

## Diary Dates

### Coming up . . .

- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October **year 8 Gardasil vaccinations**
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October **1<sup>st</sup> instalment school accounts due**
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October **BoT/council meeting** 7 p.m.–9.30 p.m.
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October **Labour Day holiday—SCHOOL CLOSED**

### Term 4 dates



Our fourth term has 8 weeks (plus 2 days) or 9 weeks (plus a day) in it, depending on whether you are area school

(primary and high) or preschool. The area school finishes on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at lunch time after the end of year concert and preschool finishes on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

### Reminder to park considerately

Please remember to park considerately when dropping off and picking up your children. Our neighbours need to be able to enter and exit their driveways as needed and get understandably upset when Wā Ora community members block their driveways. Please respect their needs and leave sufficient clearance.



## This Week

### Welcome back

By Ava Szabo – Principal

Kia ora whānau

Welcome to term four. I hope you all enjoyed a well-deserved break. Whether you managed some time away, or remained at home, I hope you found time to rest and relax with your families.

We begin this term with the implementation of our new primary timetable. Information on how this will work in practice has already been sent out, however I've included a summary of the changes in this newsletter, which I hope is helpful.

### High school and preschool

There is NO CHANGE to the start and finish times.

### Primary school

Hours of instruction: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Supervision times: 8:30 a.m.–9 a.m. and 3 p.m.–3.30 p.m.

### Morning supervision in the primary school

Active supervision with no sign in required: 8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.

Between 8.30 a.m. and 8.45 a.m. this supervision will be outside if the weather is fine and in class if wet. For the 9–12 children this will be in Tōtara class.

Children can be in class with their teacher and/or assistant teacher from 8.45 a.m.–9 a.m.

### Afternoon supervision in the primary school

School ends at 3 p.m. If you are collecting only 6–9 and/or 9–12 children, pick up is now from the primary playground. If you are collecting both preschool and primary children or you are collecting at 3.30 p.m., you may access through the preschool gate.

Between 3 p.m.–3.30 p.m. there will be active supervision by a staff member in each primary class. Please advise your teacher via email the day before or by using a sign in sheet that will be placed at the entrance to each class at the start of each week. If you would like to use this service permanently Monday–Friday for the entire term, only one email is required. At 3.30 p.m. children will be released as normal.

If your child already attends after school care (ASC), we will automatically keep them until 3.30 p.m. when they will be taken to ASC.

If you are late to school, please sign in at the office as per the current process.

If you are wanting to make any changes to your ASC arrangements, please let the office know as per current processes. It is very important that the office is aware of changes to after school care bookings prior to 2.45 p.m. so they can let the class teacher know whether 3 p.m.–3.30 p.m. supervision is/is not required.

Have a great week.

*Our care of the child should be governed, not by the desire to make him learn things, but by the endeavour always to keep burning within him that light which is called intelligence.* Maria Montessori

## Sport

### Touch rugby and netball for term 4— for children aged 5–11 years

If your child is interested in playing year 1–6 touch or year 1–2 netball this term, a survey was emailed out last Thursday with all the information. Please complete the survey by tomorrow, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October.

### Touch rugby sessions—open to all

Ike Tapine is running sessions for anyone to come along to (have a run around and try it out) at Fraser Park on Sundays 11 a.m.–12 noon. For more information, please contact Anna on [tapine.waora.sportsteams@gmail.com](mailto:tapine.waora.sportsteams@gmail.com).

## Congratulations!



Well done to Amelia and Cashel who won MVP awards at the end of last term for their respective teams. Cashel played in the girls 2<sup>nd</sup> XI and Amelia played in the mixed 2<sup>nd</sup> XI team.

Congratulations also to Olivia Cheng who competed in the North Island Judo Champs in Auckland at the end of last term. She won two gold medals in the Cadets division and the senior girls, both under 48kgs.

## Remember sunhats for term four



Please remember to ask your child to pack their sunhat in their school bag for this coming term. During the summer terms (Term 1 and 4) all students must wear a sunhat with an appropriate sized brim when outside. Please also remember to put sunscreen on your preschool child and encourage your primary child to do this for themselves each morning before coming to school.

## Wā Ora active community group (PTA) 'save the dates'

Wheels Day is back later this term on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, so mark your diary and stand by for further updates.



Also look out for more details coming soon about a car boot sale that will be happening on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November

## Preschool menu forms due back

If you have not yet completed and returned your preschool menu form, please do so tonight as we need them back by tomorrow's deadline!

## Preschool and primary disco



Every year our Kawakawa adolescent students organise a disco for preschool and primary children as a fundraiser for their Odyssey. Save the date of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November for this year's disco to be held at our high school. The preschool disco will run from 5.30 p.m.–6.30 p.m and costs \$5 per child and the primary disco from 6.30 p.m.–8 p.m. and costs \$7.50 per child. More details will follow soon 😊

## School Accounts

Preschool accounts are now in your mail pockets. Accounts for area school students have been posted, so please watch your mail box for these and contact Donna if you haven't received anything by the end of this week. Information regarding payment options (payment methods and instalment dates) is included in the attached 'Accounts Information Letter'. Please talk to Donna if you have any queries about your account.

## Signing the Preschool Attendance Register

A reminder for all parents of preschoolers to check that their signing of the preschool register is up to date. The office is open from 8.30 a.m. until 4 p.m. so please come in when dropping off/picking up and catch up on your signing. It is a Ministry of Education requirement that all children are signed for.

## Shakeout earthquake drill




Wā Ora is registered for the New Zealand ShakeOut drill happening on Thursday afternoon this week at 1.30 p.m. We will run our earthquake drill as per our regular procedure.


## Yoga for kids

## Kids Yoga

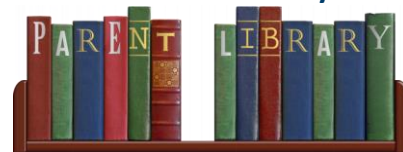
Teaching children the value of yoga, meditation, breathing, self awareness, and empowerment using music, games, stories, dance and lots of fun.



**5-7y/o Tuesday 3:30-4:15**  
**7-10y/o Thursday 3:30-4:15**  
**10+y/o Thursday 4:15-5:15**  
**Eastbourne Library, First Floor**  
**\$120 for 8 week term**


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## Parent Resource Library



There is a parent library in the office from which caregivers are welcome to borrow books. We have books on discipline, dyslexia, language and reading, play, Montessori, parenting and many other general interest topics. Please talk to the office ladies if you would like to borrow a book.

## Are you thinking of selling your house?

Kia ora. If, from your referral, we list and sell your home in the Lower Hutt area, we will donate \$500 to Wā Ora Montessori School. Contact us today for a no obligation appraisal. Supporting Wā Ora Montessori School. Jodie and Eugene Winterburn. Red Coats Professionals Lower Hutt. 022 462 0121  
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