



Wairau Intermediate

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Dear Parents and Caregivers
 Well, what an interesting term we have had. As we head into the last week of term two I would like to thank all of our students and you, our parents and caregivers, for all the support you have given us over the last 13 weeks. We have come through a frightening time in our lives and we know there is still a lot to do, but the resilience and fortitude that I have seen in our teachers, students and our community, fills me with so much hope. I wish our students a safe and restful holiday from 3 July and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 20 July.

BOARD MINUTE SECRETARY
 Our Board of Trustees are looking for a new minute secretary. Board meetings are held at the school nine times a year on a Tuesday evening, beginning at 6.30pm. Meetings last for about 2 hours. The secretary is paid an hourly rate for the meeting and for another 2 hours to type up the minutes. If anyone is interested please email me on grantm@wairau.school.nz.

PARENT/STUDENT CONFERENCES
 Conferences will be held on Thursday 2 July in the school hall. This year, bookings need to be done online. For instructions on how to do this, please refer to the information sheet enclosed with this newsletter. If you have any difficulties, please contact the school office on 410 7805. **School will finish at 12.30pm for all students on 2 July. The school bus will leave at 12.40pm.**

OPEN DAYS & EVENING
 We will be holding open days on **Wednesday 12 August and Thursday 13 August** during school hours when parents and caregivers are welcome to come along and observe the school in action. The Principal and Deputy Principal will be conducting tours of the school. No appointment will be necessary. We also have an open evening on **Thursday 13 August** when parents and children are invited to attend from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. After a meeting in the hall, teachers and school councillors will be on hand to explain how the school functions and to show you around.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS
 Year 6 students from our main contributing schools will be visiting us for the day on the following dates:

Thursday 13 August	Target Road School
Wednesday 19 August	Sunnynook School
Thursday 20 August	Forrest Hill School
Thursday 27 August	Bayview & Campbells Bay Schools

If your child is interested in attending Wairau Intermediate in 2021 and they are currently attending another primary school, they would be most welcome to come along to join in on a transition day on either **Thursday 13 August or Thursday 27 August.** Please phone us on 410 7805 so that this can be arranged.

PHOTOLIFE CLASS & PORTRAIT PHOTOS
 Photolife will be here at school on **Wednesday 5 August** to take class and portrait photos. Last term students were given Photolife brochures to take home which explained how parents will be able to view and purchase photos online. If you did not receive this brochure, please ask your child to come to the office to collect one.

This year, all students will have their individual portrait photo taken. These can be viewed and purchased online, along with the sibling and class photos.

Please note, if you would like your children to have **sibling** photos taken, you will need to do the following:

- Pick up a Sibling Photo Booking Form from the school office BEFORE photo day.
- RETURN the signed booking form, listing your children's names and room numbers, to the school office BEFORE photo day.
- If there is **NO SIGNED FORM**, the photographers **are not authorized** to take a sibling photograph.

Once the photos have been taken, online photo access keys and manual ordering envelopes will be sent home.

IMMUNISATIONS
 Year 7 students are being offered the Boostrix vaccine (dTap) in school. This vaccine is a booster of diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough that most children last received as pre-schoolers.

Information on the vaccine and a consent form went home with students last term. Spare forms are at the office.

If you have not already done so, please complete the form and return it to school as soon as possible. The Year 7 vaccinations take place on Wednesday 12 August. **The form needs to be filled in, even if you are not consenting to the vaccination being done at school.** If you would like more information on this important Immunisation Programme, please go to <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/immunisation/immunisation-older-children>.

SCHOOL BUS
 The Ministry of Education and Waka Kotahi NZTA, who are taking advice from the Ministry of Health, have advised that under Alert Level 1, no physical distancing requirements are deemed necessary on any public transport services, including school bus services. Any additional buses that were added to some school bus routes during Alert Level 2 and 3, to support social distancing requirements, are no longer operating under Alert Level 1. Normal school bus operation with front door boarding has resumed. Please note, however, **cash will not be accepted on buses.** Students must have and use a registered AT HOP card with funds on it to tag on and tag off.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

We're fundraising with the new 2020/2021 Entertainment Digital memberships. Entertainment Memberships are filled with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the finest restaurants, cafes, attractions, activities, retailers and hotel accommodation.

