

Weymouth Primary School

NEWSLETTER

No. 11 Thursday 2 August 2018



Moana Iese
Acting Principal

Dear Parents, extended family, caregivers and community members,
Greetings, Kia ora, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Goeie Mōre, Fakaalofa lahi atu

Happy Cook Islands Language Week! Welcome back everybody. We are well into the start of the term and already there are many things happening in and around our school.

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE: Our first day back had many children lined up to participate in our Term 3 Attendance Challenge - coming to school every Monday and on time! Milo Monday had a huge turnout, as did our Meat Pack Monday. We look forward to Marshmallow Monday and Music & Movement Monday!

ASTRO TURF: You will have noticed the work going on around the hall and court areas. We have artificial turf being laid on areas by the hall that become quite muddy after rain, and also on our court area. Fingers crossed, our students will be able to enjoy their new play areas next week.

KAITIAKITANGA: This term our school is continuing their learning around Kaitiakitanga with a curriculum focus on Technology. Classes will be identifying a need and coming up with designs to develop or refine a product or system. We are excited to see what our students will venture into with their inquiries!

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING:

We are fortunate to have Nurse Mele, our Public Health Nurse, who runs the Mana Kidz Programme to address skin ailments and sore throats at our school. Nurse Mele has had students with a positive testing for Strep Throat during this winter season. Strep Throat is a bacterial infection that causes a sore throat. It can be spread by airborne droplets from coughing or sneezing, or from shared food and drinks. If not treated, it can result in a more serious result such as Acute Rheumatic Fever.

Nurse Mele has advised us at school to continue to do what we are doing to prevent Strep Throat from spreading:

- *reminding children to cough/sneeze into their clothing by covering their nose and mouth*
- *to cover your mouth and nose if people around you are coughing/sneezing*
- *remind children not to share drink bottles or food*
- *have routines where children are washing their hands before eating and after toileting*
- *wiping down surfaces in the classroom on a daily basis*

Nurse Mele has also been visiting classes to remind them of these safe practices.

Advice from our Health Nurse: If your child has a sore throat, please take them to the doctor. If tested positive ensure that your child completes their course of antibiotics. Nurse Mele has also recommended that your child has a new toothbrush as the bacteria may stay on the brush and can make your child sick again.

We thank Nurse Mele and her team for caring for us and going above and beyond to visit homes, drop off medicines, check on us to make sure we've been taking our medicine.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY: The School Cross Country will take place on Friday 10 August. Weather permitting.
Junior School Years 1-3 Time: 11.30am to 12.30pm Venue: Weymouth Primary School
Senior School Years 4-8 Time: 1.30pm to 2.45pm Venue: Laurie Gibbons Park
All whanau are invited to come and support this event.

GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES:

Thank you to our Year 4-8 whanau who attended the Goal Setting Conferences. This was an opportunity for you to discuss your child's Progress Report sent home at the end of last term, and discuss your child's next steps in learning. We value the learning partnership between home and school and hope that these regular times to meet are informative and helpful.

TEACHERS STRIKE: You have probably already heard about the Teachers Strike which will take place on Wednesday 15 August. We will send out a detailed notice early next week.

Nga mihi nui
Moana Iese
ACTING PRINCIPAL

KAITIAKITANGA

Upcoming Events

- 6 August** Attendance Challenge - Marshmallow Monday
- 8 August** Walk to School Wednesday
- 9 August** KidsCan Day 2018
- 10 August** School Cross Country
- 13 August** Attendance Challenge - Music & Movement Monday
- 14 August** Netball MPSAA
- 14 August** BOT Meeting (6pm)
- 15 August** Walk to School Wednesday
- 17 August** Whole School Assembly (9.30am)
- 20 August** Attendance Challenge - Mini Muffin Monday
- 21 August** Kelly Tarltons trip (Maunga Team)
- 22 August** Walk to School Wednesday
- 27 August** Attendance Challenge - Mufti Monday
- 28 August** MPSSA Cross Country
- 28 August** Choir Performance (7.30pm start)

Put these dates in your diary



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Here is the policy for reviewing this term. Please go over the policy and see if there are any changes that you would like. When you enter them they come through automatically to the Principal.

