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UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

April 2019	May 2019
5 - Gumboot Friday	3 - Term 1 winning clan mufti day
8 - BOT meeting (1.30pm in room 5)	6 - PTA meeting
9 - Deano from Yipadee show	14 - Three way interviews
10 - Avondale College music tour - 11.15am	
11 - WPS BOT community meeting, 7pm, Northpine hall	
12 - American Hotdog day	
12 - Last day of Term 1	
29 - First day of Term 2	

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Influenza A

Influenza A is a strain of Influenza which has been in the news in the past six months. We have had a confirmed case this week of Influenza A within our school and the child's mother was advised by hospital staff to keep her child isolated as a precaution.

The symptoms presented by this child were exceptionally high fevers, vomiting and severe fatigue. Please refer to the following Ministry of Health link for more information regarding Influenza and it's symptoms www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/influenza.

Please note that influenza symptoms present as an exaggeration of the common cold. If in doubt, phone your local GP for advice.

Chickenpox

We have had two cases of confirmed Chickenpox within our school this past week. If you suspect your child may have Chickenpox please keep them home and let the office know.

Chickenpox is very easy to catch (it's highly contagious) and is spread through the air (by coughing and sneezing) and by direct contact with mucus, saliva, or liquid from blisters.

Early signs can include all or some of the following: fever, headache, runny nose, cough, loss of appetite, feeling tired. Spots then appear with a blister on top of each. After a day or so, the blister fluid turns cloudy. The blisters release liquid containing the virus, then form crusts or scabs that fall off after 1 to 2 weeks.

The incubation period is the time from when your child comes into contact with a person with Chickenpox, to when the first symptoms appear. The incubation period for chickenpox is usually 14 to 16 days but can range from 10 to 21 days.

A child is infectious 1-2 days before they get the rash until all the blisters have dried up. This usually takes 5 to 7 days. Children should not attend school for this period.

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

Gumboot Friday - Tomorrow 5th April - Gold Coin Donation

Tomorrow we will be having Gumboot Friday. Gumboots are usually reserved for wet and muddy grounds, but we will be wearing them to raise money to help provide free counselling to any kid in need and to raise awareness of depression. For many, having depression is like walking through mud every day so people around the country are being called on to wear gumboots to work or school and donate money through I Am Hope - the youth arm of comedian and mental health campaigner Mike King's Key to Life Trust.

Walk in their shoes for a day: put on your gumboots, give a gold coin and help towards the cause.

In Whangarei, locals are also invited to go a step further and walk the Hatea Loop wearing gumboots. The walk will start at Canopy Bridge at 6pm. For more information on Gumboot Friday, including how to make a donation visit www.iamhope.org.nz/gumbootfriday

Mask Workshops - for Art n Tartan

Dates for this year's Mask Workshops run by Penny Goodall are:

- Sunday 28th April, Sunday 5th May and Sunday 9th June
- 1.00pm - 3.30pm
- \$20 per child
- at the Waipu Primary School Workshop

The theme this year is **Canny Celtic Creatures**

Contact Penny Goodall at 021 20 64124 to express interest

Discounted Tickets for Carnival

Get in early, beat the crowds and save money on our discounted Carnival tickets, 11 tickets for \$10 or 22 tickets for \$20. On sale now at the office, eftpos available. Normal priced tickets will also be available from the Waipu Boutique Market on Sunday, 14th April.

School Triathlon - Thank you

What a fantastic time our students had at our School Triathlon Day last week! We were very lucky with the weather, and the rain held off for us.

Well done to every one of our students for completing the Triathlon Course. It was great to see all the smiles and hear the excited chatter of children throughout the day.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU to everyone for their support. Due to such an amazing turnout of parent helpers, the day ran smoothly and all children were able to enjoy taking part with the support of our marshals encouraging them along the way!

We would also like to say a big THANK YOU to our PTA, for the juices they provided for the children, on completion of the course. They were gratefully received!

Please return school pool keys

The school pool is now closed. Please return your pool keys to the Office before the last day of term 1, Friday 12th April, to qualify for a \$10 refund. This year reimbursements will be made via internet banking, so please bring your bank details along with you.

