



# Te Kauwhata Primary School

## Panui ~ Newsletter 16

20 September 2017

Kia ora koutou,

As this will be our last full newsletter for the term I wish to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and also give a BIG shout-out to those of you who have supported our sports teams this term as coaches, managers, side-line supporters and taxis in general. Without you all our children wouldn't have all these opportunities available to them. I am off-site this week for the annual Principal's Federation conference and value and appreciate this opportunity to listen to inspiring speakers and network with principals from across the country. Brian Martin is acting principal in my absence.

On Monday each family would have received our Social Sciences review survey. Thank you for taking the time to add your comments and thoughts, along with those of your children. We will reward 100 whanau points for each survey returned by the end of the term. Extra copies are available from the school office.

Our student leaders hosted a fundraising disco on Friday evening and what a fun night it was! Thank you to everyone who came along, we had some magnificent movie characters in attendance! Well done to our leaders who took on the responsibility of this evening and did a wonderful job organising and running it. They raised \$600 towards their Y6 camp, a great effort! School closes for the holidays next Friday, 29th September and starts back on Monday 16th October for term 4. Next term is a short term with only 9 weeks so the end of the year is approaching quickly.

Have a lovely holiday break with your children and stay safe.

Ngaa mihi nui  
Vicki and team

### Term dates 2017

#### Term 3:

Monday 24 July -  
Friday 29  
September

#### Term 4:

Monday 16  
October - Friday  
15 December

### Public Holidays 2017

Monday 23  
October - Labour  
Day

## Community of Learning

*In recent times, the Ministry of Education has been encouraging the formation of Communities of Learning. (COL) These are groups of schools and early childhood education centres that are linked, usually geographically. The aim is for the members of each COL work together and ensure that we meet the shared student achievement challenges for our children.*

*To Tatou Tere Ako Community of Learning (North Waikato) includes Te Kauwhata College, Te Kauwhata Primary, Kimihia School, Ohinewai School, Waikaretu School, Suits & Gumboots Daycare, Te Kauwhata Childcare & Learning Centre plus Te Kauwhata Playcentre. With TKP being the largest of the four primary schools in that group, we have a pivotal role, as the majority of our Year 6 children go on to Te Kauwhata College and most of our new entrants are coming from daycare centres and pre-schools in and around TK.*

*Each COL needs to select its own leader from within the group, and based on both experience and capability, it is no surprise that Vicki Saunders has been chosen to lead the North Waikato COL for the next two years. The time commitment is significant, with 2 days per week being allocated for Vicki to manage COL functions. Accordingly, Brian Martin will have the chance to further develop his leadership skills by taking over some of the Principal functions previously managed by Vicki. Below this, the Ministry will provide additional funding to ensure that our teaching resources are not compromised by the COL management.*

*Overall, we expect that you will see only positive results from our school being part of the North Waikato Community of Learning. If you have any questions about the COL, or any other school matter, please do not hesitate to ask. You can email me at: [grantbot@tkp.school.nz](mailto:grantbot@tkp.school.nz) or send a letter to the Board via the school office.*

*Grant Clegg  
Board of Trustees - Chairperson*

**PRINTERS** - We have 6 Black laser printers for sale, excess to the school's needs. 5 Brother and one HP. Two of the brother printers can go on a network, just plug it into your home router, the others are just stand alone. They have a range of toner left in them. Printers priced at \$10 each. First in first serve. Please ask at reception or Mr Plant in the Learning Hub.

**YUMMY STICKERS** - Thanks to all who have contributed, keep them coming please. We have a sticker sheet in reception or hand your cut out labels from bags to Louise at the office.

**Lost Property** - Please check our lost property box in the Library, it is filled with a lot of mufti clothing, shoes and unnamed jackets. A friendly reminder to parents to please mark all clothing items. Each child is expected to take care of his own items, please support our teachers in this regard to foster independence and teaching our kids responsibility. We will be cleaning the box out in the holidays as there is no more room for more recent lost items.

***Calf Club - Wednesday 18th October***

*Just a reminder all Calf Club entries must be returned to the School office no later than Friday 22nd September. Thank you*

**Room 4 - Writing about our WOW Week**

Last week Room 4 had 'WOW' week. My group was Adrien and Warker. Rob helped us put sparkles on wood to make fridge magnets. WE sold them to Room 3 and Room 4. I liked buying stuff from other people. I bought a turtle and blossoms and a dinosaur and a cake. It was a yummy chocolate cake with chocolate icing and a butterfly.

Written by Blake Marshall

Last week we worked in groups and it was 'WOW' week. We were making shops! In my group I had Riley, Vera and Mason. First we made a plan for Mrs Burns. Then we gave it to Mrs Burns. Then on Tuesday my group brought the things to make our creations. My group was making bunches of flowers. It was a creation because it was made out of toilet rolls, egg containers as well and buttons. On Thursday we started to make our creations. My favourite part was working as a team and my challenge was listening to my groups ideas and working as a group. On Friday it was market day. We sold out! We took turns going shopping and being the shopkeepers. Two people stayed and two people went shopping. It was FANTASTIC!

