



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

5 NOVEMBER 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Today, 5 November

4.30-6.00pm – Junior Disco

6.30-8.00pm – Senior Disco

Friday, 6 November

Year 5/6 Athletics Sports

Wednesday, 11 November

Year 5/6 Cricket

Thursday, 12 November

Year 4 Athletics Sports

Wednesday, 18 November

Year 2/3 Athletics Sports

Thursday, 19 November

Year 7/8 NW Athletics

Wednesday, 2 December

Year 0/1 Athletics Sports

Friday, 11 December

4.00pm – Mistletoe Mania

Tuesday, 15 December

End of Year Assembly

9.30am – Year 2/3

11.30am – Year 0/1

1.40pm – Year 4

Wednesday, 16 December

Prizegiving / Graduation

1.30pm – Year 5/6

4.00pm – Year 7/8

BOT MEETING DATES

6pm Start

Wednesday, 18 November

Wednesday, 9 December

2020 TERM DATES

Friday, 18 December

Final Day of Term 4

12.30pm finish

**In a
world where
you can be
anything
Be kind!**

Tēnā koutou,

We are currently organising the classes for 2021 so that these can be finalised and communicated to you and your children before the end of the year. Class placement letters will go home on Thursday, 10 December 2020. To help with transition, our students will visit their new classrooms and spend time with their new teachers (where possible) on Monday, 14 December 2020.

Team Leaders in consultation with class teachers are responsible for the placement of their students in their next year classes. They work together to consider the best possible learning opportunities for each student. Molly Fletcher (Deputy Principal) and Jill MacKenzie (Learning Support Coordinator) will also be involved in the process.

Our children are also involved in the process and will be asked: who they would enjoy working with again next year and who they would enjoy a learning holiday from.

The following factors are considered when formulating classes: a diversity of learners, gender balance and learning relationships with peers.

Our current proposed 2021 organisation of classes is as follows:

Year	Number of Classrooms	Year	Number of Classrooms
1	4	4	3
2	3	5/6	4
3	3	7/8	3
* Please be aware that this may change as a result of enrolments			

At the end of 2020 the following teachers are leaving our school:

- Leanne Morrison-Jones and Andrew Kent who are moving on to exciting new challenges, and
- Mone Brindle who will be commencing Parental Leave

We wish them all the very best for the journey ahead.

Thank you to those who were able to attend our School Hui last week and share your wisdom with us. We certainly value the guidance as we continue our journey to improve the visibility of Māori culture and knowledge in our school.

The Kapa Haka set the 'scene' with a very powerful welcome. We are incredibly proud of their journey.

The feedback from the evening will inform our Annual Plan for 2021.

Many staff have embarked on their own journey through the Te Wānanga o Aotearoa.

The refurbishment of our senior classrooms is now complete and we are just waiting on the bathroom partitions to be delivered. Our classroom environments are now well placed to support great teaching and learning.

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

*He iti hau marangai E tū te pāhokahoka
After the storm, the rainbow appears*

Ngā mihi nui, Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

SPORT

North Harbour Harcourts and C Rippa Rugby – Glenfield Rugby Club

The 2020 rippa rugby competition for Whenuapai School Year 3-6 students was held on Thursday 22nd October. The students played at Kaipatiki Park and travelled by bus to and from the venue. The weather made for ideal playing conditions and all four Whenuapai teams played extremely well. The students demonstrated our school values across the course of the day and the performance improvements in utilising space and moving the ball through passing was evident across all teams. Our players new to the sport showed improved application, knowledge and understanding of the game and they demonstrated a strong commitment to improving which is exciting to see. Special thanks go to all parents that organised and prepared their son/daughter for the event. A personal thank you to the team leaders and parents who were Nathan Hodges, Andreia Alcantara, Jelena Nasmith, Peta Florence, Kane Stratford, Bridget Studd and Keith Zanders. The school appreciates your support and acknowledges the value you have given each of our students and teams in your roles. We hope that 2021 will hold more opportunities for our rippa rugby students with the competition resuming with 3 tournaments. Lastly a big cheers and thankyou to all the students. You made it a great day!

