



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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14 APRIL 2021

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday, 15 April

8.30 – 9.30am Secondhand
Uniform Sale

Friday, 16 April

Last Day of Term 1

Monday, 3 May

9.10am Welcome Pōwhiri

Friday, 7 May

Superbowl Day

Week of 10-14 May

Year 5-8 Camp

BOT MEETING DATES

6.00pm – Wed, 26 May

6.00pm - Wed, 23 June

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



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A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Tēnā koutou,

It's hard to believe we are now in the final week of Term 1 and what an amazing term it has been. There were a couple of hurdles with two periods of level 3 lockdown however our students, and you their whānau, adapted to the change and online learning extremely well and worked with us during this time, so thank you. Also, a special thank you to our teachers and entire staff who during this term were 100% committed to being the very best they could be for your wonderful children.

Congratulations to all of our children who have represented us beyond the school gate in Term 1. We are not only very proud of their achievements but also proud of the way in which they have conducted themselves and represented the school. I would also like to acknowledge the high level of parent/caregiver support with these events. We couldn't do all of these wonderful things without your help.

Term 2 begins with our School Camp being held in Week 2. School Camp is a wonderful opportunity for our children to test themselves in a range of activities whilst being away from home. It is a hugely rewarding experience for all involved. A heartfelt thank you to all of those parents who have volunteered their time to be parent helpers for this. Your commitment and support of our school and students is very much appreciated.

On Friday we have a very special ceremony happening at school – the opening of the Community Pantry (Whare a tohatoha – the sharing house). This Community Waitakere project has been wonderful for our students and staff to be a part of with our friends at Fletcher Living. To welcome the new Whare, we invite you to a special ceremony at 7.45am on Friday (16 April). Come and enjoy some breakfast with us. We would love to see you all there.

A reminder that next term I will be heading away on my sabbatical for a period of professional learning. I leave you in the very capable hands of Acting Principal, Mrs Molly Fletcher and Acting Deputy Principal, Miss Paige Chellew. As always, their doors are always open and they welcome your input and feedback.

To all of our families, have a wonderful break with your children and of you are travelling, I wish you safe travels.

I look forward to reconnecting with you all in Term 3.

*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



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**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR
FOR LEARNING**

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

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

Community Connector Community Waitakere Pantry Unveiling

Please join us for this wonderful occasion and community event.

When: Friday - 16 April 2021 **Time:** 7.45am **Where:** Whenuapai School

Working with our incredible friends at Fletcher Living the children of Whenuapai School have helped to design and develop a Community Pantry (Whare) – a place to easily share donated food, pantry items and books with the community.

This has been an amazing project to be a part of and we will be officially opening the new Whare with a special morning ceremony.

We would love to see you there!

**** Small breakfast supplied ****
Coffee cart available

A very special thank you to Placemakers for kindly donating the materials.



Our very talented Sera in action

SPORT

Norwest Swimming

The Norwest Swimming event was held on Thursday 25th March at West Wave Swimming Centre. We had the following 10 students competing – Cory Saunders, Jazmin McMurdo, Amberlee Roberts, Lachlan Hosking, Talia Hosking, Tylah Davies, Taya Nasmith, Stella Beale, Jack Peterson and Aston Coyle.

All students competed extremely well both in their individual events and in the school representative relays. Jack Peterson is to be commended on making a number of finals in the Year 8 boy's category and Cory Saunders for making the backstroke final in the Year 6 boy's event. Special mention to Lachlan Hosking who completed all his entered races and to all the students that represented the school in the team relays. The school thanks all students for their participation and support of each other. A special thanks to the following parents that assisted who were Julia Coyle, Karen Peterson and Raelene Carmont. Thanks, on behalf of Whenuapai School Sport, to everyone involved.



Interzone Swimming

The Interzone Swimming event was held on Wednesday 31st March at West Wave Swimming Centre. This is a qualification event from Norwest Swimming and Whenuapai School was pleased to announce that Jack Peterson represented the school in the Year 8 boys 50m breaststroke. He performed extremely well and it is a tremendous achievement to make it to this event which identifies as including the best swimmers across Auckland at Year 7 & 8 level. The school would like to wish Jack all the best in his future events and his continued performances within the sport of swimming.

