



# WAIMAHIA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

*Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Malo e lelei, Ali'i, Malo ni, Ni sa bula vinaka, Ia Orana, Aloha mai e, Taloha ni, Halo Olaketa, Mauri and a warm Waimahian Greetings*

**MANA, MANAAKITANGA, MĀTAURANGA**

Newsletter #10

Tuesday 2nd May

### **Fakalofa lahi atu!**

Welcome back to Term 2! I trust you all had a relaxing break away and some of you a wee holiday. Term 2 brings us an exciting new inquiry focus, Whenua - Land! This term, each class will have an enterprise project based on whenua. For example, beautifying our school environment, recycling and learning about the rubbish cycle, bee pollination, the worm farm, cultural gardens, garden features like mosaics or tree planting just to name a few. This project will teach students the importance of whenua so they have a better appreciation of the land/school environment/community. Students will identify ways to give back to the land and ensure their project is sustainable for future use. At the end of the term, students will have the opportunity to showcase their projects.

### **Education Review Office Visit**

The Education Review Office (ERO) will be visiting our school in Week 3 this term. We would like to welcome our visitors with our powhiri and you are invited to attend! This will be held on Monday 15th May at 9am in the school hall. As part of the review the ERO team would like to talk with parents about how your child's learning and how the school is catering for your child's education in general. If you would like to take up this opportunity, please let me know.

### **Congratulations!**

I would like to congratulate Mrs Chandra on winning a specialist teaching position at Takanini Primary School. Mrs Chandra has served the Waimahia school community for more than 15 years and her longevity and contribution over the years is appreciated. Her farewell will be held on Friday 19th May at assembly. You are welcome to join us in wishing Mrs Chandra all the very best in her new adventure.

### **Culture**

In week 8 we will have our culture concert. Our culture groups work together every Monday afternoon (1.30pm - 2.50pm) in preparation of this. Encourage your child to share this learning with you at home! Thank you to all the family members who have volunteered to support these groups.

### **Counties Manukau School Holiday programme**

Well done to all those students who participated in the Counties Manukau Rugby League school holiday programme! I know you had a fantastic time learning lots of new skills. Thank you Counties Manukau!!

### **Travelwise**

#### **Be prepared on Rainy Days!**

Wet days mean more traffic and visibility. Extra care and patience is needed when driving and parking. Use your lights, bring an umbrella and be prepared to walk to pick up your child. Better to catch a few raindrops than collect a car. Park safe, and keep our children safe!

## Uniform – Only sold at Waimahia

### **Boys**

Shorts	\$35.00
Polo Shirt	\$45.00
Sweatshirt	\$50.00
PE/Whanau t-Shirts	\$22.00
Bucket hats	\$8.00

Technology Fees	\$30.00 (for the year)
School Donation	\$25.00 (\$40.00 per family)

### **Girls**

Culottes	\$50.00
Polo Shirt	\$45.00
Sweatshirt	\$50.00
PE/Whanau t-Shirts	\$22.00
Bucket hats	\$8.00

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### **Footwear / PE Shorts**

Purchase at any clothing/footwear retailer (Plain Black, NO white stripes), (*Number 1 Shoes, The Warehouse etc*)

### **Girls**

Black lace up shoes or sandals  
Plain Black socks or stockings

### **Boys**

Black lace up shoes or sandals  
Plain Black socks

### **Term 2 Dates to Remember:**

Friday 5th May	WERO Water Park trip
Tuesday 9th May	Boys Football Tournament.
Monday 15th-19th May	ERO Visit
Tuesday 23rd May	Girls Football Tournament
Week 5	Samoan Language Week
Monday 5th June	Queens Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Friday 8th June	Boys Rugby Tournament
Tuesday 20th June	Girls Rugby Tournament
Week 8	Matariki
	CULTURAL CONCERT
Week 10	Class Photos

***Kia monuina!***

Melini Fasavalu

***Tumuaki / Principal***