



Waikanae School

New Entrant and Transition to School Information Pack

Nga mokopuna o te ra nei

Nga rangatira o apopo

The children of today are the leaders of tomorrow

Enrolment Procedures:

Nau mai, Haere mai!

We are excited to welcome you and your whānau to Waikanae School!



The following are a few tips as you begin the transition to school for your child:

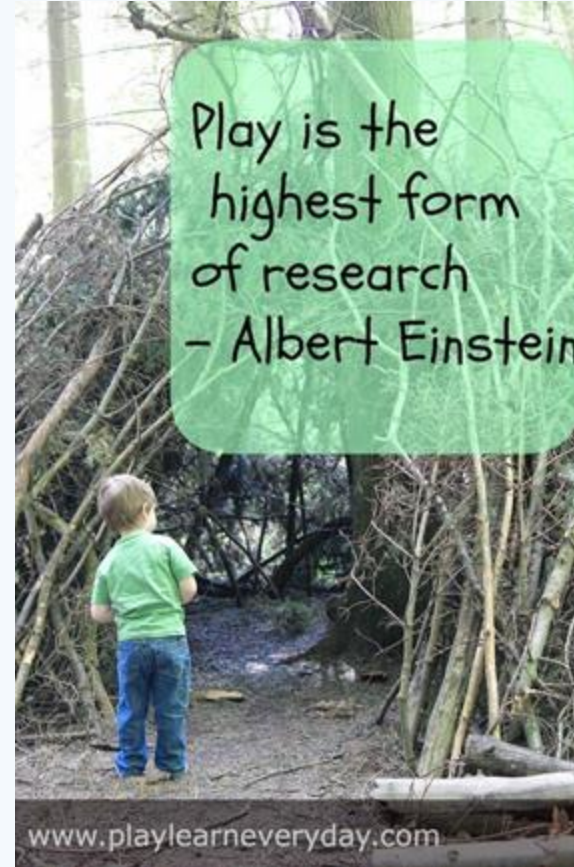
- An enrolment form needs to be completed prior to your child starting school. It is a requirement to provide proof of your child's identity and age. A birth certificate or passport is necessary.
- We suggest that you book two transition to school visits before your child is due to begin school. Please book with the school office.
- You can obtain a stationery list on our website. We also provide an online ordering system with Office Max. Go to www.myschool.co.nz and select Waikanae School.
- We offer two start/enrolment dates per term. These are in Week 1 and Week 6 of each term.
- **2025 Cohort Entry Dates:**
 - Term 1: February 5th and March 10th
 - Term 2: April 28th and June 3rd
 - Term 3: July 14th and August 18th
 - Term 4: October 6th and November 10th

Some tips to prepare your child for school:

At Waikanae School we understand that all children are unique. The following list is only a guideline and not an expectation:

Some children will be ready to:

- Explore and learn through play
- Experiment with literacy learning
- Recognise and write their name
- Explore with numbers and counting
- Ask questions
- Use the toilet independently
- Be creative
- Make a mess – but clean it up too
- Give things a try
- Explore with scissors, paints, pens and other mediums
- Independently put their shoes on and take them off
- Listen to and follow simple instructions
- Be respectful towards others
- Have fun and explore with learning!



Ready, Set, Go School Visits:

Visits are held on Tuesday afternoons from 1.45pm - 2.30pm.



Bookings are essential and can be made through the school office:

Ph.: 04 9026544

Email: admin@waikanae.school.nz

Helpful Tips:

- Name all clothing and belongings
- Leave toys at home (unless previously arranged)
- Ensure school bags and book bags are big enough to hold all school gear
- Download the [Hero app](#). All school information and notices are posted here
- Post absences to Hero or contact the office
- Talk to your child's teacher if you require additional information
- You will receive an invitation to join our Seesaw page once your child starts school. This is where we share snippets of learning and school activities that take place during the day.



Routines

We encourage parents to support the transition between home and school as smoothly as possible. Generally, most children settle fairly quickly but at times they may need some extra settling in time. To assist with a smooth transition, the following guidelines are useful:

- Be positive about school – it is a fun place to be!
- Arrive at school between 8:30 am and 8:50 am each day. School finishes at 3.00 pm.
- Say goodbye before you leave and reassure your child that you will see them at home-time.
- Ensure your goodbyes have happened before the bell rings so the class programme can begin as soon as the school day starts.

Contact us:

Should you require any additional information feel free to contact us:

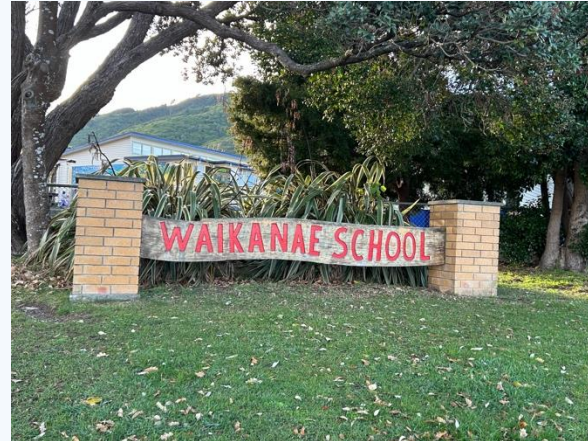
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Class teachers email addresses will be confirmed upon enrolment. You can contact teachers via email or Seesaw.

We will respond as soon as we can.

Please book a time to meet with your child's teacher should you have any additional queries or concerns.