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Being the Best We Can Be

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to Week 7. Congratulations to Renee, Nathan and family on the arrival of baby Chloe.

Wow Award

Also congratulations to Helena who was last week's Wow award winner for being a responsible school member. Helena has been doing the dishes this term and is always keen to help out.

Wheels Day

Next term we will assess the viability of Friday wheels day. It may be weather dependent and on the court only, if it is wet.

P.A.L.S (Physical Activity Leaders training)

Yesterday Saffy, Marco, William and Aria attended a PALS Day. We look forward to hearing what they learnt and how they will use their new skills in Term 2, at next week's Celebration of Learning.



Bike / Road Safety – Please Remember Your Bikes Years 4-8 Next Tuesday

Constable Ken will be joining us on Tuesday April 9th
Yr 0-3 Road safety by car and walking
Yr 4-8 Bike Safety – bike checks, helmets and basic riding skills – Seniors to bring their bikes to school.

House Reward Thursday 11th April

Announced at the celebration of Learning

Mufti Day Friday 12th April – Just for Fun!!

End of Pool Season Thank you to Bob for running the pool this season with the help of Greg. Also thank you to Kaye for all her professional help with swimming lessons. We much appreciate you!!

P.T.A If you are able to help the PTA to hand around food and clean up for the Waipara Fire Brigade Double Gold Star event on April 13th please let Deb know. The PTA raises funds so our children can have the extras that MOE funding does not cover. We need 4-5 people to help.

Term 2 Cooking

Next term the whole school will be cooking every 2nd Friday. We will need 4 helpers from 2pm. It will be fry pan cooking only. If you can help please let Jenni know.

Preschool Morning – We had four visitors this morning for the preschool morning. It is so lovely to see our school children playing and helping with our pre-schoolers.



Celebration Of Learning Wednesday 10th April 2:15

Please note this date as the children enjoy sharing their learning with you. We will also be saying goodbye to Miss H and thanking her for her time at Waipara School.

Kind regards
Yvonne Blair
Principal / Tumuaki

Hero

This year we are moving to Hero. Hero is a school communication app as well as a school management system. This will be replacing skooloop and seesaw. Hero has many different features such as:

- Push notifications
- Digital permission forms
- Attendance
- School newsletters
- School digital reports
- Sharing learning – Real time – students and teachers will be able to share learning (similar to seesaw)

Hero will be the primary form of communication for any school notices, newsletters, and events. We will still use facebook and our website to promote our school and share information in the local community. In order to prepare for the new method of communicating, we ask that you please download the Hero app from your app store. Soon you will be able to login with your email address, however we are still working alongside Hero to set this up and we may have a period of old and new until we are confident with the new system. Most schools are now using Hero and they are very happy with it.

School Docs – We currently use school docs for our school's personalized policies and procedures. You can view these by visiting waipara.schooldocs.co.nz

Enviroschool's Hui

In Week 8 Amiera, Mielah, Zhara and Zanthia went with Mrs Blyth to an Enviroschool's Hui.

"I learnt a lot of new things like about mudfish, planting, predators and harakeke. I enjoyed learning about mudfish and about predators and how they got brought to New Zealand. " Zhara

I enjoyed learning about the mudfish and listening to the beautiful sounds of the wind blowing the harakeke bushes!" Mielah



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Parents can review policies by logging in and going to the current review button. This Term's policies up for review are:

Te Tiriti O Waitangi
Board Responsibility
Parent Involvement
Communicating With Parents
Community Conduct Expectations
School Planning and Reporting
Reporting to parents on Student Achievement
Achievement and Progress

NEXT TERM MOST COMMUNICATION WILL BE DONE THROUGH HERO. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE DOWNLOADED THE APP

If you need help with Hero please speak with Ursula.

School Calendar 2024

Term 1

April

4th – BOT Meeting 6:30 pm

9th – Road Safety with Constable Ken

10th – Celebration of Learning

11th House Award

12th – End Of Term – Mufti Day – Just for FUN!!

Term 2 Begins Monday April 29th

******These dates require parent assistance with transport and supervision. Please mark them on your calendar and assist where possible.

Thank you.

Free craft Classes in the school holidays!

Paper Crafts Art Class with Sue Kemp at the Amberley Library

Wednesday 17th April 1.30pm –3.30pm and repeated on

Friday 19th April 10am – 12noon

Open for children ages 8-13 years old

Limited places – bookings essential

03 314 8980 or in person at the

Amberley Library.