

WESTERN HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Kia ora Whanau

Welcome back for the start of the 2020 school year.

It has been a frantic start as always, enrolling 50 new students and their families.

It is really great to be back, we are excited about the year ahead.

Our Free School Lunches Programme has started off well and I would like to thank Ka Pai Kai for their excellent service.

They are introducing new healthy foods to our children and the majority have really enjoyed the challenge that it brings.

As some of the foods are new to our children, it will take them some time to adjust to the pallet changes. Good healthy food is much better than the processed options many of our children are used to.

All we ask, is our students try the food, give it a go and be confident to try new things.

We have noticed some students saying they don't like certain things but in fact they have never actually tried it. Families can help by encouraging their children to have a go.

The quality of the food has been excellent, it is now all about changing taste buds from easy food to healthy food.

If you have any concerns, please do not resort to Facebook, contact me personally.

Hopefully, the Free Lunch Programme is benefiting your whanau.

As many of you are aware, Matua Luke left us last year to move with his family to Germany. We wish him well.

It is my pleasure to welcome Whaea Felicity to our school. It is always great to be able to replace quality with quality.

Western Heights Primary School is a No 'Tolerance to Violence School'. Bullying, intimidation, gang behaviour will simply not be tolerated. We will use Stand Down, Suspension and potentially exclusion if we feel we need to. All children will be educated in a safe and caring environment. Thank you for your support.

FOUR YEAR OLD CLASSES

Whaea Anita takes 4 year old classes on a Wednesday and Thursday, from 1.30pm-2.30pm.

Please contact the office if you have any queries.

FREE CLINIC

For those aged 4-19 with:

- Sore throats
- Sores/Skin infections
- Lice
- Scabies

For all other problems, please visit your usual doctor.

Clinic Hours

**3pm to 6pm Monday –Thursday
3pm to 5pm Friday
No appointments necessary.**

**Western Heights Health Centre
1 Brookland Road
Western Heights**

Ph 022 484 7628

Western Heights Primary School have an open door policy. If you have any concerns, please just pop up to the school and we will make the time to see you.

If we work together, we will gain success.

Cheap School Barber

We have been able to secure the services of one of Rotorua's most sort after Barbers, Sa-id Green. He is willing to come up to the school fortnightly, on a Monday, to cut our student's hair.

His charge would be \$10.00 per hair cut, much cheaper than prices currently being asked in town.

If you would be interested in this service, please fill out the tear off slip below.

FOOD FESTIVAL

The Western Heights Primary School Food Festival is on at Western Heights Primary School, next Thursday, 20 February.

The festival will run from 4.30pm to 6pm.

Bring your whanau and friends along, you will be able to buy your dinner and extra to take home.

There will be lots of great food options — hangi, sausage sizzle, seafood chowder, pizza, candy floss and lots more!

This will be a fantastic evening to catch up with family and friends.

See you there!

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TEAR OFF SLIP

Child's Name _____ Rm _____ would like to use the

Barber Service offered by Western Heights Primary School.

Contact Details _____

Signed Parent/Caregiver _____

Parents please remember to update your addresses and phone numbers with Whaea Marilyn in the school office. Thank you.

ABSENTEE PHONE NUMBER

If your child is absent, please phone 348 8459, or phone/text 021 117 4039 with a reason for absence. Thank you.

SCHOOL BANKING

Any parent wishing to start up a bank account for their child/children, please pick up a deposit form from the school office. School banking is with First Credit Union. Bank books need to be handed into the school office on Wednesdays and are returned to the children on Fridays.

Western Heights Primary is a 'Water Only School'.

We have a water fountain at school where the children can refill their own water bottles.

The water fountain is situated just down by Room 4.