



WESTERN HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NEWSLETTER 1/21

Kia ora Whanau

The 2021 School year has started with real enthusiasm and excitement.

I am excited to introduce to you our new teachers for 2021.

*Whaea Marnel in Room 5, Junior School (Kakano Waka).
Whaea Amira in Room 22, Junior School (Kakano Waka).
Whaea Keegan in Room 10, (Pihinga Waka, Y2).
Whaea Leilah in Room 12, (Mahuri Waka, Y5/6).
Whaea Lauren in Room 2, Senior Teacher, (Mahuri Waka, Y5/6).*

We feel very blessed to have teachers of this quality joining our amazing Kura.

You will get the opportunity to meet your child's teacher at the Meet the Teacher evening to be held in Week 3. Don't feel you have to wait until then, we have an open door policy, pop in before school officially starts, or at the end of the school day if you want to catch up with your child's teacher.

Term One is a hat term. It is important we protect our students from NZ's harsh sun.

In 2018, I got the news that I had melanoma. This was due to the lack of care I took when I was a youngster. I never wore a hat and sunblock was never used.

We have to ensure our children are protected. You provide the hat, we provide the sunblock.

Our free school lunches are up and running and they have been a hit so far this week. We ask all children to give them a go. We call it 5 bites and you are out. After 5 bites and they truly dislike the lunch, they can put it aside.

Lunches are as follows for the next 3 weeks:

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Nachos</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Chicken Pizza</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Pork Salad Wrap</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Chicken, Potato Salad and Coleslaw</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Meatball Sub</i>

FREE CLINIC

For those aged three to nineteen 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 needed.*

*Western Heights Health Centre
1 Brookland Road
Western Heights*

Ph 022 484 7628

FOUR YEAR OLD CLASSES

Whaea Anita takes classes for four year olds on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1.30pm to 2.30pm.

For further information, please contact the main office.

So many of our students do not eat salad or vegetables. The school lunch system is a good way to introduce them to healthy food alternatives. Obesity in young New Zealanders is at an alarming level.

We ask all families to support the programme and the improvement of their tamariki's health.

As you are aware, we have two special needs students who are on GPS trackers. The reason for this is they run out of the school grounds onto busy roads and put themselves in danger. Due to this, our school perimeter fencing is locked during the day.

If you are coming to the school, please use the electronic gate at the Clayton Road entrance. It has just been installed and there are a few teething problems but it should be fully functional by Week 2.

We still have a few spaces available for Out of Zone students. Out of Zone spaces will close off very shortly, don't miss out.

Spaces Available:

Yr 1	→	10
Yr 2	→	6
Yr 3	→	4
Yr 4	→	8
Yr 5	→	6
Yr 6	→	0

Do you know a girl who would like to have fun and learn new skills as part of an up to date organisation in your local area?

If so, GirlGuiding NZ is here:

***Pippins: 5 & 6 year old
Brownies: 7-9½ years old
Guides: 9-12½ years old
Rangers: 12-17 years old***

For further information, please contact: GirlGuiding New Zealand

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