Updated Parent Information Booklet

Did you know our Parent Information Booklet is on our website? It contains most answers to questions you may have about our school. There is a link at the bottom of our Home page to click, it may save you a phone call to school.

Life Choices

At their meeting on 10th December 2018, the BOT agreed that this will be the final year that Life Choices is delivered at WPS in its current format. Over the course of 2019, the staff will be working on developing a new values-based wellbeing programme for all students, based on the Hauora philosophy, to be ready for implementation at the beginning of the 2020 school year.

BoT Snippets

The BoT met for the second time this year on Tuesday 19th March:

- Donna McGregor-Cox tabled a report on 2018 Reading Recovery. All students who were on the Reading Recovery Programme during 2018 made excellent progress.
- Glenice tabled a Draft Curriculum Reporting to BoT Schedule and a Draft Professional Development Plan/Budget.
- Belinda, Governance Advisor from the NZ School Trustees Association (NZSTA) attended the meeting to help the BoT make an informed decision as to the timing of the BoT triennial election and the recruitment of a new Principal.
- The BoT decided to proceed with urgency with Principal Recruitment, engaging the services of a consultant.
- A community meeting will be held on 11th April and up to two people with HR experience may be co-opted to help with Principal recruitment and support the transition of the new Principal into the role.
- The BoT are investigating moving towards mid-term elections. The constitution would need to be changed from triennial to mid-term elections allowing 40% of the new board to stand for 18 months. This will be discussed at the community meeting on 11th April.
- The proposed date for the upcoming BoT election is Friday 21st June 2019; this will be confirmed after the community meeting on 11th April.
- The 2019 budget was confirmed.
- Applications to Oxford Sports Trust were approved for Term 2 Kapa Haka Tutors, Junior School entry fees for Capital E Show and Flipout and 20 Chrome books for the Senior School.
- The 2019 Strategic Plan was approved.
- There was an update on the bus network and the Financial and Acting Principal's reports

were tabled.

Ice Block Friday

Every Friday, at lunchtime, children can bring \$2 to buy an ice-block at lunchtime. We will be running this offer over the summer months in terms 1 and terms 4 this year. These will be sent to the classrooms when the students are released to play at 12.30pm.

Carnival Crew's request for help

Many thanks to those people who have responded to the Carnival Crew's request for help. It is not too late to offer to help on, before or after the Carnival. Please click on the button below.

HOW CAN YOU HELP

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora whanau

On Tuesday after school, I had the pleasure of visiting Room 10 and Room 11's camp at Marsden Christian Camp at One Tree Point. It was wonderful to see Room 10 and 11 students having so much fun on the flying fox, on the water slide and enjoying the confidence course/playground.

Our start of the year camps are now over and I would like to thank the many people who helped make these camps memorable adventures for our students. My first thanks go to the students who have all had a wonderful attitude and been so well behaved at their camps. It is so rewarding seeing them make the most of the opportunities being offered to them at Waipu Primary School.

Secondly, I would like to acknowledge and thank the teachers who organised and ran the camps. A lot of time is spent doing pre-camp visits, planning and budgeting for camp, completing all the necessary paperwork and then running the camp. This includes time away from their own families. A special thanks to Jordan McDonald who stepped in and took Room 2's camp when Katy Hinton was unable to go. A big thanks also to the office staff who work tirelessly in the background - applying for grants to reduce camp costs, handling all the camp payments, preparing first aid kits, ordering milk etc.

Finally, a huge thanks to parents, grandparents and caregivers who made camps possible. We are

very grateful to ALL of you who contributed your time so that we had enough transport for the students, the required adult to student ratio for outdoor activities and cooks/helpers in the kitchen. A special thanks to those of you who took on the role of camp cook - we appreciate you stepping up and taking on this extra responsibility.

Now that camps are over it is time to focus on the Waipu Carnival. This is the main fundraiser for our school so it would be great if ALL parents/caregivers could contribute in some way because your children will benefit from the funds raised. This year the carnival profits are being spent on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) resources. The more help the Carnival Crew get, the more money they will make and the more STEAM resources will be able to be bought for your children to use.

