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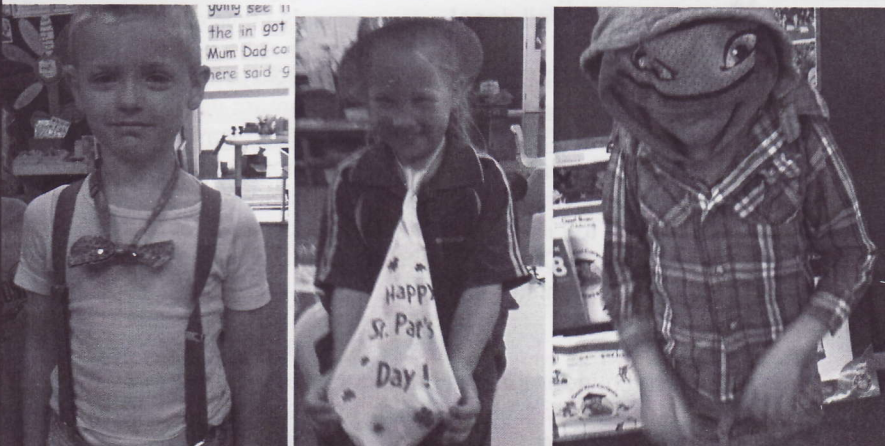
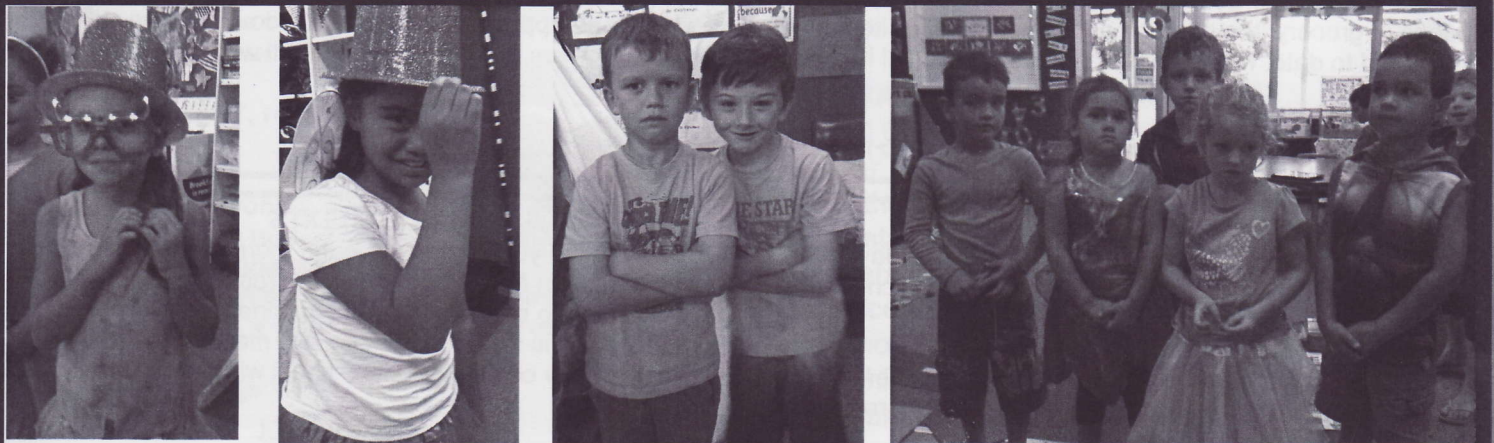
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St. Patrick's Day
Well Done Everyone!

IMPORTANT DATES

- March 23 Rippa Rugby.
- March 25 Easter Friday. **NO** School.
- March 28 Easter Monday. **NO** School.
- March 29 Easter Tuesday. **NO** School.
- March 30 Beach Hop warm up day.
- March 30 Rippa Rugby.
- April 5 Duffy Book Show.
- April 8 SPALSH n DASH@ Anzac Bay.
- April 12 Class Photos.
- April 13 Giant Pumpkin weigh in.**
- WBOP Swim Sports.
- April 14 Emily's Farewell Assembly.
- April 15 Last day of Tem 1.
Cool Kids afternoon.

