

Wairau Valley School

17th May 2021



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome back to school everyone, we hope you all had a nice break. It is lovely to see the students looking refreshed and happy to be back. We are looking forward to a busy and fun filled term with plenty of opportunities for our students. Coming up is the St John in Schools Programme, Road Safety Awareness week, Lunches in Schools, a trip to Marfells beach, Kiwi Can, and of course winter sports have started up.

We would also like to welcome our new families and students to the school - Ari, Kyan and George. We hope you enjoy your time at WVS, we are delighted to have you join us.

The junior playground is near completion and once again I would like to thank Donald, Peter and Richard for all the work they have put into this.

Our senior teacher Briar Meek will sadly be leaving us at the end of the term. We will miss her enthusiasm and the many skills that she brings to the school. A new teacher will be appointed to start in Term 3. We welcome Gemma Allen this term who will be working in Chalice Room Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fishtail Room on Thursday, Friday. This is just to cover staffing while Karen is away (introduction from Gemma below).

We hope to travel with the whole school to Marfell Beach later in the term, to support the school's current learning focus. The proposed date for this is June 1st. We will be sending a permission/transport form home today.

Thank you everyone for your support as I settle into the role as Acting Principal.

Regards,

Lisa McDonald



Gemma Allen

I am so pleased to be welcomed back into Wairau Valley School this term. I have had a lovely couple of weeks getting to know your children and look forward to getting to know them more over the term. Having previously taught here at Wairau Valley from 2013 to 2016 it is nice to pop back in and see the new and amazing things that have developed in the school.

In the past few years, I have been working part-time at Springlands School and often pop into other schools around the region too.

My husband and I are both from Marlborough and have three children at Fairhall School. Livvie who is in year 8, Molly, year 6, and Tom who started school at the end of term 1. This means I spend a

lot of time running around between sports and family life. I really look forward to meeting you all and helping your children on their journey through Wairau Valley School.

ST JOHNS IN SCHOOLS

This programme was delivered last Wednesday. It is a positive learning experience and empowers the children to prevent injuries and respond to emergencies at their level.



KIWI CAN

This term the programme is focused on Resilience- Taikaha - coping with challenges and bouncing back. It is great to have Dan and Cerys back with us this term. The students are very engaged when working alongside them each Tuesday.



Resilience *Taikaha*

Means coping with challenges and bouncing back.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER

Resilience

"People with goals succeed because they know where they're going" (Earl Nightingale). This week we're going to be learning about **goal setting** - and why and how having goals helps us be resilient as we face challenges.

Younger tamariki will be learning what a goal *is* and how we can challenge ourselves. Older Kiwi Can kids will be learning how to set SMART goals and developing their own. (The "SMART" - in SMART goals - stands for Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely ☺)

Some conversation starters for this week:

- What did *you* learn about in Kiwi Can this week?
- What is a goal *you* have at the moment? What is your *plan* for making it happen?
- What challenge would you try if you *knew* you couldn't fail? (Can you come up with a plan to tackle this big challenge *anyway*? Failing and trying again is something to be proud of, and an important part of resilience!)

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ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

This week is Road Safety Awareness week. We will be using this week to implement road safety lessons with a focus on keeping our students safer on and around roads. We will also be looking at road safety rules when travelling in the car or on the bus, (e.g. when passing a school bus what speed should we be doing), school zone speeds, crossing safely and more. Josh Reidie, our local community constable, will be at school on Friday morning to cover bus and road safety with each class.

Friday May 21st Bright Day/ Go yellow - come dressed in something super bright to help raise awareness for Road Safety week.

LUNCHES IN SCHOOLS

Our Healthy Lunch programme will start on Monday the 24th of May.

Please see a copy of the first week's menu below.

Here is a [Link](#) to the Libelle facebook page, you can check out the weekly menus and latest updates.

LUNCH BY LIBELLE Term 2, 2021

TOTARA WEEK

24/05-28/05

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Stir fried rice</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> None</p> <p>Snack: Yoghurt</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> DF, VE: Fruit Salad</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<p>Chicken Salad Wrap</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> V: Cheese Salad Wrap VE: Hummus Salad Wrap</p> <p>Snack: Hummus, chickpea snack, celery and carrot sticks*fruit</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> None</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<p>Burger Bites Bento Box</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF, DF, NB, V, VE: Chickpea Fritter</p> <p>Snack: Cookies</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF, EF: Blissbites</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<p>Chicken Mayo Roll</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF: GF Roll</p> <p>Snack: Pikelet or Fruit Salad Cup</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF, DF, EF, VE: Blissbites or Kea Cookie</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<p>Chicken and Rice with salad</p> <p><i>Dietary Alternatives:</i> V, VE: Tofu & Rice with Salad</p> <p>Snack: Pikelet or Fruit Salad Cup</p> <p><i>Snack Dietary Alternatives:</i> GF, DF, EF, VE: Blissbites or Kea Cookie</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
<p>Key: (V) Vegetarian, (GF) Gluten Free, (DF) Dairy Free, (EF) Egg Free, (H) Halal, (NB) No Beef, (NP) No Pork. *Senior students additional item. Meals will be prepared to cater for children with specific allergies or cultural requirements. If you need these options please make the school aware two weeks in advance. Meals are prepared in a non-allergen controlled environment. If you have low tolerance towards certain allergens please notify the school immediately. Items may vary subject to supply.</p>				
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NOTICES

Parent Help The Trust of New Zealand

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FRIDAY 21ST MAY

OUT OF THIS WORLD

Disco

SPACE ZONE FOR ADULTS
PURCHASE YOUR OWN TREATS

COME DRESSED
AS YOUR
FAVOURITE SPACE
CHARACTER

\$3 ENTRY
COSMIC GLOW STALL
SPACE SNACKS
SPOT PRIZES

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
DISCO ENDS AT 8:30PM
ALL ATTENDEES MUST BE SIGNED OUT

DOOR LIST ENTRY • PRE-PURCHASE TICKETS BY EMAILING
FORSRENNICK@GMAIL.COM OR VISIT THE SCHOOL OFFICE
CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED IN & OUT
ALL JUNIORS YR 4 & UNDER MUST HAVE AN ADULT PRESENT

POOL CARETAKER POSITION

**We require a new School Pool Caretaker
6 hours per week during summer, weekly checks over winter
Training will be provided
Please contact the Office if you might be interested.**

Important Dates Term 2

- First Day of Term 2 - 3rd May
- Technology Dates Term 2:
3rd May, 10th May, 17th May, 24th May
- First bell 8:50 a.m.
- Finish time 2:45 p.m.
- Last Day of Term 2 - 9th July