



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 9

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## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is really hard to believe we are now in Week 9 of Term 2. The past two weeks have continued to be challenging with both our adults and children being hit by the winter bugs.

The first set of refurbished toilets will be open for use this week. They look great and certainly are a huge improvement. Ian has installed the new flying fox and put Wet-and-Forget on the junior playground structures. He is currently working on the last of the repairs on the middle-school playground. Ian has also been completing the repairs on the stage and it is looking so much better already. Maintaining the grounds at this time of year is a real challenge and a never-ending task for Ian.

Teachers are in the process of completing student reports which will go home in the last week of Term, which is next week.

Our children continue to love the variety of lunchtime clubs including, running, lego, chess and dance. A sincere thank you to those parents, grandparents, caregivers and staff who give up their time each week to run these.

On Friday, a group of Year 5 and 6 students will be planting the first of our 'Trees for Survival' plants on RNZAF Base Auckland. This will be a wonderful and rewarding day for these students.

Again, I ask that if our current processes are not capturing incidents of bullying, could you please speak to your child's teacher in the first instance. We are constantly reviewing our processes to ensure we provide opportunities for our children to speak up in a safe environment. The information your child shares with you is so valuable. We do want to know.

I have included an article for you to ponder.

*Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tatou mahi.  
Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.*

Kind regards,

Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

### ASSEMBLY DATES

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

9.15am – Year 0/1 (Kea)

#### **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

9.10am – World-a-thon  
Prize Giving.

#### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

9.15am – Year 2/3 (Tui)

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

Ripper Rugby

#### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

- Kiwi Comp – Maths
- Marrzipan Parent Performace
- 5.30pm - New Entrant Parent Meeting

#### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

- Kiwi Comp – Science
- Year 4 – Class trip
- New Entrant School Visit

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 7/8 Science Field Trip  
Trees for Survival Planting

#### **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Mud Rud/Tough Guy/Girl

#### **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

New Entrant School Visit  
Pie and Ice Block Day  
Mufti

#### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 7/8 - Mathex

### TERM DATES

#### **Term 2**

Last day - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Term 3**

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jul – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Sep

#### **Term 4**

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

Diary Dates

## PB4L

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

#### WHENUAPAI SCHOOL VALUES



Respect Others



Respect Self



Respect Learning



Respect Environment



# PTA NEWS

## Entertainment Books

A big thank you to everyone who has purchased an Entertainment Membership and supported Whenuapai School! Every membership sold directly contributes to our fundraising. We've almost received all the payments from our families, if you haven't paid for yours yet can you please organize your payment for the Entertainment Book or return your unsold Book to the school office. If you ordered the Digital Membership please return the book ASAP.

PAY ONLINE AT: [www.entbook.co.nz/952m82](http://www.entbook.co.nz/952m82)



## 28<sup>th</sup> June - World-a-thon Sponsorship Money

Well done to all students who took part in the World-a-thon on Thursday. All papers have been marked and given back to the children. To be in the running for the chance to win some great top prizes and spot prizes, sponsorship money is due back to the office no later than Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Prizegiving will be held at the All School Hui on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of July.

## 4<sup>th</sup> July - Jesters Pie Day with Ice Blocks and Mufti

Order forms should be home now listing the different flavours of pies available. Please place orders on Kindo (<http://mykindo.co.nz>) for your child's pie & ice block. Orders close at 11am on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July as it an outsourced lunch and they cannot take orders beyond that time.

## 31<sup>st</sup> July - 2nd-Hand Uniform & Jumper Sale

There will be another awesome sale from 8.30-9.15am, held under the awning outside of Mrs. MnM's office. Jumpers and uniform items selling for \$5 plus a few new pieces going for \$10 each. **CASH ONLY!**

The PTA endeavours to be as transparent and trustworthy as possible and would like to explain how we go about recovering and selling the used jumpers which are unclaimed from lost property:

