VAIMATA SCHOOL

Week 4 Term 4 2018

Sun Smart Reminder

Te Ra has got its boogie back which means its time to slip, slop, slap and wrap. Please ensure your child is bringing a potai to use at school each day, some parents like to apply sunscreen prior to school and sunscreen is available in class and of course suitable clothes that will keep you cool but also cover your skin from the suns harmful rays. Being proactive is the best way to keep our tamariki safe from the sun!

Nits!

The school have purchased 3 electronic nit combs for parents to borrow for treatment. The combs detect and kill the lice on contact and with repeated daily treatment will generally eradicate these pests! Also available free from your local G.P is shampoo treatment options.

Duffy Book Deal

Orders for the recent Duffy Book Summer Reading flyer need to be returned to the school office with payment no later than Friday 16th of November! This is an awesome chance to buy some fantastic books for a bargain of only \$5.

Upcoming Events



2019 Classroom Setup

At the end of September each year all schools receive their provisional staffing for the following school year. Over the last 3 years we have been lucky enough to sit on the 'positive' side of the Ministry of Educations roll estimations, essentially allowing us to have an extra teacher when our 'actual' roll total would normally suggest we shouldn't. Unfortunately for us next years calculations are more reflective of our roll trends, meaning we will lose one full-time teacher.

Prior to this notification regarding our 2019 staffing, we were informed that Mr Stanley had successfully secured a Year 7&8 teaching position at Waihi College for next year. This is an exciting opportunity for Mr Stanley as he will be teaching Y7&8 for the first time and in a secondary environment. We wish him all the best and hope to see him in and around our school and community in the future!

Losing Mr Stanley is obviously a big loss for our school! However when one door closes another often opens, which for us is the exciting arrival of Abraham Thompson (current Head Boy at Waihi College) who will be working as a teacher aide, based in Te Mauri o Te Wai with Whaea Kate next year. Abraham's long term plans include University study to become a teacher. His time with us in 2019 will be a win win for both himself and our school, providing him with experience and insight into day to day teaching and learning, and of course for us having an awesome mentor and support person in our senior class and playground!

2019 Classroom Structure:

<u>Te Mauri o Te Wai (Year 4,5,6):</u>

Whaea Kate Smeaton, Abraham Thompson (T.A) & Part time teacher Mon-Thurs (yet to be appointed).

<u>Turangawaewae (Year 2&3)</u> Whaea Kookie Koopu & Miss Charlotte Burt

<u>Te Motu (Year 0/1)</u> Mrs Vicki Hose

Thursday 8th November Snr Athletics 11:30 onwards



Wednesday 14th November Jnr Athletics Thursday 15th November 75&6 Waihi Cluster Athletics

Waimata School

Waimata Webpage: <u>www.waimata.school.nz</u>

Important Upcoming Dates

A reminder of some important upcoming dates in a busy Term 4:

> Tuesday 13th Nov: NZEI Strike Day SCHOOL CLOSED

<u>Wednesday 14th Nov:</u> Junior Athletics

Wednesday 21st Nov: Pet Day

<u>Thursday 22nd Nov:</u> Jnr Trip to Sapphire Springs

Weds 28th-Fri 30th Nov: Year 3 & 4 Camp

<u>Thursday 6th Dec:</u> Teacher Professional Development SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1:45pm

> <u>Saturday 8th Dec:</u> Waihi Xmas Parade

Tuesday 11th Dec: Year 3 Graduation

Thurs 13th-Friday 14th Dec Vear 6 Camp

<u>Tuesday 18th Dec:</u> End of Year Assembly 1:30pm

Thursday 20th Dec: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2018

Monday 4th Feb 2019: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2019

Principal's Certificates

The following students will receive Principal's Certificates at next Monday's assembly:

> Madison Davies Anaru Brown

> > Tino pai korua



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Construction Cave Fundraising

Our Junior school are fundraising to purchase a 'Construction Cave' full of tools and materials to help our budding builders, engineers and architects create their very own master pieces! You would have most likely already seen notices coming home regarding their school lunches offer! A big thanks to those that have and continue to support their efforts... "she's a big job mate"

The next venture they are already planning is a Christmas Hamper Raffle. If whanau would like to donate an item to add to the hamper could they please send it along to the school office and drop it off in the hamper box! If you are interested in seeing how their fundraising efforts are progressing, pop into Turangawaewae and check out their tracking chart!



<u>Whakatauki o Te Wiki</u>

"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." - Confucius