

WALTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Rāpare tēnei rā, te 7 Whiringa

Thursday 7th November 2019, Week 4 Term 4

At our school we value Walton...

Dates to Remember...

21st November
School Athletics

22nd November
Y6 – Surfing Trip
Rm2 & Y5 – Te Rapa
Pools Trip

25th November
Y0-2 – Zoo Trip

26 & 27 Nov
Y3-4 Overnight Camp

28th November
Interschool Athletics

3rd December
Reports home

4th December
Student Led
Conference's

11th December
EOY Show @ MBC
(6pm)

13th December
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Lunch Orders

11th November
Sarah

18th November
Lisa

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Class Lists 2020

It's the time of year where we're drafting our 2020 class lists, so it's important to know who will and won't be here next year.

IF YOU ARE NOT RETURNING TO WALTON NEXT YEAR, PLEASE LET SANDRA KNOW ASAP.

Due to our roll growth we will beginning the 2020 school year with 137 students, which is massive for our small school and the highest it's ever been for the start of a year. This high number makes the task of balancing classes even harder as it really doesn't leave us with much room to play with. When putting together class lists we consider many factors; the child's age, academic needs and strengths, social combinations that work well (and not so well), gender balances within the class, teacher-student relationships, and how many are in each year level that need to be spread across our six classrooms.

A draft class list has been put together based on the names and numbers of students we know are returning and enrolling over the next four months.

If you have any special requests in regards for where your child **might** be next year, you can email me – principal@walton.school.nz. However, as much as I'd like to accommodate every request the reality is that I can't guarantee that we'll be able to make any of them happen, but where realistic, I'll try my best ☺

**NOTE: Class lists will come home with written reports
in week 8 (Tuesday 3rd December)**

Ngā mihi nui

Jeremy Kurth
Principal

S uccess

P erseverance

I ntegrity

R espect

I nnovation

T eamwork

We have 145 students here at Walton School

Term Dates 2019
Term 4
Monday 14th October to Friday 13th December

Term Dates 2020

Term 1
Tuesday 4th February to Thursday 9th April
Term 2
Tuesday 28th April to Friday 3rd July
Term 3
Monday 20th July to Friday 25th September
Term 4
Monday 12th October to Wednesday 16th December

Summer Term ... Now that we are in the summer term, please ensure that your child brings a NAMED drink bottle of water to school each day. We have drinking fountains but it's a great idea to have a bottle to sit on their desk during the hot weather.

School Drop Off ... Please **DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR CHILD/REN BEFORE 8am**. We are not responsible for child/ren before this time and you therefore place them in danger by leaving them at school unsupervised. 8am is the EARLIEST time children can be at school.

Assembly ... Here is our Term 4 assembly roster – assemblies are held on a Friday at 2:30pm in the Marlow Room – everyone is welcome...

Week	Class Sharing	Hosts
4	Room 5 & 6	Jed, Kayde & Marcus
5	Room 1 & 2	Larniah, Deziar & Melody
6	Room 3 & 4	Blake, Jaedyn & Tamsyn
7	Room 5 & 6	Shayla & Reece
8	T B C	Myhkai & Tate
9	NO ASSEMBLY	

Monday Lunches ... Items available for order on a Monday are:

Sandwiches @ \$2.50 - Ham; Egg; Chicken Salad; Cheese & Onion; Ham Salad : **Pies @ \$3.00** - Steak, Bacon & Cheese; Mince & Cheese : **Savoury @ \$2.50** - Sausage Roll : **Savoury @ \$2.00** - Mini Mince Pie : **Cakes @ \$2.50** - Fruit Muffin; Chocolate Muffin
All orders must be with class teachers by 9:15am at the latest.


PLEASE REMEMBER – NO MORE PIZZA FRIDAYS NO MORE PIZZA FRIDAYS NO MORE PIZZA FRIDAYS

Nut Free School ... Please do not send any **raw** nuts to school in your child's lunchbox as we have a child who is severely allergic to nuts. **It is still fine to have things such as peanut butter sandwiches, muesli bars etc ... just not whole nuts.** Thanks so much for helping this child ☺

Bible in Schools ... If you do not want your child/ren to partake, please let Sandra know so that we can arrange an alternative programme for them while Bible in Schools is taking place.

Note from Office ... If your child/ren is away from school for any reason, please ensure that you let the school know, text the school mobile (022 340 1936) or e-mail office@walton.school.nz with the reason that your child/ren is not at school, Ministry of Education requires that there is a reason for absences, if no reason is given the child is marked as truant.
ALSO – if your child is on our bus run – and you are collecting them, or there are any changes to arrangements, please call the office BEFORE 2:30pm and let Sandra know so that the bus roll can be updated for that day.

HAPU Points ...

ANGITU Successful 	AUAHATANGA Creative 	PAHEKO Collaborative 
Points 1024	Points 1076	Points 1062

Caught Being Good ...