North Harbour Year 5 & 6 TBall

The North Harbour TBall competition was held at Rosedale Park on Wednesday 28th October. There were a large number of participants and more than 6 diamonds in use with a number of schools. The Whenuapai boys Tball team played schools such as Willow Park School, Huapai School, Sherwood School and although they didn't make the semifinals there were some creditable results and performances. The school would like to thank all the students for their representation for the school and also to Dana Foster and Andreia Alcantara who transported and assisted with supervision. Below is the team that represented the school.

- Trey Shepperd, Lachlan Hosking, Quinn Bowen, Joel Pitout, Luke Gillies, Caio Monterio, Louis Li, Rocco Tupu and Taite Berry



North West Badminton Year 7 & 8

Whenuapai School was represented at the Norwest Badminton competition which was held on Friday 30th October at the Waitakere Badminton Stadium in Royal Heights, Massey. The students played a number of games against other Norwest schools and students are to be commended on how they performed and represented the school. The students were able to learn basic technique and apply it in competition games against other students. This also involved umpiring and guidance on officiating. The students and school would like to thank Claire Brain for assisting with transport to and from the venue and a special mention to Ritchie Marr from the New Zealand Badminton Academy and Waitakere Badminton for gifting the school some racquets, nets and shuttle cocks to support the development of badminton in the school. The Whenuapai school Year 7 & 8 representative badminton team are:

- Taine Rawhiti-Wall, Martim Monterio, Charlie Farac, Payton Berry, Sophie Greentree, Olivia Gurgenvin, Kathryn Farac and Tonieka Hannon.

North Harbour Representative Touch

Whenuapai School would like to congratulate the following students for gaining selection for the North Harbour Touch teams. The students trialed at Kaipatiki Park in Glenfield on Sunday 18th October. Congratulations to the following students who will now compete in the following events.

Try Series Tournament – Saturday 16th January 2021

Northern Junior IPS Tournament - Saturday 30th January 2020 to Sunday 31st January 2021

- Under 10 Girls - Kaylan Nasmith and Astyn Nasmith
- Under 10 Boys - Taite Berry and Bradley Uren
- Under 14 Girls - Payton Berry

ATHLETIC SPORTS DATES 2020

Year Level	Date	Saver Date
Year 5 and 6 Athletic Sports	Friday – 06 November 2020	Monday – 09 November 2020
Year 4 Athletic Sports	Thursday – 12 November 2020	Friday – 13 November 2020
Year 2 and 3 Athletic Sports	Wednesday – 18 November 2020	Thursday – 19 November 2020
Year 0 and 1 Athletic Sports	Wednesday – 02 December 2020	Thursday – 03 December 2020

Whenuapai Athletic Sports Year 7 & 8 2020

Whenuapai School held its annual Year 7 & 8 athletics day on Thursday 29th of October 2020. The sun came out making for ideal conditions. The day started with the 1500 metres with some students testing themselves over this long-distance event. Once completed the students moved through the field events including shot put, high jump, long jump and discus and the track events which included 100m, 200m 800m and 400m. Some students attempted a new event for the first time and were successful in accomplishing new personal bests. The competition for the top student in each age category was fierce and every student was attempting to improve across the day. It was evident from the final results that some students performed well in field events like throwing and jumping while other students had greater success in the running track events. Some students preferred the sprints while others enjoyed the longer distance. The day finished with relays with room 2 boys being the fastest class overall. The event was made more successful with the support of teachers coordinating their events, recording, timing and general organisation. The 2020 Whenuapai Athletics event was a tremendous success and the school would like to thank everyone for their support and the students for their top efforts!

