hats which will eventually become part of the school uniform. In the meantime, hats may be brought from home. Please remember to put sunscreen on your child before they come to school. Sunscreen is available in classrooms if needed throughout the day.

Iceblock Friday

Iceblocks will be available every Friday in Term 4. Please send \$2 with your child to give to their classroom teacher. The teacher will keep a record and advise the office staff how many iceblocks are needed. Iceblocks will be sent to each class at 12.30pm, the beginning of lunch play.



We would like to extend a huge Waipu welcome to our new Learning Support Teacher Aide, Debbie Marsh who will be assisting in the senior school.

Athletics Day

Waipu Primary School Athletics Day was a huge success! The sun was out and parents, family and friends were there in full support. We witnessed champions and Olympians in the making. We look forward to hosting the Zone Athletics Day, 28th November at Waipu Primary School. Letters will be sent out to our qualifiers.

Pictured below top: Saskia Martin, Charley Welford and Sophie Wheeler fight it out for 2nd place behind the leader, Ruby Rose Harrington, who led the field with such great pace she is out of the picture.

Bottom left: Joel McGlone streaks ahead of the field as Allistair Martin, Dredyn Abraham Marsh and Kaiser Jacoby complete the top four.

Bottom right: The five year olds sprint down the field as Konrad Gillard leads Quinn Murray, Harvey Dye and Christopher Botha across the finish line.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Principal's Special Awards

Congratulations to the following students for an excellent effort in demonstrating our Key Competency in **week 3** and **week 4**. Our Key Competency was **Relating to Others**.

Room 1 – Harlyn Abraham, Zara Gordon

Room 2 – Kaiser Jacoby, Aria Verwijmeren

Room 3 – Nerissa Barton, Ava Pullan

Room 4 – Kahu Hartley, Kingston Gillard

Room 6 – Indie Blainey, Pippa Hilton-Jones

Room 7 – Alyx Challenger, Cate Field

Room 8 – Eleena King, Liam Hansen

Room 9 – Mason Bell, Leila Fetelika

Room 10 – Rory Mansell, Hayden Blosfeld

Room 11 – Rylie Malone, Drew Groombridge

Workshop - Ruby-Rose Harrington, Phoebe Cookson

Clan Of The Week

Congratulations to our winning clans **Ross** and **Inverness** who tied in **week 3** and **Ross** in **week 4**.

A huge thank you to:



The Oxford Sports Trust for their ongoing sponsorship and support of our school. Without their support, our children would not be able to experience such a wide range of wonderful events. Recently we received \$1000.00 towards our Year 6 camp accommodation.

Thank you Oxford Sports Trust, we very much appreciate your support of our school and children.

A huge thank you to Four Winds Foundation for funding \$1286.00 towards our year 5 camp accommodation.

WAIPU PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



Golden Librarians 2019

Congratulations to our Golden Librarians who enjoyed a morning of celebration at Whangarei Library. Kacie Cookson, Emily Stuart, Daisy Winters and Xaria Bird were presented with a special certificate from author Anne Marie Florian.

Our First School Egg

There was lots of EGGcitement here at the weekend as Mrs Hoddle and room 1 welcomed their first school egg. Needless to say, we are all absolutely EGGstatic with the new arrival and pleased to announce it is in EGGcellent condition.

Beeswax Wraps For Sale - Great Christmas presents

We have our very own Waipu Beeswax wraps for sale, designed and created by Waipu Primary School students. These wraps have been made using local beeswax and can be reused over and over. Beeswax wraps are an eco-friendly alternative to single use plastic and are a zero waste item. They are available at the office for \$25 per pack of 3, (2 medium and 1 large wrap per pack). Each pack contains a mixture of the fantastic colourful designs pictured below.

BITS 'N' BOBS

A message from the Carnival Crew...

Below is an advert from the Highland Games committee who would like some help at the Highland Games in exchange for a discount to use the park for the Carnival. I am running the races for the day and I understand we have a volunteer to organise online entries to the "clan club" for kids' activities but we need someone to help on the day with teeshirts etc. Remember...in return the Caledonian Society offer us a discount for the park at Carnival time...a win-win situation.

Vic Wigram

PTA Chairperson



For our upcoming Waipu Highland Games, we have an even more exciting programme planned for our primary school aged visitors. For \$5 they are invited to join our brand new Clan Club – and receive a branded t-shirt, enter a variety of races, enjoy free entry into otherwise paid games and competitions, be part of the lunchtime 'March of the Clans', plus be in the draw to win one of three \$500 Rebel Sport store vouchers!

We already have a great team of people who plan, set up and organise the running of races and games on the day, but over and above that, we are looking for a dedicated person to share promotional material through local primary schools prior to Games Day and be in control of the Clan Club entries and t-shirt distribution on New Year's Day.

If you think this could be you, please contact Pat Hadlee by email at chairmangames@wcs.org.nz.

Waipu Tennis Club Juniors and Intermediates

Juniors and Intermediates starting at 9am and 11am respectively.

Any queries to James Donaldson 0276014559

Tutoring Service

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After School Coaching Term 4 2019

Our after school program runs every Wednesday and Friday in Term 4.

For more info and to book call 021 719 773 or email info@learn2surf.co.nz

Piano/Keyboard Lessons 2019

For those of you keen to start, or continue lessons this year, I will be coming in to school again on Tuesdays. All enquiries welcome. My contact numbers are 4320680, or 021 0343557. All the best, Janeen Soderling.

Circool Circus

Friday classes, Coronation Hall, Waipu Primary students 3.15pm - 4.15pm
Secondary students 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Enquiries 02102777294

REGULAR UPDATES

Newsletter Content

If you want to advertise any events/items in the newsletter, please email Julie Turner at principal@wps.school.nz. If you want to take up a paid spot let Cindy know - cindy@wps.school.nz.

Office Payments

Only small cash payments for lunches/mufti days are taken through classrooms. Any large cash payments are to be made directly to the office by parents please. We now have EFTPOS available for your convenience (credit card payment fees apply). Please refer to the accounts below for Internet banking, bearing in mind there are different accounts for different payments.

Waipu Primary School BOT: 12-3099-0833144-00 (Fees, donations, camps, trips, chocolate fundraiser, scholastic books, **NO OSCAR payments please**)

Waipu Primary School OSCAR: 12-3099-0833144-01 (**OSCAR payments ONLY please**)

Waipu Primary School PTA: 12-3115-0143849-00 (Second hand uniforms and calendar money)

Worm Tea - Liquid Plant Fertiliser

For Sale at the school office, great for plants only \$5 - 2 litre.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Buses

Any bus issues should be reported to Jordan McDonald either directly (jordan@wps.school.nz) or via the school office. Please complete the paperwork provided by the office staff to record your issue/complaint.

Uniform Sales

Second hand uniforms are available from Kylie Jacoby. Phone Kylie on 02102693876 to see what she has available. If you have a uniform you do not need, please consider giving this to Kylie as the money from second hand clothing comes back to the school.

The uniforms are held at school but you need to arrange a time with Kylie to view on Wednesdays between 8:00am and 9:30am.



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