

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.

Calling All Pirates Out West

Ahoy mates - sharpen your cutlass, don your eye patch and set sail to Massey Library during these school holidays. Enjoy interactive stories and games about loot, landlubbers and pirate adventures! Come dressed up as a pirate if you dare! 10:30am Wednesday 30 September and 7 October. Stories are especially suitable for 4 to 8 year olds.

Lost Property

- Brand new blue school jumper, named on tag - Drew Taylor. This is the second jumper Drew has lost in 3 weeks. If you find it please hand in to the Office or return to Drew.
- Lost navy blue pull zip jacket from outside the Life Ed Caravan last Monday. Size 8 named Lani Wallace.

Tennis Holiday Clinics

Clinics run from Monday 28 - Wednesday 30 September and Monday 5 - Wednesday 7th October, 10:00 am till noon for children aged 6 - 9 years, 1:00- 3:00pm for all children aged 10 years and older. Fee \$60.00 per clinic. Bookings essential before September 25. Contact Rita Paczian, West Harbour Club Coach on 817 7791 or 021 0250 1480 or email rita.paczian@worldnet.co.nz

Riverhead Athletics Registrations

Season registration is only \$40.00, you are welcome to come along and try out for a few nights free of charge. Club nights are on Wednesdays 5:30pm during Terms 4 and 1. For the keener athlete it is a big season with Auckland hosting the North Island Colgate Games (7 - 14 years) and Trans Tasman Challenge (10 - 11 years) as well as the usual annual events. For further information contact Mark Hall, President of the Riverhead Amateur Athletics Club on 360 9074.



Laugh and the world laughs with you. Snore and you sleep alone!

Contacts

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PTA Chairperson: 416 4740

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After School Care: 021 737 147



Whenuapai School Newsletter

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

The Newsletter for the Whenuapai School Community published every Thursday

**NEWSLETTER 29
17 September**

Dear Parents / Caregivers

This year Whenuapai school established a House System with the names of the Houses being connected to the 4 parts of the School Logo. Each child is part of one of the 4 houses;

<i>Friendship</i>	<i>Knowledge</i>
<i>Growth</i>	<i>Striving</i>

The students each wear a wrist band with the name of the House and the colour of that House. House points are issued throughout the year and the winning House will receive the House Cup. We also wish to have banners made for each House with the name, symbol from the School Logo and the colour designated for that House on the banner. If there is a parent or if there is someone you know who could give us a good deal, please call Mr Spanhake. It will be great when each House can hold their banner high at sports events and really identify with their House. A huge thank you to all the children who wear their House wrist bands. They look great.

The House points to date for 2009 are;

<i>Friendship</i>	5280	<i>Knowledge</i>	3230
<i>Growth</i>	7290	<i>Striving</i>	5440

Special Thank You to the PTA

At the PTA Meeting on the 8 September, the PTA approved funding for the following: \$ 645.00 to cover the transport costs for the School Road Patrols trip at the end of the year, \$2000 for the purchase of 2 Reading Labs for Team 1, \$10, 000 to the Board of Trustees to cover Curriculum Resources in the 2009 budget. A special thank you to PTA members and everyone who helped raise this much needed money.

**Warren Spanhake
Principal**

Important Dates

**Junior Assembly
Team 3**
Friday 18 Sept

Team 4 Cross Country
Thursday 24 Sept

End of Term Three
Friday 25 Sept 3pm

Term Dates

Term 3: 20 Jul, 25 Sep

Term 4: 12 Oct, 15 Dec



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School Notices

Welcome to our school community the following children and their families...

James Beere

School Star Children acknowledged at the last school assembly for being good citizens...

