

WESTERN HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Kia ora Whanau

EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURES

School will close early on September 3rd and September 10th. Teachers have to have up to date First Aid Certificates and all teachers will be involved in the course between 2.15pm-5.15pm on those days.

School will finish at 2.00pm, however, the bus and the chariot will start running from 1.45pm.

I know it is a nuisance, but it is the only way we can fit it into our school day.

ALERT LEVEL 2

We are so fortunate that we remain at Alert Level 2. It is so important our children attend school. Without explicit teaching, our children will fall behind.

Being at school is as safe as going to the supermarket or Saturday soccer or basketball. We ensure that all Alert Level 2 requirements are met.

I am confident children will be safe. My moko are attending school. My daughter is a trainee teacher here, my son is helping in the PE department and my wife is a teacher aide here. I wouldn't put them or your children at risk. If I had any doubts, you would be the first to know, I promise you that.

The Ngongotaha Primary School Sports visit has been postponed until Term 4. Hopefully, we will be back at Alert Level 1 in Term 4.

Thank you to all families who have supported us with the later start times. It has allowed us to prepare our school day with accuracy, it is so important we met the Alert Level 2 guide lines.

The later start times has also meant we have had very settled starts to our day. With children arriving later and heading straight to class to prepare for their day, we have had no incidents of poor behaviour to deal with.

The 8.30am school entry start time is something we will keep once Covid-19 is no longer an issue. It is a win win for everyone.

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.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Thursday, 27th August.

Please put correct money in the envelope if you are paying cash, as we do not carry change.

Please return your child's envelope to the office. Thank you.

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

Life Education is proving to be a huge success. Our children love it and the Health and Safety message they receive are very beneficial. It is a very worthwhile programme.

A big thank you to Whaea Elaine, Whaea Kaylee and Whaea Keegan, our trainee teachers, for spending the past five weeks with us. You have become a big part of our school whanau and we will miss you.

All the very best for the remainder of your teaching degree.

The following children have completed their Number 1 Click Cards.

Mikaere Leef Daarntaye Eru Karlia Emery-Hura Alicia Hetaraka
Nivarna Phillips-Gardiner Ricky Herbert Cyrus Pomery-Pihema
AJ Tipene Nuala Haumaha Kaynaan Ransfield Pricaseus Rutene
JJ Crease Taakiri Henare Sapphire-Rose Bailey Te Maioha Heta
Ruby Hatcher Trina Lambert Reiko Pihema Rawiri Rapana-Kohiti
Sandula Senanayake Lihley-Anne Mana-Hohaia

The following children have completed their Number 2 Click Cards.

Andre Sisley Calais Eru Liam Begrie Jose Marsden Liam Marino
Zahzel Laison Magnus Wilson Te Amotu Smith Paikea McKenzie
Matthew McFadyen Sherikhan Pene Camiera Williams Rosie Waiapu
Kere Collier Te Uri Te Rangi Kaydince Ngaronga Cheyden Lancaster
Kylee Mihinui-Ngahere Kitana-leigh Atkinson Blurayne Wetini-Wahia
Manutai Paahi-Paora Dallas Gerrard-Thompson Harlyn Smith-Raroa

The following children have completed their Number 3 Click Cards.

Lexus Rogers Finley Tuhoro Legion Walker Emily Adams Faith Albert
Daniel Royal Kyro Uri Lacey Paekau Aharon Ardern Sophia Poto
Hannah Black Sivanía Harnett Issac Wallace Ezra Horan
Tawhiri Makiri Heripo Kohiti Keanu Howard Kalani Gorman
Miya Buckley Tarzhae Fleet Chalie Wilson Dahn'te Hona Sian Hull
Nature Patangata Kingston Green Rasaulio Murray Isabella Duthie
Tara Chalmers Hinera Wade Hezekiah Ohlson Nizzaan Tamiau
Tara Woodmass Kobi Sullivan Te Kaha Stehlin Atirangi Tahana
Kihiroa Merito Huriwai Daijah-Marie Ohlson Arahia Horo-Hayward
Iritana Skipper-Muru Zahkaiyah-Lee Boaza Meri-Chatae Maaka-Leach
Liberty Bebrouth-Christmann Karauna Rangitoheriri Serenade Wade

The following children have completed their Number 4 Click Cards.

Ayva Schreurs Bailee Simon Alina Vandy Krishna Naidu
Sage Smith Olivia Job Keanu Royal Johnny Albert Kade Wilson
Aronui Wiki Brooke Verrills Lexus Ohlson Tui Roberts
Rome Te Paea Nadia Hyde Sivanía Harnett Perata Wikiriwhi
Aisha Fraser Harmony Hawkins Isabella Duthie Caroline Wilson
Shia Parker Summer Birch Lana Ryder Tyzell Angel Lexus Koopu
Teina Ransfield Haylee Wilson Joshua McFadyen Shiseido Green
Sarah Tetiria Benjamin TeRua Iraia-Walker Shylah-Rose Nelson
Brodee Fraser-McDermott Elka-Rae Nicholls Tymiah-Lee Unuwai
Zacchaeus Wilson Liam Fawthrop Teiaana-Leigh Christie-Skudder
Neriah Christie-Skinner Lilly Duthie Peyton Drummond-Clements
Cashmere Cooper-Stenning Irihana Hellens Olivia Sutton-Hohneck
Kaylee Halliday Kitana Teiri Timihou-Te Kowhai Lolo Mataafa
Celeira-Veanne Paterson Issac Wallace Venelope Rakete-Cartwright

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

First Credit Union is advising that they have made the decision to suspend its School Banking service for the remainder of Term 2.

Breakfast Club

The Western Heights Breakfast Club is open in the café, Monday to Friday from 8.30am—8.55am.

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.