

Wainui Beach School News

Te Kura Tuatahi o Wainui



Lighting up learning!

Ki te Ao Mārama, ki te Ao Mātauranga



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Coming Events



FEB

13TH- 17TH

Yr 6 at Camp Kaitawa

22ND

NUI Duathlon

23RD

Hangi Preparation

24TH

Community Hangi at school

6pm

29TH

Inter school Triathlon

MARCH

1ST

Purple Cupcake / Dress up

Day

9TH

Steam Train Trip

14TH

NUI Swimming Sports

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back! We have had a great start to the year. It is wonderful to see our 'old' pupils back, and welcome our new students - 16 new entrants and 7 new students in other classes. We are sure that your time with us will be very positive.

Over the holidays we had a major change with Mrs Francis Rowland resigning. She has taken up a new position at Campion College. Francis had been at WBS for 19 years, over which time she made a significant contribution to the school. We are planning a farewell for her and will let you all know when this is. We welcome Miss Jo Taylor to our school. She is teaching in Room 1 with Jodie Saunders for Term 1. We are advertising the DP position and expect to make an appointment to start in Term 2. In the meantime, Angie Mephram will be the acting syndicate leader for Term 1. We would also like to welcome back Janine McDiarmid who will be doing Liz Blaker's leadership release this year.

We have quite a few events coming up soon. the Year 6 Camp to Waikaremoana is from the 13th - 17th February. Our annual community hangi is on Friday 24th February (weather permitting) and we have been given the opportunity for 60 children and adults to go for a trip on the steam train WA165 on Friday 9th March. We need about 8 teachers and parents and this leaves 52 spaces for children. The fairest way of choosing the people is to have first in, first served. The cost for the trip is \$12. Margo will take the first 60 paid.



Each week we give one child from each class a Key Competency certificate at assembly on Friday. We found that students display more than one

competency, and they are meant to be integrated together into all aspects of learning, playing and being at school. This year we are giving a 'Key Competency' certificate, rather than specifying a competency. The comment written by the teacher will explain what it is for and the competencies your child has displayed.

We are really delighted with our deck extension from the staff room to Room 9. This was made possible with funds raised by the Friends of Wainui, Sovereign Trust and the J.N. Williams Memorial Trust. The deck will be a great asset in summer and winter.



The windows in Rooms 1 - 4 have been replaced with double glazed windows and a door put in with access to the hall and pool. The double glazing has made a noticeable difference to the sound proofing of the rooms, especially with the pool in use by classes. We are not going to be able to do any more maintenance or building projects for some time unless we decide to fundraise ourselves, as all our property money will be going toward replacing (in about 5 years) Rooms 8 & 9 and the staff room which are old prefabs.

A heartfelt thank you to all parents who have paid their school donation already. This donation is tax deductible, so keep your receipt.

Our school website is updated weekly. If you are not sure of dates, or would like to read the latest newsletter or BOT information, please go to www.wainuibeach.school.nz

Arohanui

Nhina

Lunch orders of Healthy School Lunches from the Dairy available Friday. Order in Hall before school or at the Dairy.

Feeling grateful or appreciative of someone or something in your life actually attracts more of the things that you appreciate and value into your life.

Friends of Wainui - meeting is Tuesday 14th Feb 7.30pm at Jane Barker's home, 28 Lloyd George Road.
All welcome!

Are you looking for an opportunity to come and join our Friends of Wainui team? Now is the right time to come and have some fun with an already committed team of Mums (Dads and caregivers are very welcome too!) We meet once a month for one to two hours, to discuss how we can contribute. This may include welcoming families into the school, fundraising ideas and helping to keep communication between families and the school open. With the commitment of the teachers and the parents we get things done and as the old saying goes "more hands make for lighter work". It's a great way of meeting other parents and to also become an active part of the school community. For further information please email or phone Jane Barker pandjbarker@paradise.net.nz or 8630327

2012 Term Dates		
Term 1	Tuesday 31st Jan - Thurs 5th April	10 wks
Term 2	Monday 23rd April - Friday 29th June	10 wks
Term 3	Monday 16th July - Friday 28th Sept	11 wks
Term 4	Monday 15th Oct - to be confirmed	9 wks

COMMUNITY HANGI

Friday 24th Feb.

6pm At School

All Welcome

Live Music provided

FOOD FOR HANGI

If you can donate mutton, pork, or fresh herbs for the stuffing please let Margo or Nolian know.
Phone school on 8677160

PARKING NOTICE:

Please do not park on yellow lines or behind parked cars to let your child out in the carpark or on the road. Your child will wait under the big tree until you are safely parked. We would hate to see a tragedy!

PATROLS: Also we would ask that everyone cross the road at the patrols. We aim to keep all children safe.

REMINDERS CONT.

School Banking:

ASB —Kid's School Banking

The school office has information on the ASB School Banking, so if you want further info please see the school office staff. Banking shall commence in Term 1 2011, bring your envelopes into the school office and post in the large Elephant banking box.

Bus Transport Reminders: Tatapouri Bus: Ministry of Education states that those eligible for school transport assistance are students under 10 who live more than 3.2 km from the nearest school, and students 10 and over who live more than 4.8 km from the nearest school, where no suitable public passenger services are available. So please be mindful if you live closer than 3.2 kms from school you are not allowed to use the bus service provided.

No dogs allowed on the school grounds

REMINDERS:

Absences: It is important to inform us if your child is going to be absent from school. Please phone the school office on 8677160 and leave a message. It is greatly appreciated if these calls could be made before 8.50 am.

BELL TIMES: We have an automatic bell. Children wait in the Library until 8.30am. School starts at 8.55am. **Interval from 10.10 – 10.30am** Lunch from 12.30 -1.25pm. End of School 3pm. If you are late please get your child to report to the school office to let us know they have arrived.

School Donations: Thank you to all the parents who have paid their school activity fee for the year. This year's school donation is \$130 per year if paid within the first term, otherwise \$37.50 per child each term. If there are two or more children there is a 10% discount. There is also a photocopy fee of \$15 per child as well as a NEW Activity fee, (which covers all the shows throughout the year) this fee will eliminate us asking for \$2 to \$4 to cover the performance.

Lunches: Our local "Wainui Store" provides our school healthy lunch ordering day which is held each Friday (ordering forms available from the office). All orders are taken in the school Hall from 8.30am onwards.
Healthy eating leads to healthy minds –no fizzy drinks!

Parent Help for: School Patrols / Help for the morning and afternoon times available. Contact Mrs Kingi R2. Just a reminder to all the children, please listen to the patrols as they have been taught by the police. It would be great if parents could boost the students confidence and follow the instructions. Thank you.

Parent helpers are welcome in the classrooms; putting books away, hearing children read, etc – please see your child's classroom teacher.

Swimming Pool Information: The swimming season has not quite finished, end of season Feb/March. When we close the pool we shall recall the keys and a refund will be provided - Thank you.

School sunhats are compulsory. They are available from the office for \$12 each. The Friends of Wainui subsidise these hats.

Please let the School Office know if you would like a newsletter emailed to you.