

DON'T FORGET MONDAY 29 AUGUST MID TERM BREAK

Kia ora

So lovely to see a hint of spring weather and lots of warm sunshine the last few days. The mobile dental clinic will be coming to school in the next few weeks and will be here until the end of the year. Staff and students are still coming down with covid, some for the second time so please be vigilant about testing and keeping students home who are unwell. Don't forget to let us know if anyone in the family tests positive. Thank you to those parents who are staggering their pick up help with the congestion issues at 3pm. The bus bay will be coned off from 2.45 until the first bus has left.

School Board Parent Election

Just a reminder that voting in the BOT election closes at 4pm on 7 September.



This term our Year 5-8 students are learning all about bike safety and skills through a program run by Bigfoot Adventures. Our students are learning how to check their bikes and helmets before riding, what signals you need to give when riding on the roads, and what hazards you need to look out for. We have even had a few teachers working on their riding skills too. This is a great time to remind all our WPS whanau to check your own bikes and helmets. Are the tyres pumped up? Do the brakes, gears and steering still work well? Are there any cracks in your helmets? Do you have a rear reflector on your bike? You can learn more about bike safety here: <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/walking-cycling-and-public-transport/cycling/cycling-in-new-zealand/cycle-safety/> Thank you to Mr Grant for organising these fun lessons for the Years 5-8 students.

NETBALL PRIZEGIVING

We would like to invite all players, coaches, managers, and their families to join us for our Netball Prizegiving 2022 on Monday 5 September commencing at 3.15pm. Please bring along a plate of food to share and help us celebrate our first Netball Prizegiving in 2 years.

Uniforms - you can return these at any time to Room 22 or you can bring them to prizegiving.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

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.



Daffodil Day Friday 26 August 2022

In support of Daffodil Day, Waitakere Primary will be:

- * selling Daffodils at the front gates outside of school for a gold coin koha
- * wear yellow and give a gold coin koha if you can

If you would like to donate online, here are the details:

To make a bank transfer the account details to your local Cancer Society:

Name: Cancer Society Auckland Northland

Account number: 06-0193-0148529-00

Particulars: Waitakere Primary School Code: DDSch Reference: 1550

KEY DATES



26 Aug - Daffodil day

29 Aug - Mid Term Break

12-16 Sept - Yr 7/8 Motutapu Camp

12-16 Sept - Yr 5/6 Matuku Link
Trip

21 Sept - Wig Wednesday
- more info to come

21 Sept - BOT Meeting 7.20pm in
staffroom

Term Dates 2022

Term 3 25 July to 30 September

Term 4 17 October to 16 December
12.40pm finish

Mid Term Break

29 August

Teacher Only Days

25 October

Public Holidays

24 October Labour Day

Change of Clothes

With the winter months ahead—mud, rain and wind—it is timely to remind students to bring a change of clothes. If your child does not have a change of clothes we will have to phone you to bring some down.



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