Our Values

Honesty & Trustworthiness | Independence & Initiative | Tolerance & Caring | Courtesy & Manners | Responsibility & Fairplay | Respect for Self, Others & Property

Kia ora

We are taking notice of the weather bomb warning and postponing our Splash and Dash to Friday 8th of April. Thank you to the huge numbers of whanau who said they could attend tomorrow's event. Could we please book you in for the 8th instead? Please let Rachael know if you are available.

A massive thank you to whanau for helping with the school pool. It has been an awesome season and our learning community have enjoyed evening and weekend swims. With the changing weather, the pool will now close at 5pm each evening and the pool will close at the end of the term. Huge thanks to Ross Cowan for the attention you pay to the pool area. We have had a great season of learning thanks to your support.

The Easter Break is upon us this weekend. As part of the Education Act, please note that school will be closed on Tuesday 29th of March. We return to school on Wednesday 30th of March.

Thank you for your flexibility and understanding of the number of relievers that are currently in our school. Mrs Nik Laing is on sick leave and other staff have also been affected by the ever circling ills and chills. As part of our school contracts/Ministry of Education agreements, staff are also undertaking classroom release which may involve testing students. Luckily we have fabulous, highly skilled relievers who follow school programmes in affected classrooms. Enjoy the different personalities and their strengths.

Please remember the second hand clothing we have available through the office. The cooler weather is coming, let's get prepared.

Lastly an urgent reminder about our Pumpkin Night Raffles. Sue and Nicky are coordinating these. Any donations of grocery items, mens and ladies hamper items, and drinks would be appreciated. Two items do date have been donated to date. Please have a look at home. All items are appreciated. Offers of running a food stall would also be amazing.

Nga mihi nui
Emily (ehargreaves@east.school.nz)

EASTER TUESDAY

A reminder that School is **CLOSED** on the Tuesday after Easter. Tuesday 29th March. There will be NO school.

SPLASH N DASH

Thanks to all our awesome parents who have offered transport for tomorrow. Booster seats are legally required for all children aged 7 and under. Tomorrow is a MUFTI day! Please name children's clothes. Bring sweatshirt, hat, lunch, drink bottle, togs, towel and sunscreen.

HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME WORKSHOP

"How you can help at home" Workshop will be run from 5-6pm Monday 4th April. If interested, please text Nik Laing 0274338821 to reserve a spot. There will be kai and supervision for littlies, everyone welcome!

BEACH HOP

Some of our classes are interested in going to Waihi's Beach Hop on Wednesday 30th March. We will require a ratio of 1:7 (or less!) to ensure we can attend this awesome event safely. Please see your class teacher if you are able to help out. Karyn Williams is also organising a stall with delicious American "pulled pork" sammies and lots of other yummy goodies, which our parents are helping out with (thanks!) so please support our camp fundraising stall at Beach Hop!

1 to 1 DEVICE SURVEY

We hope you have enjoyed Rachael and Robbie's workshops on devices. We have sent out a survey to gauge your opinion of our next steps forward. Please return your survey as soon as possible.

SCHOOL BANKING

Our school bankers are trained and ready to take your banking on Thursday mornings at 8.30am. Tomorrow's bankers are Madison and Meg.

ABSENTEE TEXTS

When texting in your absences in the mornings, please include a reason for the absence. If no reason is given your child has to be marked as unexplained. If no contact from the family is received your child is marked as Truant so please make contact with the school with a reason.

MISS H'S FAREWELL

We will be holding a Farewell assembly for our lovely principal on Thursday 14th April at 12 noon at School. Followed by shared kai and cuppa. All welcome including secondary school children.

LUNCHTIME SALES

We have juicies and popcorn for sale from the office \$1 each. Juicies are only sold at lunchtime after eating.

TRIATHLON RESULTS

Congratulations to our four students who travelled to the Thames Valley Schools triathlon last week. Placings were: Year 5 & 6 boys, Callum M 2nd, Jackson W 5th, Alex E-J (year 4) 14th. Year 5 & 6 girls, Victoria E-J (year 4) 4th. Well done!

