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4th February 2021

Number 1

A HUGE Waipu welcome to the following students, Pearl Loomis, Kat & Kahi Abraham, Shania Blank, Breeze Broodkorn-Ridge, Sylvi Dye, Harrison Gatfield, Tilly Griffiths, Elle Jones, Lily Jones, Indi Knight, Jax Loter, Oliver McDonald, Emilee Williams, Thea Pearce, Lachlan & Jackson Scown, Molly & Cameron McCarthy, Kiera Stevens, Caio Wharfe, Caleb Holroyd, Ronnie & Noah Park and their families

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# UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

February 2021	March 2021
8 - Waitangi day - Mondayised	2 – Senior swim sports
8 – PTA meeting 7pm staffroom	3 – Te Manawa Tahī (Learning Hub) 9-12pm
10 - Meet the teacher evening	3-5 - R10 & 11 camp
19 – Carnival mufti day - ingredients	8-10 - R2 camp
23 - Junior swim demos	10-12 - R5 camp
24 - Tiritiri Matangi trip R6,7,8,9	11 - Zone swimming sports BBC (seniors)
25 - Tiritiri Matangi trip R5 & Y4's from R3,4	15-17 - R4 camp
26 - Tiritiri Matangi trip R10,11	17-19 - R3 camp
24-26 - R1 camp	20 – Pukapuka party
	22 - Triathlon
	23 – Three way interviews
	25-26 - R6, 7, 8 & 9 overnight camp
	29 – Kaboom show

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora tatou,

Welcome back to the new school term and year. Everyone seems to be refreshed and relaxed having had a fabulous summer break.

We start the year with a roll of 224 students – of these 24 are new students to our school. We will be welcoming them officially this morning, with a powhiri.

At the powhiri we will also take the opportunity to welcome our new staff members – Maree Smith, Kellie Stevenson-Border, Emma Gutmann, Tara Uiese and Sarah Herbert. We also extend a warm welcome to all returning staff and students.

All staff have already been busy at school, attending meetings, setting up classrooms and for those that are new, learning all the systems and processes involved in running a school. On Tuesday, all staff, including support staff, attended a training day on 'Restorative Practice'. There will be more information about this programme in the weeks to follow - suffice to say that it is the final part of the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' initiative, in which the school has been involved for the last three years.

You can expect to see class newsletters coming out before the end of the week and these will include useful information about upcoming events, contact details for your child's teacher(s) and an outline of the topics for the term in the curriculum areas.

You will also have the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher at our 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon on Wednesday 10 February. This is an opportunity for you as parents to meet and learn about your child's teacher, expectations, routines, homework, etc and to ask any questions you may have. For those of you who have children in different classes we will again stagger times so that you can attend a second or third introduction session.








Another change this year is the names of our classrooms. After much discussion and consideration we have decided to name our classrooms after manu (birds). This was an initiative started by Matua Alex and we're all keen





to see it become part of who we are here at Waipu Primary. The new names are listed further on in this newsletter. We will continue to keep using the Room number for the next term or so, until our new Māori names become imbedded.

Have a great long weekend!

Nga mihi

Julie

Old Room Number	New Room Name	Picture Cue	Class Teachers
Room 1	Kōtuku		Jordan McDonald & Sarah Herbert
Room 2	Kuaka		Katy Hinton
Room 3	Tōrea		Kirstyn Hoddle & Maree Smith
Room 4	Tara-iti		Kellie Stevenson - Border
Room 5	Tūturiwhatu		Bridget Dyson
Room 6	Koukou		Julie Levell & Glenice Andrews
Room 7	Pīwaiwaka		Linda Kramer

Room 8	Tūī		Debra Van Den Bergen
Room 9	Pīpīwharauoa		Emma Gutmann
Room 10	Kūkupa		Tara Uiese
Room 11	Kārearea		Anna Green & Amy Eager

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### 2021 Term Dates

The 2021 Term dates are as follows:

Term 1: 3 February - 16 April

Term 2: 3 May - 9 July

Term 3: 26 July - 1 October

Term 4: 18 October - TBC

### Waitangi Day Mondayised - Monday 8th February

There will be no school on Monday 8th February as this day is Mondayised and observed as Waitangi day.

### PTA Meeting - Monday 8th February

The first PTA meeting of the year will be held on Monday 8th February (the first Monday of the month) at 7pm in the school staffroom. All welcome.

### Meet The Teacher - Wednesday 10th February 5.30pm

Our staff are looking forward to welcoming you all to our 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Wednesday, 10th February, starting at 5.30 p.m.

We'll start with a mix and mingle on the front field, then move off into classrooms between 6 – 7 p.m. We'll stagger this so that those parents who need to go to two (or more) classrooms will have the opportunity to do so.

Teachers will talk about their class programmes and their expectations and answer any general questions in that time slot. If you have specific information you wish to share with your child's teacher, please arrange an appointment with them one day after school.

