Term 3 Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK | **Week 1** | **Tena koutou** | **27 July 2022**

Welcome back to term 3. We will be endeavouring to run the **school cross country** next week weather permitting. Year 5-8 will run Monday morning, year 3-4 Monday afternoon and year 0-2 Tuesday afternoon. If we need to cancel you will be notified on seesaw by 8am on the day. Please layer up your children's clothing appropriately during these winter months, we are required to have a break from the classroom every hour to refresh the room and we eat lunch outside when possible. **School photos** are Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th August, family photos and the year 7 and 8 students will be done on Monday 8th as we will have some year 7 & 8 students out of the school on the 9th at netball zones. Further information regarding this will be sent out on seesaw next week.

Please continue to keep your children at home if they are unwell and let us know if they test positive for covid. The MOH advice is now to test from day 29 if you experience new covid 19 symptoms following a previous infection.

Red Nose Day - 29 July 2022

Throughout the month of July, Cure Kids is holding its annual Red Nose Day appeal. Red Nose Day helps fund research into a wide range of health conditions, many of which impact the lives of kids at our school. We're doing our bit by holding a red-themed day on Friday 29 July. Wear red and donate a gold coin or buy a $2:00 Red Nose mask at the gate in the morning – or both. You will see kids dressed in red and selling them. Please have the right money on hand as we may not have change. The money goes towards saving kiwi kids' lives. Gold coin donations are to be collected in classrooms and sent to the office in one go please.

The Victorious Waitakere Rangers and their Coach Henry McCorquodale (ex Waitakere Primary School pupil), winners of the U11 B Grade final 10 to 3.

Congratulations to Leroy Strickett & Samuel Ipipi-Amani for being awarded music scholarships for term 3.

School Board Parent Election 2022 Nomination round

Our school is undertaking a parent election for our School Board. This process has started with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community.

We have employed CES to undertake the election process on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instruction on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates.

Nominations close on Wednesday 3rd August at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 7th September.

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Wayne Jamieson Returning Officer **CES**

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 2022 are as follows-

Tuesday 16 August, **9.30**am Tuesday 15 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 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.

Access to Free Period Products in Schools

Ikura | Manaakitia te whare tangata aims to provide access to free period products to children and young people in all state and state-integrated schools and kura across New Zealand.

We just wanted to remind everyone that you can use this form to access free period products for your daughter when needed:

Period Product Top Up Form This is for Waitakere Students to access for their own home use. We aim to check this form every fortnight and put the products in a paper bag for them to take home from school.

You can learn more about this government initiative here: Ikura|Manaakitia te whare tangata Period products in schools – Education in New Zealand

Ngā mihi nui,

Ashleigh Stewart

KEY DATES

29 July - Red Nose Day
1 Aug - Yr 5/8 Cross country 9.05am
- Yr 3/4 Cross country 1.30pm
2 Aug - Yr 0/2 Cross country 1.30pm
8 & 9 Aug - School Photos
9 Aug - Yr 7/8 Netball Zones
9 Aug - PTA Meeting 7pm in staffroom
16 Aug - New Entrant M/Tea 9.30am
17 Aug - BOT Meeting 7.20pm in staffroom
29 Aug - Mid Term Break
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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