Overall Athletics Champions 2020				
Year	Year 7 Boys	Year 7 Girls	Year 8 Boys	Year 8 Girls
1st Place	Taine Rawhiti-Wall Room 3 220 Points	Talia Hosking Room 4 190 Points	Latrell Tucker Room 2 270 Points	Payton Berry Room 3 210 Points

Note: Placings

- 1st Place in an Event = 40 points
- 2nd Place in an Event = 20 points
- 3rd Place in an Event = 10 points



- Full Year 7/8 Athletic Sports results attached

Whenuapai School is a:



We encourage you to walk your children to and from school as it:

- Helps improve your child's fitness and health (and yours!)
- Gets them to arrive at school awake, alert and ready to learn
- Keeps the school crossing area clear of parked cars so it is safer for everyone
- Helps your child to become familiar with their community and to learn road sense skills
- Saves on petrol money

SEEKING YOUR HELP

We are reaching out to our wonderful community seeking some volunteer help for the following:

- A choir teacher to assist with starting a school choir
- Road Patrol helpers – Bringham Creek Rd (8.30-8.50am)

If you think you could help with any of the above please contact the school office and let us know:
office@whenuapai.school.nz



We would also love to hear from anyone who has availability to:

- help put away readers in the book room on Friday mornings from 8:30am

This usually only takes an hour, less if there are more helpers. Please email sbone@whenuapai.school.nz if you are available to help with this role.

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.**

Our PB4L values focus for Week 4 and 5 of Term 4 is: **Respect for Self.**

- Use kind words about yourself
- Do your best and try your hardest
- Demonstrate a growth mindset

It would be wonderful if you could talk to your children at home about our current PB4L focus.



As a School, we have become more and more aware that some children and families in our community are in need. For this reason, we are setting up "The Hunger Buster Project" where we encourage families who are in a position to help, to be able to. This could be by way of a monetary donation or it might be dropping off some of the following items which we can use to keep our beautiful children well fed. At this stage we would be asking for food donations of the following items:

- **Fruit, Muesli Bars, Cup of Soup, Margarine, Bread and Milo**

All of these items will help us to make sure hungry tummies are full which encourages a much more productive learning day for them. Alternatively, if you would like to contribute financially, we have set up a separate bank account for us to purchase such items.

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We thank you so much for any support, little or large. Every bit helps and we know as a community there will be many of you who will want to help in any way you can. Your generosity is so much appreciated.



Put a placeholder in your diary for

MISTLETOE MANIA

@ WHENUAPAI SCHOOL

Friday 11th December 2020
4pm - 7pm



****WANTED****

A Band to play at **MISTLETOE MANIA**
Christmas Party on Friday,
11 December 2020

Due to this being a community event,
a donation of your time
would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact

pta.whenuapai@gmail.com





if you are interested or know someone
that would suit the gig.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS – WE NEED YOU!

PB4L

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

-  Respect Self
-  Respect Others
-  Respect Learning
-  Respect Environment



Term 4 Chess Lessons REGISTRATION:

Both registration & payment
can be done online at:

www.chesspower.co.nz/register

eZlunch Menu and App now available!

Android Google Play:

<https://play.google.com/>

iPhone App Store:

<https://apps.apple.com/>



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making positive change
the kind of difference that
counts



Reminder - School hats are compulsory in Term 4.

These can be ordered online through MyKindo.



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please visit SchoolDocs at:**
www.schooldocs.co.nz/

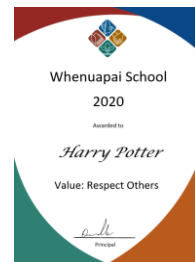
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SCHOOL BADGES

A reminder to parents/caregivers that once your child accumulates a number of Merit Certificates (awarded at assembly) or School Values Certificates (awarded at the end of the year) they are eligible for the following school badges:

- 3 Certificates – Effort Badge
- 6 Certificates – Achievement Badge
- 9 Certificates – Excellence Badge
- 12 Certificates – Outstanding Badge
- 15 Certificates – Top Class
- 18 Certificates – Number One



Your child can bring their certificates to the school office and we will arrange for a badge to be presented to them by Mrs Matthys-Morris.



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 veg 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.

Pita Pit kindo.