WAIHI CLUSTER SWIMMING RESULTS

Congratulations to the following swimmers who have qualified for the North Cluster swim day which was held yesterday. Lillie T, Ciara H, Riley F-P, Connor T, Jackson W, Victoria E-J, Sabine R, Callum M and Braydon B. Well done to Lillie T and Callum M who go through to the WBOP Swim Champs to be held on the 13th of April. Ka mau te wehi korua!

PUMPKIN WEIGH IN

Just a reminder that we have our Giant pumpkin weigh in on Wednesday 13th April. Each class will also be running a food stall. E.g. fudge, coffee & cakes, ice creams & sausages, popcorn, pulled pork buns, juicies and moosies. Any donations for our raffles can be left at the office.

Kids' Work



By Mateo
room 6.

C, age 5,

My Jelly Poem

Jelly feels like a bear's stomach. It swish and swashers around like a gust of wind pushing water in a pool. It smells like dirt and flour. I tasted it and it tastes like doughy bread. Me and Micah tasted it, it is cloggy. It's so so yummy, it rumbles in my tummy.

By Mahe N, age 7, room 3.



Jelly jelly is as wobbly like a fatty and chubby man. It is as cold as ice, it looks like caterpillar guts. When you dip your finger in it your finger turns yellow. It is cold as ice cubes and I looks like caterpillar poop!

By Lochlan H, age 7, room 3.

I went biking in the rain. The rain was hard. It was good. Mum walked with the umbrella.

By Bronsen S, age 7, room 8.



LOST & FOUND

LOST

On mufti day a dark navy Pumpkin Patch cardigan size 6, was a birthday gift so would like to find it please. Return to room 6 . Thanks

Found (see the office if yours)

Bright coloured Tickle watch.

Black framed reading glasses. Orson +1.50

Gold framed reading glasses.

Red plastic framed sunglasses.

A silver charm bracelet.

A silver locket with a photo in it.

SPORTS DRAWS

Rippa Rugby

Wednesday 23rd March 2016

3.30pm 3.50pm 4.10pm 4.30pm

Field 1	St Joes 1 Central 2	Central 1 Central 3	East Roosters St Joes 2	East Chiefs Waimata
Field 2	East Lions Central 3	East Warriors St Joes 2	East Chiefs St Joes 1	

COMMUNITY NOTICES

INCREDIBLE YEARS

Free Parenting Programme for parents of 3-8 year olds. 14 week session held in Paeroa. Starts on Thursday 24th March 2016 10am-12.30pm. Morning tea provided. To register or for further information contact CAPS Hauraki 078688644.

We have an offer of transport for anyone who needs it. Please see Kirsty Smith if you would like to take up this offer.

SATURDAY NIGHT SKATING

Saturday night Skating is on again. Doors open 6pm-8pm. \$5 entry includes skate/scooter hire or bring your own. Food and drinks for sale.



UNQUALIFIED RELIEVER REQUIRED

A local Childcare Centre is seeking an unqualified reliever to support them at times during the day when they need extra cover and at other times when staff are away.

They are looking for someone who had some experience (like a mother) and enjoys working with preschool children and can be confidential about their children and families.

If you are interested in enquiring further, please ph. Sue on 07 863 7955 or 021 02213533 and they will discuss and see if you are the right person for them.

St. Patrick's Day Costume Winners.

Congratulation and Good effort to Jayda B, l'lah K, Laine T, Bella P, Arlo H, Aliya S, Alex K, Ben P, Alexis W, Rylee K, Aaliyah H, Lillie T, Jackson W, Joseph F and Mrs Aitken. You all looked amazing!!!

EGG-CELLENT EGGS

BOILED EGG WITH VEGETABLE SOLDIERS!

- 1 soft-boiled egg (5-6min)
- ½ carrot chopped into sticks
- ½ capsicum cut lengthwise
- 1 piece wholegrain toast

Boil egg, prepare vegetables, cut toast into soldiers. Dip them into your egg!



