<u>At West Harbour School we stand tall, proud and confident, continually discovering and applying new learning.</u>

<u>Together we encourage our learning community to realise its unique talents and aspirations.</u>

## **FRONT OF SCHOOL**

The hard landscaping is now almost complete and we are able to let the children in the front pedestrian gate each morning. On the first day they took one look at the crazy paving and stumps and are now having a great time using these to come into school, rather than just walking up the footpath. This is exactly what we had in mind when the design was first approved. Once the planting is done - at this point in the first week of the April holidays - then the front space will be opened up during the day for children to explore and play in. We can't wait. The mural painter is coming in this week to have a look at the project and to show us her ideas for the second mural, which will be painted on the blue concrete wall in the carpark. Once the planting is completed, we are also going to trial using the new front garden as a place for parents to gather in the afternoon, to sit, chat and wait for their children to come down from class.

**Sporting Results**: Congratulations to our Girls' A Cricket team for winning their section at the inter-school competition at Huapai last week. Fantastic result girls and thank you to Mr Harold for being such a great coach. We'd also like to congratulate our Y7/8 boys' tag team on their results at the latest tournament.

<u>Netball Season</u>: The season commences on Saturday 08 May. To have teams we need coaches and managers, so if you are interested please contact Mrs Puch in Rm 9. Thank you to everyone who has offered support to Mrs Puch so far and good luck to our potential players.

<u>National Walk to School Day</u>: This is being held this Wednesday, 24 March. A great opportunity to send your children to school on foot and to walk with them yourselves or to park your car further away from the school and walk to the gates..

**Easter Raffle**: Tickets are now on sale in the school office - \$1 per ticket, multiple prizes. The raffle will be drawn just before the Easter break on Thursday 01 April.

<u>Tuesday 30 March</u>: Our first Duffy assembly of the year. The special guest this time is Sir Graham Henry. Sir Graham has had a wide and varied career, ranging from being the Principal of Kelston Boys' High School to coaching the All Blacks to a World Cup win. Please feel free to come along to hear what he has to say. The assembly will take place at 2.00 pm.

**Easter Break**: Easter break will begin on Friday 02 April and will run until Tuesday 06 April. School will resume on Wednesday 07 April.

Term 1 Reports: These are being sent home on the last day of term - Friday 16 April.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Tuesday 30 March** - Duffy Assembly, 2.00 pm. Special guest Sir Graham Henry

**Thursday 01 April** - Kowhai team assembly 9.00 am. Easter Raffle Draw

Friday 02 April-Tuesday 06 April -Easter Break - school closed

Friday 16 April - last day of Term 1, school ends at 3.00 pm

Monday 03 May - first day of Term 2

## **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 is now not available.





## Our 2021 term dates are as follows:

<u>Term 1</u> - Tuesday 02 February - Friday 16 April. <u>Monday 08 February - Waitangi Day Easter falls during term time - Friday 02 April - Tuesday 06 April. Return date is Wednesday 07 April. School will be closed on these dates</u>

<u>Term 2</u> - Monday 03 May - Friday 09 July. <u>Friday 04 June - Accord Day - Teacher Only Day, school closed to students. Monday 07 June - Queen's Birthday - <u>school closed</u></u>

<u>Term 3</u> - Monday 26 July - Friday 01 October. *Friday 27 August Accord Day - Teacher Only Day, <u>school closed to students</u>. <i>Monday 30 August - Mid-term Break,* **school closed.** 

<u>Term 4</u> -Monday 18 October - Wednesday 15 December. <u>Monday 25 October - Labour Weekend Monday - school closed</u> <u>Wednesday 15 December - end of Term 4</u>