

WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

**FRIDAY 29TH:
SUPERHERO DAY –
COME DRESSED UP AS
YOUR FAVOURITE
CHARACTER**

**PLEASE NOTE THE
TEACHERS ONLY DAY ON
THE 29TH MAY HAS BEEN
POSTPONED**

ROAD PATROL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**We are on the hunt for
some lovely
parent's/caregivers to
help with our Road
Patrol on Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday
mornings. We would be
so grateful for any help
you can give – if you
are available please
get in touch with Sera
at reception –**

office@whenuapai.school.nz



A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parent's and Caregivers,

It is so wonderful to have everyone back on site this week. What a journey it has been. Thank you for all of the amazing feedback you have provided to the teaching team. Your words were certainly 'bucket fillers'.

Congratulations to all of you for keeping the Home Learning going over the Lockdown period.

The new playground is almost finished and the children have loved watching it progress over the week. Unfortunately for Health & Safety reasons, we will need to keep the school gates locked this weekend as we are still waiting on a couple of critical components which will be installed, hopefully on Monday. The builders have been back on onsite since Alert Level 3 and are making great progress - Rooms 7-10 have recently been completed and the children/teachers are back in them. The builders are now working on Rooms 11-14.

Congratulations to the following students on their appointment to Prefects. It has certainly been a longer process than normal. Orlando, Kathryn Farac, Jack Pringle, Martim Monteiro, Taya Nasmith and Sophie Greentree. We are thrilled to have these student's on board as our schools 2020 Prefects.

We had 23 applications for the roles this year and it was wonderful that so many students were wanting to take on a Leadership role.

Due to this enthusiasm, we have created a new Level of Leadership for these students and now have a group called 'Student Navigators'. This group will support students in Year 1-4 at break times. They will also lead a range of sporting and cultural opportunities.

Once again, a heartfelt thank you to you all for the very many ways you have walked alongside us as we have 'navigated' a new normal.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend with your families.

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



SPORT

WHENUAPAI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY 2020

Head of Department - Sport - Mr Greg Berry

Whenuapai School Cross Country 2020

Whenuapai School cross country event will be held on Friday 19th June

2020 with the saver date on Monday 22nd June. All students are expected to participate and are aware of the requirements. Parents are cordially invited to watch the event which will kick off with the Year 0-1 students at 9:30am. The start and finish line are on the main field. The start times for specific year levels are the following:

APPROX TIME	YEAR	APPROX DISTANCE
9:30 AM	0-1	968 M
10:15 AM	7&8	3356 M
11:40AM	5&6	2588 M
1:40PM	2-3	1820 M
2:15PM	4	1820 M

All students must have footwear and a drink bottle. Students at year 5-8 wear their PE uniform and year 0-4 students must have a shirt and shorts with adequate footwear. Can students that require medication e.g (asthma inhalers) please have this with them. Hopefully the weather will hold for us and we will have a great day of races!

MEET OUR PREFECTS FOR 2020



Please join us in welcoming our Prefects for 2020.

With 23 students applying to fill the six spots, this was no easy feat, but after deliberation, we are thrilled to announce our Prefects for Whenuapai School 2020.

Taya Nasmith, Sophie Greentree, Martim Monteiro, Jack Pringle, Kathryn Farac and Orlando.

Due to the outstanding calibre of all who applied, we have also decided to add to our student leadership team with another team which we will be named 'Student Navigators'.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL

We wanted to share some snaps of the playground taking shape during the different stages of construction. The children have loved watching the progress. We all cannot wait until the children can explore all the different aspects of it next week - we have no doubt they will love it.



JUNIOR PLAYGROUND PROGRESS REPORT





WHENUAPAI PRIMARY IS NOW AN ENVIROSCHOOL

As part of this exciting new journey that has a focus on sustainability, we are wanting to encourage kids to have nude lunchboxes – what this means, is no packing or wrappers. There is an amazing website you can visit to get some ideas. Head to www.familytimes.co.nz to find out more. Here are just some of the ideas they suggest:

- Use beeswax wraps to keep sandwiches fresh.
- Use small, reusable containers for yoghurt from a larger pottle.
- Keep vege and fruit pieces fresh in sealed reusable containers.
- If you just want a lunchbox, and no other containers or bags, find a lunchbox that has at least three dividers: one for roll/sammies, one for veges and fruit, and one for snacks.

And the ultimate saviour from all the packaging waste – use a Bento Lunchbox. These have several compartments to keep everything in order and your kids happy.



