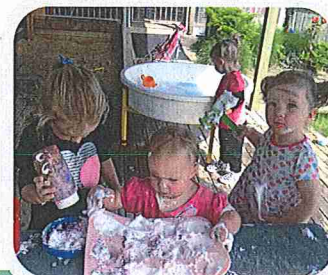




# W.C.K. NEWS 2016!

Friday 21st October  
Term 4, week 2  
Kia Ora Whanau,

## WHENUAKITE COUNTRY KIDS *Where children connect*



A big warm welcome back to you all!! As we roll into a long weekend for Labour Day on Monday we do hope you all have a nice restful long weekend and also hope that the sun keeps shining for most of it! We have some new faces amongst our centre whanau and the teaching team are all back in full force after a few breaks here and there for various reasons. We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new centre families we hope you are all feeling settled and are enjoying getting to know us all, it's great to have you all here :-)

This term we have lots going on and there are several events coming up that you are all welcome to be apart of so please do put these events in your diary and be prepared so you don't miss out.

We have resumed our EOTC (Education outside the classroom) programme this week. For the new families and a reminder to you all this programme involves taking a small group of the older children (3-5yr) on an excursion to local environments such as Cooks Beach, Coroglen, Hot Water Beach etc. This term we will continue to visit the Riverview Road reserve at Cooks Beach as the children are really starting to extend their play and look deeper into what is going on this more familiar environment now. We do require permission slips for all children going on these trips so please be sure to check your childrens pocket at the front foyer.

Storypark is going well and I think we have connected with 95% of you now. If you have not accepted your invite please check your emails and join in on the fun! If you have any problems please do ask or make contact directly with the Storypark helpdesk—they are great!

Our centre co-op is running well. This is set up in our foyer and contains fresh fruit, vegetables and seedlings at present. Please feel free to donate or purchase at your leisure thank you for the ongoing support it is a great thing and the money raised helps purchase new equipment for the centre. Earlier in the year we raised just over \$100 in our firewood raffle with this money we have recently purchased two second hand couches one for each classroom, the children, teachers and parents are all really enjoying using these for much loved reading time! We have also purchased an old but still functioning shop till that we are using to extend the children's interest in the shop play area and hopefully in the future this will be set up to have the children practising their shop keeper skills on you all.

Be in to win your own Mud kitchen !!  
Tickets are available at the office!!

**\$1 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$4!**



**CAN YOU HELP!!!?? HWB Rising Can Beer Festival  
SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER**

We are still looking for more **volunteers** to help serve beer, man the gates, collect rubbish etc. This is a great little money earner for us so if your are keen to help please contact Kelly Walker direct and put your name down on the list!! Thanks  
Kelly Walker—866 3888

### WCK SUN SMART POLICY

Hooray the sun is finally here!!! We have a sun smart policy here at WCK and this means that sunblock and sunhats are compulsory when engaging in outdoor play during Terms 4 and Term 1.



Please can you provide a **NAMED** hat for your child that will stay in their bag and be worn when necessary.

We provide an organic sunblock for the children that we apply after lunch each day. Please if you can assist us and apply sunblock to your child before they arrive each day, that would be a big help. If your child requires a special kind of sunblock please provide a **NAMED** tube of this and talk to one of the teaching team about it, as it needs to be kept with our sunblock not in the childrens bags.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4:

EOTC trips resume for Term 4— This will be run once a week and alternate between Tuesday, Wednesday's and Thursdays.  
Monday 24th October—Labour Day WCK CLOSED

**Monday 7th November—WCK AGM—4pm , all welcome to attend, There will be nibbles and refreshments provided.**

Tuesday 8th November—Whenukaite & Coroglen Schools Athletics Day at Whenukaite School

Saturday 19th November—HWB Rising Can Beer Festival & fundraiser for WCK

WCK Christmas Party— Wednesday 14th December

Friday 16th December—End of School Term

WCK Christmas closure Tuesday 20th December at 4pm.