

Welcome back to the last term of the year. Remember in Term 4 students are required to wear a hat outside. Please ensure your child has a hat with a brim all the way around.

**Teacher Only Day is Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October** there is no school this day.

**BOT Meeting** for this month is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm.

### Class organization 2023

The process of putting students into classes will happen early this term. Our teachers collate data on their students' current progress and achievement, their social skills, behaviour and friendships. They then meet with the other teachers in the same year levels and work together to place students into classes for the following year. Teachers have a wealth of knowledge to place students in the best class for their learning and social development. If you feel there is additional information that you would like the teachers to consider about your child when making placements please email it to the Associate Principals **before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October**.

[dhaven@waitakereprimary.school.nz](mailto:dhaven@waitakereprimary.school.nz) for students in Years 5 to 8 and

[ajelas@waitakereprimary.school.nz](mailto:ajelas@waitakereprimary.school.nz) for students in Years 1 to 4.

As in past years we do retain a core group of students in classes which do not cross into new teams e.g. a core group of Year 5 students will remain in a class and possibly with the same teacher for Year 6. Please do not request a teacher as there will be some staff changes next year as in previous years.

### Completion of Home Learning Challenges Deadline - Friday 4 November

The end of the year is fast approaching and so too is the deadline for home learning challenges to be completed. Children will have been working hard throughout the year to complete the required number of challenges. They need to have shared these with their classroom teacher to be signed off as completed. The final day children can share their challenges is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November**.

No challenges can be accepted after this date. If you are unsure about how many challenges your child still needs to complete, please contact your child's teacher.

### PTA Disco



The disco was postponed last term it will now be Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November, tickets are still available if you haven't bought any yet.

If you have already purchased tickets and/or ordered food, we will hold off sending out your child's ticket until the week before the disco this term. If you have bought a ticket and your child is unable to attend the disco on the new date, could you please let us know and we will give you a refund - [waitakerepta@gmail.com](mailto:waitakerepta@gmail.com)

Thank you for your continued support Waitakere Primary PTA

**2023 In zone** enrolments – If you have a new entrant child starting with us next year please email [wiliams@waitakereprimary.school.nz](mailto:wiliams@waitakereprimary.school.nz) with their full name and date of birth so we can put them on the list.

### Year 6 students

If you have a child in year 6 that will be leaving us at the end of the year can you please email the office and let us know. [office@waitakereprimary.school.nz](mailto:office@waitakereprimary.school.nz)

**Congratulations** to Samantha Swallow who participated in the North Shore Performing Arts Competitions in the holidays, she sang wonderfully and she managed to place in three categories: Song in Costume with Let's go Fly a Kite (from Mary Poppins) First Place, Sacred Solo with Amazing Grace First Place, Folk Song with Santa Lucia (sung in Italian) Second Place. She came First overall in her age group and won the Trophy.

### WAITAKERE PRIMARY NEW ENTRANT INFORMATION MORNING

We will hold our last New Entrant Information morning for this year on Tuesday 15 November at 9.30am, this is for parents who have children starting school in term 1 2023.

This is a great opportunity to meet other new parents, some of the staff, including our Principal Heather Atkinson and learn about Waitakere Primary School.

We will start our morning with a guided tour of the school led by our Year 8 student leaders. We will return to the staffroom where you will be given a brief overview of school life and some ways that will help you prepare your child for school will be shared. Enrolment packs will be handed out to all those who have not received one yet.

### Please let the office know if you will be attending.

While parents are attending the information morning, the children who will be starting are invited to spend time between 9.30-11:00 am in a N.E. room. Your child will need to bring a bottle of water and a snack (cut up fruit or veggies in a small container) to have at Brain Food time.

## KEY DATES

19 Oct - BOT Meeting 7.00pm

**24 Oct - Labour Day**

**25 Oct - Teacher Only Day**

4 Nov - PTA Disco

14 Nov - Author Des Hunt Yr 5-8

15 Nov - New Entrant Info morning

15 Nov - Athletics Day Yr 5-8

16 Nov - BOT Meeting 7.00pm

17 Nov - Athletics Day Yr 0-4

17 Nov - Showcase / Whanau Night

2 Dec - Christmas Performance at Kumeu Showgrounds

**16 Dec - Last day of school  
12.40pm finish**

### Term Dates 2022

Term 4 17 October to 16 December  
12.40pm finish

### Public Holiday

24 October Labour Day

### Teacher Only Day

25 October



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