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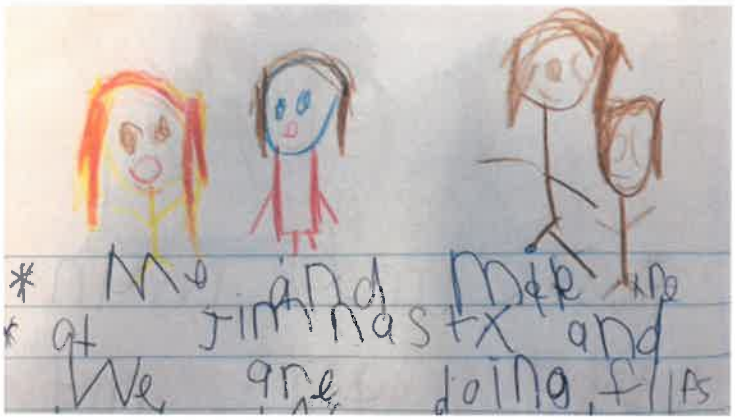

Me and Mia are at gymnastics and we are doing flips.

By Archie - Room 1

TO BE OUR BEST

Valuing and nurturing individuals to be themselves

In all things there are many forms of best - as individuals and as a community of learners we always strive to be our best

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NEW PUPILS

Skyla Matthews has joined us in Room 1, Zephaniah Joe has joined us in Room 3 and Eleaizar Joe has joined us in Room 9. Welcome to Waitohu School all of you.

VISITING CARTER OBSERVATORY IN WELLINGTON

Four classes have visited the Carter Observatory so far! It is FANTASTIC. A reminder notice for students will come home the day before each trip. ***Please return any outstanding permission slips and payments tomorrow.***

THANK YOU JO

For the last number of years Jo Andrews has generously ensured the safety of all our students, between 8.30 - 9.00am three mornings a week, on our Te Manuao Road patrol crossing. Jo has been totally reliable and provided a really positive and safe welcome for so many. This is a really important role and on behalf of us all Jo, THANK YOU so much for the hours of time you have given. You have been BRILLIANT.

My thanks to Dave Reynolds and Wene Gilbert who are going to continue this service for our school.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PARENT SURVEY

We are seeking your feedback regarding our Health and Physical Education programme. Please take a few minutes to let us know your thoughts and return the attached survey form to the school office. Thanks.

MID-WINTER RAFFLE

Our Home and School Association have once again organised a Mid-Winter raffle with an array of great prizes. Each child has received a book of 5 tickets (maximum of 2 books per family). Each ticket is $2. We ask that you sell these tickets to your friends, families or workmates and return the ticket stubs and the $10 per book to school by Friday 25 August. Additional books need to be returned by Friday 15 September. The proceeds will be used to purchase extra classroom resources for our students. The more books you are able to sell, the more resources we will be able to purchase. Every book sold will put you in the special ticket seller prize draws. There are also two prizes for the top ticket sellers. If you do not wish to sell the tickets please return them unsold as soon as possible so we can redistribute them. If your child did not receive tickets to sell, apologies for the oversight. You can contact the office if you would like some.Thank you.

UNIFORM RETURNS

Can all Thursday afternoon netball team or soccer uniforms please be returned to school tomorrow. Please note they do not need to be washed as we have all uniforms cleaned.

WAITOHU SCHOOL AGRICULTURAL CLUB

Lambs, Calves, Kids and Gardens

It's Agricultural Club time again. In the next few weeks Mrs Moore will be meeting with students interested in bringing a lamb, calf or kid to our Annual Agricultural Day for judging in Term 4, or entering into the Home Garden competition. Permission slips are now available in the office along with rules and guidelines.

Birth dates are: Calves - 1 July – 31 August / Lambs and kids - 15 July onwards

Free to a good home: Goat kids, free to good home. Phone Nadine on 021 0248 0735

Assistance with Calf and Lamb milk is available for those in need. In exchange for the animals being given to her after Agricultural Day competition a community member would purchase the milk for a maximum of 2 calves and 4 lambs. If interested please phone Leigh for further information on 364 6559 or 021 0232 0665.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Lucky Book Club Offer 5 orders are due in tomorrow, Friday 11 August. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic New Zealand Limited. The online ordering system now available is explained in the brochure.

VISION AND HEARING SCREENING

MidCentral Health Vision Hearing technicians will now be at our school on Friday 8 September (change of date) to test all new entrants who have not completed their B4 School Check, and children with no previous test record. If you do not want your child to be screened, please let the school office know.

