

Students strive for action on climate change on and off island

Waiheke youth turned out in droves to support the global strike for climate action on Friday 15 March. The day before the student strike 16-year-old Greta Thunberg, founder of the Youth Strike for Climate movement, was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Her rhetoric on demanding urgent action from governments to halt climate change was echoed and expounded on in 105 countries by hundreds of thousands of young people. Prior to the coordinated action at Aotea Square in the CBD, over 60 students took to Palm Beach to pick up litter.

“We are calling for a real tangible commitment to climate change - we don’t feel enough is being done to secure our futures,” said Waiheke High School student Emmanuel Orange.

Students also erected a sign outside St Peter’s Parish calling for adults to adopt positive lifestyle changes to reduce pollution. Another group of 20 students met for a facilitated workshop and walk with Cameron Ryan from Forest and Bird, expressing ideas, planting trees, connecting to the landscape and discussing climate change. Those students walked from Matiatia through the bush track and stopped at the Waiheke Sustainability Centre to enjoy the free community lunch.

“Overall the atmosphere was electric,” says Waiheke filmmaker Larissa Wallin.

“It was so heartening and overwhelming to feel the force of the youth and to hear their ideas as well as their concerns.”



Waiheke students including Koebi Freimeuller, Hannes Braeuer, Amanda Healey, Dominik Hoertner, Chloe Robson and Chanel Anderson called for action against climate change last Friday at Matiatia. Photo Sophie Boladeras

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The physical and high touch is trending. Whilst not necessarily in direct opposition, digital and physical can work together, the world is placing greater value on the real as opposed to the virtual world

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Waiheke Weather

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11-17 Mar 2019	Rainfall mm		Maximum temperature °C		Minimum temperature °C	
	Waiheke	Auckland	Waiheke	Auckland	Waiheke	Auckland
Monday	0.0	0.0	24.5	27.1	17.5	15.9
Tuesday	0.0	0.0	24.3	25.7	18.0	16.9
Wednesday	0.0	0.0	24.6	27.2	17.9	16.6
Thursday	0.0	0.0	26.1	28.9	19.0	18.3
Friday	0.0	0.0	25.3	27.3	19.3	20.1
Saturday	0.0	0.0	26.0	27.6	19.4	18.3
Sunday	0.0	1.0	25.9	27.2	19.9	20.6
Weekly Total	0.0	1.0				
March Total	32.2	39.0				
Weekly ave			25.2	27.3	18.7	18.1
March Hist Ave	93.3	108.8	23.4	23.5	15.4	15.0