

Thank you all for your support and understanding over the last couple of weeks, we really appreciate it. We are grateful to the walking school bus volunteers who are assisting our students with getting safely across Waitakere Road in the afternoons.

Our meet the teacher evening was fabulous, our staff enjoyed meeting you all, thank you for taking the time to come along.

Our grounds are still quite sodden, so we have multiple areas that are out of bounds. We are working with the Ministry to resolve the flood issues that still remain.

Financial Support

If you have been impacted by cyclone you may be entitled to a civil defence payment from work and income. You don't have to be on a benefit to qualify for a Civil Defence payment. You also don't have to be a New Zealand resident. In most cases, it doesn't matter what your income is or what assets you have. Just visit the work and income website to read more.

Tough Kid Challenge

The tough kid challenge has been postponed due to the defence force being currently directly involved with supporting the clean-up and rebuilding effort across the country and will be in the immediate future. The plan is that they will hopefully host this event early in the fourth term. A new date will be announced in due course.

Using the Pedestrian Crossing

We encourage our students to use the pedestrian crossing outside the school to ensure their safety. Road patrols operate on the pedestrian crossing on Bethells Road in the afternoons from 3.00-3.15 and staff will support students crossing here in the mornings from 8.30-8.50 because of the increased traffic while roads are damaged.

School Pool

Please note the school pool is closed, we are waiting for council certification the water quality is up to standard. As soon as we are notified we will let you know via Seesaw.

A reminder

If you have any complaints, our complaints procedures are available on our school website.

NEW ENTRANT MORNING

Waitakere Primary will hold a New Entrant Information meeting each term for parents who have children starting school the following term. The dates for 2023 are as follows:

Tuesday 7 March, **9.30 am**

Tuesday 16 May, **9.30 am**

Tuesday 15 August, **9.30 am**

Tuesday 14 November, **9.30 am**

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. 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.

Alex Jelas
Associate Principal

KEY DATES

7 Mar - New Entrant Parent Morning
9.30am

7 Mar - Senior School Triathlon
-Yr 7/8 11.45am
-Yr 5/6 1.40pm

13 Mar - Taiwanese School visit

14 Mar - Year 3/4 trip to Auckland
Museum

14 Mar - Yr 5/6 parent helpers camp
meeting 7pm

16 Mar - Term 1 Show Young Ocean Explorers
-Yr 0-4 10am
-Yr 5-8 11.30am

20 - 24 Mar - Yr 5/6 camp Marsden Bay

23 Mar - Junior School Triathlon
-Yr 3/4 11.45am
-Yr 0/2 1.45pm

30 & 31 Mar - School Photos

Parent teacher student conferences:

30 Mar - Thursday 3:30-8pm

5 Apr - Wednesday 1:30-6:00

7 Apr - Easter Friday

26 Apr - Term 2 Starts

4 & 5 May - Stu Duval

Term Dates for 2023

Term 1 31 January - 6 April

Term 2 26 April - 30 June

Term 3 17 July - 22 September

Term 4 9 October - 15 December

Teacher Only Days

6 June TOD Whiria te Tangata

Public Holidays

6 February Waitangi Day

7 April Good Friday

25 April Anzac Day

5 June Queens Birthday

23 October Labour Day



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**Waitakere Primary School
TRIATHLON**



Year 5-8: March 7th
Year 7-8 start 11.45
Year 5-6 start 1.40pm





Year 0-4: March 23rd
Year 3-4 start 11.45
Year 0-2 start 1.45pm

Come along to support our tamariki
at this event!

Your child will need to bring:

- Bike (or a scooter for Year 0-4 students) and a helmet. No helmet, no ride!
- Togs and a towel (goggles are optional)
- Shoes to run in
- A full water bottle
- A "can do" attitude