1. *In the lead-up to a uniform sale, if there is an abundance of jumpers in the lost and found, we will send out an email to parents asking them to check the lost property pile, and around the school for their child's jumpers and bits and pieces. (We have not needed to do this yet this year).*
2. *We will gather up the rest of the unclaimed jumpers, bring them home and wash them. Once they are washed we note down names that were written in any of the items, jerseys, hats etc.*
3. *Sera gives us the list of names and we match and returned named ones of all current students and personally returned them to each class, un-named and ex-students ones were then donated. They then sit waiting to be sold at next sale.*
4. *Sometimes if the kids' have a teacher off sick and their class is split over other classes, or if they visit a buddy class, kids leave their gear in that class - it's worth checking these places too.*
5. *Ian, the Caretaker had found a number of jerseys on the field and playground that had been sitting outside, and he, along with the senior classes, have handed the labelled ones back to each child's class.*

We feel that we are providing a great service in offering some new and second-hand uniforms at a very reasonable price, and hope that this explanation sheds some light on the process behind it. As a parent, I am trying my best to train my kids to not lose their jumpers in the first place, and believe that one day the penny will drop! 😊

## 15<sup>th</sup> August - Quiz Night at the Hobsonville RSA

A really fun and laid-back evening! \$5 entry, have dinner at 5.30pm or arrive at 6.30pm for the quiz. Make up a table of up to 8 people. Book tickets now at [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com) All of the profits of the evening go directly back to the Whenuapai PTA.

## 24<sup>th</sup> August - Horse Racing Event in Whenuapai School Hall

\$5 entry, BYO Nibbles & Drinks, starts at 6.30pm. **Adults only.** Raising money for the playgrounds. More information and tickets available now at the front office. Get in quick, tickets selling fast! You may also ask how you can help the PTA with this fundraiser - do you or your company have anything to offer for a silent auction or towards raffle prizes?

## Naturally Gifted - Kids Art Work

This year we are going with a new company who provides beautiful and different options to display your child's original artwork! The kids are currently making their art and it will be on display, alongside the new products for viewing in Term 3.

## 26<sup>th</sup> September - End of Term Pizza Day

Pizza, Ice Blocks and Mufti for the final Thursday of term! More info will go home closer to the date.

# PB4L

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

### OUR SCHOOL VALUES

#### Our PB4L Focus for Term 2 Weeks 8-9.

Whenuapai School is a PB4L School (Positive Behaviour for Learning). We teach behaviour through the use of our school values - **Respect Self, Respect Others, Respect Learning and Respect Environment.**

Our current focus is **Respect for Learning** and in particular; **Make good use of learning tools, such as devices and the library.**

We would love for you to discuss at home what these mean and look like in and around your child's classroom and at home.



## HEALTH & WELLBEING

We would like to remind parents and caregivers about the spread of viruses in school. If your child is unwell please keep them home.

We have several reported cases of tummy bugs in the school.

The Ministry of Health site has information on a number of conditions or illnesses that can be searched to help families understand what their child may have and what action should be taken. Please see a doctor if you are concerned.

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses>



Total schools prize pool of **\$6,000** cash to be won!

## NorthWest Rewards.

Shop & vote for your local school  
24 June – 21 July

Vote & WIN a **\$500** NorthWest Shopping Spree

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### Help your school win cash!

From 24th June – 21st July, \$1 = 1 point for your school at NorthWest Shopping Centre.

We're rewarding schools - but it's up to you to tell us who! It's easy as 1, 2, 3:

1. Shop at NorthWest Shopping Centre
2. Take your receipt to Customer Service to submit your vote and be entered in the draw for a \$500 NorthWest Shopping Spree.
3. Track your school progress in centre or online: [northwestshoppingcentre.co.nz](http://northwestshoppingcentre.co.nz)

Participating schools include:

- Colwill School
- Don Buck Primary School
- Henderson Valley School
- Hobsonville School
- Huapai District School
- Massey Primary School
- Middle School West Auckland
- Riverhead School
- Swanson School
- Waimauku School
- Waitakere Primary School
- West Harbour School
- Whenuapai School

How it works:

- At the end of the promotional period, the school with the highest average spend per student will WIN \$3,000 CASH for their school. The school with the second highest points will receive \$2,000 CASH and the school with the third highest points will receive \$1,000 CASH

\*Every vote automatically enters the draw to WIN a \$500 NorthWest Shopping Spree.

