

Weymouth Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Saane Faafo Oldehaver
Principal

Kia ora koutou, talofa lava and warm greetings to our Weymouth Community, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, cousins and our beautiful tamariki.



INQUIRY LAUNCH

What a fabulous day we had on Monday launching our inquiry. This year our theme is 'LEARNING THROUGH PLAY'. The idea is to ensure we have exciting, fun engaging programmes of learning for our children incorporating play. Our launch saw parents come along and join in the fun activities and our children had so much fun at all the stations that our teachers had set up. Each of our teachers are working in teams to plan an inquiry based on what children want to explore and have a 'learning through play' way of doing it. Feel free to talk to your children about what they are learning.

ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

A huge thank you to our parents that came along to our first workshop for 2019 on assessment. We hope you got some valuable insight into what we do and why. Next week is our assessment week where all our children will be having some testing to see where they are at in their learning for reading, writing and maths.

PASTORAL CARE AT WEYMOUTH

Last week I shared the start of our new policy on pastoral care and what we do at our school. This week we will look at our card system, detaining students, confiscation of student property, rewards, and classroom expectations.

PASTORAL CARE IN OUR CLASSROOMS—CARD SYSTEM

We have a card system that we have developed and would appreciate you sharing this with your child.

Red Card—a teacher will send a child to the office with a red card seeking support if the safety of a child or adult is compromised. A member of the leadership team goes immediately to the class.

Orange Card—a teacher will send a child to the office with an orange card wanting someone to come in 5-10 minutes. This is when they need someone just to pop in and see if all is okay and maybe say hi to the class.

Green Card—this is when children come over to the hub and share their work. We love it when we have children coming over to share. Children are given a sticker and a Weymouth Way ticket to be drawn at assemblies.

Purple Card—this is when a teacher needs a bit of pastoral care as in a cup of tea or coffee.

DETAINING STUDENTS

Students are entitled to have a break and run around, have a drink and use the bathroom. At morning tea, students should not be kept for longer than 5 minutes. At lunchtime students should not be kept for longer than half of the lunch period. Catching up on work needs to be supervised by the teacher, and parents informed with a phone call or letter home.

CONFISCATION OF STUDENT PROPERTY

There are times when students bring items to school which are inappropriate. These items will be taken from the student and an explanation given as to why it is inappropriate. The items must be returned to the student at the end of the day unless there is going to be communication with caregivers. If students bring money they must give it to the teacher to lock away. Do not leave it in their bags.

Faafetai tele lava
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OUR PEOPLE

At Weymouth Primary School we are fortunate to have lots of staff to support our students. We have teachers in the classrooms and our Weymouth Angels who work in all our junior classrooms, in rooms 1 to 13. Our Maori bilingual units have a kai mahi—Whaea Maria who works across Room 14 and 23. In our office we have Mrs Clayton, Mrs Griffiths, Kristina and Mrs McAleer. They welcome everyone with a big smile everyday to our school. We have our caretakers Mr Derek, Mr Albert and recently Kiwi Walker is also helping out in this role.



We also have people from outside our school that support us too.



Michael Tanoai is our SWIS (Social worker in School) who works at our school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Michael has many ways he can support our children and families. If you would like to contact Michael via email on Michael.tanoai@fwn.org.nz or 021859756.

Mana Kids is our Health Team that work at our school in a small room in the hall. They have a team that are on site daily to check all children if they have a sore throat or sores. They pop around classes daily and ask if any child needs to be seen. Sometimes our teachers take their whole class over if they are concerned. Our team is Nita Vatuvei (Registered Nurse) and Ala Tekori (Whanau Support Worker).



Jan May is our Chaplain. She works at our school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. She is there to support our children. Jan May goes around to all our classes at the beginning of the year to introduce herself. She has a small office where she works when she is on site. Jan May has a box in the office area and children are allowed to put their names on a piece of paper if they would like to talk to her. She helps children with friendship problems.

