

Community Notices

Community notices are put in this section as a service to our community. The school does not necessarily endorse these community advertisements and parents / caregivers are advised to check the reliability of events, camps and courses.

Volunteer Coach of the Year

This is the opportunity to thank your sports coach for all the hard work that they do. SPARC, Watties and Sports Waitakere invite you to start thinking about all the great things your coach does and nominate them for an award in one of the following categories; Life time (coaching for 25 years plus), General (coaching for a while but not a life time) and Student (student coaches who attends intermediate or high school). You can nominate your coach online now by going to <http://volunteercoach.watties.co.nz/index.html>. All nominations need to be received by Sports Waitakere by Friday 4 September 2009.

Lost Property

Lost jacket last Monday after cross country. Argyle zip through blue jacket size 8. Please return to Jacob Collings if found.

Roosters Softball Club

We are looking for both boys and girls all ages to join our established teams. All of the games are played every Saturday at Rosedale Park, Albany. Registrations and muster for all grades Saturday 22 August 1:00 - 4:00pm and Wednesday 26 August 4:00 - 7:00pm, contact Martin Hunt 833 5649 for more details. You can also register online at www.roosterssoftball.co.nz

Waitakere Bears Softball Club Inc

Softball and tee ball are a great way to make new friends and have fun at the same time. Registrations will be held in our clubrooms Starling Park, Glen Road, Ranui 5:00 - 7:00pm Tuesday 11 and 16 August. Also 2:00 - 4:00pm Sunday 18 and 23 August. For more information or if you have any questions please ring us on 836 5160 or visit our website www.waitakerebears.org.nz

Wanted: House for Rent

Existing Whenuapai School family, wanting to stay in the area require 3 or 4 bedroom house to rent long term. Excellent references provided. Please call Lee Howes 416 3910 or 027 351 0372.



Whenuapai School Newsletter

“Our Students will be Actively Involved in Learning for Life”

The Newsletter for the Whenuapai School Community published every Thursday

**NEWSLETTER 24
13 August 2009**

Important Dates

Sports Promo Day
Years 0 - 4
Friday 14 August

Room 18 MOTAT Trip
Monday 17 August

Team 3 MOTAT Trips
Tuesday 18 August
Thursday 20 August

UNSW Maths
Wednesday 19 August

Term Dates

Term 3: 20 Jul, 25 Sep

Term 4: 12 Oct, 15 Dec

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Pupil safety is a critical part of the day to day running of Whenuapai School. A sound Health and Safety policy coupled with a Behaviour Management Programme provides a framework for pupils and staff to feel safe within the Whenuapai School environment. Thank you to parents for using the 'drop off and pick up zone' effectively in the morning and afternoons. Parents are using the Green and escorting their child / children across Airport Road safely. A few areas of concern continue to be a threat to children's safety. The first is parents and children walking through the car park to the child's room or the Office. This is a dangerous precedent and bad role modelling for pupils as they see it as okay to walk in this area. The danger is cars reversing and not seeing children. We also have a large number of courier vans and other commercial vehicles entering and exiting the car park area during the day. Please refrain from using the car park as a walkway. The second safety concern is the time children are waiting at the front of the School to be picked up in the afternoon. Pupils are waiting up to 3/4 hour for parents to pick them up. Please call the School if you are going to be late in picking up your child / children so we can inform them. The third is relating to pupils who use the bus. Please talk with your children, as we have at School, and stress the importance of waiting until the bus has moved away from the bus stop to ensure clear visibility and in sight of oncoming traffic before crossing the road. Two instances of pupils getting off the bus and then running across the road before the bus has moved off have been reported recently. This is a dangerous exercise and is not recommended. Keeping our students safe is a joint responsibility of the Principal, staff, pupils and parents.

