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UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

June 2020	July 2020
1 - Queens birthday - public holiday	1 - Waipu 150 Speech Finals
15 - Senior class speeches - 9am	
22 - Senior speech semi finals	
23 - Three way learning conversations (interviews)	
30 - BOT meeting	

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tena koutou,

I hope you all enjoyed your long weekend and that you were able to extend your bubble and catch up with friends or family. The rain was very welcome and farmers in particular, were pleased to see that we got over 38 ml of rainfall on Sunday.

Life at school has settled back into an almost normal routine. We are still observing the need to wash hands regularly, sanitise and clean surfaces and collect contact tracing information. The children have adapted to these new routines amazingly well and will, at times, remind the adults of what we need to be doing.

Some families have enjoyed the experience of distance learning so much, that they have decided to make a permanent change to home schooling. We wish them all the very best and hope that they'll remain part of our school community.

We have also had a record number of enrolments – twelve families on our first day back and many more since then. We are already at the same number of children on the roll, as we were at the end of last year!

You will be aware of the fact that we are having our three-way (parent/teacher/child) learning conversations on the 23 June. We were originally going to have interviews on the 1 April but the lockdown intervened so we have therefore decided to combine an interview with a written report at the end of this term.

As a staff we are reviewing the reporting format so once we've been through this process, we'd love to gather your opinions about this form of reporting and compare it to the more formal written report form that you usually receive at the middle and end of the year.

The lockdown would have provided you with a wonderful opportunity to get to know your child as a learner and the interviews will give you the opportunity to share that valuable information with us.

Nga mihi,
Julie

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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 - 15 December

Three Way Learning Conversations (Interviews) Tuesday 23rd June - Bookings Now Open

Our online booking system is now open for three way learning conversations to be held on Tuesday 23rd June 2020. Appointment times are filling up fast. To book your learning conversation online please follow this link www.schoolinterviews.co.nz. The code is 7czmy (not case sensitive).

A hard copy booking form will be sent out Monday 8th June **for families who do not have access to the internet.**

School finishes at 12pm and interviews will begin at 1pm. Buses will run early. Oscar will be open for regulars and we can provide care for others until 2.30pm, provided you let us know in advance via the booking form.

Come along and discuss your child's progress so far this year.

Home Circumstances

Sometimes circumstances at home change. We might shift houses, a close member of our family may pass away or parents may separate and move to another home. These can all cause stress, anxiety and upset to our young students and can cause their behaviour at school to change.

If circumstances in your house change, please let Julie or your child's classroom teacher know. This information will be kept confidential.

Ukelele Friday

The 'Ukelele Friday' group is starting up again this Friday after school at 2.30-3.30 pm.

We meet in the hall and for the first 30 minutes work on basic chords and strums.

Between 3.00-3.30 pm we look at more advanced tunes. Of course at this stage, we are well away from anything too complicated!

Please make sure that you let the office know if you would like your child to join this group so that they know where they will be after school.

There is no charge, but I would like to ask that you help your child out to practice and enjoy

playing the music on their ukulele. There are plenty of ukuleles at school that you can borrow.

Expressions of Interest Wanted

The Waipu Primary School PTA are looking for someone to take over the organisation of Calendar Art for 2020. This is a very successful fundraiser that has raised over \$1300 for our students. Ordering is all completed online and just needs someone to coordinate. To learn more please visit <https://main.kidsartworks.com/calendar-art>. If you are interested in doing this please email waipuptachair@gmail.com

Mel Jenkins

PTA Chairperson

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Congratulations to the following students for an excellent effort in demonstrating our PB4L value in **weeks 6 and 7**. Our **PB4L Value** in **Week 6 and week 7** was **Kindness**.

Room 1 – Nico Alexander, Amiria Waru

Room 2 – Connor Brookes, Ava Pullan

Room 3 – Ethan Pether, Leif Manunui

Room 4 – Kahu Kingi Kite, Gohar Iqbal

Room 6 – Shannon Dean Kite, Lucy Hoddle

Room 7 – Alisi Anderson, Willow Doran

Room 8 – Christopher Botha, Cate Field

Room 9 – Flynn Troost, Konrad Gillard

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Room 11 – Bentley Cole, Tommy McClelland

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

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Piano/Keyboard Lessons 2020

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 Achmed 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.

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

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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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