

Newsletter No. 1 - 8th February 2013.

Greetings, Tena Koutou, Talofa.

A BIG welcome to the 2013 school year. Special welcome to new families that have joined our Wanganui East School community this year. We look forward to an exciting year of learning and celebrating success.

School Organisation 2013.

Principal	Mrs Barry		
Room 3	Mrs Metcalfe	New Entrants	
Room 1	Mrs Merchant	Year 2	
Room 1	Mrs Palmer	Year 2	
Room 2	Mrs Clow	Year 1/2	
Room 2	Ms Taylor	Year 1/2	
Room 8	Miss Keyes	Year 3	Assistant Principal
Room 12	Mrs Brennan	Year 3/4	
Room 11	Mrs Lourie	Year 4/5/6	
Room 15	Mrs Walker	Year 4/5/6	
Room 16	Mr Gichard	Year 4/5/6	Deputy Principal

Target Learning Support:	Mrs Ditchfield, Mrs Loveridge
Special Learning Support:	Ms Hodder
Office	Mrs Campbell
Library/Office	Mrs Lawson
Property	Mr Whetton
Canteen	Mrs Smith

Uniform.

All children are expected to be in the correct uniform by the end of week 3 (22nd February). New stock is expected at the office by the end of next week. The items that are being phased out may be worn this year. (i.e. sweatshirt, culottes)

Swimming.

Please ensure your child brings their togs every day. Swimming is part of the curriculum and if you child is not swimming please send a note to the class teacher.



Absentees.

Please phone the school office on 343 8054 and leave your child's name, room number and reason for absence on the answer phone. Alternatively you can TXT a message to 021 107 6551.

Stationery Packs.

Stationery packs are available from the office. Stationery is sold at cost and is good quality products. The pack price includes a fee to cover portfolio, paper/photocopying, and jovis. If you choose to purchase your child's stationery elsewhere you will need to pay this fee at the office. The fee is \$12.00 for junior classes and \$10.00 for senior classes.

Permission Notice. Your child should have brought home a notice requesting permission for school trips etc. Please complete the form and return it to the class teacher.

School Fee Donation.

Thank you to parents who have paid the school fee donation. Payment can be made by instalments at the office. The fee is \$15.00 per term for one child, or \$25.00 per term for a family.

High Achievers Awards.

- R1 Max. For having a great attitude to learning and helping others to learn.
- R2 Giovanni. For being ready to learn in Room 2.
- R3 Charis. Who is working well at being ready to learn for school.
- R8 Sam. For being a high achiever and fantastic role model in Excellent Room 8.
- R12 Charlie. For showing a positive attitude to learning.
- R11 Ben. An excellent start to the year.
- R15 Jason. Listening well and working well.
- R16 Brianne. Making a fantastic start to 2013 in her new class.

Principals Award.

- R15 Jenna. Wearing her uniform with pride.

Breakfast Club.

Breakfast Club is operating in the hall every morning from 8.15 – 8.45 a.m. This initiative enables children to start the day with an energy burst. There are usually 20 – 30 children at times who sit and enjoy having breakfast with their friends. We are short of helpers so if you are able to help serve weetbix and milo please contact the office.

Out of Hours Music Lessons.

Registration for music classes will be on Tuesday 12th February 2013 3.15 – 4.00 p.m. in the school library. The cost is \$20.00 per student or \$25.00 for two children in the same family, payable by cash or cheque on registration day. Tuition is given in keyboard, rhythm class, drums, violin, guitar, ukulele, brass instruments, recorders, saxophone and singing. For further details contact Bruce Jellyman on 027 5404 159.

P.T.A. News.

P.T.A. meetings are held monthly at 3.15 p.m. in the library. All parents are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend meetings but still willing to help out, please leave your name and contact number at the office.

The PTA fundraises for extras for our children – playground equipment, classroom and sports equipment, sports uniforms and subsidies for class trips and camps etc. They are also responsible for keeping the school canteen open and affordable. Without the PTA the Canteen would close or need to raise its prices. To support the school the PTA runs fundraisers like discos, garage sales, sausages sizzles and cake stalls. Please consider being part of the PTA Committee or being an on-call helper.

2013 PTA Fundraiser.

We will be selling **Cadbury Crème Eggs for \$1.00** each. Only children who return the signed permission slip will be given the Eggs to sell.

PTA School Recipe Book is available from the office for \$5.00.