

# Waikite Valley School

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At Waikite Valley School we aspire to:

- be **Confident**
- be **Optimistic**
- be **Unique**
- be **Respectful**
- be **Adventurous**
- have **Grit**
- be **Enthusiastic**

## The Heads-up for the week ahead.....

**MONDAY** - First day of Term 4

**THURSDAY** - Craft Day - items for crafts to be brought from home (more detailed information in the newsletter)

**FRIDAY** - WAIKITE VALLEY SCHOOL PET DAY

**SATURDAY** - NEW ZEALAND ELECTION DAY - Voting Booth available in our school library

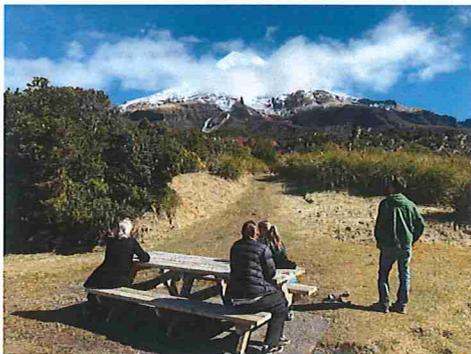
### ROTOMATHS 2020 - Outstanding success!

On the last Tuesday of Term 3, we took 5 teams to the Rotomaths tournament in Rotorua.



Our students all represented our school strongly and we were overjoyed to earn the Year 5 AND Year 6 overall winners shields for the second year running

(amongst other awards won)! This is quite an achievement & reflects the work our school has put into our maths curriculum & celebrating all learners as mathematicians. A huge thank you to Mrs Pearson for coaching the teams & ensuring ALL of our Waikite Valley Students are confident mathematicians by the end of Year 8! Tu meke!



### WAIKITE VALLEY SCHOOL STAFF RETREAT

Last term, from 11-13 September, the school staff took part in a 3 day Wellbeing & Mindfulness Retreat. This was run at Sanctuary Hill in New Plymouth. We took part in meditation and yoga sessions, ate 'Clean' food and participated in workshops based on alleviating stress, anxiety and how to apply simple strategies to our everyday lives in order to feel good mentally and physically. It was extremely rewarding for us, both professionally and personally.

The teachers started implementing some of the suggestions and strategies the very next week! We know that this will deepen our understanding of how to help our students and ourselves with managing stress and anxiety. Mindfulness and wellbeing are goals in our annual school plan and we know if we can use purposeful strategies to achieve them, they will have lasting impacts on our learners for life.

### UPCOMING DATES:

**Tuesday October 20** - PTA meeting WV Hall 7pm

**Friday October 23** - Group Day (Broadlands School)

**Monday October 26** - LABOUR DAY (Public Holiday)

**Wednesday October 28** - JUNIOR TOUGH GUY/GAL CHALLENGE

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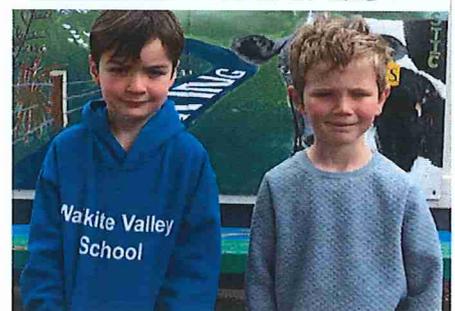
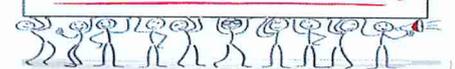
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### WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

