



WANGANUI INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Newsletter



4 February 2011 - No. 1
Tena Koutou / Greetings

* COMING EVENTS

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| 15 February | - School photos |
| | - School Swimming Sports 1.00 pm |
| | - "Meet the Teacher" evening 7.00 pm |
| 21 Feb – 4 March | - Outdoor Education at Lake Wiritoa |
| 23 February | - Supersport Softball Tournament (Palmerston North) |

* WELCOME

We welcome the following new teachers to our school:



Mrs Julie Deighton



Mrs Nicki Hennessy



Miss Alex Sheldon

* MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

On Tuesday 15 February at 7.00 pm you are invited to school to meet your child's teacher and hear about programmes and developments for 2011. We are usually finished by 8.00 pm. Please mark this on your calendar. We look forward to meeting you all. (Please note, this is an evening for adults).

* SWIMMING SPORTS

On Tuesday 15 February our Inter-House Swimming Sports will be held in the school pool beginning at 1.00 pm.

* TEACHING CLUSTER ORGANISATION FOR 2011

TAWA CLUSTER

- Room 1 - Tracey Dent
- Room 2 - Nigel McIlroy
- Room 3 - Trish Amoroa
- Room 4 - Alex Sheldon
- Room 28 - Dawn Duncum (Team Leader)

RATA CLUSTER

- Room 11 - Selina Buchanan
- Room 12 - Ian Porteous
- Room 13 - Tara McIlroy
- Room 21 - Gillian Eades (Team Leader)
- Science - Keith Beautrais

RIMU CLUSTER

- Room 5 - Connie Stewart (Team Leader)
- Room 6 - Francie Martin
- Room 7 - Nicki Hennessy
- Room 8 - Roz Armstrong
- Room 10 - Julie Deighton

MATAI CLUSTER

- Room 14 - Pipiana Rowe (Team Leader)
- Room 15 - Vicki Hagensars
- Room 16 - Glenys Ellett
- Room 17 - Tony Clark

*** TEACHING CLUSTER ORGANISATION FOR 2011 (continued)**

SPECIALIST TEACHERS

Robotics - Andrew Szabo
Art - Jocelyn Pomeroy/ Bruce Phillips
Hard Materials - Chris Beitchef
Food - Cheryl Meyer

RESOURCE TEACHERS (RTLB)

David Bullo
Linda Johnstone
Christine Omundsen

PASTORAL TEAM

Dean - Lisa Clark
Mentor - Jason Clark

PART TIME TEACHERS

Learning Lounge - Ali Martin
Reading Room - Faye Holloway
Special Needs - Robyn Simes

*** SUNSENSE – SUNHATS AND SUNBLOCK**

Please encourage your child to use sunblock. Sunhats are part of our school uniform and it is an expectation that all our pupils will wear the correct sunhat at interval, lunchtime and when outside participating in sports' sessions.

Our uniform sunhat is a green bucket hat with the school name on it. These are available from the school office for \$10.50.

*** CELLPHONES AT SCHOOL**

If children bring a cellphone to school it must be turned off and not used during the school day. Any child found using a cellphone for any reason will be asked to hand it to a teacher and it will be kept at the school office until the end of the day.

The following will apply:

1. 1st time found using a cellphone - confiscated and sent to the office - returned at the end of the day.
2. 2nd time found using a cellphone - confiscated and parents are contacted and asked to come and collect it.
3. 3rd time found using a cellphone - parents will be asked to keep the cellphone at home.

We do not take any responsibility for cellphones. Pupils bring them to school at their own risk. We are happy to look after them at the school office if pupils want them kept safely until after school.

*** ABSENCES – NOTIFICATION IS VITAL**

If your child is going to be absent from school we ask that you give us advance warning or phone the school by 9.00 am on the day of any absence. We check the whereabouts of every child each morning. Please phone us before we need to phone you.

Pupils who are late to school must come to the school office to sign in.

*** SCHOOL UNIFORM**

We are very proud of our school and we are conscious of maintaining high standards of appearance. We expect our pupils to wear the correct uniform and we will not let our standards slip.

We do not allow jewellery of any kind except a wristwatch and a single stud in each ear. If pupils have more than one stud in each ear they will be asked to remove all but one. Make-up, painted nails, wax, gel or dyed hair are not acceptable at our school.

If pupils arrive with dyed hair parents will be asked to come and collect them.

*** SCHOOL TONE**

All our classes have started well and our new pupils are quickly becoming used to their new school. We are thrilled with the fantastic start we have had.

I am impressed with the manners and courtesy displayed around the school.

For most of our new pupils this is the largest school they have ever attended and with over 550 pupils it can seem to be a little overwhelming for some, especially in the playground during break times.

Our pastoral team and our teachers are very vigilant about behaviour in the playground and we are quick to deal with any indiscretions. If your child reports a concern about something that happens at school please contact us immediately. We are very responsive to such concerns.

Already this week our pastoral team have been able to solve minor concerns reported by some of our new pupils.

In every case the problem was either imagined and not real, or was minor and was quickly solved.

For us it is simply that we will not allow any child to interfere with the happiness of another child, and the sooner we hear about it the faster we can solve it.

*** CANTEEN**

The following items may be ordered from the canteen each day. Students order their lunch in the classroom before 9.15 am and lunches are delivered just before lunchtime. We encourage children to order their lunches via the classroom.

Chicken Burger (Wed/Fri)	\$3.20	Hot Dog (Tues/Thurs)	\$3.00
Butter Chicken Wrap	\$3.20	Pizza	\$2.20
Hot Noodles chicken or beef	\$2.20	Mince and Cheese Pie (Wed & Fri)	\$3.00
Potato Top Pie (Tues & Thurs)	\$3.00	Meat Pastie	\$2.40
Apple Pie	\$1.50	Ham & Egg Sandwich	\$2.50
Flavoured Milk	\$1.60	Ham & Salad Sandwich	\$3.00
Unfrozen Juice Large	\$1.20	Ham, Cheese & Pineapple Sandwich	\$3.00

Various counter sales are available at interval and lunchtime e.g. popcorn, water, fruit hits, dried fruit mix. There are also other “hot” options at different times during the week.

Due to the current market, prices from suppliers are rising continually, but we do attempt to keep ours as low as possible.



Charles Oliver
PRINCIPAL

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Signed: _____

Child's Name: _____

Room No: _____