Written by Bella Meiklejohn

## Important dates...

- Board of Trustees meeting tonight 20th September
- Nga Toi Showcase 28th September
- Term 3 finishes Friday 29th September
- Term 4 starts on Monday 16th October
- PTA meeting - Tuesday 17th October
- Calf Club day Wednesday 18th October
- Group day Friday October 20th



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days to go

[www.facebook.com/TKPSchoolFair/](http://www.facebook.com/TKPSchoolFair/)



## CAN YOU HELP MAKE THE GALA GREAT?

- We want your quality second hand books, toys and white elephant goods - drop off to the school pools from 8.30am -9am every Monday until the Gala.
- Volunteer to help on the day. We need a massive 80 volunteers to make this happen so please raise your hand and support your school. Shifts are just 2 hours to ensure that you can also spend time enjoying the Gala with your family.
- Support your kids to enter our Competitions - Wild Writing and Home Gardening. Details on FB Page and at School Office.
- Sponsor an activity or donate a raffle prize - please reach out to your friends and employers as they too may wish to support the school.
- In Term 4 we will call for donations of grocery items and home baking.

Contact us on 021 222 5682 / [pta@tkp.school.nz](mailto:pta@tkp.school.nz)  
<https://www.facebook.com/TKPSchoolFair/>

### Waikaretu School Farm Fun Run 29th October, 2017 @ 9am

Registration - [www.simplerun.co.nz/waikaretu-school-farm-fun-run/](http://www.simplerun.co.nz/waikaretu-school-farm-fun-run/)

This exciting new Fun Run takes participants over scenic farmland in Waikaretu, with views down a picturesque valley and out to the west coast.

It is an all off-road run, over an up and down course, with a beautiful back drop.  
 Is a perfect opportunity to get out with friends and family with a range of distances to choose from.

10 km Run/Walk	\$25.00
5 km Run/Walk	\$15.00
3 km kids course (12 and under)	\$10.00

Spot prizes on the day.

Waikaretu School is a small rural school and this fun run is our major fundraising event for the year.



# Hey Kids, do you want to try Golf?

Waikare Golf Club are once again running an introductory programme this summer

**Starts:** Tuesday 17th October - 5pm to 6pm  
Then every Tuesday or Wednesday (your choice) except for school holidays

**Ends:** End of March with daylight saving

**You Need:** To be Primary School age  
To wear sports shoes  
To bring \$10 for the whole programme

**We Will:** Provide all the gear  
Teach you to play golf  
Provide fun (and prizes)

Any questions, please contact the golf club office on

**826 3574**



**TE KAUWHATA**  
GOLF CLUB





**HEALTHY HOME BAKING**

# FILL UP WITH FIBRE



Fibre helps us feel full for longer and keeps our digestive system healthy. Increase fibre by replacing  $\frac{1}{2}$  the white/plain flour with wholemeal flour.

Developed by Sport Waikato 2017

**HEALTHY HOME BAKING**

# GET SPICY




Sugar in recipes can be reduced by  $\frac{1}{3}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the suggested amount. Add spices like cinnamon, allspice or nutmeg for extra flavour.

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**Bring your ASB School Banking Envelope to School**

Any spare coins will do. If you save \$1 each week in Term Three, you will have \$10 for the school holidays!



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**ASB**

**Te Kauwhata Childcare**



## Now offering 30 hours **FREE**

Conditions apply

We provide quality care and education, where learning and fun become one!

*Call in and visit anytime*

**4 Learning Centre**

Hours of Operation: 8.00-5.30 Monday-Friday ■ 9 Mahi Rd, Te Kauwhata  
Ph: 626 3280 ■ Email: [tkchildcare@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tkchildcare@xtra.co.nz)



### KIDS AFTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

October holidays are fast approaching and KAS has an exciting new holiday programme planned to keep the kids entertained!

A copy of our brochure has been sent out through your school.

For more information and enrolments visit: [www.kidsafterschool.co.nz](http://www.kidsafterschool.co.nz)

Or pop into our programme at Bombay School.

Book now to secure your place, spaces are limited!

## Give your kids a 'head start' with FREE early childhood education

Do you have a 3 or 4 year olds' not involved in early childhood education?

Do you want to access **free** early childhood education so your child has a 'head start' before starting school?

Kōwhai will support families to:

- Access early childhood within Waikato district
- Provide support with transition to school

If you would like to know more about this **free** service, please contact Stephanie on:

Phone: 0800 323 543 OR 027 4551 775

Email: [stephanie@kowhai.biz](mailto:stephanie@kowhai.biz)



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