



WAIMATE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL



17th September 2020

Tena Koutou Katoa
Nga Mihi Mahana- (Warm greetings)

As I am sure you are aware, a recent announcement was made by our prime minister Jacinda Ardern that **we are extremely likely to be moving into Level One next week**. This will mean some changes to current Health and Safety practices which we will keep you up to date with as soon as possible.

In the meantime, Level 2 Health and Safety practices remain in place at school.

Schools are safe to be open for all children and they are required to be at school.

Exceptions: If they are sick and/or displaying COVID - 19 symptoms, are in isolation or awaiting the result of a test.

"Bubbles" currently do not need to be in place.

Strict hygiene routines

hand sanitise on entry to and from classrooms

wash hands with soap and dry hands before leaving toilets or before eating food

water fountains will not to be used (*The children are to bring a named bottle*)

doors, handles and surfaces for example, will be spray cleaned during the day.

Visitors, which includes all parents and caregivers, will need to sign in and out and complete a contact register found outside classrooms or the office area. If you enter the school grounds you must sign and complete the register.

We also have **QR codes (COVID TRACKER)** placed at various points around the school, including at our main gate, that we encourage you to use.

For those students who have no difficulty with coming to school we ask that parents consider dropping and collecting them at the gate only.

We completely understand that some students are always more settled if parents come into the school to drop them off and pick them up. If this is the case, parents can bring their child into school and see them settled and ready.

We will **not** be having staggered finishing times as we carried out previously under Level 2.

The children are to still arrive no earlier than 8:30 each morning and are to move directly to class. They may then enter the playground or court areas.

School playgrounds are open at Alert Level 2.

Assemblies - Unfortunately parents, care-givers etc. are unable to attend our assemblies during Level 2.

HOME & SCHOOL LUNCH

FAST (our Fundraising And Social Team) have organised a Home & School Lunch for **Thursday, September 23rd** as an enjoyable way to end our school term. We would like to invite parents and other family members to join us at school for lunch at 12.30 on the Thursday provided we are at level one.

Order forms have been sent home and orders need to be returned to school with the order and money in a named envelope no later than **Tuesday, September 22nd**.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Teacher Only Days - August 28th, September 25th and October 23rd
- South Canterbury Swimming Sports, Friday, September 11th
- End of term 3 - September 24th

END OF TERM

The last day of term 3 is Thursday September 24th.
Term 4 begins October 12th

TEACHER ONLY DAY

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day on Friday the 25th September. The school will be closed for student instruction.

SUBWAY

Subway is available this coming Tuesday, 22nd September. Orders to the classroom teacher please

VISITING AUTHOR

We were fortunate to have Philippa Werry visit our school last Thursday. Philippa has written many children's books and groups of writers throughout the school were provided with the opportunity to work with her. Extremely positive feedback was received from children of all ages who took part in these sessions and it was very enjoyable to listen to children share written pieces they had created while working with Philippa.



SENIOR SCHOOL KIWISPORT

The 4 senior school classrooms took part in a KiwiSport session organised by Raewyn at our local Events Centre last Friday. Raewyn and an excellent team of helpers provided the children with an extremely enjoyable morning, taking part in a wide variety of activities. Activities included badminton, squash, indoor bowls, snag golf, table tennis, indoor tennis and a variety of other fun games. It was great seeing the children throwing themselves into all the different activities and having so much fun.

A huge thank you must go out to Raewyn and her super team of helpers for providing this experience for the children.



SOUTH CANTERBURY CROSS COUNTRY AND SWIMMING SPORTS

The Swimming Sports have now been rescheduled for **Monday, November 23rd**. Waihi School are looking at their calendar and are waiting to see if we drop to Level 1. They hope to find a date for the Cross Country in Term 4 as well.

Please Return: I have received and read this newsletter () (tick)

Family name _____

STANDING TALL

Respect for self - Jason Waugh, Harry Luckman, Stella McFarlane, Lucas Ali, Jason Waugh, Indi McKenzie
Respect for Others - Olivia Carline
Respect in All Areas - Sophie Wilson

CLASSROOM AWARDS

Effort & Progress in Writing
 - Zoe Smith, Nikita Sanders - Gu
Effort & Progress in Reading
 - Jackson Burgess, Colbie Lane
Effort & Progress in Arts - Genna Hargreaves, Santi Zimmermann
Presentation Skills - Scott Brown
Increased Independence - Connie Cousau
Looking after Others - Ace Binnie
Works and Plays well with Others - Charlotte Donaldson

GOLD BAND WINNERS

Weka - Cody Swatridge, Genna Hargreaves, Kelly Carter, Blake Dyer, Callum Rempala, Olivia Carline, Pat Huwes, Leah Finn, Milla McKenzie
 Kea - Zaylee Davis, Mythili Khangarot, Tiffany Milne, Madisyn Smith, William Nichol, Briar Craig, Sammy Hill, Brooke Proudfoot, Lachie Patterson
 Tui - Amelia Buckingham, Lucas Cook, Sophia Davidson, Eden Grieve
 Pukeko - Suri Apafi, Callan Harrington, Abbie Sew Hoy, Pippa Smith, Indy Stowell, James Fraser, Harry Luckman, Ricky Savage, Charlotte Knightly, Andrea Jordanovska, Tahlia Ainsworth, Korbyn Oughton, Ryder Hall
 Takahe - Harper Davis, Zayden Binnie, Mollie Peters