

THE FRIDAY FLIER

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Waikato Waldorf School, Kindergartens and Playcircle



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Dear Waikato Waldorf Community, kia ora te whanau!

Happy New Year to all of you! I hope you had a wonderful break with your whanau.

It's been an exciting start to the year with two Teacher Only Days focusing on Steiner Education in the 21st Century. We reflected on our practice and reviewed comments from the community and staff, laying out our vision for the future. After we finish the consultation process with the governance groups we look forward to sharing the outcomes with you over the forthcoming weeks. Exciting times ahead!

I would like to welcome all the new families to our school community. Choosing Waldorf Education is an inspired choice and you will be joining a group of like-minded people who value what it is to be human. A special thank you to all the people involved in the Powhiri today. With the rain gently falling upon us we welcomed our beautiful Class 1 children and their families into our school at the start of their exciting journey. I would also like to welcome our new members of staff – Andy Bramwell our new caretaker, Lisa Lye and Rochelle Depledge, our new teacher aides and Linda McCarter our new ORS teacher. It is wonderful to have such skilled members of staff joining our team. I would also like to acknowledge Sharon for stepping into the Acting Deputy Principals role and Mel into the Acting Middle School Co-ordinators role.

Your enthusiasm, energy and support have been invaluable at the start of this busy year!

It is with much appreciation and gratitude that I have this opportunity to lead this wonderful school. Marianne and I have been keeping in close contact and I know her thoughts have been with us at the start of the New Year. So as we face the next leg of our journey together, I wish you much happiness and joy for the forthcoming year.

Aroha nui

*Sue Bradley
Principal*

DATES FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR

TERM 1 Waitangi - Monday 6th March

Mucking in Day - Thursday 9th March

Autumn Festival – Thursday 16th March

Medieval Carnival – Sunday 26th March

Teacher Only Day – Monday 27th March

Journey Through the School - Thursday 6th April

End Term – Thursday 13th April

TERM 3 Term Starts – Monday 24th July

Journey Through the School –

Thursday 31st August

Mucking in Day – Friday 15th September

Spring Festival – Thursday 21st September

End of term – Thursday 28th September

TERM 2 Term Starts – Monday 1st May

Queens Birthday – Monday 5th June

Parent Interviews – Wed 14th June, Thursday 15th June

Winter Festival – Thursday 22nd June

Mid- year Reports out

End of Term – Friday 7th July

TERM 4 Term Starts – Monday 16th October

Labour Day – Monday 23rd October

Reports out - Friday 8th December

Graduation – Tuesday 12th December

STATIONARY AND HANDWORK BAGS

You will be receiving your class stationery lists today. Please return with the payment for the items you need to purchase asap. If you have difficulty meeting the full payment straight away and would like to make an arrangement to pay for the items gradually please speak to Monika in the office. If you are eligible for WINZ support please also contact Monika.

For new Class 1 parents who did not get a chance to make a handwork bag, parents of new children throughout the school or if you child no longer has their handwork bag you may wish to order a calico cotton bag - size 37cm (w) & 41 cm (h), price \$5 from the school office.

CLASS PARENT MEETINGS

Tuesday	7 February	7 pm	Class 1
Wednesday	8 February	6 pm	Class 5
Tuesday	14 February	7 pm	Class 4
Wednesday	15 February	6 pm	Class 7
Wednesday	15 February	7 pm	Class 2
Tuesday	21 February	7 pm	Class 8
Wednesday	22 February	7 pm	Class 3
Thursday	2 March	6.30pm	Class 6

Swimming Sports

17 February 2017

12 to 2.30pm

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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Hospice Waikato Run for Life

Saturday 4th March, 2017!

Join together with your family, friends and colleagues to exercise, celebrate life and to make the very most of another beautiful day!

10km Run/Walk \$15 entry fee

Starts at 8am sharp at the Rhododendron Garden, Hamilton Gardens. Ends back at the Rhododendron Lawn.

5km Run/Walk \$10 entry fee

Starts from the Rhododendron Lawn immediately after the 10km event. Ends back at the Rhododendron Lawn.

Everyone is welcome, rain or shine - corporate groups, school groups or community groups, as well as individuals and their dogs!

<https://donate.hospicewaikato.org.nz/event-registrations/hospice-waikato-run-walk-for-life-2017>

Children under 9 years of age are free if accompanied by a paying adult. Online registrations close Thursday 2 March. Sign in opens from 7:00 am to 7:45 am.

No refund will be issued if you choose to withdraw your entry; your entry fee will be treated as a donation to Hospice Waikato.



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