

Wainuiomata Primary School

Term 3, Week 4 2020

Dear Parents/Caregivers - Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa



Isn't it nice having the sunny days – let's hope that this fine spell is that start of warmer spring weather.

This year staff have started professional learning development (PLD) around mathematics called DMIC (Developing Mathematical Inquiry Communities) The aims of DMIC are to:

- Dramatically lift mathematics achievement for all students, with particular gains for Pasikifa, Māori, and previously under-achieving learners
- Transform teachers' views of what mathematics is, who can learn mathematics, and how children best learn mathematics
- Increase students' confidence, participation, reasoning, oral language, cultural identity, and responsibility for their own and others' learning
- Reduce bullying and disengagement

To be part of DMIC as a school we have made a commitment to transform mathematics teaching and learning by adopting research-based, culturally sustaining practices. We want all our students engaged in rich, challenging mathematics, reasoning, and discourse (discussions). There is an emphasis on changing 'fixed mindset' thinking and linking mathematics to students' cultures and lives.



Part of the PLD involves staff working with facilitators from Massey University which we will be doing this Friday 14 August for the teacher only day.

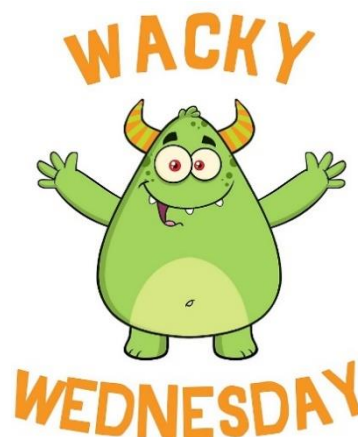
This is really valuable learning for staff and I thank you for your support when school is closed this Friday.

I would like to welcome Evie and her whānau to Wainuiomata Primary School.

School Closed this Friday
Teacher ONLY Day – Friday 14th August!!



***Wear your Wackiest
Clothes and bring a can
for our Civil Defence stores.
Tomorrow 12th August***



School Reports

School reports are being sent home today with students. These reports were written with whānau during the recent Learning Conversations. If you did not attend please contact your child's teacher so a meeting can be held and a school report written.

School Assembly

A reminder that there is no school assembly this Friday 14 August due to the teacher only day.



Happy Birthday

Best wishes to these students whose birthday is this week: Jetta, Leebaan, Isabelle, Tyrell and Malico

Picking up and Dropping off Children: Thanks to all the parents and caregivers who are conscientious and careful when picking up or dropping off their children by car.

This is a reminder about the importance of safe and legal driver behaviour around our school gates – Main Rd and Homedale Rd.

The following driver behaviour puts all our children at risk:

- Parking on yellow lines
- Parking on blue lines (Homedale Road)
- Double parking
- Doing U turns on Main Rd
- Calling children across the road to your car

Please remember everyone's safety before and after school. Police and Parking Wardens often patrol parking spaces around our school and can issue an infringement notice with a fine of up to \$150



Parents are also asked not to park in the staff car park before or after school as it makes it very difficult for the Road Patrolters to carry out their duties. Thank you for your help with this.

Room 14 emailed me and asked me to put this in our school newsletter

Hi everyone,

Most of room 14 have tried broccoli covered in melted milk chocolate and think you should try it too. When you cover the raw broccoli in melted chocolate it becomes something different and feels as good as a kit kat when you crunch into it. You would think that broccoli and chocolate together would taste disgusting but when you actually try it you will be surprised because it is delicious. It basically is a kit kat with vegetables.



We also think you should try it because it is a fun way to eat your vegetables plus you get chocolate too and who doesn't LOVE

CHOCOLATE!!! It is crunchy like an ice cream cone and can be eaten straight after school as a treat or snack.

We think you should all give it a go and let us know what you think.

From Room 14

Breakfast Club

We need helpers for our school breakfast club 8.30-9am. If you are able to help out, please contact the school office.

Lost Property

Please come and check out the Lost Property on display outside room 8. There is a lot of clothing that we would love to return to its owner.



Important Dates

- Wednesday 12th August – Wacky Wednesday
- Friday 14th August – TOD School Closed

Hei konei ra - Kind regards

Allison Burdon

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