



Waikite Valley School

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

Mon 18 October - Covid Alert LEVEL 2: We will continue as we have with the drop off/pick up routine, buses running, school van running, After School Care, School lunches - all happening at Level 2.

Tues 19 October - Craft day in school (see pg 3 of this newsletter for details)

Wed 20 October - Waikite Valley School Pet Day

Upcoming Dates.....

Mon 25 October - Labour Day (Public Holiday)

Fri 5 November - PINK SHIRT DAY - Speak up, stand together, STOP bullying

Mon 8 November - School Photos

Wed 15 December - Last school day for 2021

HAERE MAI - NEW TO OUR KURA:



Pod 1- Logan Birch



Rm 2 - Rene Van Zuydam, Blair Holmes & Olivia Holmes



GPA - Chris Van Zuydam & Rm 4 - Chloe Holmes

Kia Ora Koutou Whānau

SCHOOL HATS - In term 4 it is compulsory for the students to wear a school hat when they are outside the classroom. :) We have the hats for sale in the office (\$15). Any students not wearing a school hat will be asked to sit or play in the shade (under the large shade sail in the courtyard).



TERM 4 LEARNING - Following Crafty Day and Pet Day this week, we have a busy term ahead :) The term calendar will be posted in next week's newsletter and on our FaceBook page. We have School Photos, our musical productions, Athletics, Calendar Art, and our regular curriculum - Science (Material World) is our topic this term.

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Waikite Valley School - Developing Learners for Life

Our School Bikes have been repaired and serviced and are available for the children to use again. They are available daily following the School Bike Code and our class rotation. Every child intending to ride must have their **own** helmet and closed toe shoes.



School Bike Time Table				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pod 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	GPA



The Waikite Valley School P.T.A. would like to thank all those families that helped with the Slink Run 2021. Approximately \$5000 was raised . This will greatly help the P.T.A. fundraising efforts for 2021.

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN FOR PET DAY 2021

It is wonderful that we will be able to run our school pet day at Level 2 this Wednesday. However, this will require us to follow a strict health and safety plan for the day:

1. As always, only students and their pets are permitted behind the rings.
2. Congestion must be minimised at all times - it will be important that we stay as spaced out as possible. There will be a one-metre physical distancing requirement for all parents/caregivers not from the same bubble.
3. Wearing face coverings/masks is strongly encouraged.
4. Anyone who has travelled to/from or through Auckland during the school holidays is asked to not attend the day.
5. There will be multiple QR codes displayed on the field and we require everyone to scan in.



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PET DAY CREATIONS 2021

Outlined are the success criteria for fairness to all students and to allow judges clearer guidelines for marking. It is **compulsory for them to enter at least one** of the categories. They construct the creations on Tuesday 19th October during class time, please send their bits and pieces along with them.

All **students may enter any or all** of the following categories.

- Playdough animals
- Vaseline Saucers
- Gumboot Floral Creation

The age groups are:

Junior school	(yrs 1 – 2)
Middle school	(yrs 3 – 4)
Senior school	(yrs 5 – 6)
Intermediate school	(yrs 7-8)



Playdough Animals:

One animal created using playdough (can use additional minor accessories such as googly eyes). The judges are looking for a true likeness in shape and proportion, but not necessarily colour. Students will need their own playdough (and any additional accessories if needed). There are playdough recipes you could make at home and send in with your child, or a set of small tubs from a store are adequate too.

Vaseline Saucers:

A decorative piece created on an upside down saucer, covered with Vaseline, on which petals, leaves etc. are stuck to. They will be judged on use of colour, symmetry, saucer coverage and overall impact. Students need to bring their own saucers and flowers, we will provide the vaseline.



Gumboot Floral Creation:

Children can bring in either an old single gumboot or a pair and use any flowers or leafy stalks to create an arrangement. Any items they need will have to be brought from home on the day. They will be judged on height, use of colour and overall impact.



Please note:

- The **creations will be made at school on Tuesday 19 October** and judged that afternoon so results are available on Pet Day (Wed 20 October).
- Any extras to add to the creation can be made or gathered during the school holidays. They can also practice their construction over the holidays. The children are required to independently construct their creations on the day at school.
- Students will need to supply their own flowers, saucers and anything necessary for each of their craft entries.
- The above descriptions are the criteria that will be given to judges.
- All creations must be labelled underneath with the child's name and year level (this will be done at school).

We will have judges from the local Woman's Institute, so get planning and show them what a creative and talented school we have. **HAVE FUN!!**



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