



WAVERLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Inspiring today's learners to thrive in tomorrow's world



Kia Ora e te whānau,

This week is the start of a number of swimming events. Thanks to those parents who have promptly returned information forms regarding these events. The very best of luck to all of our competitors.

The year 5 and 6 students returned from their camp at Vertical Horizon yesterday. It sounds like they had an amazing time. Camps cannot go ahead without the support of the parents who take time off work to attend, thank you very much. Also, a huge thanks to Hannah and Megan who organised this amazing experience for the kids.

The new entrant class also had a cool experience this week. They visited the garden of our very own Michele Jervis. While there, they were able to see that food didn't just come from the 4 Square and actually grows in and above the ground. Thanks, Mrs Sanson for organising that treat for our students.

We are getting towards the end of the summer months which is a real shame but there is still a lot of heat in the sun. We are having a large number of students without sun hats and some who are refusing to apply sun screen. Please ensure that your children have their hats every day. We have a new supply of size medium hats at school so if that is the correct size please call into Gabrielle in the office. Each classroom has access to sunscreen but, if you have a child who needs a specific brand of sunscreen please send it along with them each day.

Earlier this week I was asked a question regarding COVID testing in schools. There is now no mandate regarding COVID testing. If there is an instance where a child is showing possible COVID symptoms we can strongly suggest that you test your children at home and if they are positive ask that they either isolate or wear a mask while at school. As a parent of two small children the last thing that I want is COVID in my family so we ask that you be vigilant where ever possible to reduce the risk of spreading COVID that is still out there in the community.

On **Wednesday 20th March** there is a paid union meeting for all teachers who are NZEI members. This will be held in Normanby from 1pm - 2pm. To allow the teaching staff enough time to travel to this meeting we will be closing the school from 12noon on that day. Buses will run early and all children will need to be collected from school by 12:15pm so the teaching staff can attend their meeting.

Have a great weekend.
Tim Marriott

We have had a glitch with the School photo date. Photos will not be this Tuesday. We will advise you as soon as we know the new date. Apologies.

Term 1

Mon 26 Feb	- Senior Swimming Sports
Tues 27 Feb	- Senior Swimming - Postponement Date
Wed 28 Feb	- Y5-8 non-competitive swimming display.
Thurs 29 Feb	- Cluster Swimming Sports
Fri 1 Mar	- Cluster Swimming Sports - Postponement Date
Mon 4 Mar	- Technology Y7&8 - session 2
Mon 11 Mar	- Taranaki Anniversary - school closed
Thurs 14 Mar	- Junior Swimming Sports - School pool
Mon 18 Mar	- Technology Y7&8 - session 3
Wed 20 Mar	- NZEI Paid Union Meeting for teachers. School closing at noon.
Thurs 21 Mar	- Waverley Cricket 6's
Mon 25 Mar	- Technology Y7&8 - session 4
Wed 27 Mar	- Weetbix Tryathlon - NP
Fri 29 Mar	- Good Friday - school closed
Mon 1 April	- Easter Monday - school closed
Tues 2 April	- Easter Tuesday - school closed
Mon 8 April	- Technology Y7&8 - session 5
Fri 12 April	- Sports Assembly
	- End of term

ASSEMBLY - Matai Hub will be presenting assembly this Friday in the school hall at 2.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

FEES/FORMS - Cricket Fees (for Friday cricketers), Tech Fees (Y7&8) and Immunisation forms (Y7&8). Can these please be paid and forms returned. Please check with Gabrielle at the office if you are not sure if you have paid or require another immunisation form.

PFA - Easter Raffle. Can each family please donate an Easter item for the Easter Raffle. These items can be left at the school office. Raffle tickets for each family accompany this newsletter. The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 28 March.

IMPORTANT: If you are wanting to pay directly into an account for the Easter Raffle please pay into the Waverley Primary PFA account number 06-0793-0842047-00. Many thanks.

Each week one class will be sharing photos of their learning & activities.
Check out Kowhai Hub



Kowhai at Vertical Horizon



Offshore Wind Whakamātau Summer Beach Demo Days 2024

Waiinu Beach
Saturday 2nd March
Pātea campground
Sunday 3rd March
Ōpunake Beach
Saturday 9th March
Kaūpokonui Beach
Sunday 10th March

Are you interested in **learning** about **offshore wind technology**?

Are you interested in potentially being part of the **workforce** necessary to **operate offshore wind farms** in the future?

If so, we'd love to invite **tamariki, rangatahi and whānau to join us** for a **fun, hands-on** day building and testing different types of model offshore wind turbines on the **beach** this **summer**.

We will put on a **BBQ** and run a number of **45 minute sessions** throughout the day from **10am to 4pm**.

Places are limited so we encourage anyone interested to **register now** using the link below.

**[www.offshorewind4kids.com/
demo-days](http://www.offshorewind4kids.com/demo-days)**

For more info contact Tania on tania.roach@parkwind.eu
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The events are organized by Parkwind together with OffshoreWind4Kids. Parkwind is a Belgian based developer, owner and operator of offshore wind farms.

OffshoreWind4Kids is a Belgian based, non-profit educational organization.

Kia Kotahi Ako has been invited to experience the event. Kia Kotahi Ako is a charitable trust undertaking educational initiatives in the renewable energy space for the benefit of rangatahi and Papatūānuku.