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News from the Board of Trustees

March 16

Relieving Principal

The Waihi East Board of Trustees welcomes Stephanie Anich, relief principal for our school for term 2, 2016. Stephanie is an experienced Principal who works in schools in a relief capacity as well as undertaking Education Review Office work. Stephanie will keep the waka going in the direction of our Charter goals, taking over all leadership responsibilities while the Board appoint a permanent principal. The Board are sure you will enjoy her input into our school.

School Roll

Our current roll is 168 children. The Board welcomes all new whanau to our learning community.

Charter

Our school Charter is in place and is our leading document. At our meeting we focused on the cycle of review and annual plan, ensuring that our goals are developed over the year with the changes in our leadership team.

Policies

Three Policies were reviewed by the Board of Trustees. These are currently under consideration before ratification at our next meeting.

Policies reviewed

- Reporting on pupil progress and achievements.
- Teaching children with special needs and abilities.
- Treaty of Waitangi

In May the Board will be reviewing policies involving legal issues then Health and Safety in June.

Leave

Briar has had leave approved for the first six teaching days of term 2. Briar is undertaking missionary work in Papua New Guinea on the medical ship. Jodene de Andrad has been employed during this time. We wish Briar well with this exciting opportunity.

Staff Development 2016

The focus of Professional Learning and Development this year is literacy. Staff are working with our Resource Teacher of Literacy and Briar is leading all staff in the

Ministry of Education contract Accelerated Literacy Learning (ALL). The Board looks forward to our data reflecting the input of two exciting projects.

School Pool

The pool is well used and appreciated by the school community. As the weather cools down, the Board have decided to close the pool at the end of the term. The Board thanks parents who have opened/closed our pool each day and to Kirsty Smith who will close the pool area at 5pm each evening until the end of term.

Property Plan

Our Property Consultant is working with local trades people to come up with a plan of what Ministry of Education funded property work will be required over the next ten years. Once these reports are completed, we aim to start developing a property plan together. Watch out for this consultation.

Painting of Pool Area/PE shed

As part of our paint programme, Julie is receiving quotes from local painters to paint our sheds in the pool/PE/mower shed area. This paint work will be carried out in the September holidays. Next year, larger areas of the school will be painted.

Technology Upgrade

Robbie has the newsletter and website upgrade in hand. This will be ready for rebranding at the start of term 3.

Fundraising

We are currently selling Easter eggs for camp 2017. Sharon is running other small fundraisers (e.g. entertainment book). We have reminded parents to follow policy procedures with fundraising.

As a Board, we note how busy our school parent community are and as a group we are considering possibilities to make fundraising easier for everyone.

Audit

Emily and Sharon are working on 2015 finances with the auditor. Significant time has been spent on additional requirements, with the hope that all requirements have met before the end of the term.

New Playground

Work on the new playground will start at Easter and be completed by approximately week 2 of term 2. A subcommittee will be formed to plan the grand opening with the Streets Ahead crew.

1:1 Devices

Rachael shared the 1:1 device workshop feedback and initial parent surveys. The Board were impressed and look forward to the completed documentation. Rachael also had an

opportunity to share how technology can be used in the classroom, with some very exciting tools.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 23rd of May.

2016 Trustee Triennial Election

Sharon Samson appointed Returning Officer.

Select returning officer by	Wednesday 27 April 2016
Close main roll noon	Wednesday 4 May 2016
Call for nominations by	Friday 6 May 2016
Close supplementary roll noon	Wednesday 18 May 2016
Nominations close noon	Friday 20 May 2016
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday 25 May 2016
Close poll election day noon	Friday 3 June 2016
Count votes	Thursday 9 June 2016
Board takes office	Friday 10 June 2016

Kind Regards
Waihi East School Board of Trustees
Donna, Seton, Tineke, Pete, Julie, Alex and Emily

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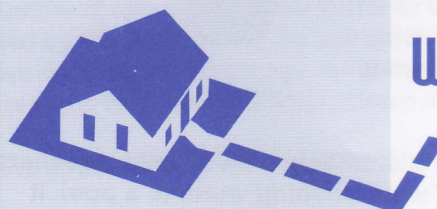
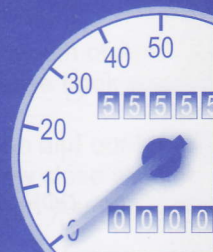
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