Interzone Tag

The Interzone Rugby League Tag competition was held on Thursday 8th April at Coxs Bay Westmere. A Whenuapai girls' team was represented at the event and with the best tag players across Auckland in attendance the competition was always going to be tough. The girls had a great day and performed with credit and although they lost every game there was great teamwork and wonderful support of each other. Especially pleasing was the way each player demonstrated respect for themselves, others, learning and the officials and supporters. With the team generally all Year 7 players the future looks bright for the development of the team looking to next year. Thanks to Sophie Kelly and Raymond O'Brien for their support of the girls team and their assistance on the day and with transport. The overall result was a 16th placing in the competition.

The Whenuapai representative tag team – Fala Timaio, Leila Peck, Stella Hogg, Jayda Meek, Ella Blakey, Kenzie O'Brien, Pyper Hennessey, Emmie Peck and Celina Naidu.

Norwest Tennis

The Norwest Tennis tournament was held on Friday 9th April at West Harbour Tennis Club. We have four students competing. Taine Rawhiti -Wall, Josh Christie, Stella Beale and Talia Hosking. All students performed extremely well and for some it was a great introduction to competitive tennis.

The students played singles with Stella Beale winning the plate final which was a great achievement and Taine Rawhiti Wall lost in a close match also in the plate final. Students are to be commended on their participation and willingness to give a new sport a go. Thanks, on behalf of Whenuapai School Sport.



Walk to School Day



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!!



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Students can wear any plain navy pants or shorts and they do not need to have the Whenuapai School logo on them. There are plenty of well-priced options at Postie Plus and other stores that you may purchase if you wish.

Students can wear navy thermals or tights/legging underneath their t-shirt and shorts.



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](#)



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For bookings contact:

M: 0211748473

E: Whenuapai@sKids.co.nz

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



From Term 2 - Pita Pit will be available for lunches on Tuesday as well as Friday's... yummo!!

ANZAC DAY PARADE 2021



Sunday, 25 April 2021 - 10.00am

Whenuapai students and their families are invited to attend the Hobsonville RSA ANZAC Day Parade and Service on Sunday, 25 April 2021. The parade starts at Hobsonville School and finishes at Hobsonville RSA.

Students to assemble at Hobsonville Primary School at 10.00am.

Students must wear their school uniform.

Students will be laying a wreath on behalf of Whenuapai School.

Parents/caregivers are responsible for bringing their children and will need to remain with them for the duration of the parade.



Term 2 Chess Classes at School

<https://www.chesspower.co.nz/page/parents-centre>



CLASS DETAILS

Sessions will be held weekly on Fridays from 9:45 - 10:45 am in Library starting Friday 7 May 2021. The last session will be held on Friday 9 July 2021. This is 9-weeks program.

The fee is \$110 for the term per student.

REGISTRATION

If your child would like to be part of this for Term 2 please visit our website:

<https://www.chesspower.co.nz/register>

It is easy to register. Just choose your school/group and fill out the online form. A payment link will be available to you on the form. Payment can be made online by bank transfer or credit card via PayPal.

Drop Off and Pick Up Expectations

NO ACCESS

Just a friendly reminder that the small loop driveway in front of the school office is NOT a drop off and pick up zone - even in wet weather. This drive is for staff access to the staff carpark and school buses only.

Please park in the designated car park across the road from the school and use the designated crossing. This is a significant health and safety issue for our children and staff and we appreciate your support with this.

Whenuapai School is proud to be a water only school.



Make a difference



\$2 donation and mufti day on Wednesday 19th May

Your donation helps families with free accommodation, good meals and a team of expert support staff during their time in need.



You can also go to your local McDonald's and put money in the Ronald McDonald box. In 2019 mcdonalds customers donated over \$126 million to RMHC helping provide approximately 1.6 million overnight stays for families all over the world

Ronald McDonald House New Zealand is the only essential service in New Zealand that is only focused on the families of children receiving medical treatment

Library Books Reminder

Please remind your children to check under their beds, clear their school bags and return all Library books.

Thank you!



ARL HOLIDAY BLAST
Get active and have fun with us during the school holidays!