Warren Spanhake

Contacts

BoT Chairperson: 448 4258
PTA Chairperson: 416 4740

Offsite Dental Clinic: 417 0235
After School Care: 021 737 147

Email: office@whenuapai.school.nz
Website: www.whenuapai.school.nz
Phone: 416 8779 Fax: 416 7861



Principal: W Spanhake
14 Airport Road
Whenuapai

School Notices



School Star Children acknowledged at the last school assembly for being good citizens...
Eden Bowyer
Stacie Horne

Principal's Award Certificates this Week

Rm 1	Breanna Sumner
Rm 2	Flynn Brogan
Rm 3	Gisele Rimmer
Rm 4	Emma Johnson
Rm 5	Laura Bull
Rm 6	Samuel Pearson
Rm 7	Liam Collins
Rm 8	Kadeea McElroy
Rm 9	Tai Rogers
Rm 10	Jenna Youroukelis
Rm 11	Liam Anderson
Rm 12	Amelia Fullerton
Rm 13	Luke Robinson
Rm 15	Kyle Timmermans
Rm 16	Luke Wang
Rm 17	Chloe Jones
Rm 18	Camryn McNeill
Rm 19	Ashley Williams
Rm 20	Lani Wallace



Spell-a-thon

A huge thank you to all families that have sponsored their children in the recent spell-a-thon. As at Monday this week we've had \$3, 300 pour in. This is a fabulous result! At the Monday assembly a special mention was made to the students listed below that raised over \$50.00 in sponsorship. They received a certificate and a small prize for their efforts. A huge thanks to the families that combined efforts as well. Final request for donations to be handed in to the School Office by Monday 17 August please.

Kyah Berry	Tony Brinkman
George Robertson	Hope Williams
Connor Frith	Mikayla Ward
Joshua Lee	Madeleine Torckler
Zavanna Trethowen	Shaydon Bennett
Maia Tahema	Dion Lee
Tyla Mildren	Devon Crowther
Ella Plumstead	Strider Palmer

Out of Zone Application Forms

Application forms for Out of Zone enrolments are available from the School Office. Applications close on 16 October.

Disco Friday 14 August

Tomorrow night, Friday 14 August is the next School Disco. The theme is Prom Night. Dress up and bring on the glamour. Juniors 5:30 - 7:00pm and seniors from 7:30 - 9:00pm. Entry fee \$4:00 per child, no push chairs in the hall please. Sausage sizzle from 5:30 - 7:30pm and lollies / drinks will be for sale in the hall. Have fun!

Board Of Trustees Resignation

We have received a letter of resignation from SQNLDR Percy Wootton. He will be deployed to East Timor for 12 months as part of his role in the Air force. On behalf of the Staff, Board of Trustee members and pupils, I would like to thank Percy for his contribution to the School while on the Board of Trustees at Whenuapai School. We wish him well and thank him for the neat comments in his letter to the Board.

Happenings and Achievements

Sports Draws

Netball

Rockets	11:00am	Court 1
Magic	12.30pm	Court 1
Year 3 Jets	10:30am	Court 3
Year 4 Orions	Bye	
Year 5 Red	11:50am	Court 13
Year 6 Blue	11:50am	Court 2
Yr 7/8	Not available	

Hockey

Yr 3/4 Boys	Not available	
Yr 3/4 Girls	Not available	
Year 5/6	7:30pm	Crown 3A
Year 7/8	4:45pm	Sand

Inter School Chess Tournament

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Chess Tournaments held over the past few weeks. Thank you to Mr Hounsell and to the parents who provided support and transportation for our pupils.



Kelly Sports Fun Clinics

Teams 3 and 4 will be involved in a free clinic day on Friday 14 August. Kelly Sports Connections will be facilitating the day in order to promote and develop throwing, catching, kicking, running, hand dribbling, chest passing and ball striking skills. The children will be involved in 5 different activity stations. Kelly Sports Connection will be offering further after school sporting activities on a user pays basis. Your child will receive a flyer and enrolment form. Please see Odessa Holmes or Viv Mallabar for further information.

Trivia Night

In the school Hall Saturday 5 September 7:30pm. Tickets are \$10 per person, purchase from the Office (cash or cheque please). Get a group of 10 family and friends together to fill a table. Bring your own drinks and nibbles and settle in for a great evening of entertainment and laughs. We have had some fabulous raffle prizes donated such as a United Travel Voucher, Soljans Wine voucher, Parakai Hot Pool passes to name but a few. So be in to win!

Student Achievements

Ashley and Jamie Williams attended the BMX World Championships in Adelaide the week of 20 - 26 July. The opportunity to compete at a World sporting event has benefited them and they have returned from the racing with a broader range of skills and experience. The results achieved to gain selection in the NZ BMX Team were outstanding. Ashley rode well placing 4th, 5th and 6th in the 9 Year Girls races with Jamie placing 5th, 5th, 5th in the 9 Year Boys. Unfortunately the results were out of the top 4 required to progress to the semi finals.

