

This week we welcomed 10 Japanese students to our school. Once again our students are wonderful hosts – they have been working with the international students learning about Japan and welcoming them into their classrooms. Our thanks to our families who have provided homestays for our international students over the past month.

We are really looking forward to sharing our school production Wonder in Aliceland. Holly and her team of helpers have been working hard getting the show ready for the public performances. This year we are fortunate to have the use of Massey High Schools Performing Arts Centre – a great venue! Watch out for details of ticket sales.

This year the Board have scheduled a mid-term break into our school year. Term 3 is traditionally the term when we have the most sickness and that is certainly true this year – we have already had large numbers of students and staff away with sickness. The severe teacher shortage is impacting on the number of relief teachers available – we have had to split classes and take management away from their jobs to cover classes to cover teacher absences. We hope the long weekend ahead gives all our families and staff time to rest and recover.

Cross country

We have postponed the year 1 to 4 cross country for 2 weeks – it will now be held on Wednesday 4th September from 1.30pm.

2020 Enrolments

If you live in zone and have a new entrant starting next year please email me with your child's name and date of birth so I can make sure you are on my list. williams@waitakereprimary.school.nz

Important Reminders:

Emails – You are welcome to email our teachers directly if you have some queries about your child's learning, the class programme or need to share some important information. They will respond to you within a reasonable timeframe – 24 hours. Please do not email them during the day and expect a response – they don't have time to check and answer emails during the day. If you have an important message for your child or their teacher during the day contact our office – they are happy to pass on messages.

Arrival at school - We have noticed that some students are arriving very early at school –some well before staff. Please note that mornings are particularly busy for our teachers as they prepare for the day – we also have morning meetings. They are not available to supervise students before 8.15am. Before school care is available at Kids Club 0276040907 at our school, or Swanson Leisure Link 0276186735 at Swanson School.



The Hive have been reading about the construction and use of pizza ovens. They were quite taken with the idea, so groups have been either working on sourcing materials or putting together a proposal on building a school one to present to our Board.

A huge thank you to the Paltridge Family for the donation of the bricks needed.



Ned Show

Thank you for purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo and accessories. (A yo-yo is both a mindset tool and tangible reminder of NED's message).

With your sales we have been able to pay it forward so another school will receive this show at no-cost.

Go to Waitakere Primary School PTA Events Facebook page and follow link to purchase your tickets and join us for a hilarious night of Bingo with Mistress Viv!

The PTA would love your support.



Welcome to our new students

Alex Pauling
Arbie Gellatly
Kaylie Pukas

KEY DATES

- 22 Aug—Awards Assembly 2pm full school
- 23 Aug—Mid Term Break**
- 4 Sept—Year 0—4 afternoon Cross Country
- 12 Sept—School Photos
- 16 Sept—Nest 14 & 15 trip to The Science Playroom
- 18 Sept—Room 10 & 11 trip to The Science Playroom
- 20 Sept—Room 16 & 17trip to The Science Playroom
- 19 Sept—Awards Assembly 2pm full school
- 20 Sept—PTA Bingo night
- 21 Sept—Transportable Dental Clinic Arrives
- 23 Sept—School Production Week
- 27 Sept—Term 3 ends**

Out of Zone Enrolment Dates:

- 18 October - Closing 4pm Thursday
- 25 October - Ballot
- 1 November - Notification

Term Dates for 2019

- Term 3—22 July to 27 September
- 23 August—Mid Term Break
- Term 4—14 October—18 December
- 12.30pm finish,
- the school bus will run at this time.

2020 Start date Term 1

Monday 3 February

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SPCA Bake Sale

Madi Braidford and Jenifer Barker had the idea of holding a bake sale to fundraise for the SPCA. They asked their friends to assist with this sale by baking their own yummy treats to bring along. On Wednesday the 14th of August the bake sale was held. It ran smoothly and a total of \$252.20 was raised all of which will be proudly donated to the SPCA. So thanks to Emily Hardcastle, Hope Nancarrow, Maddie Hoata, Olivia Blackman, Phillipa Johns, and Sienna Swanepoel who all helped greatly with this sale, and made this possible.

SUST IT WORKING BEE



DATE: 25TH AUGUST
TIME: 10-12
FOLLOWED BY A SMALL SHARED KAI

WE WILL BE WORKING ON PREPARING THE AREA AROUND THE PROPOSED ORCHARD AND VEGETABLE GARDEN AREA!

COME ALONG AND JOIN US!

THE LOST TROLLEY SECOND HAND CLOTHING



AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

All clothes are a gold coin donation! All money goes towards the school orchard and vege garden project run by the SUST IT group (parent group supporting our school's sustainable projects)

PIC•COLLAGE

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.



Waitakere Primary is excited to be participating in the School Fun Run, as part of our 2019 cross country. The School Fun-Run promotes a healthy and active lifestyle while helping us raise funds. Students who raise just \$10 will receive a reward for their effort.

The more they raise, the better their reward – don't forget to check these out in the sponsorship form! Fundraising is not mandatory and students are able to run for the fun of it.



Centennial

This is a heads up that our school's 100 year celebration is in 2021. If you would like to be part of the organising committee please leave your name and contact details at the office.

Kia ora all. Many of you were close to Sue Kloet, Taupaki's Head Teacher who passed away last year in a car accident. The anniversary of her passing is next month and with the work of many (our thanks go to you), a wonderful sunflower sculpture has been erected in her memory. We are planning an unveiling/blessing on Thursday 19th September here at Taupaki Kindergarten. Folk will arrive any time from 2.45 for chats, catch ups and sharing memories and at 3.30 we will officially (but low-key) bless the sculpture. We envisage the celebration would end at 3.45 or thereabouts. Please feel free to bring a plate for shared kai. All welcome. Giving early notice as I know lots of people would like to honour her memory and may need to make arrangements to be here.

Sue Coleman
Head Teacher
Taupaki Kindergarten

Spanish language class at Waitakere Primary

Learn Spanish in our fun after school language class.

Students learn the target language through songs, games and play, class open to all students.

Language tutor is native Spanish speaker and makes the class interesting and fun.

Spanish on Wednesday from 3.15 pm to 4 pm
Book and pay online for term 3 - 2019

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Afterschool Programme

TERM 3 (WED 24 JULY - WED 25 SEPTEMBER)
WAITAKERE DOMAIN HALL
13 BETHELLS RD

UPCYCLED ART | 3 PM - 5 PM

Children will be working with cardboard, paper, glass, tin, fabric and plastic, learning lots of new maker skills through upcycling. Classes will be creative, sustainable and insightful.

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