Help is still needed with set-up on Friday 19th April (Good Friday), on Saturday 20th - Carnival day and with the pack up afterwards. If you are going to be away for the Easter break, you can still help prior to the carnival or by baking a cake/cooking or donating some goods that can be resold. If you haven't already volunteered to do something for this year's carnival PLEASE contact Vic Wigram (Ph 027 896 1523) or Sarah Doran (Ph 021 160 7256). They would LOVE to hear from you.

As this is our final newsletter for Term 1, I would like to thank you for all your support this term and wish you all a very happy Easter and a wonderful holiday with your children.

Nga mihi
Glenice Andrews

CONGRATULATIONS!

Principal's Special Awards

Congratulations to the following students for an excellent effort in demonstrating our Key Competency in week 7 and week 8. Our Key Competency was **Thinking**.

Room 1 – Ngatiira Mead, Gabriella Uphof

Room 2 – At camp, Aria Verwijmeren

Room 3 – Samara Hall, Couper Greenbury

Room 4 – Jed Green, Isabella Knights

Room 6 – Billy Andrew, Clara Chaves

Room 7 – Billy Gordon, Izaiah Paringatai Rowsell

Room 8 – Chase Cotterill, Bella Mackay

Room 9 – Leila Fetelika, Ethan McAulay

Room 10 – Levi Tate, Dylan Mansell

Room 11 – Freya Beaton, Isaac Chapple

Mrs Goodall - Harvey Dye, Will Green

Clan Of The Week

Congratulations to our winning clans **Argyll** in week 7 and **Sutherland** in week 8.

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 \$1836.90 towards our Kapahaka tutor for Term 1 and \$2956.52 towards the Room 10 and 11 camps. **Thank you Oxford Sports Trust, we very much appreciate your support of our school and children.**

WAIPU PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

2019 School Leaders

Our Waipu Primary School Leaders for 2019 have been selected! Each student had to write an application letter and were interviewed with the same questions. Notes were taken and all teachers voted for who they believed would make the best school leaders. Congratulations to these 12 amazing students, and thank you for all who applied. There are many more leadership opportunities at Waipu Primary this year!

Our 2019 school leaders pictured below:

Adara Lunjevich, Phoebe Cookson, Emily Stuart, Samantha Trist, Gabriella Uphof, Katherine Coughlan, Harrison Widdup, Kaiser Jacoby, Zara Gordon, Aria Verwijmeren, Allistair Martin and Haydon Fraser



Room 4 Camp at Pakiri

On Wednesday, 13th of March, Room 4 set off to Pakiri where we had the most AMAZING camp! We learnt so much and all became expert snorkelers but most importantly we became an awesome team that all work together fantastically. Our three days at Pakiri were jammed packed with lots of fun and exciting activities like snorkelling at Goat Island and Matheson's Bay, visiting the Reptile Park and scaring Miss Dyson with the humongous spiders, going on the waterslide, playing in the estuary and having a sandcastle competition at the beach. Room 4 absolutely loved camp and we all wish we could go back!

I loved everything on camp but my favourite thing was zooming down the yellow water slide! I wish I could go back.

Ava Mewett

I loved snorkelling and seeing all the fish and kina at Goat Island and Matheson's Bay.

Jed Green

I absolutely loved snorkelling at Goat Island and seeing the big fish. Especially the huge snapper!

Harry Huddle

Snorkelling at Goat Island was awesome! I loved diving down and swimming with the fish.

Lucy Sharp

Pictured below from left to right

Rico zooming down the yellow water slide, Clark's big splash, Miss Dyson, Xaria, Maia, Lucy, Isabella, Noah and Jazmin shmoozing with the reptiles, and Room 4 enjoying the beach life.



Room 3 Camp

Room 3 had an amazing time at Pakiri camp. Our favourite activities were; snorkelling at Goat Island, visiting the reptile park, swimming in the ocean, and playing spotlight. The students of Room 3 took every opportunity to collaborate, communicate and have fun! Pictured below are some photos of our experience.



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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.

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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). All other usual methods of payment other than cash or EFTPOS will be accepted.

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