



Wainuiomata Primary School

Term 3, Week 10 2023

Dear Parents/Caregivers - Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa

Hard to believe that we are in week 10 already and break up this Friday 22 September at 3:00pm for the school holidays. Let's hope the fine weather continues for the break!



I am including the list of 100 activities for the holidays again in this newsletter.

A huge thank you to all our wonderful staff for everything they have done this term – it has been a busy 10 weeks!

This Thursday we are fortunate to have some students from Wainuiomata Intermediate perform to our year 6 students and in the afternoon principal trombonist and harpist perform from Orchestra Wellington perform to the whole school.

Congratulations to our Dancesplash group for their fantastic performance last week – they looked amazing, and I was so super proud of them.

Thanks to Lisa Preston for taking photos and creating the video of the night. If you haven't seen them, already check them out on our Facebook page.

I would like to welcome our new children and their whānau to Wainuiomata Primary School: Rooshi and Sansa

New Classrooms

We have had a slight change of plans with our new classrooms and the demolition of the old prefabs. Room 6 and 7 will move to their new rooms for the start of term 4, Room 14 will move to the new double classrooms and Room 8 will move to Room 14. Until the asphalt is completed there will be limited stair access. Room 8 & 9 prefabs will be demolished in these holidays and Rooms 3 – 7 in the Christmas holidays. I am meeting with Mama Mate this week to organise a blessing for the new rooms - details on when and where this will take place will be posted on Facebook.



Scooter Training Sessions for years 1 - 4

On Tuesday students in Rooms 13, 15, 8 and all year 4 students will have scooter training.

On Wednesday students in Rooms 14 and 16 will have scooter training.

All students involved will need to wear shoes (croc's are in 'sports mode' are acceptable) for their training session. Children are encouraged to bring their own helmets and scooters if they have them. If they do not have scooters or helmets, then these will be provided.

School Assembly

and whānau are most welcome to attend this Friday 22 September at 10:30am.



Happy Birthday

Best wishes to these students whose birthday is this week or over the holidays; Noah, Amelia, Tobias, Atalia, Sofia, Brooklyn, Shaurya, Brandon, Blake, Arjun, Isla, Aurora, Devante, Para and Alice

A reminder that there is no school on Friday 20 October as we have a staff only day.



Please put Friday 27 October in your diary. Our twilight gala is happening.

This is our major fundraising event for our EOTC week. Classes are busy planning what they will be making and selling on the night. Don't worry about cooking that night as we will have a selection of yummy food for you to purchase!!

100 School Holiday Activity Ideas

At Home: Inside

1. Make an ant farm.
2. Bake cupcakes
3. Make a cubby house under the table.
4. Invite friends over to play.
5. Make homemade pizza.
6. Dance to music.
7. Have a theme day. This may be butterflies, pirates, princesses, fairies, dinosaurs or a particular colour.
8. Make an inside obstacle course with cushions, pillows, boxes, chairs and blankets.
9. Ice biscuits.



10. Play dress ups and do a play.
11. Make a themed play space: in a large rectangle bucket or tray create your own play scene. For example: use a smaller container (like an empty margarine container) filled with water, and in the rectangle bucket place rocks, small twigs, bark or sticks from trees for an outdoor scene.
12. Go on a colour hunt in your house. Collect objects of a certain colour and take a picture of your finds to make a collage.

13. Buy a note book and get the child/ren to write a school holiday diary (or draw pictures every day for young children).
14. Reorganise the children's room (with their help).
15. Make fruit kebabs
16. Write a letter to someone.

At Home: Outside

17. Hang a sheet from a tree to make an outside cubby house.
18. Fly (cut to length) crepe streamers in the wind.
19. Eat outside.
20. Do general gardening or plant a vegetable or herb garden.
21. Make an outside obstacle course.
23. Blow bubbles
24. Do an outside treasure hunt.
25. Create an outdoor play garden. Create a small space of dirt and fill with pots, small rake, bucket, spoons, utensils and solid plastic toys like animal figurines.



26. Make a decoration from flowers

At Home: Arty and Crafty

27. Make fairy wings

28. Make a Zorro mask out of a strip of black material with two eye cut outs.



29. Create a family artwork on a large canvas.

30. Make recycled paper.

31. Collect flowers and press them inside book between baking paper.

32. Colour-in. You can print a variety of colouring in sheets online.

33. Face painting

34. Make paper dolls

35. Make a robot out of cardboard boxes.

36. Make a treasure map out of brown paper.

37. Make a musical instrument

38. Be crafty at home: knit, paper craft, play dough, cooking or painting.

39. Make up a diorama

40. Paint toe nails.

41. Make boats out of milk bottle lids, a straw (for the mast), paper (for the sail) and blue-tack to stick the sail on to the boat.

