



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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11 MARCH 2021

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 12 March

Teacher Only Day
No School

Monday, 15 March

Year 5-8 Swimming Sports

2-6 April

Easter Holidays
No School

Friday, 16 April

Last Day of Term 1

BOT MEETING DATES

6.00pm - Wed, 24 March

6.00pm - Wed, 26 May

TERM DATES

Term 1

4 February – 16 April

Term 2

03 May – 09 July

Term 3

26 July – 01 October

Term 4

18 October – 16 December

In a world where
you can be anything
Be kind!

Walk to School Day

Wednesday, 24 March 2021.

Whenuapai Whānau,
please join us at the
Parkhouse Playground and
walk to school.

More details to come.



WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Tēnā koutou,

It's been another rollercoaster fortnight, with last week being spent at Alert Level 3 and this week at Alert Level 2. As we continue to face the challenges of Covid together, our incredible students are taking the uncertainty and disruption in their stride and we are so very proud of them all. I want to thank our amazing staff for their adaptability and continuous hard work through these challenging times and I also want to thank all of you, our wonderful families, for your support and adaptability in particular with the re-scheduling of many of our events.

Today we had the pleasure of welcoming a group of incredible new students on their first school visit in the junior school. These children begin their schooling journey with us on Monday and we are looking forward to both them and their Whānau joining the Whenuapai School family.

We have a number of extra-curricular activities being run by staff members each lunchtime. These include, singing, dance, touch, running, drawing, gymnastics, Warhammer, jump jam, Lego, yoga, art, board games, kapa haka and mixed sports. Timetables for these clubs have been shared with each of the classrooms and we encourage your children to get involved.

It is exciting that work has begun on the last two classrooms in the senior block to bring them up to an acceptable classroom standard. The Ministry has taken over the ownership of both rooms which is great. With our pending roll growth, we are anticipating we will be using both rooms as classrooms by the end of the year.

We are currently having other work done around the school to improve the accessibility for all our students. Unfortunately, the last few days have been challenging for both our teachers and students in Rooms 11-14, due to the construction noise.

Over the years we have continued to be challenged by an intermittent unpleasant smell coming from the septic tank. Please be assured that the Ministry is working with us to resolve the ongoing issues. To date, finding the right fix unfortunately has been challenging and time consuming.

I wish to share with you that I have been awarded a Terms sabbatical and will be away for all of Term 2. Molly Fletcher will be Acting Principal during this period. It provides me with the wonderful opportunity for some uninterrupted professional learning.

A reminder, that tomorrow we are closed for instruction due to our first NZEI Teachers Only Day for 2021. The NZEI Teacher Only Days were voted in as part of the employment agreement negotiations for the Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement. The two other Teacher Only Days for 2021 are Friday, 04 June 2021 and Friday, 12 November 2021.

Please remember our doors are always open.





*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

PB4L

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING
OUR SCHOOL VALUES**

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

SPORT

Norwest Tag - The Norwest Tag competition was held on Friday 26th February at Moire Park Massey. Whenuapai had a boys team and a girls team represented. Whenuapai had great results throughout the day with the girls making the final where they were defeated by Marina View in a close contest. The girls are to be commended on their teamwork, support and commitment to each other throughout the day in what was for some of them their first competition in league tag.

The boys team equally played extremely well and were undefeated in all their games. Unfortunately, a final was not held for the boys grade due to the number of boys teams and restrictions on time so points were taken for and against and the outright winner was Marina View with Whenuapai Boys placing third. These were very pleasing results for Whenuapai School and overall a great fun day was had by all students.

The girls team have now qualified for Interzone Tag which will be held on Thursday 8th April at Coxs Bay, Westmere.

Thanks to Sarah Peck, Sophie Kelly and Andrew Barrett for their support of the girls and boys teams and the assistance on the day and with transport. The overall results are below

North West Boys Division

Winners - Marina View

Runners Up - Upper Harbour Primary

Third Place - Whenuapai School

North West Girls Division

Winners - Marina View School

Runners Up - Whenuapai School



We are starting up a Lego club at school during lunch times and we would love some donations of Lego for children to use for this.

Please send donations to Room 18. Thank you!



**Self-Confidence classes at Whenuapai
Space Available for Term 1 2021!**

Our classes will be running on:
Thursday, at 10:05-11:05 in the hall.

Spaces are limited to 14 students, to sign up for a non-obligatory trial lesson.

Please register your interest by:
emailing: manon@marrzipandrama.co.nz
or calling 0272206030. See you there!



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 11th 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 four 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 11th Feb

Times? 8.00am - 9.00am

2.30pm - 3.30pm

Where? Hall

For more information, contact
Gloria Arboleda Martinez

0274 422 654 • gloria.arboleda@musiqhub.co.nz

MUSIQHUB
PLAY SMART



Reminder - School hats are compulsory in Term 1 and Term 4. These can be ordered online through [MyKindo](https://www.mykindo.co.nz).

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 focus for Term 1 2021: For the beginning of Term our focus is on all four School values, what they are, what each one means and how we can live the values every day.

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.





Kindo School Shop

Our Kindo School shop allows you to view your personal account, purchase school hats and order school lunches easily – at a time that suits you!
It's open 24/7.

Your personal account can be viewed under the Student Account icon.

You will see all your outstanding payments, and you can choose to pay in full, or make a part payment on these items.

