

Diary dates

Coming up . . .

- Monday 18th May BoT/Council meeting staff room 7 pm
- Thursday 28th May year 7 technology
- Monday 1st June Queen's Birthday holiday-SCHOOL CLOSED

Term dates



Term 2 is a 12-week term and finishes on Friday 3rd July.

Term 3 is a 10-week term and begins on Monday 20th July and finishes Friday 25th September.

Term 4 is an 8½-week term and begins Monday 12th October and finishes Wednesday 9th December.

Welcome back



Wishing everyone a great first week back at school — we're so pleased to see you 😊

This week

A visual recap of lockdown learning and teaching



Sport

While school sport is heavily impacted at the moment, and the timeframe for resuming as per normal is still being worked through, below are some 'Thank You's' and congratulations from last term to acknowledge.



Touch Rugby term 1 wrap up

A promising Touch season for Wā Ora (that was unfortunately cut short) with all kids having fun and all the teams registering wins in the season. The open Touch sessions on Saturday morning also went well. Thank you to Jenny, Chris, Mike, Nicky and Kelly for supporting Ike and Anna by running the sidelines. We will be all go again in term 4. Keep an eye out for our communications in term 3!!

Congratulations to ...

... Madeleine Bailey and Stella Harrison who were selected for the HVHS netball premier squad.

... Cecily Holland, Kaitlyn Burtenshaw and Nea Blackham who were selected for the HVHS football girls 1st XI squad.

Postponements/Cancellations

Working bees

All existing working bees for this term have been cancelled and new dates will be scheduled and communicated shortly. The office will be requesting those families who've missed to sign up for the new date that works best for them. Keep an eye out for an email.

Dental van

The Bee Healthy team were scheduled to be at school now, but this has been cancelled and will be rescheduled later in the year. We will update the calendars when a new date has been arranged.

Year 7 and 8 immunisations

These were cancelled due to lockdown and we are awaiting new dates. Once these have been arranged, we will advise families. As all paperwork was completed prior, nothing further is required.

Level 2 ways of operating

Just reiterating the key messages for how we must operate at level 2.

Preschool

Drop-off and pick up for all tamariki is at the preschool gate from 8.40 am—9.05 am. If you arrive after 9.05 am you need to contact Anna (preschool DP) on 021 263 7516 to open the gate and welcome you. Please do NOT enter school with your child. Morning tea and lunch will be provided for the children each day. Pockets in the office won't be used or available to access during Alert Level 2. There is no signing of the weekly attendance register at Alert Level 2.

Primary school

Drop off and pick up is at the school gate by the pedestrian crossing with parents remaining offsite where possible during Alert Level 2. The gate will be unlocked at 8.30 am by staff for children to enter. Primary students need to bring morning tea and lunch that can be eaten as is from their lunch box (no access to kitchens). They must also bring their own named (full) water bottle.

High school

If a student is late, they must call the office but head straight to class. Students need to bring lunch that can be eaten as is from their lunch box (no access to the kitchen). They must also bring their own (full) water bottle.

Before and after school care

Before school care is open from 8 am. Parents should drop their children via the back door of the room at the far end of the staff car park. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE STAFF CAR PARK. After school care and sibling care are also open. Whānau will need to enter via the preschool playground and come to the room to collect as normal. You will be required to sign the contact tracing register.

School office:

Contact the school office by email or phone where possible (email: office@waora.school.nz; landline: 04 567 2377; mobile: 029 770 4286). If you need to see an office staff member, please ring in advance and staff will let you in via the back door between the staffroom and Rātā class. There is a 1-in-1-out policy and you will be required to sign the contact tracing register.

Level 2 ways of operating (cont.)

School office (cont.):

For lateness or absences please notify the office via the school app, email, text or phone in the usual way.

General:

The primary playground is unavailable before 8.30 am and after 3 pm for playing. There is no onsite toilet for whānau during Alert Level 2.

Donations Tax Letters

All families with primary and high school students are able to claim back a portion of their 2019/20 school donations through the tax credit claim process. This process must now be completed online via the IRD website. You may collect your letter from the office (whilst adhering to our safety procedures for onsite visitors) or can request a scan to be emailed to you by Donna (donna@waora.school.nz).

School photos order update



PhotoLife are back at work processing school photo orders. Once completed they will be sent to Wā Ora and we will then advise parents when they are ready. Thank you for your patience with this delay due to the backlog of orders to process.

Scholastics books



Scholastics books have arrived at school and will be given to children to bring home.

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 teamwinterburn@redcoats.co.nz.