Week 2

Alise Goudswaard (Rm1)
 Ashlee-Stone Henderson (Rm6)
 Keeley Metcalfe (Rm3)
 Thomas Flutey (Rm2)
 Amelia Hunter (Rm4 - absent)
 Ally Coughy (Rm5 - absent)

HAPU STAR – Austin Oliver



Week 3

Reece Barker (Rm1)
 Macy Fraser (Rm4)
 Josh Rawiri (Rm3)
 Karma-Rae McWatters (Rm2)
 Chloe Allen (Rm5)
 Allie Louw (Rm6)

HAPU STAR – Pupuhi Anderson & Bella Bennett

Library Stock Take ... It's that time of year again – please check your bookshelves, under beds, in cupboards etc ... Fay will be starting the annual library stock take so we need **ALL LIBRARY BOOKS RETURNED ASAP** – thank you ☺

TOWN BUS STUDENTS

To all town bus students – please ensure that when you are waiting for the bus you do NOT wait in the carpark area, the place to wait is either in your car or under the porch area. We will be monitoring this and rewards will be given to those adhering to the rules that are put in place for your own safety. Thank you

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Attention Students from
Matamata-Piako/South
Waikato...

We invite you to apply for a modest grant to help fund your studies towards a qualification that could help the rural community.



Apply via email to
office@actiddy.co.nz,

or in writing to
"The Trustees"

PO Box 366, Matamata.

Applications Close

5pm, 30 November 2019

In your letter of application, let us know;

- Your name and contact details;
- The qualification you are studying toward and progress if you have already started;
- The approximate cost if your qualification and course related costs;
- A brief description of how you think your course will benefit the rural community.

We look forward to receiving your application.

FREE – Child Restraint Check

- ✓ Checking your capsule, restraint or booster are correctly fitted
- ✓ Answering any child restraint questions you may have
- ✓ No need to book, just turn up with or without your children
- ✓ Friendly helpful check to help keep all of our children/tamariki safe

WHERE & WHEN ? Friday November 22nd at Matamata Bible Church Carpark (11 Maura Street) @ 9am – 12 midday

HOST FAMILIES WANTED!

Experience a mini cultural exchange without leaving home!

Matamata College are excited to be welcoming a number of International Students from Japan and Korea to study at our school next year, starting in Term 1. We are looking for families who are willing to welcome a student into their home and family for the duration of their stay. Length of stay varies from 10 days to eight weeks. Hosting a foreign student is a fantastic way to learn about another culture and to share everything great about our town and culture. Our students are keen to integrate into the Kiwi way of life, improve their English, and to have fun with their host family.

Host families are paid a weekly allowance to help cover living costs; in return students will require their own bedroom, bed and a small desk for studying and be provided with three meals a day. Host families do not need to have a child studying at the College to be able to host a student, however students must be able to get to and from the College each day, whether it is by bus, dropped off by car or walking.

If you would like more information about hosting a student please phone the Homestay Manager at the College on 881 9018.

Bus Vests

As a school we have provided every child who travels on the bus with a bright fluorescent bus vest. This is to ensure they stand out and are easily seen whilst waiting for the bus, or getting off it. It's very important for their safety as no one would ever want to hear the tragic news that a child has been hit by a car because they weren't able to be seen due to not wearing a bright bus vest.

As a school, we're fulfilling our responsibility by providing these vests and checking children have them on at the end of the day. BUT, it's your responsibility as parents and whanau to ensure they have them on in the mornings. Far too many children are catching the bus without their bus vests on! Some children have been given up to 4 vests already this year too! So, please make sure they look after them, and second always ensure they're wearing them. The loss of a child is an absolute nightmare and I wouldn't want it to happen to anyone else, so PLEASE look after our children and their safety by doing this very simple thing – Mr Kurth

'Touching Base'

Do you need to touch base with your child's teacher? Then we want to hear from you. You might have something on your mind but feel like you don't want to *bother* a teacher—that's when it's a perfect time to catch up with us! If it's enough to bother you then it's enough to have a chat about. Our teachers want to hear from you about these minor things, in fact it's the minor things we prefer to hear about before they grow into major things ☺

Sometimes you might be in luck when you pop down to school and happen to catch your child's teacher in between teaching and other activities. However, if you'd like to ensure you do have that uninterrupted scheduled time with your child's teacher then here's what you can do:

Room 1



* Email your child's teacher asking if they'll be able to meet at some stage over the next few days - give some options of when suits you too ;)

Note: It may not be possible for teachers to meet you on the same day you email or call them, so give them a day or two heads up.

* Briefly outline what you'd like to chat about, remember nothing is too small if it's playing on your mind. We want to help you & your child.

If you don't have an email then you can also call the office.

Room 2



Room 3

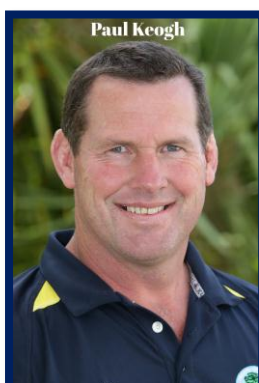


If it's easier for you, then you can even let the teachers know that you don't necessarily want to meet but would like an email reply, or call, to what's on your mind ☺

Room 4



Room 5



Room 6



Emails

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HAIR & MAKEUP

