



Not for ourselves alone • Ehara mō matou anake

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Waitākere Primary is the centre of a supportive learning community where all aspire to achieve personal excellence.

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

At Waitākere Primary School, we believe that learning beyond the classroom is just as important as the academic learning done within the school environment. The school's home learning programme students participate in, acknowledges and celebrates all the wonderful learning outside of school that students complete throughout the year. A celebration day is held at the end of the year for all students who complete the required number of challenges by the close-off date.

In Year 5-6, the home learning programme consists of a variety of challenges that align with our school values: Manaakitanga (Respect), Manawaroa (Resilience), Haepapatanga (Responsibility). These challenges provide a significant amount of meaningful, community-based home learning that may include many tasks your child is already involved in. The challenge suggestions have been tailored to meet each year level but could include things such as learning a new skill, playing a sport or participating in community events.

This programme is aligned with the New Zealand Curriculum's vision of developing lifelong learners, the key competencies, and our school vision. It offers a wide range of enjoyable and interesting tasks involving the family as well as the child. This programme moves away from the "chew and spew" type of activity (go and google information, put it on a sheet of paper and hand it in), to learning that has more relevance in the life of the child, as well as the ability to recognise and celebrate all the learning your child is already doing at home.

We will continue to seek feedback from the community so that we can build and continue the success from previous years. We look forward to celebrating your child's achievements and successes through the year.

Ngā mihi,
The Year 5 and 6 Team