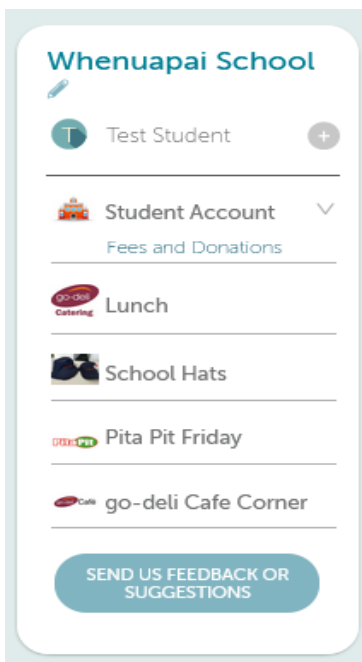
Optional extras can be purchased by clicking on your student's initial icon next to the item.

If you already have a myKindo or ezlunch account, you can [log in here](#).

New users can create an account by [clicking here](#).

Give the Kindo helpdesk a call if you need any assistance.

Freephone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636) Monday to Friday, 8am to 4pm.



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.



Please help our students to show Respect for our Environment by packing 'Nude Food' (rubbish free) school lunches.

We are an **Enviroschool** now and we would really like to eliminate all the rubbish from school lunch boxes that unfortunately doesn't always end up rubbish bins. Let's work together to be rubbish free Whenuapai school!!



HEALTH & WELLBEING

We would like to remind parents, caregivers and whānau 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 Great Kiwi Science, Maths and English Competitions



Register now!

Registrations are now open for the 2021 Kiwi Competitions. Please click on the google form link below to register your child (Years 5-8 only).

[University of Canterbury Kiwi School 2021 Entry form](#)



For our Policies and Procedures please visit SchoolDocs at: www.schooldocs.co.nz/

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sKids are open from 7.30am – 6.00pm on the following dates:

Tomorrow - Friday, 12 March 2021 for our Teacher Only Day and

Tuesday – 6 April 2021 for Easter Tuesday

Contact details below for bookings:

M: 0211748473

E: Whenuapai@sKids.co.nz

W: <http://www.skids.co.nz/locations/whenuapai/>





Lunch Time Clubs



We are looking forward to planting 300 NZ native trees in the Malcolm Hahn Reserve during this coming winter. Planting season will commence April/May however, we need to do some order preparation first - largely to get rid of those small pesky weeds that have come back over summer.

A little weed "releasing" is needed. So, please come along and lend a hand for a couple of hours.

Bring gardening gloves and loppers if you have some - we have some spares also. A wheelbarrow would be great too.

Everyone welcome – bring along kids, neighbours and friends.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Weed Releasing Working bee in Malcolm Hahn Reserve

Date: Wednesday, 17 March 2021

Time: 4.00 - 5.30pm

Location: 41 – 43 Waimarie Road, Whenuapai (Behind village hall).



*** SURPRISE! *
ezlunch TURNS
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PARTY**

Let us bring the party to you!
Order ezlunch 8 - 19 March
and **win party bags for your whole class** including a
\$10 ezlunch voucher per child
...AND there's **10 cupcakes**
for the school office!

THANK YOU, FROM US!

Every order goes in the draw for a chance to win. One chance per order. Winner will be drawn on Friday 19 March 2021 and will be notified by phone or email. No correspondence will be entered into.

KEY CONTACTS		ONLINE PAYMENTS
Principal – Raewyn Matthys-Morris	rmatthys-morris@whenuapai.school.nz	<p>Any queries please email Mr Tony Hitchcock at: thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz</p> <p>Bank Account details: 12-3085-0494188-00 Reference: Students Name Details: The activity the payment is for</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Payments can also be made via our online school shop at mykindo.co.nz</p> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div> <p>WHENUAPAI SCHOOL 14 Airport Road, Whenuapai Auckland 0618, New Zealand P: 09 416 8779 W: www.whenuapai.school.nz</p> </div> </div>
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Board of Trustees	wsbot@whenuapai.school.nz	
PTA	pta.whenuapai@gmail.com	
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Year 0-1 – Carli Hawley	carlih@whenuapai.school.nz	
Year 2 – Rebecca Archer	rebecca@whenuapai.school.nz	
Year 3 – Olivia Mead	oliviam@whenuapai.school.nz	
Year 4 – Paige Chellew	paigec@whenuapai.school.nz	
Year 5-6 – Chris Groen	chrsg@whenuapai.school.nz	
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	karlg@whenuapai.school.nz	

NOTICES:

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GENTLY LOVED MARKETS
Preloved Clothing, Accessories & Homewares

10am - 2pm
Saturday 24th April 2021
Kumeu Community Centre,
35 Access Road

Free entry

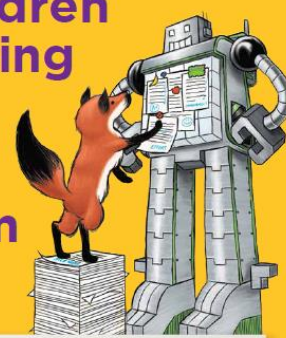
A range of stalls selling preloved, vintage and retro clothing, accessories and homewares

We love a sustainable lifestyle and what better way to do that than buying preloved. Grab a coffee, your favourite fabric bag and come have a preloved treasure hunt with us. The event is cash only.

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ST MARY'S COLLEGE
OPEN DAY
Thursday 4 March 2021
Commencing 2.30pm & 6.30pm
in the Paul Keane Gymnasium

11 New Street, Auckland
www.stmaryak.school.nz

Please check the website for the most up-to-date information

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2022

Enrolments are open for Year 7 students and a small number of places for girls in other levels

St Mary's College has no zoning restrictions

For more information see our website
www.stmaryak.school.nz



CLOSING DATE FOR 2022 ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS
Thursday 18 March 2021

AGES 9 TO 18
CODING LESSONS



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