This Week at Wairoa

As usual, our school has been a hive of activity this week. I have been reading through the end of year reports and I have been struck by what an amazing group of students and staff we have here. Every student is planned for and extended so that they can reach their full potential and each and every day we celebrate individual milestones.

I was showing a group of volunteers around the school and discussing our programs and various facilities. They were absolutely inspired by the wonderful work we do and the comment was made that our school must be very expensive to attend! You can imagine how proud I was to be able to say that we are a public school.

A day in the life of Wairoa.
Deloitte Impact Day

This Friday we had a wonderful group of volunteers with us from a firm called Deloitte. Each year this company engage with the community in various ways and donate a day of their time to work as volunteers. We were very appreciative that they chose us to work with this year and we put them to good use – washing toys, repairing, gardening, photocopying and even cleaning out the fish tank! We would like to say a HUGE thank you to these wonderful people 😊

Westfield Eastgardens

As you know, many of our fabulous resources at the school come about through donations from such generous community partners as Westfield at Eastgardens. Last term they presented us with a cheque for $13,000!

Coming up on December 7th is Give Ability Day at Eastgardens and once again, any money raised on the day from this charity drive will be donated directly to Wairoa School. Even more exciting is the fact that Westfield encourage a little healthy competition between their centres, meaning that there are great incentives for the centres that raise the most money. Currently, Eastgardens is running about 5th. If Eastgardens manages to raise enough money to come 3rd, then Westfield will donate a further $10,000 to the Eastgardens charity partner – Wairoa School!!

So, it is really important that we support Eastgardens in their fundraising efforts on December 7th. Please try to get down to the centre on that day in particular. There will be lots of fun activities. 😊

Technology:

Free apps
our story for ipad looks great
https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/id681769838?mt=8&amp;affId=2078443
bugs and buttons
flutter -
https://itunes.apple.com/app/id730560767
Sailing Day for carers

Sailors with disABILITIES would like to again invite groups of Carers to join us for a relaxing day on board Kayle, our 52 foot Yacht. These days are crewed by volunteers and aimed at giving hard working carers, including brothers and sisters, some time out and a chance to relax for a few hours on beautiful Sydney Harbour.

Where groups are able to organise respite care, we welcome carers and their immediate family on board for an enjoyable leisure sail of Sydney Harbour. Siblings of children requiring special care are of course welcome.

Carers Day sails are held on Sundays, they depart from the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia at Rushcutters Bay at 12noon and return at approx. 4pm. These sessions must be booked as a group; we can accommodate a maximum of 15 people per session and a minimum of 10.

Limited Carers Days are now available from November through to March. Hurry as these sessions are very popular and will book out fast.

How to book a Carers Day for your group

Visit our website www.sailorswithdisabilities.com login using your username and password or Sign Up then login and use the interactive calendar to book your Carers Day. If you need help email us info@sailorswithdisabilities.com or contact (02) 8079 5997.

We look forward to welcoming you on board and sharing our passion for sailing...
Dates for the Diary:

**Tuesday November 19**  Sailors with Disabilities
**Tuesday December 3**  Christmas Show
**Thursday December 12**  Christmas Fun Day
**Monday December 16**  Leavers Party
**Mon-Wed 16-18th**  Swim School
**Wednesday December 18**  Christmas Assembly
                        Last day of school 2013

Have a great weekend everyone.

Regards,

Sara Swift, Principal