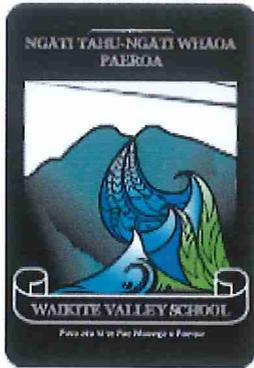


**Haere Mai, Welcome Campbell Briggs and Jackson Sowman to Pod 1.**

# TERM 4 PLANNER 2020

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
1 OCT	12	13	14	15 Crafty Day	16 Pet Day	17/18 Sat 17 - Election Day (School Site used)
2	19	20 PTA 7pm	21	22 3.15pm - Staff Meeting - Health & PE curriculum (Amy McMahon - Sport BOP)	23 Group Day - Broadlands	24/25
3	26 Labour Day	27	28 Wednesday 28th October - JUNIOR TOUGH GUY/GAL CHALLENGE	29	30	31/1
4 NOV	2	3	4 School Photos  6.30pm BOT meeting	5 Guy Fawkes Day	6	7/8
5	9 WVS ATHLETICS	10	11	12	13	14/15
6	16	17 Beach Camp (Ohope) GPA	18 Beach Camp (Ohope) GPA	19 Beach Camp (Ohope) GPA	20 Rep Cluster Athletics (Rep College)	21/22
7	23	24 MST impact workshop November (TT & SP)	25	26	27	28/29
8 NOV/DEC	30 Reports handed out at P/T interviews (interviews 4.00-6.30pm)	1 Reports handed out at P/T interviews (Teacher only day - interviews 8.30am-5pm)	2 6.30pm BOT meeting	3 PACT judgment window opens (Rdg, Wrtg, Maths)	4 Last Day of Term 4	5/6

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is what the planner looks like at the start of the term. There are often additions and adjustments as we go.



## PET DAY CREATIONS 2020

Outlined are the success criteria for fairness to all students and to allow judges clearer guidelines for marking. **It is compulsory for them to enter at least one** of the categories. They construct the creations on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October during class time, **please send their bits and pieces along with them.**

All **students must enter at least one** of the following categories. They should try to enter them all (the teachers will ensure they have adequate time to construct – but the resources need to come from home please):

- Vaseline Saucers
- Crafty Miniature Farm
- Flower globe

The age groups are:

Junior school (yrs 0 – 2)
Middle school (yrs 3 – 4)
Senior school (yrs 5 – 6)
Intermediate school (yrs 7-8)

### Flower Globe:

A flower displayed in a jar filled with water. You can add any appropriate decorations, glitter, food colouring etc. The flower should be attached to the jar lid with plasticine. These will be judged on balance, use of colour, beauty and overall appeal.



### Vaseline Saucers:

A decorative piece created on an upside down saucer, covered with Vaseline, on which petals, leaves etc. are stuck to. They will be judged on use of colour, symmetry, saucer coverage & overall impact. Students need to bring their own saucers, vaseline & flowers.



### Crafty Miniature Farm:

Children can create a miniature farm using an interesting container (eg. Old roast tray, milk bottle etc.). They will be judged on creative use of crafts (ie. As little purchased items as possible), attention to detail, overall balance and use of space.



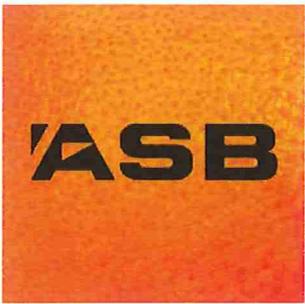
### Please note:

- The **creations will be made at school on Thursday 15 October** and judged that afternoon so results are available on Pet Day (Friday 16 October).
- Any extras and crafts you are using to add to the creation can be made or gathered during the school holidays. The children are required to independently construct their creations on the Thursday at school.
- Students will need to supply their own flowers, jars, glitter and **anything** necessary for their creations.
- The above descriptions are the criteria that will be given to judges.

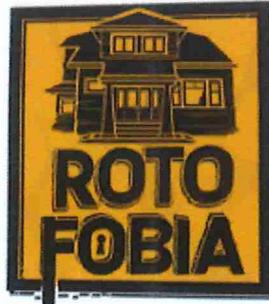
We will have judges from the local Country Woman's Institute, so get planning and show them what a creative and talented school we have. **HAVE FUN!!**

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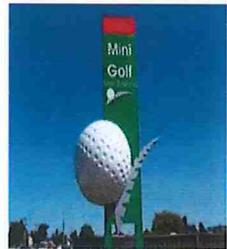
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