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We are: Confident, Optimistic, Unique, Respectful, Adventurous, have Grit, Enthusiastic



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The Heads-up for the week ahead.....

TUESDAY - PTA MEETING 7PM - Community Hall

FRIDAY - GROUP DAY at Broadlands

WAIKITE VALLEY SCHOOL PET DAY 2020

What a fantastic day we had on Friday! The weather was wonderful, there were over 65 animals at school competing for the ribbons, the crowd enjoyed the food and drink available, and the atmosphere was very heartwarming. A huge thank you to the PTA for all the work that went into organising the day and ensuring it ran smoothly, the kids for all the time and effort they put into preparing their animals for the day, and the judges for their astute work to ensure everything was done to a very high standard. A notice will be going home today to invite all our qualifiers to the Group Day this Friday (held at Broadlands). There is also a lovely spread of photos in the middle of this newsletter. Ka mau te wehi!

MRS TOPP BACK TO WELLINGTON - A.C.E.T. PANEL

So, I have been requested to return to Wellington for further work on the A.C.E.T. Panel. This is a very rewarding professional time, where I spend (up to 2 weeks) reviewing and assessing portfolios submitted by experienced teachers from a range of contexts all over the country. A panel of 4 team members (including myself) are overseen in this process. We work from 8am-5pm (with 2 short breaks), spending most of the time reading, discussing and evaluating the teachers' work against a strict criteria. The award for the successful candidates is aspirational. The acronym A.C.E.T. stands for Advanced Classroom Expertise Teacher. We usually convene mid to late August, but due to Covid-19 restrictions, our work has fallen early in Term 4. I am looking forward to being back in school from Wednesday this week.

STUDENT TEACHER (Kasee Mitchell - University of Waikato) in G.P.A. for 6 weeks

The Graduate Pathways Academy are fortunate to have a student teacher working in their class for the next 6 weeks (starting today). She is in her final teaching placement and will be taking full control of the class for a period of time - with the support and guidance of Mr Topp. We are very lucky to be able to work with the teaching

graduates as they prepare to take up a job in the teaching profession.

JUNIOR TOUGH GUY/GAL CHALLENGE - 28 OCT

Next Wednesday is the rescheduled date for the Junior Tough Guy/Gal challenge. We will send home transport details to all who had originally registered - if you are no longer able to participate, please let the office know. The school van will be available to help with transport if needed.

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday October 26 - <u>LABOUR DAY (Public Holiday)</u> Wednesday October 28 - JUNIOR TOUGH GUY/GAL CHALLENGE Wednesday November 4 - School Photos Wednesday November 4 - BOT meeting 6.30pm



Haere Mai, Welcome Poppy Lester - Pod 1.

PET DAY 2020



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waikite valley School - 2nd overall for racing points. North Island primary / intermediate schools challenge in Rotorua on Saturday! TUMEKE!



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