

NEWSLETTER: Term 1 - Week 9 25th March 2019

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Tena koutou nga matua nga whaea me nga whanau katoa,

Our sincere condolences go out to Pia, Gale, and whanau in the recent loss of Nannie Queenie. Queenie was a much loved nan to many at our kura. We will always remember her for the wonderful way in which she bought up so many grandchildren.

ERO - We have had confirmation that the Education Review Office will be visiting our school in Week 1 of Term 2. Tuesday 30th April - Friday 3rd May. The team will be Esther Allen and Zoe Lindsey. There will be a powhiri on Tuesday 30th 1.00pm followed by morning tea and a meeting with the BOT. We welcome you all to come along to meet our visitors. There will be another meeting for BOT on the Friday at 11.00am.

IMPORTANT DATES				
12th April (Week 11)	Last day of Term 1			
14th May	Next BOT Meeting			
8th November	Te Ahurea Kapa Haka o Te Tonga o Hokianga (Hosted by Opononi Area School)			

Parent / Student / Teacher Meetings

These meetings will be held throughout <u>NEXT WEEK</u>, during Week 10 (1st April – 5th April between 7:45am – 4pm, this may vary dependent on the teacher's availability). We know how busy life can get but we always aim for 100% attendance as this is a celebration of your child's progress and their next learning steps. If you're unable to attend during this period, then please contact the office to discuss alternative options. We're also willing to accommodate if a home visit is preferable. Particularly our Kaikohe families as we know how hard it is for you to come out to Waima.

Our Office Administrator has been in touch with most parents/caregivers to lock in a time for a meeting.

If you are yet to hear from us, please phone the school asap - 094053901



Friday 22nd March marked one week since the devastating event that took place in Christchurch in which 50 people lost their lives at the hands of terrorists.

Alongside the rest of the country the staff and students of Waima School observed 2 minutes of silence to pay our respects to the deceased and the family and friends that are grieving their loved ones.

Thank you to all those generous families who put forth a gold coin donation and placed lunch orders!

Our School raised \$75.40 to go towards the Christchurch Foundation.

Room Tupu:

To all Parents and Caregivers your help with your child's reading is very important.

Also your help with learning to recognise the letters of the alphabet, the sounds the letters make is essential. When your child can recognise, read and write all the words on the alphabet card this is a huge help for their reading and writing.

Thank you for all your help.

This term Tupu Tuakana are investigating 'The Plastic Problem'. We started by thinking about the different ways that we use plastic every day and what happens to the plastic once we have finished with it. This week we have been talking about the effects that plastic can have on sea creatures when it is not disposed of in the right way. The students were shown a collection of photos and asked to describe how these made them feel. They then went on to write more indepth about the impact that plastic pollution has on sea creatures. Below are some of their responses.



I feel sad for our marine life
It makes me sad for the animals
I feel mad about the turtle and its friends
It is not right for the animals
I feel upset about the turtle and sad about his family





It makes me feel a bit worried because all our sea animals will die

It makes me sad because the animals have no home It makes me sick

I feel mad for the ocean because people throw stuff in the NZ ocean

Room 3 News:

For our inquiry we are looking at native animals of Aotearoa.

Naphtali is researching the Kakapo.

What's the kakapos' favorite food?

The rimu trees seeds are the kakapos favorite food but it's difficult for the kakapo to get them because they are high and the kakapo is a flightless parrot.

So they have to climb the tree to get there food the rimu tree.

The rimu seeds help with kakapo reproduction.



Hawaiki is researching the Haast Eagle.



In Maori legend the Haast Eagle is known as the Pouakai. These Eagles were a fierce predator which could kill fast and they could also fly fast. The Pouakai could smell anything in its range.

The following ink cartridges are available to collect from the school office for FREE!

- x1 HP No.60 Black
- x1 HP No.60 Tri-colour

- x2 HP No.75XL Tri-colour
- x3 HP No.75 Tri-colour

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you have a key to the school pool, please return it to the office <u>ASAP</u>

Sports News:

If for any reason your child is unable to swim, a note needs to be sent along with your child or contact the school on 4053901. There have been too many students that are not bringing swimming togs.

School Swimming Sports:

Friday 29th March

Netball: Please note change of date and time for muster

If you or your child is interested in playing Netball in the Bay of Islands Assoc competition this year Crushers Netball is holding a muster on the 13th March at 6.00pm @ Lindvart Park.

They are looking at having two school age and two senior teams this year if there is enough interest.

Junior team 7-9 year olds

Intermediate 10 - 12 year olds.

A Grade

Premier

If you have a child that is interested you can leave a message at the school and we can pass it on to the Coaches / Managers. Nga mihi



2019 BOT MEETING DATES						
TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4			
5th February & 12th March	14th May & 18th June	6th August & 10th September	30th October & 3rd December			

*The following items will be made available to the students for purchase on Friday's (unless advised otherwise)							
Popcorn - \$3	Sausage Sizzle - \$2	Hot Dog - \$3	Drink - \$2	Ice-Block - \$1			

Remember to use our website to keep updated about school information - www.waima.school.nz

Jenny Colebrook Principal