Thank you for your support!

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For full terms & conditions visit: [northwestshoppingcentre.co.nz](http://northwestshoppingcentre.co.nz)

## WET WEATHER

With winter now upon us many children are requiring a change of clothing during the day. If you are able, please pop a spare change of clothes in your child's bag in case they get wet or muddy.

## Is it BULLYING?

When someone says or does something **unintentionally** hurtful and they do it once, that's **RUDE.**

When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they do it once, that's **MEAN.**

When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they **keep doing** it - even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset - that's **BULLYING.**

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

This year we have a wonderful new website. On the website you will find our Parent Handbook filled with lots of information about 'how things are done' at Whenuapai School. You can also find enrolment information, contact details for staff, minutes from BOT and PTA meetings and more. Please check it out at:

<https://www.whenuapai.school.nz/>

Unfortunately, there have been some teething issues with the School App. Our developers are working hard to get these fixed and we will advise parents when this is working properly.

## THANK YOU!!

A very special and heartfelt thank you to the **Massey High Football Team** who helped to turn over the bark in the playground at our recent working bee.

These students were amazing. They worked hard and were a credit to their school.



# SPORTS NEWS

## Norwest Table Tennis

The Norwest Table Tennis competition for Year 7 & 8 was held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at Hobsonville Primary School. The players completed 5-6 rounds of the girls tournament and 6 rounds of the boys tournament with all players getting a number of games against a variety of opponents from other schools.

The school would like to thank all students for their participation and attendance at the competition. It was an enjoyable tournament and well run. A big thank you to Claire Davies who supported and assisted on the day with supervision and transport.

The team was made up of the following students:

Student	Room
<b>Girls</b>	
Olivia Curgenvan	3
Sophie Greentree	4
Kathryn Farac	4
Tarion Bedding	4
<b>Boys</b>	
Kayne Davies	3
Rastin Slabbert	4
Jahvan Tuigamala Narayan	3



## School Cross Country 2019

We're excited for all our students to be participating in the School Cross Country this year! Our School Cross Country date will be Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August (Saver Date Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August).

Fundraising information will be coming home with student this week. The fundraising will be done via Fun Run NZ. The information coming home will include a sponsorship booklet and an information letter with the details of dates and how it all works. Students create a profile page at : [www.schoolfundraising.co.nz](http://www.schoolfundraising.co.nz) you can then share their online fundraising link created through social media, email, text in NZ or around the world.

For every \$10 raised by a student they are able to select a prize online. The more money raised the bigger the prize they can choose and the more money that goes back to Whenuapai School. There is also an opportunity to go into a draw for a \$20,000 family holiday!!! We hope you'll support our school and students in fundraising for more resources to support their academic learning.



### KEY CONTACTS

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Year 5-6 – Chris Groen	<a href="mailto:chrisg@whenuapai.school.nz">chrisg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	<a href="mailto:karlg@whenuapai.school.nz">karlg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>

### ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock at email: [thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz)

**Bank Account details:** 12 3085 0494188 00

**Reference:** Students Name

**Details:** The activity the payment is for

If you pay online for more than one activity or pay for more than one student and various activities, please email Tony detailing what payments are for.

**Also payments can be made via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)**

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# LOCAL NOTICES:



Come and join our amazing  
**MARRZIPAN HOLIDAY WORKSHOP!**

Students will devise their own play, create characters they feel awesome portraying, learn to direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes, use iMovie to create a commercial for their play on the iPad aaaaaand get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day!

