

# WELCOME BAY SCHOOL

**NEWSLETTER # 16**  
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Dear Parents and School Community. Kia ora te Whanau.

Welcome Anthony to our Welcome Bay Whanau. We look forward to working with you and your family.

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES:**

**PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY THOUGHT:** The greatest discovery of my generation is that a human being can alter his life by altering his attitudes. William James



**ERO REVIEW:** As you will know ERO visited our school last term. We have received the draft report. This report stays draft for a few more weeks before we can make it public to our community. I will let our community know when this happens. We are extremely pleased with the findings of ERO. ERO have decided to put us on a 4-5 year review cycle which means they are very pleased with the education Welcome Bay School is providing and our directions for the future. The criteria below outlines why ERO decided to put us on a 4-5 year cycle.

There are three options for the timing of the next ERO Education Review:

- in four-to-five years
- in three years
- over the course of one-to-two years

ERO expects to review most schools again in three years.

The following criteria will be used in deciding the timing of the next review, along with ERO's evaluation indicators and The Six Dimensions of a Successful School.

ERO will next review the school in four-to-five years where it finds that the school's curriculum is consistently effective in promoting student learning – engagement, progress and achievement. High quality performance in relation to The Six Dimensions of a Successful School will be evident and ERO will have no material concerns about the education and safety of students.

In addition all of the following will be in place:

- learners are actively engaged in their learning and progressing very well
- Maori learners are actively engaged in their learning, progressing very well and succeeding as Maori
- there is a culture of high expectations for students and staff
- a school-wide culture of rigorous critical reflection and self review is contributing to sustaining the school's positive performance and continuous improvement
- leadership and management are highly reflective, strategic and effective
- teaching is highly effective and makes very good use of student achievement information
- the school has taken all reasonable steps to provide a safe and inclusive environment
- governance is highly effective
- the school is highly effective in engaging the community in the life of the school.

*Sources from the ERO website*

I look forward to sharing our full report with you in a few weeks time.

**SCHOOL CROSSING:** I would like to acknowledge the fantastic work our Road Patrollers do each day. Well done! A reminder to parents that our crossing operates from 8:20 am to 8:40 am and 3:00 pm to 3:10 pm. Please ensure that your parents leave home in time in the morning to be at the crossing before 8:40 am. On wet days the children do not operate the road patrol arms, but a teacher waits up on the street in a car to cross any children who have walked to school.



**THANK YOU:** I would like to thank Awhina Te Pere for all the work he has been doing in the school this week helping Allan around the grounds. Your efforts and

generosity of time are appreciated.

## **SPORTS NEWS:**

**NETBALL / POITARAWHITI / NETIPAORO: WELCOME BAY WONDERS:** We didn't play last week, but we kept up the training. Thanks to Maia & Felicia for assisting with coaching and managing our team. Thanks to the girls that come and help us by playing in our practices. Welcome Bay Wonders are currently doing a 6 week netball challenge that involves 100 drills, skills and netball knowledge questions, when they complete the challenge they will receive a "GOLD STAR AWARD", (No Pressure – it's meant to be fun). Today we are playing Pillans Pt Star Pointers on court 9, Play your best Girls.

### **YEAR 5 TEAM WELCOME BAY WINNERS:**

Last Saturday the girls had their first win 11- 1 against Bethlehem School Magic. Players of the day were Lily Jones and Katie-Renee Watt, both for a huge improvement all round. The entire team played well together, with some awesome defending in the oppositions circle, as well as some great attacking skills and accurate shooting. Keep up the great work girls. This Saturday they play Greerton Village Magic on Court 18 at 9am.

### **YEAR 6 TEAM WELCOME BAY WAHOOS:**

The Year 6 team certainly came out on top with another outstanding win 32-2 against Saint Mary's on Saturday. The girls showed fantastic defending and attacking skills, especially when intercepting the ball and releasing quick and accurate passes. Kia maia team! The Players of the Day went to Jazzmyn Wiki and Tayla Hamilton who both played exceptionally well throughout the entire game, an awesome effort girls!

**HOCKEY:** Wow! What a tough game last weekend! The Welcome Bay Sprinters played the Greenpark Wizards and it was a very even match. At halftime we were losing 5 – 4 after a pep talk from the coach... the second half brought it to a 6 - 6 Draw. What a finish! The player of the day went to Tahlia Meehan. Fantastic effort showed by all. Please Note... Because of Queens Birthday Weekend - there is **NO HOCKEY** this Saturday.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<b>June</b>	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Queen's Birthday (School Closed)</b>
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Maths Evening 5:30 – 6:30
	9 <sup>th</sup>	School Cross Country ( <i>please note change</i> )
	13 <sup>th</sup>	SSG meeting 7pm.
	14 <sup>th</sup>	BOT meeting 5:30 p.m.
	14 <sup>th</sup>	South Cluster Cross Country
	14 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	Life Education
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	School Disco 5:30 – 7:00 pm
	29 <sup>th</sup>	South Cluster Young Einstein
<b>July</b>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Rewards Day
	15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>End of Term 2</b>
<b>August</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Term 3 Starts</b>

<b>Term 2 Assembly Items</b>	
<b>Week</b>	<b>Week</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Karaka
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Kaponga
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Rimu
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Kowhai
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Kopukapuka
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Miro
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Harakeke

Sandra Portegys - Principal

## **COMMUNITY NEWS:**

A wise choice for parents to help circumnavigate the mire of advice is to hear the approach of expert Diane Levy, highly regarded family therapist and bestselling author. Diane Levy provides timely and brilliantly helpful advice on how to make parents lives easier. Te Puna Playcentre are pleased to bring Diane Levy to speak at Baycourt in Tauranga on 14th June 2011.

**Signed books will be available on the night**  
**One Book \$30 -Two Books \$55 -Three Books \$80**

For more information please contact Te Puna Playcentre at [tepunaplaycentre@hotmail.com](mailto:tepunaplaycentre@hotmail.com) or tickets through [ticketdirect.co.nz](http://ticketdirect.co.nz) or at Baycourt

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