

Welbourn School Newsletter

Te Kura Tuatahi O Pukekura

February 15 2018

Newsletter 2

Tena ra koutou ki nga hau e wha ;Greetings to everybody; Kia ora, Talofa lava, Bonjour, Ni men hao, Guten Tag, Konnichi wa, Buenos dias, Kem cho, Namaste, Huan Yin, Anyunghaseyoo, Bom dia, Ahoj, Xin Chão Nēih hoū, Goeie more.

Our school Goal this term is: School Goal: RESPECT: Manaakitanga - For self and others.

Congratulations to all children “Caught making good choices” this week - Oliver Clement Rm 13, Celine Maxwell Rm 13, Shane Rei-Hoskin Rm 13, Kaylee Pollock Rm 13, Radenko Mirkovic Rm 3.
Congratulations to Rhys Wilton Rm 4, Heidi Moore Rm 12 who received a book in our “Caught in a Book” weekly draw.

Important Dates

15th February - Meet the Teacher 5.30pm
21st-23rd February - Kakapo Camp
27 February - BOT Meeting 5:30 pm
5 March - Home & School Mtg 7:30pm
12th March - Taranaki Anniversary

Meet the Teacher - Parent picnic evening

Tonight Thursday the 15th February at 5:30pm. Come and join us at this first school gathering for 2018.



Teachers will have classrooms open from 5:30-6:30pm and look forward to meeting you. All classes will be open during this time for those of you who wish to take a walk through the school. New families and parents of junior children may like to take advantage of this. We encourage the children to be your host and show you around their class and school environment and introduce you to their teachers.

The Home & School group is supporting the Kakapo team to fundraise for camp costs. There will be barbeque sausages, sponsored by Hellers, for sale on the covered concrete area in front of the junior block. Bring along your own picnic fare and relax with other parents and teachers after visiting rooms.

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Term Dates

2018 Term Dates

Term 1: Thursday February 1st to

Friday 13th April

Term 2: April 30th-July 6th

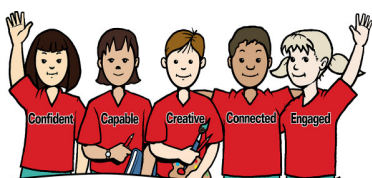
Term 3: July 23rd-September 28th

Term 4: October 15th-December 18th

“Back to School” Road Safety”

Thank you for supporting your children to make an ‘active transport’ choice to and from school by walking, scootering or biking (Y5-6). It’s a great time of year to set up some good active transport habits. Some reminders to help keep our children safe and reduce road chaos outside the school gates;

- ◆ Please park safely and legally; There is no **stopping on yellow lines or in front of resident driveways**. The disability carpark spaces should be kept free at all times for the use of drivers with a disability card.
- ◆ Encourage children to get out on the footpath side of car (and if they have a car seat in the way, could parents please get out so you can observe traffic around your child).



The NZ Police will have mobile patrols close to schools over the next few weeks and will be ticketing anyone who is illegally parked. Please make good choices for our children’s safety and avoid being ticketed. Thank you for your support.



ICT @ Welbourn - Thank you to all parents that have signed and returned the school ICT Responsible Use Agreement sent home last week.

We hope you were able to take advantage of the Netsafe parent evening at Highlands on Tuesday night.

As children begin to spend more time online, it's important that parents start to teach them how to stay safe. Here are a few tips that we think are really important.

SET EXPECTATIONS

Talk to your child about the type of behaviours you'd like them to adopt. For example, how long they should spend online, what apps and social media sites you'd like them to use and what is appropriate content to view. This will be different depending on the age of your child, and what you feel comfortable with. Technological options like parental controls can help.

UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY DO ONLINE

Talk to your children about what they're using the internet for. What's involved? What information do they share? Are they using the internet to learn? To communicate and create friendships with others? To create music or videos? Really listen to what they have to say – what might seem like 'just a game' to you, could in fact be a great way to learn. Showing an interest in the things they do helps to build your understanding of what their online world looks like and creates an environment that makes it easier to have more difficult conversations about in the future.