Unfortunately, due to time restraints, several teachers will be talking at the same time. We apologize if this happens, and hope that you are able to catch up with your child's teacher later in the evening or at another time.

Times to meet classroom teachers:

6.00 p.m. - Rooms 6, 7, 8

6.15 p.m. – Rooms 9, 10, 11

6.30 p.m. – Rooms 3, 4, 5

6.45 p.m. – Rooms 1 and 2

The P.T.A will be providing the BBQ – sausages, bread, sauce, but you are welcome to bring your own salads, plates, snacks etc and beverages for a picnic on the field. **They are looking for helpers to cook sausages, are you a great snag cook?**

The pool will be open but you will need to supervise your own children while in the pool.

Come along and take the opportunity to not only meet your child's teacher, but also to meet and welcome new parents to the school.

## **Carnival Mufti Day - Friday 19th February**

This is a carnival ingredient mufti day. The 4 Square have been notified of what ingredients will be required and they will be getting extra stock in. Please refer to the following list for the ingredient each class is to bring should your child wear mufti:

Room 1 - Condensed Milk

Room 2 - White Chocolate Melts

Room 3 - Dark Chocolate Melts

Room 4 - **Girls**- Icing Sugar **Boys** - Cranberries

Room 5 - Condensed Milk

Room 6 - Pascalls Marshmallows

Room 7 - Rice Bubbles

Room 8 - Brown Sugar

Room 9 - **Girls** - White Sugar **Boys** - Peanuts (Blanched no skin)

Room 10 - Condensed Milk

Room 11 - **Girls** - Dessicated Coconut **Boys** - Condensed Milk

## **OSCAR - After School Care Programme**

Our after school programme runs each day between 2.30pm and 5.30pm. It is now at full capacity on Wednesdays and Thursdays with limited spaces available the rest of the week. If your child is booked in as a permanent and does not require the space, please let the office know.

## **Are You Our Next Book Fairy?**

We have had a wonderful book fairy in our midst this past year, Justine Botha, a parent of our school community. She kindly calls into school on a day that suits her schedule and magically puts our school readers back onto the shelf they belong. Unfortunately for us, Justine has secured another role which means she will not be in a position to continue the book fairy work from February 2021. She has thoroughly enjoyed this voluntary work and would love to give training to the next person. Would you like to be the next book fairy? If so, please contact Donna or Mel in the office.

## **Compulsory School Uniform Hat - Term 1 2021**

It is **compulsory** for all children to wear a hat at morning tea and lunchtimes, during the warmer months of Term 1



and Term 4. Full brimmed school hats are now part of our school uniform and are usually available online [click here](#) or at The Warehouse (Whangarei) for \$20 each. However we have been advised by Schooltex that they are not currently available but more hats are currently at the embroiders and sizes will be fully stocked again soon (along with other items of our school uniform). Students may wear alternate suitable hats in the meantime. We are moving towards these hats being compulsory for Years 1-5 **Term 1 2021**. Year 6 students will still need a full brimmed hat but the Schooltex hat will not be compulsory for them.

**If students do not have a hat they will be required to play under the shade shelter.**

Please put sunscreen on your child before they come to school. Sunscreen is available in classrooms if needed throughout the day.

## **Easter Carnival 2021**

### White Elephant Stall

If anyone has had a clear out over the holidays, I'm collecting items that are in good saleable condition for the White Elephant Stall which is part of the Easter Carnival in April. Happy to pick up in Waipu or I'll be accepting donated goods at the container on the field at school every Friday morning from 8.30-8.50 from term 1. Only items in good condition will be accepted and no large furniture items please. You can also drop items off at the Celtic Barn in the few days leading up to the Carnival so plenty of time. If anyone is able to help out in the White Elephant Stall during the carnival please contact me. Many thanks Claire Nicholls 0212722294.

## **Piano/Keyboard Lessons 2021**

A big welcome back everyone. I hope you had a fantastic holiday break. For those children continuing with lessons, these will recommence next week. I look forward to seeing you then.

For new enquiries and information, please contact me, Janeen Soderling, on 432 0680, or 021 034 35 57

## **Singer Carleen Still - Swimming Pool Fundraiser at the RSA**

Carleen Still is one of our local songbirds and an international country music recording artist with 5 CDs out, marketed and played in different countries around the world. She performs at festivals up and down the country, while also kindly fundraising for worthwhile causes. Carleen saw that we, at Waipu Primary School, are wanting to upgrade our swimming pool and has offered to hold a fundraiser at the Waipu RSA (Waipu Citizens & Services Club) on Nova Scotia Drive, Saturday 13th March at 7.30pm.

Come on down to the RSA and support Carleen Still to raise some money to go towards the worthwhile cause - our swimming pool upgrade.

Waipu Primary School  
Swimming Pool Fundraiser

7:30pm  
Sat 13<sup>th</sup>  
March

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Carleen  
Still

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# WAIPU PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

## Beeswax Wraps For Sale

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 at a reduced rate of \$15 per pack of 3, (2 medium and 1 large wrap per pack). Each pack contains a mixture of fantastic, colourful designs.

