

WEEDONS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura o Karamu

*Kia uru kahikatea te tū
Let us stand like a grove of kahikatea*

21 October 2020 – Term 4– Week 2

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Diary 2020

12 Oct – TERM FOUR STARTS

22 Oct – Mufti Day
(Melanoma Awareness -Spots)

23 Oct – Tabloid Extravaganza & Pet Day

26 Oct – Labour Day-
School Closed

30 Oct - Nominations Close
Board of Trustees Election

13 Nov – Canterbury -
Show Day – School Closed

16 Nov – Teachers Only
Day – School Closed

04 Dec – Board of Trustees
Election Day

16 Dec – Final Assembly
6pm – Rolleston College
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

17 Dec – TERM FOUR ENDS

2021

03 Feb – First Day of Term

08 Feb – Waitangi Day
Observed

02 Apr – Good Friday

05 Apr – Easter Monday

06 Apr – Easter Tuesday

16 Apr – End of Term 1

03 May – Start of Term 2

04 Jun – Kui Ako Teacher
Only Day

07 Jun – Queens Birthday

09 Jul – End of Term 2

26 Jul – Start of Term 3

01 Oct – End of Term 3

18 Oct – Start of Term 4

25 Oct – Labour Day

12 Nov – Show Day

16 Dec – Last Day of Term 4

Tena Koutou Katoa

Week 2 is upon us and time seems to be speeding up.

What's on this week?

Science Roadshow - The senior school is at Kirkwood Intermediate this morning for this event. They have an opportunity to be hands-on with some exciting Science and Technology exhibits.

Student Council Spotty Day - Thursday - to support Melanoma Awareness - Gold coin donation

Tabloid Extravaganza and Pet Day - Friday - we hope you have received the letter regarding these events (sent on Monday on green paper, also e mailed out to you on Tuesday.) All details of the day are included in this letter. If we have to cancel either the tabloid extravaganza in the morning, Pet day in the afternoon or both, due to bad weather, we will notify you via e mail, Seesaw and FOW's Facebook page by 9.15. Fingers crossed for a great day!

A reminder that lunch orders and Frozen Friday orders need to be ordered on-line by Thursday at 8.00pm. You are welcome to order for yourself and your pre-schoolers.

Little Gardens

You may be aware that New World is changing ownership. Roy and Lyn Bridgeman, retiring owners, have been very generous to Weedons School over the years. We thank them for their support and wish them the best.

They have donated a large number of little gardens to the school, too many for us to cope with here at school. Your child will come home with some over the next few days.



Class refurbishment

Rooms 1, 2 and the staffroom block are due for funding from MOE for classroom refurbishment. This work is likely to be carried out in term 1, beginning in January, which means we will need to clear out Rooms 1&2 at the end of the 2020 school year. These classrooms will be shifted to Te Wharenui and the library for term 1. For this reason, the final day of school, Thursday 17th, will now be a Teacher Only Day to allow all of the staff to help with this shift. So, children will now finish for the year after our prize-giving on Wednesday night at Rolleston College.

Swimming Lessons



Lessons are scheduled for all classes at Canterbury swim school from Monday 30th November until Friday 11th December. When we asked you at mid-year for feedback on previous year swim school lessons, there was overwhelming support for continuing these lessons.

We have, however, asked the tutors to provide our accomplished swimmers with more skill based and life-saving activities rather than just building up stamina by continuous length swimming. This was also as a result of feedback from you. The swim school has assured us they have altered the programme for these swimmers. Due to the extraordinary year we have had, we were unable to secure a grant to help fund these lessons however, FOW are subsidising the cost of buses and our Kiwi sport fund is supporting the cost of lessons bringing the cost to you down to \$65.00 per child for 10 lessons and travel to and from the pool. Without this support, the cost would have been \$85.47

There will be a form coming home soon for you to fill in regarding the swimming level of your child/ren.

All children are expected to swim and will be charged unless a medical certificate is sent to the swim school.

TOP PERFORMER Totara

This week's top performer is from Totara. It is Alyssa. Alyssa has been constant in her approach to work, her quality and thought in her presentations this year. She shows that she is here to learn and gives 100% thought to her creativity.

Alyssa is a problem solver and is a great role model for others in this way. She thinks carefully about tasks and issues, making sure that she has covered all possibilities before starting.

Alyssa is engaged in all class work and especially in Maths, where she is a constant contributor for answers, theories and generally good thinking.

Alyssa's classmates can rely on her to be an asset in their groups and she never lets a team mate down.

Always cheerful and polite to all, she is the type of person we all aspire to be.

We are so lucky we have another year with her as she will certainly be an increasingly valuable leader next year.

Alyssa – You're a star.