



WAIKOWHAI
INTERMEDIATE

Waikowhai Intermediate School

...developing life-long learners...

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Greetings, Kia Ora, Fakalofa lahi atu, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Taloha, Kia Orana, Ni Hao, Buenos Dias, Chao, Malo ni Habari, Dobar dan, Bula Vinaka, Apa Khabar.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you for engaging with this fortnights addition of the Newsletter. We value our communities' support at Waikowhai Intermediate and use our Newsletter as one of the major ways of communicating with you. When necessary we also use our student management system to send bulk emails.

We are also always very happy to hear from our community and receive feedback. In the first instance emailing your child's classroom teacher or one of our leadership team is a great place to start.

While we are fortunate that we have always had a very supportive community here at Waikowhai Intermediate, I do think that sometimes there can be a misunderstanding at intermediate schools that parents should be left at the gate. While your child may prefer this for school pick up and drop off, and at intermediate this is probably appropriate (or let them walk, bike or bus), your support of our school is still very much wanted and needed. Please do be in touch with your child's classroom teacher if you think there is some way that you can support the school. For example, we are always willing to accept the help of experienced coaches for our sports teams and do need your support with transport to events.

Another event we look forward to your support at is our School Production, tickets are on sale now, please see the back page of this Newsletter for details.

Kind regards,

David King
Principal

Measles

I have repeated notices regarding the Measles outbreak recently as it is an increasing issue. Recently I needed to phone all the parents and caregivers of members of a team who competed at another school as there was a case of measles at the event. Fortunately, all the members had been vaccinated. If one of the members had not, I have been given a letter from Auckland Regional Public Health Service saying that "You need to keep your child at home in quarantine" for a period of a week. Please see the notice below about vaccination.

Measles in Auckland schools

Please vaccinate your child or young person if they have not had one measles (MMR) vaccine. It is free at your GP.

Students in a class with someone who has measles may be asked to stay home for one to two weeks, if they have had no MMR vaccinations.

Students with one or more MMR vaccinations can still attend school.

Check your child's immunisation records in their Well Child/Tamariki Ora book or ring your GP clinic.

Tell your GP or after hours clinic if you suspect measles before you arrive, so you don't infect others.

Symptoms: cough, runny nose, fever, sore red eyes, then a rash.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles

Auckland Regional Public Health Service
Keeping Whānau Safe & Healthy



Central Zone Rugby league

On Tuesday 13th August, we had 16 students represent our school at the Central Zone Boys Rugby League Tournament held at Auckland Rugby League. It was a cold wet and windy day but the boys put on a showcase of excellent teamwork and individual brilliance. The team executed the game plan put in place by Head Coach Jaybour Leaga Mini and went through the pool play undefeated. The final was against powerhouse Rugby League School, St Paul's College. It was a very close game but unfortunately, after the final hooter, we went down by one try. Thank you to the parents who supported us on the day. Your help was greatly appreciated.



Congratulations to the following players who placed 2nd at the CZ Boys Rugby League Tournament:

Luke Grant, VJ Brown, Revival Salati, Hame Palelei (Captain), Penisoni Tulimaiau, Tyrone Hurt-Pickering, Zachan Kemen, Pila Lilo, Kieren Murgatroyd, Tyreez Edmonds, Luke Stroh, Oscar Su'a, Lesayne Tuiasau, Joseph Macdonald, Jirah Esekia, Andreus Vakatini.

School Social



Thank you to Miss Sacha de Graaf and our Student Council for organising a very successful School Social. Thank you also to all the teachers who stayed late to supervise to make this possible. Any proceeds from the event, go to the School Council to purchase prizes for our Waias' draw at our Friday assembly. Waias are given to children for being in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing. They are then posted into a box for a draw at Friday Assembly where the children receive a small prize.

School Cross Country

On Wednesday 22 August our students completed our school Cross Country. I was very proud of all our students who gave their best effort right to the end of the course. Thank you to the parents and caregivers who showed up to support our children, and also for your flexibility with the change of times on the day so we could avoid the morning weather. Thank you also to Rhonda Moir for her organisation of the event.