IF YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND IT, TRY IT

You need to understand the technology to better understand the challenges that young people face online. Explore the websites and apps your child uses to improve your knowledge, and take the time to read terms and conditions. You could even ask them to show you how it works, as a way to start conversation around online safety.

SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

How often do you use your laptop or smartphone at the dinner table? How many angry posts have you published? Take a look at the way you use technology while young people are around. If you see something that troubles you – change it.

If you have any questions around the use of technology please feel free to ask your child's class teacher, as they will be able to help or point you in the right direction. Remember the Netsafe website is a great place to start. <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

Home & School News

The Kakapo team will be hosting the Sausage Sizzle at tonight's "Meet the Teacher" evening to help raise funds for their school camp next week. Sausage's will be \$2-00 each and they have kindly been donated by Hellers. Please join us for a picnic tea outside the junior block (rooms 1-2) from 5.30pm to 6.30pm tonight and then you can go to your child's room to meet their teacher.



Sports News

Sports Fees: Please make sure all sports fees have been paid. I will be sending out reminders shortly.

Indoor Netball - 6 a-side indoor netball – 4 players needed from year 3-6 - Starting Friday 23rd February at 5.15pm at [77A Katere Road, Waiwhakaiho](#) - \$36 per player. This is being organised by Sophie Kraayenhof and not through the school so if you think your child may be interested, email me and I will forward all emails to Sophie.

Winter Sports

Winter sports available in Term 2 are yr 3-6 Netball (Runs for Term 2 only), Miniball (Yr 0-4), Basketball (Yr 5-6) Hockey (NE – yr 6) and winter Football (NE – Yr 6) all run through the school. Please keep an eye on the newsletter to find out registration dates. There are no new sports registration in Term 3.

Hockey – Expressions of Interest register is **currently at the office** for interested children to put their names down. Please have a chat with your child and if they think they would like to play Hockey for winter 2018 remind them to put their names on the register.

Summer Sports

Touch Rugby – I have room for more **U12 players (Yrs 5-6)** Boys and Girls. This is played Wednesday after school at Hickford Park, Bell Block. Games are at 5:10pm and run for 30 minutes. Registrations available at the school office or email me and I can email one out to you.

Season runs from February 28th through to April 4th

Inline Hockey – **places still available.** Games from 5:30pm at East End skate rink. Gear needed from home: helmet (bike helmet ok), mouthguard and knee and elbow pads. Rink supply inline skates and hockey stick on game night. Season runs from Thursday February 15th through to March 29th

Kiwi Cricket – Registrations closed. Season starts Friday 16th February through to season end Friday 6th April

Summer Soccer – Registrations closed. Season runs from Tuesday 13th February at Merrilands Domain, from 6pm. Season finishes on Tuesday 20th March.

Taranaki SuperKidz Tryathlon series: Yr 1-9 students run over 5

Thursdays from 22nd Feb to 22nd March at Spotswood college.

Registration – 4:30pm, Race start 5:30pm. For more information and online entry: www.tritaranaki.nz

Girls T20 cricket: Monday night competition Years 3-8 for Term 1. Girls register directly online to play in this 6 week competition. This is run separately to the Saturday competition. Season starts Monday 19th Register at: <http://www.taranakicricket.co.nz/>

Any queries to Suzanne Hopkins Sport Administrator
Welbourn School Phone: 757 5810 email:

sport@welbourn.school.nz

TSB SCHOOL BANKING - TSB School Banking is up and running again this year and it takes place **every Wednesday morning 8.30-9.00am** in the school library and **started this week.** If your child does not have a TSB account and you would like to arrange one for them so that they can take advantage of the weekly school banking, you are able to open an account at any TSB branch. **TSB is offering to match every new opening deposit to a maximum of \$10.** (Remember to mention Welbourn School when opening an account to ensure you benefit from the \$10 offer). If you have any questions regarding school banking, please don't hesitate to see me at school.

Sasha Scott - School Banking Coordinator

Community Notices:

KIDS' MARKET: This Sunday 18th February at Highlands Intermediate School. 8.30am till 11.30am with over 45 pre-loved and new product stalls of kids clothing, toys, books, baby gear & accessories.

Nga Mihi Kind regards

Kay Crowskey: Principal Tumuaki