



At West Harbour School we stand tall, proud and confident, continually discovering and applying new learning. Together we encourage our learning community to realise its unique talents and aspirations.

Have a Go Harbour Evening: Thank you to everyone who came along. It was a fantastic evening, with lots of variety and everywhere we looked we saw smiles and enjoyment. Our thanks to everyone who came along, all those who provided the information stalls, the nurses from Hobsonville Family Doctors for giving their time for the blood pressure/blood glucose testing, our amazing staff who ran the school-based activities and also our local police and fire brigade for being here on the night. Any feedback on the evening would be gratefully received and we have survey forms in the office if you wish to do so.

We were concerned to hear that some people are not receiving the newsletter or information around any school closures. This is all available on our website and on the school app (see the details to the right on how to download the app). We endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible of any closures and this has been in each of our newsletters so far this year, including this one (see below) and the noticeboard halfway up the front footpath.

Raffle: We sold tickets at Have a Go Harbour for a bike and a cart. Because not everyone could make it on the night, we have extended the raffle sales and will make the draw on Friday before 3.00pm. Tickets cost \$2 each or 3 for \$5. They can be purchased at the office.

Upcoming Teacher Release Day: As part of the new collective agreement for teachers, a number of teacher release days were included. This means that, while the school is closed for instruction to students, teachers will still be working. The first of these days is **Friday 13 March**.

Swimming Sports: These are being held THIS Thursday, 05 March. They are for Years 3-8 and will run in the middle and last blocks. Please make sure your child has their togs and towel (named) in a plastic bag.

Netball: The netball season is starting in Term 2 - **Years 4-8** - and we are looking for coaches and managers to run the teams. If you are interested would you please contact Judith Puch - judithp@westharbour.school.nz

CARPARKS: A reminder that the school carparks are NOT to be used to drop off or collect your children. The safety of all children is of great importance to everyone. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE BUS STOP AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL OR ACROSS THE SCHOOL'S OR NEIGHBOURS' DRIVEWAYS.** This also applies to the carpark outside the Manutewhau Hub.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Monday 02 March** - Beginning of the Reading Together programme
- **Thursday 05 March** - School swimming sports
- **Tuesday 10 March** - Kidpower information session for parents, 2-3pm in staffroom
- **Thursday 12 March** - School Assembly - visit from the Vodafone Warriors
- **Friday 13 March** - Teacher Release Day - School Closed
- **Thursday 09 April** - End of Term 1, school closes at 3.00 pm
- **Tuesday 28 April** - Start of Term 2 (delayed start due to Anzac Day on Monday 27 April)

SCHOOL APP

Please update your current school app by scanning the QR code below or searching Kiwischools Connect in the APP store, where you can download the new version. When prompted choose to *subscribe to all*. Please note: the old APP will not be available after 01 March

