

Welbourn School Newsletter

Te Kura Tuatahi O Pukekura

December 7 2017

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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 Nêih hoū, Goeie more, Zdravo.

Our school Goal this term is: INNOVATION – Ngaakau Tapatahi, Wānanga - Have a “can do” attitude

Congratulations to all children “Caught making good choices” this week - Sophie Frost Rm 9, Lexia Hitchens Rm 14, Alysha Phillips Rm 14, Malaena Carino Rm 4, Neve Bracegirdle Rm 16.

Congratulations to Sean Barker Rm 13, Abby Dominikovich Rm 14, Sophia Randford-Gill Rm 2, Aria Neumann Rm 5 who received a book in our “Caught in a Book” weekly draw.

Last School Day - The school year finishes on Tuesday 19th December at **12.00 noon**. Please organise with your children your plan for them; walking home or being collected.
(NB: No school bus run on Monday and Tuesday)

Important Dates

15 December - At Highlands Intermediate
- Class Awards Assembly 10:30am
- Year 6 leavers Assembly at 1pm

19 December - End of school year at
12 noon.



Term Dates 2017

Term 4 2017: October 16th-Dec 19th

Term Dates 2018

Term 1 2018: February 1st-April 13th

Term 2 2018: April 30-July 6

Term 3 2018: July 23-September 28

Term 4 2018: October 15-December 18

School Enrolment Zone

The Board is now in the formal consultation process required under the Education Act. The proposed enrolment scheme may be viewed at Welbourn School Office or via the school website; www.welbourn.school.nz. The Board of Trustees invites submissions re the proposed zone, closing on 1 January 2017. These can be emailed to principal@welbourn.school.nz or sent to Welbourn School, Arawa Street, New Plymouth. The zone is intended to be in place for the beginning of the 2018 school year. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.
Next BOT meeting; 30th January 5:30pm - **Chris Ussher BOT Chairperson**

Property

Over the holiday break work will continue on the senior block (Rms 11-14) property upgrade project - there will be work vehicles and equipment on site. For safety reasons, please ensure children do not use the school grounds without supervision over this time and that they stay away from the area of the school where work is taking place.



Staffing 2018: Staffing update: We warmly congratulate Mrs Juliet Vickers on successfully gaining an Associate Principal position at Central School beginning in the new school year. Juliet has been a permanent staff member at Welbourn for the last 6 years, teaching in Room 3 and leading the Tui Year 1 team. She has been a much valued staff member. We wish her all the very best in her next career step. Classes for 2018 have now been finalised and will be shared with children next week. Each teacher looks forward to forming a positive partnership with you to support your child's progress in 2018. We have made some internal reorganisation to accommodate the different sized year groups as they move through the school. The Tui team of teachers will be in Room's 1-4 with NE/Y1 children. Mrs Wheatley will be in this team in Rm 4 next year. The Pukeko team in Rooms' 5-7 will be a Year 2-3 team, with Mrs Clement joining this team in Room 7. The Weka Team in Rooms' 8-10 will have mostly Y4 children with some Y3's in these classes. The Kakapo team will be five classes again. Mr Dillion is joining us with Y4-5 in R15. R11-14 teaching staff remain the same with a combination of Y5 and Y6 classes.
Stationery lists 2018 will be sent home next week and will also be posted on the website. This year back to school class stationery will be available at OfficeMax rather than the school.

Reporting to Parents: End of year student reports have been prepared by the teachers on our student management system again this year and will be emailed to all caregivers by Monday 18th. If you would like a paper copy also, please contact the school office.



Speech finals 2017



QingChung Du is our 2017 Speech Champion.

2nd place getter: Amma Ellmoos

3rd place getter: Brayden Hills

Congratulations to all the Year 5 and 6 speech finalists.

They all presented a 3 minute prepared speech on a topic of their choice, followed by a short impromptu speech on a topic they were given just prior to speaking - 'What would you do if you had \$50,000'. The standard of all the speeches was very high and met all the criteria the children in the Kakapo team have been working on towards making a good speech.

Native tree walk - Our enviro group have been busy researching about some of the native trees around our school. They have produced some lovely information posters to share their learning with the Welbourn Community. As part of the poster there are QR codes that you can scan to hear the children share some of their facts. We hope that you can enjoy this native tree walk with your family over the next few days. The children's end goal is to eventually get professional signs made, so we would appreciate any feedback. Please go to our school website from Monday the 18th of December to fill in a survey.



Home & School News - The Home & School Committee would like to thank the amazing family, friends, whanau and local community for their support for our schools fundraising efforts for 2017. Together we make a difference - We appreciate your ongoing support and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

Home & School Committee

Lost Property Our children from Room 9 who help with this have sorted and returned named clothing. Please check the lost property racks and boxes located in the entry to the cloak bay next to Room 9. **Unclaimed clothing at the end of the term will be bagged, held for a further period and then passed on to a charity.**



STOP The Boss is back on Road Patrol
Monday 18th December - 8.15-9am
Kick start your day the right way. To celebrate the end of the school year and the start of summer, enjoy a FREE coffee on us. For all you Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Care Givers - JUST BECAUSE we can ☺
Professionals Real Estate

Coffee Van is coming back!

Thanks to Kris Rasmussen and Professionals Real Estate the coffee van is coming back. .

We are still looking for a parent to help out on a Thursday morning for 2018. If you are able to help please contact the school office.

Sports News

Thank you team coaches and managers - We are coming to the end of the T4 2017 season. Thank you so much for volunteering your time to allow for our Welbourn teams to play another great season of sport. You have done a fantastic job and I hope you have all enjoyed the experience. Without our awesome coaches and managers our teams wouldn't have the opportunity to play each season. Your time is appreciated.

*******Can all sports tops and gear bags be handed back to school this Friday 15th December at the latest *******

Term 1, 2018 registrations are closed except for **U12's Touch Rugby**. I have about 4 spaces left for players turning 10 or older in 2018. First registrations back to the office will get the places.

2017 summer sports

- **Inline Hockey** – Season has finished. No games tonight due to too many teams unable to play.

Suzanne Hopkins, Sport Administrator,

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Nga Mihi Kind regards

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