## BITS 'N' BOBS

### Whangarei Futsall

Whangarei Futsal is running again in term 1, starting on Sunday 14th February and running for 8 weeks.

**We will be offering multiple grades:**

Junior - Mixed U10 & U12

Youth - Mixed U14

Senior - Mixed Semi-Social, Men's Premier & Women's Premier

**Cost per team:**

Junior & Youth - \$235

Senior - \$310

All games are 40mins long with a 2min half-time, games will start from 3.30pm (kick off times are dependent on team entries).

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### Bagpipe and Drum Lessons

are available with members of the Waipu Pipeband.

Please contact Margo Finlayson to sign up or find out more about it.

Phone 0274343603

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### Piano/Keyboard Lessons 2021

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.

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### Circool Circus

Friday classes, Coronation Hall, Waipu Primary students 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Secondary students 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Enquiries Achmed 02102777294

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Date	Hub Location – Option 1	Hub Location – Option 2	Hub location – Option 3	Time
10/02/21	Otamatea High School, 120 Bickerstaffe Road, Maungaturoto	Barnardos, 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
17/02/21	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Place, Ruakaka	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Back 2 Basics, Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
18/02/21	Parua Bay Community Centre, 1475 Whangārei Heads Road, Parua Bay	Ruawai Primary School, 4376 State Highway 12, Ruawai	Te Rito, William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei	9:00am – 12:00pm
24/02/21	Mangawhai Beach School, 34 Insley Street, Mangawhai	Whangaruru School, 2916 Russell Road, Punaruku 0184	Te Horo School, 3239 Pipiwai Road, Whangārei	9:00am – 12:00pm
25/02/21	Matakohe Primary School, Matakohe	Barnardos, 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
25/02/21	Tinopai School, 1913 Tinopai Road, Tinopai			12:30pm – 2:00pm
03/03/21	Waipu Primary School, 6 Argyle Street, Waipu	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Tauraroa Area School, Omana Road, Maungakaramea	9:00am – 12:00pm
04/03/21	Raurimu Avenue School, 48 Raurimu Avenue, Onerahi, Whangārei	Dargaville Primary School, State Highway 12, Dargaville		9:00am – 12:00pm
10/03/21	Archie Bull Hall Kaiwaka, 11 Kaiwaka – Mangawhai Rd	Hukerenui School, 9 Crows Nest Road, Hukerenui	Back 2 Basics, Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
11/03/21	Barnardos, 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei	Aranga School, Aranga, Dargaville		9:00am – 12:00pm
11/03/21	Kaihu Valley School, 66 Maropiu Road, Mamaranui			12:30pm – 2:00pm
17/03/21	One Tree Point School, 97 One Tree Point Road, One Tree Point	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei		9:00am – 12:00pm
18/03/21	Te Rito, William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei	Pouto Primary School, 11 Opuna Rd, Te Kopuru		9:00am – 12:00pm
18/03/21	Te Kopuru School, 9 Norton Street, Te Kopuru			12:30pm – 2:00pm
24/03/21	Paparoa Primary School, 14 Franklin Rd, Paparoa	Whananaki School Library, Whananaki North Road	Mangakahia Community Room, Mangakahia Road	9:00am – 12:00pm
25/03/21	Plunket Family Centre, 33 King Stret, Kensington, Whangārei	Arapohue School, Arapohue		9:00am – 12:00pm
25/03/21	Tangowahine School, Tangowahine			12:30pm – 2:00pm
31/03/21	Ruakaka School, 12 Sandford Rd, Ruakaka	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Rd, Kamo, Whangārei	Back 2 Basics, Maungatapere	9:00am – 12:00pm
01/04/21	HoraHora School, 22 Te Mai Road, Woodhill	Dargaville Intermediate School, 38 Charlotte St, Dargaville	Onerahi Community Hall, Onerahi, Whangārei	9:00am – 12:00pm
07/04/21	Maungaturoto Primary School, 8 Gorge Rd, Maungaturoto	Te Rito, William Jones Drive and Rata Place, Otangarei		9:00am – 12:00pm
08/04/21	Barnardos, 2 Armstrong Avenue, Maunu, Whangārei			9:00am – 12:00pm
14/04/21	Ngunguru Sports Cub, Kopipi Crescent, Ngunguru			9:00am – 12:00pm
15/04/21	Manaia View School, 64 Murdoch Crescent, Raumanga, Whangārei			9:00am – 12:00pm

Drop into the hub or contact us on 0800 5248 4256 or email [TT.Support@education.govt.nz](mailto:TT.Support@education.govt.nz)

## REGULAR UPDATES

### Newsletter Content

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

## USEFUL CONTACTS

### Buses

Any bus issues should be reported to Jordan McDonald either directly ([jordan@wps.school.nz](mailto: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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