George Williams
Courtney Stephens

Principal's Award Certificates this Week

Rm 1	Lewis Larrard-Darby
Rm 2	Makayla-Rose Judd
Rm 3	Kodie McAllister
Rm 4	Briar Collins
Rm 5	Clarke Norman
Rm 6	Trae Carrington
Rm 7	Thomas Mordaunt
Rm 8	Talia Backhouse-Smith
Rm 9	Abigail Horsfall
Rm 10	Demetri O'Keefe
Rm 11	Tyler Flanagan
Rm 12	Troy Jeffries
Rm 13	Emma Mihaere
Rm 15	Henry Emm
Rm 16	Phillipa Lamberton
Rm 17	Daniel Wilson
Rm 18	Shannon Smith
Rm 19	Patrick Duffy
Rm 20	Reagan Davis

Fundraising

The Board of Trustees has formed a fundraising sub-committee to organise a couple of major events next year. The first will be a follow-up to the Whenuapai Half Marathon Fun Day which we organised this year. Next year promises to be bigger and better - and will include a mini fun run for the pupils to get involved (so the whole family can get training!) The bigger emphasis, though, will be on a School Gala for later in the year. We've settled on mid-November 2010 to give us plenty of time to get it up and going and we've decided to get back to basics with a traditional school gala. It's something we'd like to get the whole school community involved in. At this stage, we're interested in your ideas - what sorts of things would you like to see at a roaringly-successful Whenuapai School Gala? We'd also love to hear from anyone who plays in a band, entertains or has other skills/contacts which would be a great attraction at the gala. If anyone has ideas or contacts, please let Mr Spanhake know (email warrens@whenuapai.school.nz)

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property in the School. Could you please check that your child / children are not the owner of the some of the huge number of jackets, shoes, socks etc. The lost property will be put out on display next week. The lost property rack is housed in the foyer to the Library.

Marbles Season Tuesday 27 October - Friday 6 November

Please mark these dates in your calendar. Each year this event creates an amazing atmosphere around the School. Watch next weeks Newsletter for a summary of the rules relating to the Marbles Season. Marbles Season has been in place since the early 1990's and for new parents at Whenuapai it is something that you should take time to come along and see.

Yummy Stickers - Last day Monday 21 September

A huge thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser and we look forward to seeing the sports gear we receive based on the number of Yummy Stickers we have collected. Congratulations to Room 13 for collecting the most stickers to date!

Calendar Art

A reminder that your child / children's artwork is on display in the Library foyer for calendars and cards. Additional order forms are in the Office. Calendars just \$11.00 each and cards \$12.00 per pack. Great hand designed Christmas gifts from your child for friends and family.

Happenings and Achievements

Netball and Hockey Prize Giving 2009

The prize giving held on Tuesday 15 September was Whenuapai's first combined Hockey and Netball awards. We look forward to continuing this tradition. Our guest speaker this year was Jan Peterson, selected for the National Black Sticks team in 2007. All teams received certificates for their valued team contributions as well as recognising the most valuable, sportsmanship and most improved player awards. Our coaches and managers were also recognised. We would like to acknowledge all parents who have contributed to their children's sporting endeavours as this allows Whenuapai to continue to be represented in our community. We look forward to this support for many years. A big thank you also to our teachers committee, Miss Jane Loudon, Miss Amanda Cochrane, Mrs Mary-Anne Carr-Neill and Viv Mallabar for their organisation and effort. After a successful 2009 we are ready to continue in 2010.



North West Junior Touch

The North West Junior Touch Module is starting on Wednesday afternoons from November 4th. It is a six week programme that runs from 4pm-5.45pm with 30 minute games. It is six-a-side touch of up to 10 playing members and has boys and mixed grades. The cost is \$90 per team. Players must play in numbered tops and wear sport shoes as no bare feet are permitted. If there are any parents willing to take any teams and want to organise tops or sponsorship to start up a regular Whenuapai team please see Mrs Mallabar who will help coordinate through the school. Please contact me by Wednesday next week or we will not have enough time to organise tops or sponsorship prior to the holidays. This is an opportunity that could become a regular event if anyone is interested. See Viv Mallabar Sport Director Room 19 or e mail me at vivienem@whenuapai.school.nz.

The Breakers

Rooms 19 and 20 were fortunate enough to train with the Breakers team last week. It was a valuable learning experience and lots of fun!



Past Pupil Success

Congratulations to Jessica Wootton for her success in the Year 9 speech contest at Massey High School.