

Whenuapai School

14 Airport Road, Auckland
New Zealand



Newsletter – 20 October 2026

Kia ora whānau,

It's been a fantastic start to Term 4. We hope everyone enjoyed a restful break and had the opportunity to spend some quality time with family and friends. It has been wonderful to see our tamariki returning refreshed and ready for another busy term of learning. Our classrooms and playgrounds are buzzing with energy, and it's great to see everyone reconnecting with friends and settling back into school routines.

A very warm Whenuapai welcome to all our new families joining us this term. We are delighted to have you as part of our school whānau and look forward to getting to know you and your children as they settle into our kura.

School Redevelopment - Over the school holidays, there have been some significant changes around our Home Campus, with the library building and Rooms 23 and 24 now removed as part of the next stage of our school redevelopment. This work is helping prepare the site for another new classroom building, and we are pleased to have Ministry of Education approval to move forward with plans for this additional learning space.

It is exciting to see our school continuing to grow and develop to meet the needs of our tamariki. We are also delighted to see our students and teachers making the most of our new learning block, which is already providing fantastic spaces for teaching and learning.

Thank you to our staff, students, and whānau for your ongoing support and flexibility as we continue to work through these changes around our school site.

For any whānau who would like to have a look inside our new learning block, you're more than welcome to pop in for a peek! Feel free to have a nosy before school between 8:30 and 9:00 am or after school between 3:00 and 3:15 pm. We'd love you to see these fantastic new spaces for yourselves.

Teacher-Only Day – Tuesday, 27 October - A reminder that Tuesday, 27 October, is a Teacher-Only Day, and there will be no school for tamariki on this day. Our staff will be completing the final day of their Mathematics Professional Development.

With Labour Day on Monday, 26 October, this means a four-day long weekend for our families.

sKids will be open on this day should you need childcare - <https://www.skids.co.nz/book-with-us/>

Looking Ahead - Term 4 is always a busy and exciting time of year, with plenty of opportunities for our tamariki to learn, participate, and celebrate their achievements. Over the coming weeks, we have school trips for some year groups, athletics days, school photos, our much-anticipated Mistle Mania event, and a range of end-of-year celebrations to look forward to.

There is plenty happening, and we look forward to sharing these experiences with our tamariki and whānau as we make the most of the final term of the year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to a fantastic Term 4 at Whenuapai School.

Ngā mihi nui,
Adam Cels





Dates for your diary

Monday – 26 October Labour Day – No School	Monday – 16 November Kākāpō Motat Trip - Year 5
Tuesday – 27 October Teacher Only Day – No School	Tuesday – 17 November Kākāpō Motat Trip - Year 6
Friday – 30 October NW Badminton - Year 7 & 8	Thursday – 19 November NW Athletics – Year 7&8
Tuesday – 3 November Pīwakawaka (Yr 3&4) Athletics	Friday – 20 November Kākāpō (Year 5&6) Athletics
Wednesday – 4 November 6.00pm Board Meeting	Tuesday – 24 November NW Touch/Tag – Year 5&6
Thursday – 5 November School Disco	Wednesday – 25 November Kea (Years 0-1) Athletics
Wed 4 and Thurs 5 November School Photos	Thursday – 26 November Kahu Campout
Friday – 6 November Kāhu (Year 7&8) Athletics	Thursday – 26 November Tui (Year 2) Athletics
Wednesday – 11 November NW Cricket – Year 5&6	Friday – 11 December Mistletoe Mania
Thursday – 12 November Tough Kid Event (Air Base)	Friday – 18 December Last Day of Term 4

SAVE THE DATE – MISTLETOE MANIA 2026

Our biggest school event of the year is back!

Join us at Whenuapai School Junior Campus on Friday 11th December for an afternoon of fun for the whole family.

With entertainment for the kids, a spray from the infamous fire truck, delicious food stalls, student performances and a special visit from Santa, there's something for everyone.

More details coming soon. We can't wait to see you there!



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Library News

Year 8 students Bailey, Eve, Seleen and Haidee have completed a beautifully painted piece of artwork for display in the Senior Campus Library.

The girls were given a recycled wooden bench seat and challenged to plan and paint a large collage. The project has taken plenty of time, creativity and teamwork, with lots of ideas shared along the way! As you can imagine, agreeing on what to paint wasn't always easy, and the girls had to work together to bring everyone's ideas to life.

They persevered and have created a fantastic piece of artwork that they can all be proud of. We look forward to seeing it displayed on the wall in the Senior Campus Library.

Quoting one of the students *"It feels great to share it with everyone."*



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