WHEN: THURSDAY 22nd AND FRIDAY 23rd APRIL
TIME: 9AM-3PM
WHERE: SUNNYNOOK PARK, GLENFIELD RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
COST: \$25 PER DAY, LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

Further info: darrid@auacklandleague.co.nz or call 021 340 794

REGISTER NOW @AUCKLANDLEAGUE.CO.NZ

ARL HOLIDAY BLAST
Get active and have fun with us during the school holidays!

WHEN: THURSDAY 29th AND FRIDAY 30th APRIL
TIME: 9AM-3PM
WHERE: JACK COLVIN PARK, TE ATATU RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
COST: \$25 PER DAY, LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

Further info: maclayton97@gmail.com or call 021 191 2683

REGISTER NOW @AUCKLANDLEAGUE.CO.NZ

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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



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A FUN WEEK AT SCHOOL

YEAR 4 SOFTBALL



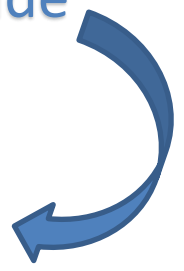
CATH BENNETT VISIT

We had a special guest Cath Bennett - Journalist, Editor and Author come to visit our year 7/8's to share her knowledge about setting up a Whenuapai School Magazine.

She was a wealth of knowledge and a large group of budding journalists are beginning the first steps to getting this underway!



Book Parade



NOTICES:

Dear fellow F45'ers,

F45 Training has launched a brand-new fitness program called **F45 Prodigy**.

F45 Prodigy is a group-based functional training program specifically designed to promote healthy development and fitness outcomes in **children and adolescents aged 11-17 years**.

We are excited to be introducing it to our Hobsonville studio with our **first class on Monday 3rd May with an open day on Saturday 1st May** for you to experience and ask questions personally.

Classes are designed to build fitness foundations, provide physical conditioning and develop athletic abilities through our trademark group training experience that you already know and love. We cannot wait to expand on our community and help improve even more lives within this age demographic and you are encouraged to enable your children and other younger family members to participate in this world-class training program.

This program will help to:

- Boost confidence and self-esteem;
- Develop cooperation and teamwork skills;
- Provide an out of school opportunity for having fun and making new friends in a safe environment;
- Develop stronger muscles and bones;
- Place emphasis on developing correct movement mechanics, and
- Improve coordination, balance and posture.

If you would like any information on this exciting new offering, please do not hesitate to contact us.

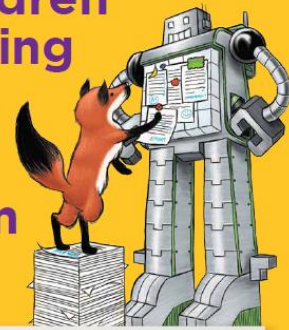
<https://f45training.co.nz/hobsonville/home>



Yours in functional fitness, F45 Hobsonville Team

Your children are amazing already.

We just help them prove it.



Tailored English and Maths tuition

- Boosts confidence and results
- Lessons personalised to individual needs
- Following the school curriculum
- From Reception to Year 11

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Ethos Academy of Sport will be running a camp at **Hobsonville Point Secondary School** during the first week of the school holidays from **April 19th - 21st (Monday-Wednesday)**.

Our organisation caters for children aged 8-13 and aims to develop an individual's character and sporting development.

Parents can sign up by clicking the link below,
<https://signup.ethosacademy.co.nz/>

Herald Island Playgroup

Come along and meet other families and caregivers while your little one plays, learns and makes new friends!

Tuesdays open from 9:30-11:30am at the Herald Island Hall in the Domain. Bring along a gold coin donation and a piece of fruit to share at morning tea.

Lots of creative crafts and activities, Sensory play, books, baby area and plenty of toys!

For more details and what's happening each week follow us on **Facebook- Herald Island Playgroup.**

FREE TRIALS

BRAIN PLAY

[INFO@BRAINPLAY.CO.NZ](mailto:info@brainplay.co.nz)

Brain Play coding, robotics, and 3d printing classes. After-school, weekend, and holiday courses.

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AGES 9 TO 18
CODING LESSONS

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- Learn coding languages to create technology.
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- Try a free trial lesson at codingnz.com



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APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ONLINE NOW

YMCA

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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 worked 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
9:00am - 10:00am
10:00am - 11:00am
Where? Hall

For more information, contact
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