**Win 1 Year of Free Kids Meals +
A Pita Pit Class Party
with ezlunch school lunch orders**

ezlunch have teamed up with Pita Pit to celebrate the launch of their new kids' meals in-store nationwide with TWO fantastic offers...

Every Pita Pit [ezlunch order](http://ezlunch.co.nz) delivered to school Monday 2nd – Friday 20th November inclusive will...

- **Go in the draw to WIN a Class Party for you and your classmates!** Pita Pit will provide kids meal catering and some awesome kids packs for your whole class to enjoy. (All ezlunch Pita Pit orders will be in the draw to win)
- **Go in the draw to WIN a free Pita Pit Kids meal every week for one year, at your local Pita Pit store.**

That's twice as many reasons to consider ordering Pita Pit for your next school lunch! Go to ezlunch.co.nz (or direct to our school shop on mykindo.co.nz) to log in and place your order.

MARRZIPAN

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 & 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 good hygiene, proper handwashing and sneezing into their elbow

If your child is unwell please keep them home.

2021 Term Dates

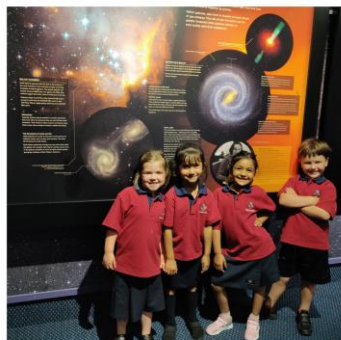
- 3 February – Parent Interviews
- **Term 1** - 4 February – 16 April 2021
- **Term 2** - 3 May – 9 July 2021
- **Term 3** - 26 July – 1 October 2021
- **Term 4** - 18 October – 16 December 2021



STARDOME

Our students had a wonderful time on the recent visit to the Stardome Observatory & Planetarium.

A very special **thank you** to all of our parent helpers.



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!

Musical instruments are available to try out on Thursday 28th February in the Hall, where your children can try out an instrument and you can meet the music teacher, Gloria Arboleda Martinez.

What? Have a Go Day of Musical Instruments
When? Thursday 28th Feb
Where? School Hall
Cost? \$25 per 60mins (Aged 5-8, Cost: \$250)
Location: Library
Host: Building
Junior Robotics

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

MUSIC HUB
PLAY SMART

Whenuapai Primary School

AGES 3-12

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS

BUILD, PROGRAM and EXPERIMENT with robots

Every Monday (Term 4)
12 Oct - 14 December
3:00pm-4:00pm
Model Building
\$25 per 60mins
(Aged 5-8, Cost: \$250)
Location: Library
Host: Building
Junior Robotics

Every Monday (Term 4)
12 Oct - 14 December
3:00pm-4:30pm
Junior Robotics
\$35 per 60mins
(Aged 6-8, Cost: \$350)
Location: Library
Host: Building
Junior Robotics

Every Wednesday (Term 4)
14 Oct - 16 December
3:00pm-4:00pm
EV3 Advs Robotics
\$35 per 60mins
(Aged 9+, Cost: \$350)
Location: Library
Host: Building
Junior Robotics

Bricks 4 Kidz
09 835 2998
www.brick4kids.co.nz

KELLY SPORTS BACK TO SCHOOL SPORT!

LEARN NEW SPORTS IN TERM 4

A weekly multi-sport programme that will provide an essential base for children's motor skills and help build confidence and coordination!

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT
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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS | **MULTI-SPORT** PROGRAMME

Programmes run once a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- Endzone (Modified American Football)
- Cricket
- Fun Games
- Basketball
- Valleyball

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings - giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For year levels 0 - 4 students.

