



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**22 FEBRUARY 2022**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday, 9 March**

Sausage Sizzle & Juicie Day

**Thursday, 14 April**

Teacher Only Day

**Friday, 15 April**

Last day of Term 1

Good Friday

**Monday, 6 June**

Queen's Birthday

**Tuesday, 7 June**

Teacher Only Day

## BOT MEETING

**7.00pm**

Wednesday, 23 Feb 2022

Please email Jo Wright at

[pa@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:pa@whenuapai.school.nz)

if you wish to attend via  
Zoom.

## TERM DATES

### **Term 1**

08 February – 13 April

### **Term 2**

2 May – 8 July

### **Term 3**

25 July – 30 September

### **Term 4**

17 October – 20 December



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**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR  
FOR LEARNING**

## **OUR SCHOOL VALUES**



Respect for Self



Respect for Others



Respect for Learning



Respect for the Environment

## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Ngā mihi mahana kia koutou – Warm Greetings to All.

What a fabulous two weeks we have had at Whenuapai School. Despite having to follow the Red Protection Protocols the tamariki have quickly settled back into school life and their new routines. They are successfully engaging with the learning programmes and enjoying each other's company. A HUGE THANK YOU to all the **whānau** for supporting us at morning drop off, your resilience has most certainly helped to set the tamariki up for a great start to each and every day.

The School Values are the cornerstone of our way of being at Whenuapai School. The values are:

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

Towards the end of last year, we developed Learner Capabilities to help further unpack the School Values through our learning programmes. These capabilities are the skills that we believe are going to set our tamariki up as lifelong learners.

Throughout the term I will share the capabilities of each value. For this week I have chosen Respect for Learning - To show the capabilities for learning our learners will:

- Be excited about all new learning
- Have transferable skills
- Be able to ask questions
- Be inquirers
- Be problem solvers
- Set personal and learning goals
- Apply new knowledge to new contexts

I would like to encourage you to have discussions with your children about what these could look like at school, in your home and when you are out and about. They will look different depending on the situation and that is the intent.

I have slowly been learning the 'Whenuapai Way of Being' and I have been really impressed with the staff and our learning programmes. It is amazing to see such a dedicated group of people working in sync to provide for the needs of all the tamariki. We are very fortunate that our staff bring a wide range of experiences, interest and passions into the school and this translates into a broad range of learning opportunities for our tamariki. This will be exemplified with the introduction of our Specialist Subjects Programme in Year 5/6 and Year 7/8. Throughout the year these students will have regularly opportunities to experience:

- Digital Technology
- Food Technology
- Art
- Engineering
- Multimedia
- Music
- Collaborative Projects
- Physical Education & Exercise Science

If you have any questions about your tamariki at school or the school programme, please get in touch with your child's classroom teacher. You can contact them via email or (when not in the Red Protection Framework), pop in to see them outside of school hours. You can also reach out to your child's Team Leader, as well as, Mrs Molly Fletcher (Deputy Principal) or, myself and the administration team. You can find all our contact details on our website's staff page [www.whenuapai.school.nz/staff](http://www.whenuapai.school.nz/staff). We love to hear from you.

We know that email and social media have made communication quick and easy but please remember the teaching staff are not able to read or respond to emails during teaching and learning times (i.e 9.00am to 3.00pm). If something is urgent, please contact the office on:

- 09 416 8779 or [office@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:office@whenuapai.school.nz)

My expectation is that the teachers will respond to your emails / communications, received during the working week, within 24 hours. Please remember our staff are also fabulous people too with their own family and personal life. Emails received after 5.00pm or over the weekend will be replied to during the next business day.

Energized and refreshed staff in front of our tamariki is critical for successful and meaningful learning experiences and opportunities.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

Thank you for the warm welcome and I look forward to meeting more of the community when we change levels in the Protection Framework.

Have a great week!