**Dates - Monday 8th - Friday 12th July**

**Location - Birkdale Intermediate OR Hobsonville Primary School**

**Price - \$60 per day**

You can sign your child up via our website [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz)  
(we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to

## Our Chess Lovers School Holiday Program for July 2019 is now open for bookings!

**Book today** to make sure you don't miss out!



**Registrations close 5 July 2019**

- Develop thinking and problem solving
- Learn great new skills
- Interactive hands-on lessons
- Experienced Professional coaches
- Make friends with like-minded kids

**WEEK 1 - 8 - 12 July 2019      WEEK 2 - 15 - 19 July 2019**  
**Auckland Bridge Club, 273 Remuera Road, Remuera**

Half Day Sessions (\$40) – 9.00am – 12.15pm or 1.00pm – 4.15pm  
Full Day Sessions (\$65) – 9.00am – 4.15pm (Buy 4 sessions get one free)

Note: A \$10 fixed stationery fee applies for all bookings. This covers the supply of an exercise workbook in the program.

Students are highly engaged in learning  
ERO Report 2016

## Generation next

Future ready contributors

You are invited to our  
**OPEN EVENING**  
on **Thursday 25th July 6pm**

Or book an **OPEN DAY TOUR** on **Tuesday 30th July** at  
[www.hpss.school.nz](http://www.hpss.school.nz)

**HOBSONVILLE POINT SECONDARY SCHOOL**  
Follow us Facebook.com/Hobsonvillepointsecondarieschool

WHENUAPAI KINDERGARTEN  
ANNUAL CHARITY FUNDRAISER

## 'New To You' Ladies Night

Clothing Sale / Silent Auction

Tickets \$15  
No Door Sales  
Complimentary glass of wine included

**FRIDAY 16TH AUGUST 2019**  
**7PM - 10PM**  
**HERALD ISLAND COMMUNITY HALL**  
**BYO SHOPPING BAG**

More info on the facebook page:  
"Whenuapai Kindergarten  
'New to You' clothes swap"

WANTED:  
Good Quality Ladies and Kids Clothes & Accessories  
Drop Off Location: Whenuapai Kindergarten

### THE PROJECT - LIVE TV STUDIO AUDIENCE INVITATION

We would love to invite you and your friends, family & colleagues to be in the studio audience of Three's news-tainment show The Project. The audience is an important part of the show each night, and you can join in the fun – for free! The show is live so you are only in the studio for just over 30 minutes. We also have discount vouchers for some lovely local restaurants if you want to make a night of it. Our Hosts are Kanoa Lloyd, Jesse Mulligan & Jeremy Corbett plus 4th Hosts and Special Guests and free lollies every night!

#### DATES AVAILABLE TO BE IN THE PROJECT STUDIO AUDIENCE:

Thursday 20 June - 4th Host: Mark Richardson Plus Special Guests Louis Baker, Abbas Nazari & Christopher Luxon Live in Studio  
Friday 21 June - 4th Host: Jaquie Brown  
Monday 24 June - 4th Host: Paddy Gower Plus Special Guest Aesha Scott Live in Studio  
Tuesday 25 June - 4th Host: Justine Smith  
Wednesday 26 June - 4th Host: Jutz Tackler Plus Special Guest Levi Sherwood Live in Studio  
Thursday 27 June - 4th Host: Mark Richardson  
Tuesday 2 July - 4th Host: Bryce Casey  
Thursday 4 July - 4th Host: Mark Richardson  
Friday 5 July - 4th Host: Jaquie Brown  
Monday 8 July - 4th Host: Paddy Gower  
Tuesday 9 July - 4th Host: tbc  
Wednesday 10 July - 4th Host: Michele A'Court Plus Special Guest Villainy Live in Studio  
Thursday 11 July - 4th Host: Mark Richardson  
Friday 12 July - 4th Host: Jaquie Brown  
Monday 15 July - 4th Host: Paddy Gower  
Tuesday 16 July - 4th Host: tbc  
Wednesday 17 July - 4th Host: Justine Smith  
Thursday 18 July - 4th Host: Mark Richardson  
Friday 19 July - 4th Host: Jaquie Brown  
Please note, Hosts & Guests are subject to change

TIME: 6:30pm - 7:30pm (8pm Fri)

STUDIO LOCATION: Boston Road, Mt Eden

AGE: 13 years+ (13-15 year old must be accompanied by an adult)

To book your place in the audience, please email [taniagoldsbro@mediaworks.co.nz](mailto:taniagoldsbro@mediaworks.co.nz) with your date request, with a back-up date in case your first choice is full, and how many seats you need (maximum 6 - or more if you'd like to organise a social group outing). Your name will be added to the Audience Guest List and an e-ticket confirmation will be emailed to you. There's lots of easy and free parking around the studio. Our studio is wheelchair accessible.



