



# Waikiki Primary School

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Welcome back for Term 2. We have decided to shake things up a little bit and take turns to address our school community in the newsletter this term. Watch out for messages from Mrs Rodrigues, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Hughes in coming newsletters. For this week, it's my turn (Ms Greaves).

On behalf of all of our staff, I would like to first take this opportunity to thank everyone in our school community for their support, communication and flexibility over the past two months. As the COVID 19 situation continues to unfold around the world, we are beginning to feel like things are returning to some kind of normal here at Waikiki Primary School.

## **MORNING ARRANGEMENTS AND GATES**

For now, until we have further updates from the Department of Education, we will continue to have students entering through three different gates, by year level. Admin staff will greet students at the gates to assist any students in need of support, until such a time that parents are allowed back onto the school grounds.

As a general guide we would ask students to enter and exit via the following gates (as they have been so far this term):

Kindy and Pre-Primary: Side gate into the Early Childhood area.

Year 1 and 2: Front gate on the grassed area opposite Rooms 6 and 7.

Year 3 to 6: Back gate near Room 17 and the Undercover area.

This is a guide and families with multiple children should continue with whatever arrangements have been working so far, such as older siblings walking younger students down to their classrooms from the back gates. I would also like to thank parents for respecting the cordoned off areas of the carparks. For the safety of our students please continue to park only in the designated areas.

## **TERM 2 STAFFING**

We have a number of staffing changes again this term. Mrs Rodrigues and Mrs Jackson will be joining our admin team this term, sharing a Deputy Principal role. We welcome Mrs Lauren Robson who will be teaching both science and physical education, picking up where Mrs Rodrigues and Mrs Jackson have left off. Mrs Moorman continues to teach Junior Science and Mrs Laura Monaghan joins us while Ibu Da Cruz is away on leave for the term. We look forward to the continuation of our Indonesian learning program under Mrs Monaghan's guidance. Mrs Kovac will continue in Room 3 this term on Fridays and will also join us on Tuesdays in a Student Support role. We have our specialist programs running again this week and students have been enjoying science, Indonesian, phys ed and music with a few changes to ensure we are meeting all of our requirements around social distancing and cleaning of surfaces.

## **UNIFORMS**

Mrs Hughes and I have been on a bit of a "uniform blitz" while greeting students at the back gate this term. We have been mainly focused on wearing an appropriate school jumper now that the cooler weather is upon us. I am pleased to say that most students are now wearing their uniform jumpers in the mornings. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have made that possible. If your child does not have access to a uniform jumper, please get in contact with the office to discuss options.

## **BICYCLE SAFETY**

It is wonderful to see so many families riding and walking to school. However, with so many people around the school grounds at drop off and pick up times, our carparks and footpaths become quite congested. If your child rides a bike to school, please have a chat about safety, both for themselves and for pedestrians they might encounter on the footpath. We have had some older students racing bikes and doing stunts along the footpath, where they could potentially injure smaller students sharing the space.

## **STUDENTS WHO ARE UNWELL**

A reminder that students should be kept at home if they have a fever, cough or cold symptoms. Attached with this newsletter is that latest advice to parents from the Chief Health Officer of WA.

Once again, thank you for a good start to the term. We are looking forward to a productive and engaging term ahead.

Warmest regards,  
Ms Greaves and the Administration Team.

## **KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2021**

Waikiki Primary School will be taking applications for enrolment in our 2021 Kindergarten program from the 29th May 2020. If you would like your child to be considered for a placement at Waikiki Primary School, please call at Reception and collect an Enrolment Package from the 29th May 2020. It is imperative that enrolment forms are accompanied by the child's Birth Certificate, Medicare Immunisation Statement and 3 Proof of Address. Please ensure these forms are returned by 31st July 2020. If applying for a Kindergarten position only one application can be made at the preferred school. Applications cannot be made at multiple schools.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the uniform shop is not able to operate from the shop onsite. To help with this the office are fulfilling the orders once placed. We ask that you come to the office to collect a form. We are currently accepting EFTPOS as payment or you can also pay with the correct cash amount or, direct deposit to the P&C account. Unfortunately due to the COVID-19 we do have limited supply of sizing as the shipment has been held up. We are expecting the shipment of the new uniforms to arrive at the beginning of June. We also have last years zip up jackets on sale for \$15.00 each or, the years 5 - 6 navy and white jackets on sale for \$20.00 each.

## **CANTEEN**

Bizzee Breeze Canteen is up and running again for the delivery of lunches. Ordering needs to be done online through the Munch Monitor before 9.00am each day. The information sheet can be picked up from the office or can be sent home with the student if requested.

## **SIGNING IN AND OUT**

We are now using the Ipad at the front office to sign students in and out. If a student is late they will be given a late pass to hand to their teacher. If you need to pick a student up before the end of the day we ask that Parents/Caregivers call the office to have the student sent up to be waiting. Due to the Government restrictions still in place parents are not allowed to enter the school grounds. We appreciate your understanding at this time.