Year 7 Boys <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Daniel Kregting R132. James Hamblyn R93. Hamish Thomson R164. Qais Omeri R135. Nathaniel Ford R166. Liam Ng Shiu R12	Yr 7 Girls <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Izaany Kruger R92. Grace Bremner R123. Joanna Vashi R154. Anna Watkinson R145. Amaya Phillip R126. Piper Brotherton R15
Yr 8 Boys <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ethan Akampa R62. Luke Grant R43. Kevin Zhang R24. Munro Rankin R85. Oscar Su'a R86. Alex Palides R1	Yr8 Girls <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Deanne Philpott R72. Kaia Bensley R33. Grace Tea R44. Tanya Ng R35. Keira Park R26. Hazel Thrush R27. Sativa Goldie R6

Daffodil Day Friday 30th August 2019

Waikowhai is supporting the cancer society this Daffodil day by wearing daffodil pins. Daffodils are a gold coin donation, which can be purchased from the front office. The student councillors will be visiting classes each morning for any students who would like to donate. Everyone is encouraged to wear them at school to show their support.



Vector EPro8 Challenge

This year we have entered three teams into the Vector EPro8 Challenge for the first time. EPro8 stands for **E**ngineering, **P**roblem Solving, and **I**nnovate. Two of our teams competed at Papakura Intermediate last week against ten other teams from different intermediate schools. Part of their challenge was to build a lightning strike tower, a separate 4 storey tower complete with a pulley operated lift and a giant rat wheel that was used to generate light. They worked really well together and found success with the Wai Mojos coming 3rd and the Wai Sharks coming 5th place. The Wai Mojos will now advance to the Semi-Finals in November.

Our third team will be competing at Mt Roskill on the 29th of August, so watch this space.



Possessions at school

Our message to all children is to keep all valuable possessions at home when coming to school. If there is a reason they have to bring something of value to school they need to hand it into their classroom teacher. Money for the tuckshop should be used to order in the morning, or can be kept in a pocket, or handed to the teacher as well. Please talk this through with your children and help them to manage their possessions ahead of high school.

Robotics - Two 2nd places at Auckland Regionals Competition



On Saturday 10th August our school competed in the Robocup Junior Regional Robotics Competition at St. Cuthberts. This year we enrolled in the open soccer and senior rescue competitions. In both competitions we came second.

Our robotics soccer team competed against 14 other teams and only lost in the finals by 2 goals. Congratulations to Sean-Michael, Sahil, Jethro, William and Liam.



Our rescue team competed against 18 other teams and ended with the same number of points as the initial winner, and was placed second because of a slower time to complete the courses. Congratulations to Lilly, Kiki and Shabeera. Well done girls.



ONEHUNGA MANGERE UNITED SOFTBALL CLUB

Come and give Softball a go at our annual Open Day
Registrations 10% discount on the day. Free Sausage Sizzle for all who participate.



**Sunday 15th
September
12pm-2pm
Swanson Park
Mangere Bridge**

Follow us on Facebook



www.sporty.co.nz/onehungamangeresoftball

Girls' Basketball

On the 8th of August the Girls Basketball Team traveled over to the North Shore Events Centre and played nine exhausting 15 minute games of basketball. The girls ended up battling it out in the finals against Pasadena, overall placing second out of nineteen teams. We are extremely proud of the girls not only because of the amazing result but the way they conducted themselves and represented Waikowhai on the day.

Congratulations on an absolutely fantastic result girls! A special thank you to Mike and Kylee for all their help and support.



Save the date!

Tēnā koutou,

As a means of bringing together our community, the Lynfield Kāhui Ako is excited to announce its very first Kapa Haka Konohete!

WHO: The Kapa Haka performance groups from eight of our Lynfield Kāhui Ako schools:



Blockhouse Bay
Primary School
We Soot - We Strive - We Grow



BHBI Blockhouse Bay
Intermediate
Stand Tall • Ruia Taitea



WHAT: Kapa Haka Konohete - a celebration of culture! Each of the 8 schools will perform an item, and the evening will close with a mass performance

WHEN: Thursday, 24 October 2019 at 6:00pm

WHERE: Lynfield College Hall

A gold coin koha would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to sharing this experience with you!

Wai Change?

Waikowhai Int 2019 Production

Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th September
7-9pm

Family \$25 (2 adults 2 kids). Adult \$10.

Child \$5 (under 14 years). Senior \$5.

Tickets available from the school office

Show Time	Ticket Type	Quantity	Cost
Wednesday 26th September	Adult		
	Child/Senior		
	Family		
Thursday 27th September	Adult		
	Child/Senior		
	Family		
If you wish to pay via internet banking: ASB Roskill 12-3043-0239891-01		Total Paid	
Student Name:		Room:	Contact: