



# Te Kura Tuatahi o Pukekura Welbourn School

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, Salam Alaikum, Namaste, Huan Yin, Anyunghaseyoo, Bom dia, Ahoj, Xin Chāo Nēih hoū, Goeie more, Shalom.

## Key Competency Focus: Thinking - Te whakaaro

### 2022 Important Dates

#### Term 2 / 3

End of Term 2 - Friday 8th July  
 Term 3 starts - Monday 25th July  
 Student Conferences  
 Tues 9th Aug **12.30pm school finish**  
 Wed 10th Aug  
 Y5-6 Camp - 26-28th Sept  
 End of Term 3 - Friday 30th Sept

### End of Term 2

We are now half way through the school year and this term has had its challenges with COVID still present & the winter flu also causing many children & teachers to be away from school. Despite this we have managed to have many events that we would normally have at this time of the year. It has been great to have had three of our four interschool sports exchange fixtures. (The photo above showing all our happy tamariki after their matches against Stratford)

With the holidays upon us, your child needs this time to recharge their batteries and refresh themselves, ready for next term. Holidays are also an opportunity to spend time with your child and have fun together. Forget "just surviving" the holidays - here are some ideas to help you and your family and whānau have fun and "thrive"! Check out ideas on this link [Holiday Ideas for parents](#)

Whatever your plans are for the holidays, stay safe and be kind to yourself and others.

### Student/Teacher/Parent Conferences

Mid Year Student, Teacher & Parent Conferences will take place in week 3, next term: **Tuesday 9th August from 1.30pm - 5.30pm & Wednesday 10th August from 3.15pm - 7pm.**

A link to book times will be available to parents early in Term 3.

Please note that on **Tuesday 9th August, school will finish at 12.30pm**

### Board of Trustees Election.

The BOT election is on September 7th next term. A separate email will be sent to parents tomorrow, calling for nominations. There will be an information sheet and an attachment to the nomination form. **Nominations close at 12pm August 3rd.**

Being on the BOT is a great way to get involved in the school and to give back to our wider Welbourn Community.

If you are interested in becoming a BOT member you can contact me or visit [school board elections](#) for information. Alistair Simmers Welbourn School Presiding Member (Board Chair) [alistairs@welbourn.school.nz](mailto:alistairs@welbourn.school.nz)



### Y6 Students Attending Highlands in 2023

If your Y6 child is going to attend Highlands Intermediate in 2023 please refer to last weeks newsletter for important enrolment dates and 'out of zone' application information. You can also visit <https://highlands.school.nz/> or phone 758 4162 (Highlands)

### DISCO

Thanks to our Student Council & Mrs Gibson for organising the DISCO last Thursday night, to raise money for Ukraine. Approximately \$400 dollars was raised. This money has been donated to the UNICEF Aotearoa, which will go to the Ukraine relief fund.

All the children had a great time dressing in blue & yellow and dancing to music played by DJ Moose.



## How to Eliminate Climbing Asparagus (Instructional Writing from Room 15)

Climbing asparagus is capable of strangling and taking over native plants rapidly. That's why removal is necessary.

Firstly, you need to identify the right plant so you don't pull out native plants. The weed is green and yellow with sometimes little orange berries. It will be wrapped around trees and native plants. Usually the weed will be in groups or they can be alone.

Next step is removal. Once you find the weed, you carefully dig your fingers in the soil and break the roots underground, then you pull the weed out.

And lastly is the disposal step. You can dispose of the weed at the dump or you can burn them. But the disposal option at the dump is more environmentally friendly because burning them will pollute the air.

Then you're done! That's how to eliminate climbing asparagus. By Hunter Sergeant

## Te Hēnui Space Visit



On Tuesday, the Te Hēnui team were super lucky to round off an awesome term of learning about Space with a fabulous zoom session. The session was led by the very passionate and knowledgeable astronomer 'Space Dave' who runs the Te Awamutu Space Centre in Kihikihi near Te Awamutu. He was really impressed by the questions our children asked and he had some awesome clips to answer our questions and tell us more about Space. If you are looking for a really cool experience in the holidays and are able to go to Te Awamutu, Dave and the Space Centre are highly recommended! if you do ever go, he would love to know that you are from Welbourn School!  
Room 2 Writing after Space Dave

Did you know that you can lift a car in space because there is no gravity. Tracy

Do you know there is a hole on Mars that is as big as New Zealand. Eva

Did you know the mountain on Mars has the biggest mountain in the universe. Cooper

Did you know astronauts put chilli sauce on their food so they can taste it in space. Carson

**Parking on Arawa Street** - Please be considerate of our neighbours when collecting and dropping off your children. Use the designated car parks and don't stop on the yellow lines or park in or across neighbours driveways. Using the correct parks makes it SAFE for all of our Welbourn children.

## Parent / Caregiver Details

It is vital that we have the most up to date contact details for all of our students. If you have moved house or changed phone or email details could you please click on the below link and update this information. It will be greatly appreciated. [Caregiver Contact Details Update](#)

## Sports News

**Winter Sports - All children that received a uniform top for Ripa Rugby and interschool sports can we please have them returned to the sports office by Friday 8th July.**

**Winter Football** - South Taranaki is hosting a Junior Festival at Turuturu Park in Hawera on the 23rd July ( Last weekend of the school holidays). It is open to North Taranaki clubs and Schools. If you wish for your team to participate please contact myself or directly to Brent from Central football at [brent@centralfootball.co.nz](mailto:brent@centralfootball.co.nz). Registrations close next Wednesday 13th July.

**Netball (yr 3-6)** Netball has come to an end. Can we please have gear bags and all uniforms handed back to the sports office by Friday 8th July.

**Any queries to: Sam Cresswell Sport Administrator, Welbourn School Phone: 757 5810 email: [sport@welbourn.school.nz](mailto:sport@welbourn.school.nz)**

**RAT TRAPS FOR SALE!** Only \$10 - Proceeds will go back into our school Enviro Group. Make sure you do your bit to save the environment!

SALES continue email Julie to order at: [julien@welbourn.school.nz](mailto:julien@welbourn.school.nz)



## Community Notices

**AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES**  
Term 3 : 25th July - 30th September  
Relaxed, Inspiring, Supportive Classes for 7 - 12 years  
Limited Spaces, Booking Essential, Everything Supplied  
Wednesdays 4.15 - 5.30pm  
or Thursdays 4.15 - 5.30pm  
\$20 per child, per class - 10 week Term starting on 27th July

Nga Mihi Kind regards

**John Carr: Principal**