42. Make a leaf collage picture.

43. Glue cut out pictures from a magazine or junk mail to a piece of paper.

44. Make a photo book: take photos of your favourite things and collate them into a book.

45. Make sock puppets by gluing wool on the top of an old sock and using a permanent marker to draw eyes, nose and a mouth.

46. Do a self-portrait. Stick a large piece of butchers to the wall (or lay on the floor) and trace around your body.

47. Make a long paper-clip chain.

Out and About

48. Visit a museum



49. Go on a bike trip

50. Go window shopping and have a special morning tea.

51. Go see a movie.

52. Eat a big ice-cream.

53. Visit a library.

54. Fly a kite.

55. Have a picnic outside.

56. Visit a park or playground.

57. Look out for butterflies and birds for a day.

58. Go fruit picking.

59. Plan a day trip:

- museum
- environmental centre
- hiking
- bush walking
- visit the beach

60. Visit someone lonely.

61. Collect shells on the beach.

62. Go ten tin bowling.

63. Visit a planetarium.

64. Feed ducks at a pond.

65. Go fishing.

66. Look for organised school holiday opportunities at shopping centres, parks, libraries and councils.



67. Go swimming.
68. Talk to your mum, dad or grandparents about their childhood. If you can visit their old house or a place they liked
69. Look for free activities at a shopping centre.
70. Go for a walk.
71. Visit Dad or Mum at work.

Adventurous

72. Go Bike-riding
73. Catch a train.
74. Go Ice-skating or roller-skating.
75. Catch a bus.
76. Go on a bush walk or hike.
77. Go on a nature hunt
78. Make a cubby house
79. Catch a ferry.
80. Allow your kids to learn a new skill. Look for workshops in horse-riding, pottery, art, rock climbing and drama.
81. Have a quest. This may be photographing butterflies for a day, hunting for cool letterboxes, looking for street signs for the names of the people in your family or tasting 3 different types of cookies and cream ice-cream.



At Night

82. Look at the stars.
83. Walk on the beach at dusk
84. Go on a nature walk down your street with a torch.
85. Have a movie night. You can make your own popcorn cups by making a cone shape with a piece of paper and taping it together.
86. Toast marshmallows in the oven before threading them on to sticks (parent would do this).
87. Eat at a family restaurant.

When It's Raining (also see At Home: Inside)

88. Go to an indoor play centre.
89. Play with umbrellas in the rain.
90. Collect rain in a bucket.
91. Play inside games like hide and seek or duck, duck goose.
92. Photograph the raindrops on the window and include them in a photo book.
93. Go for a drive in the car.
94. Visit a friend's house (or invite a friend over to play at your place).

Quiet Time

95. Play board/card games like Monopoly, Dictionary, Pictionary, Snap, Taboo, Hungry Hippo, Scattegories, The Old Maid.
96. Watch a DVD at home.
97. Stay in your PJs all day.
98. Make a "city" with cars, toys and boxes for buildings.
99. Lie on the grass and watch the clouds.
100. Have "rest" time where everyone plays quiet games like reading or puzzles on their own bed.



Taken from: <https://www.beafunnum.com/2011/06/100-school-holiday-activity-ideas/>

Important Dates

- **Start of Term 4 Monday 9th October**
- **End of Term 4 Wednesday 20th December**

Hei konei ra - Kind regards

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Junior Summer Programme for players in Years 1 to 6 (Monday/Tuesday afternoons)

Wellington Hockey's Junior Summer programme is a great opportunity for young players to try the sport for the first time or for existing players to grow their skills in a fun and inclusive environment.

This programme is led by WHA Coaches and involves a combination of skill development, and small games suitable for the age and stage of the players.

We are aiming for the programme to run in the following locations, however, the exact locations will be registration dependent.

Elsdon, Porirua
 TBC, Karori/Kelburn
 National Hockey Stadium, Newtown
 Fraser Park, Lower Hutt
 Maidstone Upper Hutt

The 6-week programme starts on Monday 30th October/Tuesday 31st October, with the last session the week of 4th December 2023. The hour-long sessions start at 4pm.

An individual registration fee of \$45 is due at registration.

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/b9182c>

Entries close: **Tuesday 24th October**