The Fab Four!
This week we had four fabulous volunteers from Westfield who gave us a day of their time, energy and enthusiasm, which we shamelessly exploited – with some great results! Although their numbers were small, these four worked hard all day – removing old, broken and outdated equipment and resources, unpacking our shipping container and relocating various equipment throughout the school. We are extremely grateful as we now have less clutter and mess and can now start setting up our much missed Multi-Sensory Room. 😊

We are Sailing!
This week a group of senior students experienced the thrill of skippering a boat on Sydney Harbour. A fantastic day out on one of the world’s most beautiful harbours – what an exceptional way to spend a Tuesday! It’s great to see how relaxed and confident our students can be in these important community outings. Thanks to Sailors with disAbilities for their inspirational programs.
Happy 18th Birthday, Jamie😊

This Monday the Leavers group helped Jamie celebrate his 18th birthday, with cupcakes for everyone. Jamie has been at Wairoa for 15 years and was lucky enough to share some birthday cake with Carolyn, who was his first Teacher's Aid all that time ago. We wish Jamie all the best as he enters this new stage of his life.

Friends of Wairoa

We are very excited to see that some donations of prizes are starting to trickle in. Trivia Night will be upon us before we know it, so keep the date in mind (Saturday July 19th!) – start organising some table groups, any donations for prizes can be sent in to the school office and tickets can be ordered at any time. We would be extremely grateful if anyone out there would like to sponsor us in terms of either monetary donation or gifts of goods and services – a big thank you to Electrolux who has donated a prize for the night.
**IT news:**

Pen recommends the following and with Autism Awareness week coming up, I’m sure there will be some great apps to be looking out for.

Starring Me in Wheels on the Bus: sing along, play & learn with personalized nursery rhymes starring you. For kids, parents & teachers of young children.

Social emotional exchange see
https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/s.e.e./id717507583?mt=8

Toca band

**Easter Hat Parade**

Only one week to go folks, so it’s time to get creative with those Easter Hats and Bonnets. The students love the annual parade and it’s a fun way to end the term. Looking forward to seeing lots of parents, families and friends on Friday 11th.

**Dates for the Diary:**

- **Tuesday April 8**
  - Sailing Trip (notes will be sent home)

- **Friday April 11**
  - Easter Hat Parade
  - Last Day of Term 1

Regards,
Sara Swift, Principal 😊