

# Te Waka Unua School

Week 3, Term 3, 2018



## Important Dates

### Week 4:

Aug 13 - Cans for Good

Aug 15 - Teachers Strike Day -  
School Closed

Aug 16 - Team Weka to Orana  
Park

Aug 16 - Team Kea to Court  
Theatre

### Week 5:

Aug 20 - Swimming Lessons  
Year 1-4

Aug 21 - Swimming Lessons  
Year 1-4

Aug 22 - Swimming Lessons  
Year 1-4

Aug 22 - Brainwave Trust  
presentation

Aug 22 - BoT Meeting

Aug 23 - Swimming Lessons  
Year 1-4

Aug 24 - Swimming Lessons  
Year 1-4

### Week 7:

Sep 07 - Cultural Festival  
Performance

### Week 8:

Sep 10 - Māori Language  
Week

### Week 9:

Sep 19 - BoT Meeting

Sep 13 - HPV Vaccinations  
Year 8

Sep 19 - BoT Meeting

Sep 21 - NZCAF Hip Hop Finals

Sep 21 - Taki Rua - Hine  
Kīhawai

### Week 10:

Sep 26 - Kea Show

Sep 28 - Loud Shirt Day -  
Helping deaf children listen  
and speak

Sep 28 - Last day of Term 3

## From the Principal...

Kia ora Koutou,

It has been exciting to see all the planning and preparation teaching teams have done for the term ahead and to see students leaping into their new learning challenges. We have a schoolwide focus on THE BRAIN this term and have been very lucky to secure a FREE presentation for parents from the BRAINWAVE trust. We hope that many of you will join our staff for this presentation on the 22nd of August.

Remember to ensure you come in and see your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Janeane Reid

## SCHOOL CLOSURE - AUGUST 15TH

The Te Waka School Board of Trustees wishes to advise that teachers will be taking a full day of strike action on Wednesday, August 15th and as a result the school will need to close on that day.

Please make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on that day.

The Board acknowledges that this is inconvenient for parents and pupils alike, but the Board fully support the teachers in their negotiations for better teacher ratios for your children, better provision for the learning support they need and teachers being recognised as the professionals they are. We encourage parents and whānau to also support our teachers in their negotiations for better outcomes for our kids.

## Thank you

Thanks to everyone who supported the Kea Bake Sale last week. There were lots of delicious goods for sale and the team raised over \$400.00 towards their end of year production.



### School Uniform Jackets

Now available to order: warm zip-through soft-shell uniform jackets. \$59 each.

Available in a range of sizes through the school office.



### Sāmoan Speech Competition

Last week, four of our students represented Canterbury at the National Sāmoan Speech Competition held in Wellington.

The students travelled to Wellington for the day and performed well.

Congratulations to:  
Amaleila Tiatia,  
Lambano Uili,  
Bernard Luaufui, and  
Amasio Tiatia.



Enrolment spaces (0-5 years) available at Best Start Warrington St (next door to Hells pizza)  
Ph 03 3859340 to make a booking.

**WE'RE BACK!**



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Celebrating 25 years of partnership

**COLLECT. EDUCATE.  
CREATE. DONATE.**

Collecting cans to help fill Salvation Army foodbanks.

**13TH-24TH  
AUGUST 2018**

If you would like to donate a can or two please bring these to be collected in your class.



**Brainwave**  
early years last forever  
whakamana i te tamaiti

# The early years last forever

Consistent, responsive, loving care

## grows great brains



### Early Years Seminar

**Host:** Te Waka Unua School  
**Date:** 22nd August 2018  
**Time:** 5.30pm  
**Venue:** Te Waka Unua School

### Seminar Content

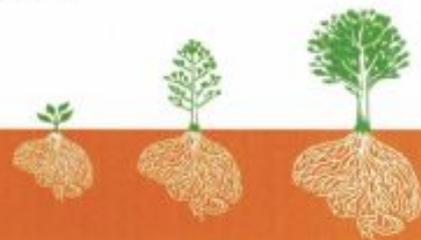
In this seminar our content will cover:

- Children need adults who show they love them to help them survive and thrive
- What happens to a child can help or get in the way of their healthy development
- The way in which the brain develops is influenced by the experiences children have and shape the way we think feel and behave
- Every day there are opportunities to help children reach their potential
- Adversity in childhood can have short and long term effects

### About Brainwave

Every childhood matters. That's why we speak up about the importance of brain development in the early years. Brainwave's vision is that all children in Aotearoa New Zealand are valued and nurtured so they can reach their full potential.

[www.brainwave.org.nz](http://www.brainwave.org.nz)



Our community is lucky to be able to offer an Early Years Brainwave Presentation. Everyone is invited! It's a great opportunity to gain valuable insight into the human brain and how we can best support and nurture our children's development.



## Mana Ake –Stronger for tomorrow

Taku mana, taku mana.  
Mana motuhake, mana motuhake  
Taku ihi, taku ihi  
Taku wanawana, taku wanawana.

I have mana, I have mana and no one can take it away from me.  
I am awesome, I am awesome. See me in my awesomeness.

**Mana Ake provides early intervention for children in years 1-8 and their families/whānau to support their wellbeing.**

### **We can.....**

1. Complete a risk assessment, as required, when a child is considered to be presenting with mental health concerns
2. Provide individual and/or group interventions to children either at home and/or at school that address low to moderate mental health concerns such as anxiety, low mood, and resilience. These can include teaching strategies to enhance wellbeing such as building self-esteem, managing emotions, managing change, promoting positive family and peer relationships and coping with adversity.
3. Provide a drop-in information service at schools for parents and teachers.
4. Provide information through school newsletters to promote wellbeing, targeting themes identified by schools.
5. Provide individual and/or group parenting support.
6. Offer a range of information to teachers through advice/guidance, training and group work.
7. Promote the use of 'Leading Lights' to teachers and schools.
8. Work with school communities to understand trends and opportunities for support.

**For more information or to ask for Mana Ake support, please talk to James Souter.**

**(Izzy Horton is the Mana Ake key liaison for Te Waka Unua School)**



**Izzy Horton**



**Aroha Wetere**



**Yvette Faas**



**Angie Rippon**



**Leina Fofoa**