EVENTS – UPCOMING

- Wheels Day - Senior Syndicate - Friday 11 August
- Rooms 5 and 10 - Carter Observatory Visit - Friday 11 August
- Rooms 9 and 8 - Carter Observatory Visit - Monday 14 August
- Rooms 11 and 1 - Carter Observatory Visit - Tuesday 15 August
- Room 7 - Carter Observatory Visit - Wednesday 16 August
- Assembly (10.10am) - Friday 18 August
- Board of Trustees Meeting – Tuesday 22 August at 7.15pm
- Daffodil Day - Friday 25 August
- Assembly (10.10am) - Friday 1 September
- Vision and Hearing New Entrant Screening - Friday 8 September
- Interschool Rippa Rugby Tournament - Tuesday 12 September (p/p Wednesday 13 September)
- Home and School Association Meeting - Tuesday 12 September (7.15 - 8.30pm)
- Kids For Kids Choir - Wednesday 13 September
- Assembly (10.10am) - Friday 15 September
- Board of Trustees Meeting – Tuesday 19 September at 7.15pm
- Fairy Tales, Myths & Legends - Whole School - Thursday 21 September (5.30 - 7.00pm)
- School Photos - Wednesday 27 September
- Assembly (10.10am) - Friday 29 September
- Final Day, Term 3 – Friday 29 September
- Day 1, Term 4 – Monday 16 October

COMMUNITY NEWS

ŌTAKI COLLEGE DANCE SHOWCASE

Ōtaki College present their 'Dance Showcase' tonight, Thursday 10 August at 7pm in the school hall. Gold coin donation towards an air conditioning unit for their dance and drama room.

ŌTAKI COLLEGE MOVIE FUNDRAISER

Ōtaki College are holding a movie fundraiser, 'The Big Sick' at the Shoreline Cinema on Thursday 31 August. Nibbles and raffles from 5.15pm, movie starts at 6pm. Tickets will be on sale from Waitohu School and Ōtaki College offices from Monday 14 August. Please come along and support our local College.

CROWS FEET DANCE PERFORMANCE

Crows Feet Dance Collective presents a provocative and entertaining programme "C is for Climate Change" in August. Tickets cost $20, $17 or $10. Wellington performances are at Whitireia Theatre, 25-27 Vivian Street, Wellington on Friday 11 August at 8.00pm, Saturday 12 August at 3.00pm and Sunday 13 August at 3.00pm. Bookings are available through the webiste: www.thetheatre.co.nz

KĀPITI YOUTH ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Kāpiti Youth Orchestra's annual concert is on this Sunday 13 August at Southwards Car Museum at 3.00pm. Tickets cost; adults $15, child $5 (under 14), family $35, infants under 5 years free. Presales at Waikanae New World, 5 Parata Street, Waikanae and door sales also.

EGG CARTONS NEEDED

A local free range egg provider is in need of many dozen egg size cartons. If you have any spare at home could you please drop them into the office. Thank you.

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Health and Physical Education Consultation Information Sheet

In accordance with the Ministry requirements, it is necessary for us to consult regularly with our parent community about Health and Physical Education. These two areas are linked in one curriculum document and your feedback will help us with our reviewing of policies and practices that reflect the needs of the children at our school.

To help you respond, the following key areas identified in the curriculum document **may** be included in the two yearly cycle of Health and Physical Education teaching. Each 'key area of learning' has aspects which may be taught at all year levels.

Key Area of Learning	**Clarification and Possible Programme Content**
Mental Health	Opportunities to develop skills and understanding about: • Personal identity and self worth • Stereotyping and discrimination • Effective interpersonal relationships • Drug and alcohol use and misuse (Years 5-6) • Keeping ourselves safe
Sexuality Education	Opportunities to develop skills and understanding about: • Interpersonal skills and attitudes to enhancing relationships
Food and Nutrition	Opportunities to develop skills and understanding about: • Nutrition for growth and development across all ages • The links between nutrition, exercise and well-being • The cultural significance of food • Food safety
Body Care and Physical Safety	Opportunities to develop skills and understanding about: • Personal body care • Prevention of illness, injury, infection, disease, common lifestyle disorders • Identifying environmental hazards • Self responsibility
Physical Activity	Opportunities to develop skills: • Movement skills in a range of areas • Cultural practices in physical activities • Their own attitudes and behaviours in physical activity settings
Sport Studies	Opportunities to develop: • Skills for participating in diverse sporting roles • Skills to manage competitive and cooperative environments
Outdoor Education	Opportunities to experience: • Adventurous activities and outdoor pursuits that focus on physical skill development, fun and enjoyment

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Health and Physical Education Consultation - Your Responses:

Ethnicity: _____

1. **Which of these key areas do you consider important for your students to learn and why?** *(Please note the first four key areas of learning are more closely related to Health Education).*

2. **What does our school do really well in Health and Physical Education?**

3. **Are you concerned about any particular aspects of Health and Physical Education being taught currently?**

4. **Are there any other issues you think we should address?**

(Please return to the school office by Friday 25th August. Thank you).