**sKids** Holiday Programme  
for 5 to 15 year olds  
8 to 19 July 2019

Whenuapai School Hall  
14 Airport Road, Whenuapai

8 July - MON MUSIC LEFT Come dressed in your best blue outfit. Don't forget your instruments!	9 July - TUE EXTREME ENTERTAINMENT Arrive by 5pm. Wear Social Indoor Footwear and choice of Label Pop, Teenage Bookings or Arcade Games.	10 July - WED KINAMA Come dressed in your best blue outfit. Don't forget your instruments!	11 July - THU MUSIC LEFT Come dressed in your best blue outfit. Don't forget your instruments!	12 July - FRI GOOD CHEF BAD CHEF Get your apron on and enter the cooking competition!
15 July - MON NERF BATTLES The battle is on! Venue your friends in the ultimate Nerf battle!	16 July - TUE JUNJORS CINEMA TOY STORY 4 THE LION KING	17 July - WED SCIENCE DAY Join in for a day of science experiments.	18 July - THU FLIPPIN FUN TRAMPOLINE PARK Arrive by 10.30am	19 July - FRI DRESS-UP DAY Come dressed up and make your own dress!

\*Please bring your water bottle, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea each day.  
\*Please be at the programme by the time indicated on the flyer.

For more information, call 021 174 8473  
Email [Whenuapai@sKids.co.nz](mailto:Whenuapai@sKids.co.nz)  
Register now at [WWW.sKids.co.nz](http://WWW.sKids.co.nz) click on Parent Login

Bookings to be made 1 week in advance of the day to be booked

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## HELPING CHILDREN SPEAK UP



**What do you say to a child who tells you: “If I do what they say, they let me play with them. If I don’t, they walk away and tell me not to follow.” To stand up to a peer group was to risk losing them but to follow the herd was to risk getting in trouble or allowing another child to be hurt.**

**Many children struggle to assert their thoughts and feelings** but assertiveness can be taught. Knowing how to stand up for yourself and others is especially important when it comes to bullying, teasing, peer pressure and other negative behaviours. Building assertiveness skills takes time and practice.

### TRY THESE STRATEGIES

#### Talk about it.

All too often we tell children what to do without actually giving them details on what we mean. Discuss different communication styles.

- **Passive:** Passive communicators struggle to make eye contact, use a very quiet voice and act as if other peoples’ rights are more important than their own.
- **Aggressive:** Aggressive communicators are loud, imposing and act as if their rights are more important than the rights of others.
- **Assertive:** Assertive communicators make eye contact, use a calm but firm voice and respect their own rights and the rights of others equally. Use characters from books, TV and movies to illustrate these communication styles.

#### Model it.

Be the model you want your child to copy. Stand up for your views, even if they may not be popular. This can be a tough one,

especially when views clash. Model assertive communication skills. Teach your children to follow these steps when asserting their views:

**Remain calm.**

**Make eye contact.**

**Use a clear, confident voice.**

**Listen.**

There are times when we have to agree to disagree, but that doesn’t mean that we silence our voices. Practising statements like, “I appreciate that you explained your point of view. I have a different opinion, but now I know where you’re coming from,” teaches them that it’s okay to disagree.

#### Use the mirror.

Practise making eye contact in the mirror. Stand tall. Hold your shoulders back.

By altering their body postures and facial expressions as they practice assertive statements, they can see what works and what doesn’t.

**Try realistic scenarios.** Have your child come up with the problems and take turns acting as the bully and victim or aggressive and passive communicators. Practising the problem from both sides can be eye opening.

**The more children practise speaking up at home, the greater confidence and assertiveness they will have out in the world!**

Acknowledgement: Katie Hurley, child and adolescent psychotherapist and parenting educator, author of *The Happy Kid Handbook: How to Raise Joyful Children in a Stressful World*