Check out the following Bonus offers which are available until 11.00am on Monday 13 July (one gift card per order):

- \$10 Countdown gift card when you purchase single city membership for \$70
- \$20 Countdown gift card when you purchase multi city membership for \$120 or multi plus membership for \$230
- Chance to win 1 of 5 \$1000 JB Hi-Fi eGift cards

To order yours, enter the following into your browser:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/992x94>

The digital books are priced at \$70 and \$14 goes towards fundraising for our school.

KINDO

Kindo is our preferred method for payments to school. Many of you will be familiar with Kindo through your child's primary school. To set up an account, parents/caregivers need to go to the school website www.wairau.school.nz and click on the link. When you register, your email address has to match the one that we have on our files so **if you have recently changed it**, please let us know.

Please note that if you have been **paying for items through internet banking**, Kindo is a preferable way to pay. Likewise for those who are making **APs to the school**, these can be made into your Kindo account. It makes keeping track of these payments much easier and is much more efficient for everyone.

TECHNOLOGY FEE

A huge thank you to the many of you that have paid this \$70.00 already. With other locally raised funds severely impacted (especially fee paying student income), this is very important to us.

PICK UPS AFTER SCHOOL

Parents and caregivers who are picking up their child after school cannot park at the end of our bus bay where the bus stops. It would be really helpful if you could tell your child that you will park on the side of the road above the school, rather than the bus bay.

UNIFORM

Please remember to name each item of your child's uniform so that if it is found around the school, it can easily be returned to them.

Grant Murray
Principal



Important Dates

26 June	Reports go home
2 July	Parent/Student Conferences
3 July	Term 2 ends 3pm
5 August	Photolife Class & Portrait Photos
12 August	Year 7 Boostrix Immunisation
12 & 13 Aug	Open Days 9am-3pm
13 August	Open Evening 7pm
13 August	Target Road School Year 6 Transition Day
19 August	Sunnynook School Year 6 Transition Day
20 August	Forrest Hill School Year 6 Transition Day
27 August	Bayview & Campbells Bay Schools Year 6 Transition Day

2020 Term Dates:

Term 2	13 April-3 July
Term 3	20 July-25 Sept
Term 4	12 Oct-11 Dec

Community Noticeboard

SCHOOL HOLIDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

Grand Training runs fun and educational computer classes on Saturdays and school holidays at Westlake Boys' High School for ages 5+. Learn to code and create 3D games or learn to code with scratch, python or java. Also Minecraft, website design and for younger children, the Discovery Computer Classes. For more info go to www.grandtraining.co.nz or phone Wanda on 499 0787.

RUDD SCHOOL OF ROCK

Now accepting registrations for the term 3 start, July 2020. Only limited spaces available. Individual lessons in guitar, drums, piano/keyboard, singing/vocals and rock band programmes. Learn from expert teachers with real-world music industry experience. All ages and stages from absolute beginner to advanced levels. Phone 479 1081 or email info@ruddschoolorfrock.co.nz www.ruddschoolorfrock.co.nz

BRAINPLAY

Brain Play coding, robotics and 3D printing classes. After-school, weekend and holiday courses. Holidays on sale now for \$60 per day! Free trials available. Ages 5+ . Email for more information on info@brainplay.co.nz or see www.brainplay.co.nz



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS to the following students who have birthdays between **26 June and 23 July**: Travis Atkinson, Elijah Folima, Jia Kim, Myria Vitale, Zoey Liu, Cloe Antonio, Moses Tuitupou, Phoenix McCormick, Evelyn Grigg, Sonakshi Swamy, Keanu Kumarasamy, Celeste Williamson, JP Framo, Samuel Kim, Henry Wang, Amelie Baudouin, Bailey Croft, Cameron Jane, Immanuel Matthias