## **STAFF CARPARK**

The carpark at the front of the administration building is a **STAFF ONLY** carpark. As things return to normal we still ask that you do not use this carpark as it poses a great risk to students' safety especially those in the younger years.



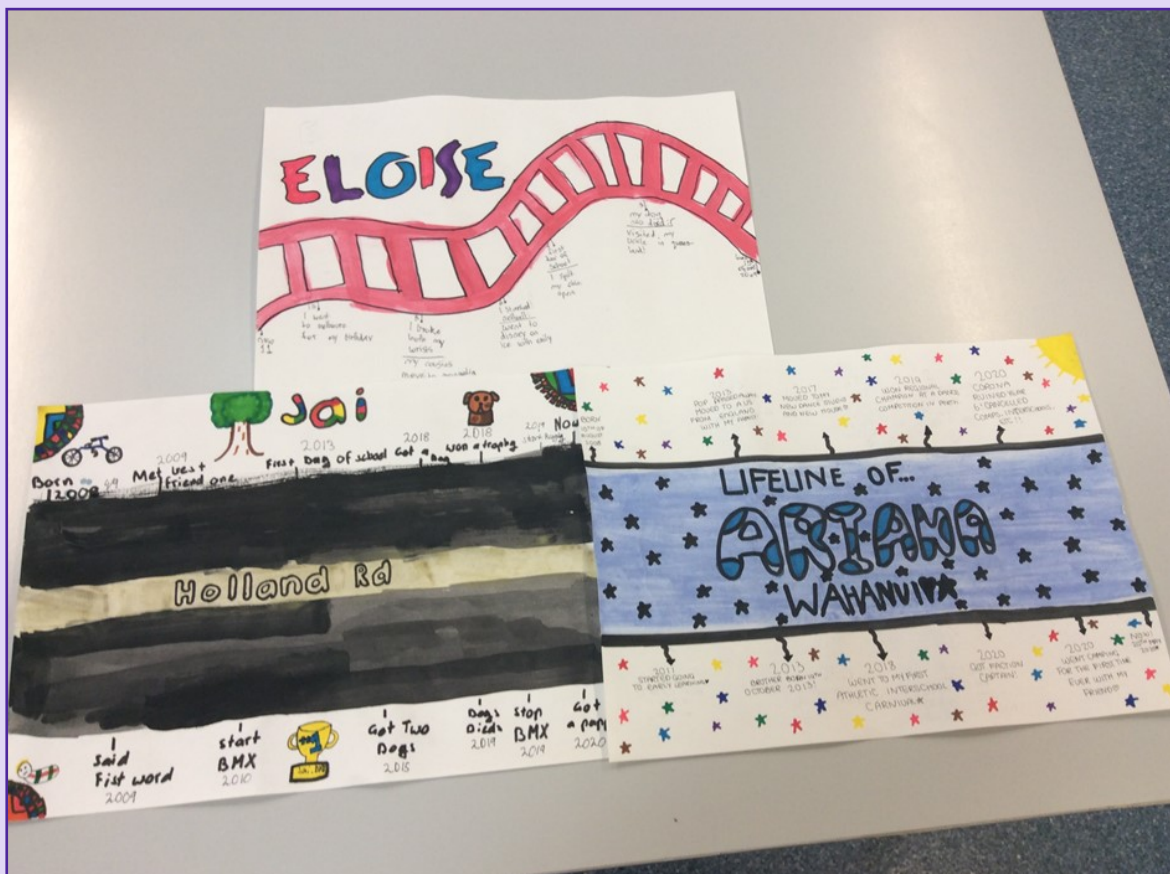
Room 17 explored fall paintings inspired by the theme "Australia." We learnt about blending warm and cool colours showing a juxtaposition of the background and the leaf.



### Room 15

During Health, the Year 5/6 students discussed how events that occur during our life can impact our relationships and the way we view things in life.

Students painted a line that represented our life journey so far. We plotted significant events that have occurred in our lives since birth to now.





Thank you to Students from Rooms 5, 8, 10 and 11 who sent in art work they did while they were learning from home.



### Room 2 - Harmony Week Art Work



Two weeks ago Room 14 buried 8 different materials to test whether they were biodegradable or not. The materials were an apple core, banana peel, cardboard, paper, cloth, glad wrap, tea bag and a plastic bag. When we dug them up to observe the changes we were a little disappointed as not much had changed. The banana peel had changed the most as it had started to dissolve, surprisingly the apple core had not changed much at all although we predicted that it would be the first to dissolve. Everything else was very damp and soggy and somehow the cloth had disappeared. We have put them back in their hole and will test again at the end of the year to see which materials are biodegradable or not.