Sarah works in our community gardens every day from 9 to 3pm. She works alongside Willi-Anne our Enviro Sustainability teacher and our teaching staff to make sure everyone visits the gardens. This term each team are preparing their garden beds for planting. Once these are ready for planting we wait for the produce. We then use the produce to cook. This is teaching our children how we can go from the garden to the table. The gardens are open at morning tea and lunchtime. Lots of our children go to the gardens to read books in the shade, play with our animals. Our rabbit Peter, our pigs—Kauwaupaka and Trixie and our chickens. Please feel free to visit and volunteer to help out if you can. We also have composting, worm farms and we collect our own water.



WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Friday 22 February 2019

<u>YEAR 1-3 CLASSES</u>		Name	Reason for Award
Principal's Awards	Room 1	Taphina Teariki	For her dedication to her learning and school work. She strives to do all tasks accurately and in a timely manner, and to be a caring classmate.
	Room 2	Craig (CJ) Blaney	For settling into his new classroom and being an amazing and kind role model for others.
	Room 3	Nevaeh Samson	For being such a great Literacy learner at home and school.
	Room 4	MaryJane Haupini-Brown-Otton	For trying her best to read words in her home reading books. Kapai!
	Room 6	Paulo Soifua	For always trying his best in all areas of learning.
	Room 7	Koran Turner-Tomasi	For always trying his best in his learning and displaying the Weymouth Way everyday.
	Room 8	Shahira Khan	For being an awesome learning role model who shows kindness and caring to everyone in her class.
	Room 9	Aryan Vikash Ram	For showing care and respect with his peers and environment and completing his classroom job each day. Awesome effort , Aryan!
	Room 10	Melody Letele	For consistently displaying the Weymouth Way in all areas of school.
	Room 11	Zahri Watene	For her happy and enthusiastic attitude towards all aspects of her work! Zahri is a kind and responsible member of room 11! Keep it up.
	Room 12	Seidey Warren	For using the word displays around the classroom to make her writing interesting.
	Room 13	Tylah Matautia	For always being kind and welcoming towards others in Room 13. Tylah is an awesome role model for others.
	Room 14	Storm Roberts	For always helping the teacher and others in Room 14.
Weymouth Way Trophy Winner		Kane Maber-Tumai Room 22	For following instructions straight away and setting a good example for others.
Best Class at Assembly Award		Room 12	Congratulations Room 12. Tino pai!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

and Notices

Upcoming Events

5 March	Project WY presentation in staffroom for our leaders and their whanau.
6 March	Walk to School Wednesday
12 March	MPSSA Cricket
13 March	Walk to School Wednesday
15 March	Year 1-3 Assembly (1.45pm) Year 4-6 Assembly (2.20pm)
19 March	BOT meeting (6pm)
20 March	Walk to School Wednesday
27 March	Walk to School Wednesday
27 March	Eye on Nature @ Botanic Gardens (9-1.30pm)
28 March	PARENT EVENING—3pm to 8pm Learning conversation & Mini Expo
3 April	Walk to School Wednesday
5 April	Whole School Assembly 9.30 in hall
10 April	Walk to School Wednesday
12 April	LAST DAY OF TERM (School closes at 2pm) Final Assembly 1.30pm

BMX Racing in Wiri Tuesday / Thursday

Manukau Taniwha BMX Club are now located in Colin Dale Park, 87 Prices Road, Wiri.

New riders and returning BMXer's are always welcome.

BMX is a great family sport for riders from 4 years to adults. Many young riders learn their skills at BMX and then go onto mountain biking, road cycling and motocross. Some love BMX so much they keep riding with their kids and grandkids.

Coaching for new riders and under 8yrs is on Thursdays at 5:15pm, with club night racing after that. Coaching for other riders is on Tuesday evening.

For safety riders must wear full-face helmets, long pants, long sleeves, gloves and shoes and socks.

The club has bikes, full-face helmets and gloves to hire, and you can try BMX for 3 weeks before joining the club.

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