Adam Cels

# SPORT NOTICES

## 2021 Whenuapai Sports Uniforms Return and Coaching Equipment Bags

Last year due to lockdown we had a number of sports uniforms not returned and we are needing these back for the 2022 season. Please return all sports uniforms and coaching equipment bags for the following sports:

- Basketball
- Netball
- Hockey
- Ripper Rugby

**Please Note: Bombers touch T-shirts also need to be returned from the competition that was cancelled at the start of the 2022 school year.**

- Please return uniform clean, washed and tidy to uniform return bin outside the front entrance of our school reception.
- The uniform must be in a named bag with the individual student's name on it and their sport. This will allow the student to be checked off the register as having returned their uniform.
- Please note: This is a contactless drop off for uniforms and at no time should parents enter the reception or school.
- Please make sure that you return these uniforms as they are expensive and are part of Whenuapai School sports uniform sets.

Any coaching equipment bags used by managers and coaches can be left beside the uniform return bin.

Thanks to those parents that have already done this.

## Reminder: Year 7 & 8 William Pike Challenge Parents

Please complete the William Pike Programme permission form (sent out via HERO) and make payment via Kindo.

We would appreciate all permission slips back ASAP so that organisation can start on the first outdoor activity.

## ROOM 21 GETTING CREATIVE



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MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS AFTER SCHOOL

**4:30 - 5:30 PM**  
\$20/CLASS **ONLINE**  
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0800 424 377

paul@chesspower.co.nz

www.chesspower.co.nz

WeChat CoachPaulMac



Coach Paul  
NZ Chess Champion

## Music Lessons

[https://www.musiqhub.co.nz/teacher/39157/Gloria\\_Arboleda\\_Martinez](https://www.musiqhub.co.nz/teacher/39157/Gloria_Arboleda_Martinez)

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We have a number of policies up for review this term. We invite you to give feedback on our **Visitors, School Closure and COVID-19 Information and Procedures** policies.

Please visit the SchoolDocs website at:  
<https://whenuapai.schooldocs.co.nz/>

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Kia ora everyone, this is a gentle reminder that we are encouraging **NUDE FOOD** (rubbish free lunchboxes) at our school now. Please help your tamariki to pack **food without their wrappers on** for school.

Thank you for helping us practice  
**Kaitiakitanga**  
(protecting our planet).



## 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.**

Thank you for your continued support during these unusual times, in particular with drop-off / pick-up of your children and with the parking restrictions/driveway access.

A friendly reminder to please wear a mask, sign in and remember to keep your distance.

## Whenuapai School

### AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Term 1 21 Feb - 11 Apr 2022  
Every Monday - 3:10 - 4:10pm  
Location: School Library

- Master Building with Motorise (Y0 - 6)
- Junior Robotics L1 with Wedo Coding (Y0 - 4)
- Junior Robotics L2 with Sensor in Action (Y2- 4)

• Holiday Programme • Birthday Parties

Bricks4Kidz Henderson Center  
Tel: 09-8352998 Email: [hendersonoffice@bricks4kidz.com](mailto:hendersonoffice@bricks4kidz.com)  
Website: [www.brick44kidz.co.nz/westauckland/](http://www.brick44kidz.co.nz/westauckland/)



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Phone - 09 835 2998 or 027 835 2998

Email - [hendersonoffice@bricks4kidz.com](mailto:hendersonoffice@bricks4kidz.com)

## COMMUNITY LINKS:

**NumberWorks and Words Tuition** (NorthWest) – PH: 09 416 3123  
<https://numberworksandwords.com/>

**Coding NZ Lessons** (Ages 9-18) – Includes a free trial  
<https://codingnz.com/>

**SCRATCHPAD Albany** – Coding, robotics, 3D modelling/printing & more  
<https://scratchpad.co.nz/>

**Kumeu Rugby** – Registrations now open  
<https://www.kumeurugby.co.nz/>



## KEY CONTACTS

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

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

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

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



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