- **Behaviour Management**
- **Complaints**

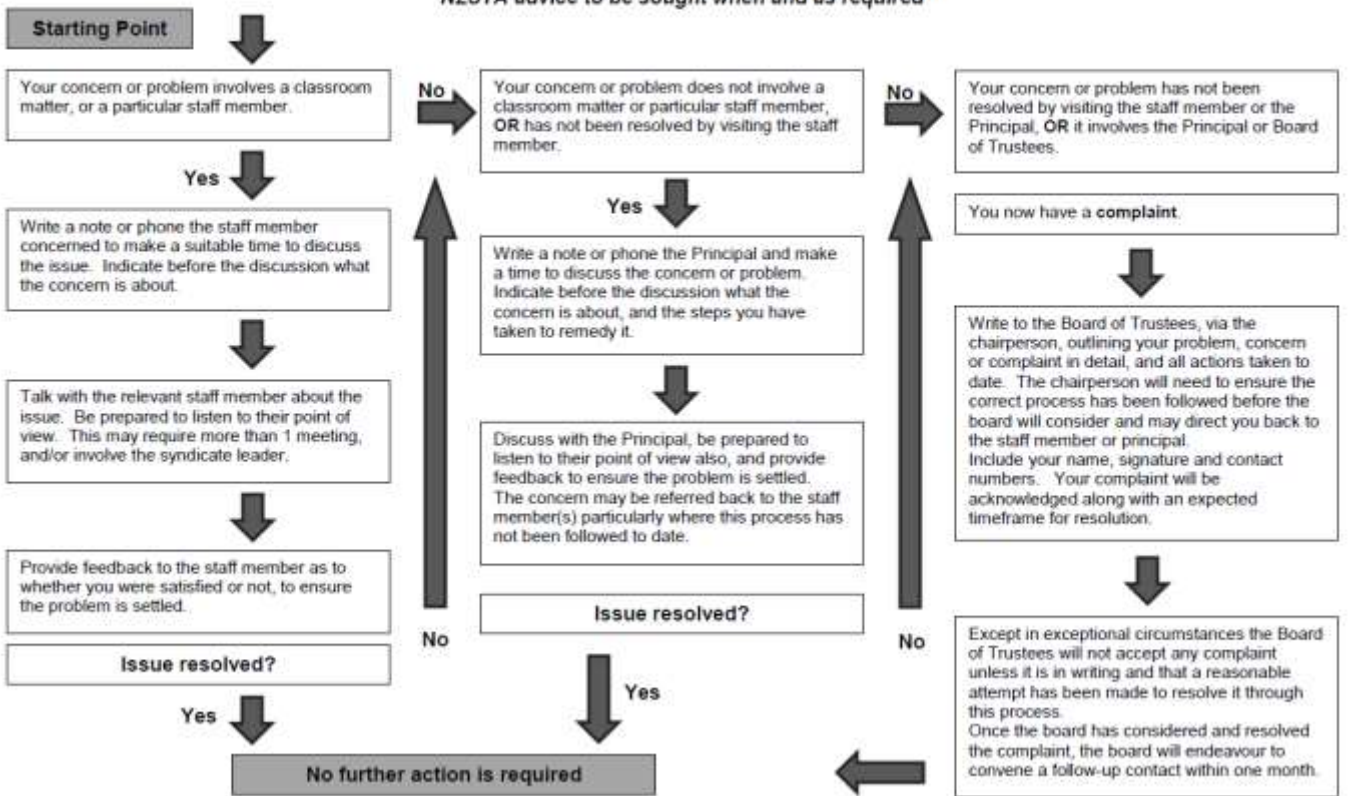
1. Visit the website
<http://weymouth.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
1. Enter the username (weymouth) and password (strive).
2. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
3. Read the policy.
4. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
5. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
6. Enter your name (optional).
7. Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

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Procedure for dealing with Concerns and Complaints at School

NZSTA advice to be sought when and as required



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Greetings from The Leadership Team:

Moana Iese, Danielle Katavich, Vada Miers, Hayley Ryan, Linda Hodge, Emma Garlick, Tania Johnson and Louisa Clark

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