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MARRZIPAN

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need 45 minutes a week to take part in organised craziness?!

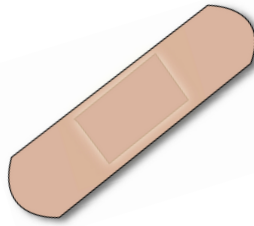
Come and join Marrzipan!

We run awesome drama classes which focus on key life skills at your school! We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. All parents receive weekly class reports too to keep them up to date on their child's development. Give me a call to come along for a free trial, or just a chat to discuss how our classes can benefit your child's development.

Contact Jex on 027 521 7352 or
email info@marrzipandrama.co.nz

HEALTH & WELLBEING

WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS ABOUT THE SPREAD OF VIRUSES IN SCHOOL. 'PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF HANDWASHING, AND IF THEY ARE UNWELL PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME. THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH SITE HAS INFORMATION ON A NUMBER OF CONDITIONS OR ILLNESSES THAT CAN BE



PB4L - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING OUR SCHOOL VALUES

WHENUAPAI SCHOOL IS A PB4L SCHOOL. WE TEACH BEHAVIOUR THROUGH THE USE OF OUR SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT SELF, RESPECT OTHERS, RESPECT LEARNING AND RESPECT ENVIRONMENT.

PB4L FOCUS FOR TERM 2

RESPECT FOR SELF AND OTHERS:-PRACTISE GOOD HYGIENE (WASHING HANDS REGULARLY, SNEEZING AND COUGHING SAFELY)-RESPECT EACH OTHER'S PERSONAL SPACE



DANCE CLASSES

"Tania Foster school of Dance" offers classes in Jazz, Hip Hop and Lyrical Styles of dance for all ages and abilities, new students welcome to trial a class at no obligation to enrol.

We offer students Graded exams, Fun classes, Competitions and Yearly shows.

Three locations, Hobsonville, Whenuapai and West Harbour.

Please enquire to Principal Teacher Tania Foster JDNZ Examiner and Registered Teacher with 40 years' experience nurturing young dancers.

Phone 027 280 8857 or email taniafosterdance@gmail.com

KEY CONTACTS

PRINCIPAL
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JILL MACKENZIE

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT - SPORT
GREG BERRY

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TEAM LEADERS

YEAR 0-1 - CARLI MICHELSEN

YEAR 2-3 - OLIVIA MEAD

YEAR 4 - PAIGE CHELLEW

YEAR 5-6 - CHRIS GROEN

YEAR 7-8 - KARL GANDA

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ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock at email:

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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**



MUSIC LESSONS at Whenuapai School

*Would your child like to learn to play music?
Would you like in-school lessons with qualified music teachers?
Enrol your child in music lessons at Whenuapai School!*

MusiqHub is holding a Have-A-Go Day on Thursday 20th February in the Hall, where your children can try out an instrument and you can meet the music tutor Gloria Arboleda Martinez.

Gloria has a Bachelor of Music and has tutored in schools in Colombia, the UK, and for the past three years with MusiqHub here in Auckland. Gloria offers music lessons in guitar, ukulele, keyboard/piano, clarinet, flute, recorder, saxophone, and trumpet.

WHAT? Have-A-Go Day at Whenuapai School
When? Thursday 20th Feb
Times? 8.00am - 8.45am
2.45pm - 3.30pm
Where? Hall

For more information, contact
Gloria Arboleda Martinez
 0274 422 654 • gloria.arboleda@musiqhub.co.nz

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FREE TRIALS

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TAI CHI & GREEN TEA

FREE family friendly Tai Chi sessions during March

Come for some exercise
 Stay to meet your neighbours

Sundays
 9.00am-10.30am

Tuesdays
 5.30pm-7.00pm

on the field next to the Parkhouse Café
 Totara & Brighams Creek Roads

Tai chi is great exercise for all ages, as it is gentle on your joints. It uses safe, mindful, flowing movements and deep breathing to improve strength, balance and to reduce falls.

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Kids Yoga - Term 1 After-School Series

Yoga is a wonderful way to bring children together through a non-competitive, yet physical activity. It benefits the body (of all ages) by offering balance and flexibility and strengthens the lungs. It supports concentration and allows children to develop healthy techniques to tackle problem solving and tricky situations.

Five-Week, After-School Series

Ages - suitable for a 6-12 year olds
When - begins Wednesday, 11th March
Time - 4pm-5pm
Where - Kanuka Yoga Space
\$100 for all five classes - \$24 per casual drop in

To book, email hello@kanukayoga.co.nz





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