PRICES FROM \$88 - \$108 ONLY

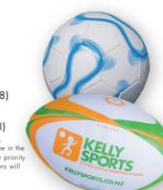
- Greenhithe - Monday, 310-410pm (8 weeks, \$108)
- Riverhead - Monday, 240-340pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Marina View - Tuesday, 310-410pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Oleha Valley - Tuesday, 305-405pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Pinehill - Wednesday, 310-410pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Hobsonville - Thursday, 310-410pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Upper Harbour - Thursday, 310-410pm (8 weeks, \$108)
- Whenuapai - Friday, 310-410pm (7 weeks, \$98)
- Hobsonville Point - Friday, 310-410pm (8 weeks, \$108)

Back to School Sport starts week of 19th of October 2020. In case of wet weather, Greenhithe sessions will be in the school hall while Hobsonville Point sessions will be in the gym. For other schools with no available covered venue, children's wellbeing is our priority and parents will be notified of any cancellations on or before 2PM. Make-up sessions will be arranged accordingly.

PAY EARLY & SAVE

Use the voucher code 'earlybird' before 25th September to save!

Website: kellysports.co.nz/upperharbour
Contact: Jonas
Email: upperharbour@kellysports.co.nz
Phone: 022 462 8890
Facebook: @KellySportsUpperHarbour



KELLY SPORTS
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Year 5-6 – Chris Groen	chrisg@whenuapai.school.nz
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	karlg@whenuapai.school.nz

ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please email Mr Tony Hitchcock at: 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 the payments are for.

Payments can also be made via our online school shop at mykindo.co.nz

NOTICES:

An evening with Nigel Latta

Whether you're a parent with young children or teenagers, or just trying to deal with the unprecedented uncertainty of the times we all find ourselves living in, we could all probably do with some pointers on how to manage our wellbeing. In this entertaining evening, Nigel will explore how Covid-19 has impacted all of our lives, young and old, and share some strategies for managing and coping with stress and anxiety. This is an evening that will be appropriate for all ages.

- Date: Tuesday 10th November
- Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Location: Westlake Boys High School, Forrest Hill, Auckland
- Early bird tickets are on sale now: **\$25 + fees**, a saving of 10% off the standard ticket price
- More information can be found here: www.kenziesgift.com



BRAINPLAY

**AFTER-SCHOOL
SCIENCE AND TECH
CLASSES
AGES 5-13**

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Are you looking for childcare?
We would love to show you around our purpose built centre full of love, laughter and Fun!

Remarkable Kids Learning Centre
10 Kawakawa Place, Whenuapai
Contact Kelly on 09 218 5858
info@remarkablekids.co.nz

Babysitting and Tutoring - Hi! I'm Sarah and I am a local, fully registered Primary School Teacher. I am available for **babysitting and/or tutoring** in the evenings and on weekends. Please text or call me on 0211437180 for more information.



**Mama Bakes NZ is
Based in Whenuapai**

Contact Number:
021 0825 7071

Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/MamaBakesNZ/>

Instagram:

<https://instagram.com/mamabakesnz?igshid=yokxly7dl5r>

HAVE A GO CRICKET (YEAR 1 – YEAR 5)

*** NEW PLAYERS ARE WELCOME ***

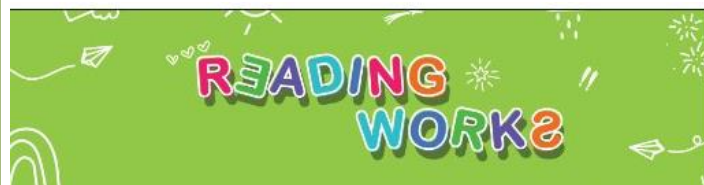
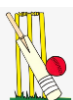
PRE X-MAS AND POST X-MAS SESSIONS –

4.30 pm – 6.00 pm at HOBSONVILLE WAR MEMORIAL PARK

Individual fees: \$100 full season -[REGISTER HERE](#)

Player registrations and enquiries – contact Sandra Atkins

hobspointcricket@gmail.com



Helping bright kids who have difficulty reading and spelling

My name is Kirsty and I offer one-on-one tutoring with students who struggle with reading and spelling.

I tutor with a multisensory phonics based system that has proven to be extremely successful, especially with kids who have or are suspected of having Dyslexia.

Please phone or email for more information
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Kirsty Macferson

021438574

www.readingworks.co.nz

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