

# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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# 13 SEPT 2022

TERM 3 - WEEK 8

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday, 13 September AAIMS Cross Country

**Tuesday, 20 September** 11.30am – Matinee Show

Wednesday, 21 September

11.30am – Matinee Show 6.00pm – Evening Show

**Thursday, 22 September** 6.00pm – Evening Show

Monday, 26 September Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day One-Off Public Holiday School Closed

Thursday, 29 September

Secondhand Uniform Sale 8.00-9.00am

Friday, 30 September Last day of Term 3

> **1 - 16 October** School Holidays

Monday, 17 October First day of Term 4

School Calendar <u>CLICK HERE</u>

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Wednesday, 09 November 6.00pm in the staffroom

<u>TERM DATES</u> Term 4 17 October – 20 December



#### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

#### **OUR SCHOOL VALUES**

ڰ Respect Self

Respect Others

Respect Learning

🏶 Respect Environment

Tēnā koutou,

It's hard to believe we are now in week 8 of the school term. Time sure is flying by.

Last Friday we, along with the rest of the world, learned of the Queen's passing. An incredibly sad day felt by all. On Monday, 26 September 2022, there will be a one-off public holiday, known as, Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day, and Whenuapai School will be closed.

During the past two weeks we have had the pleasure of welcoming a number of new tauira (students) and their whānau to our school. The Whenuapai team sincerely hope that our new families have enjoyed the start of their schooling journey at Whenuapai School.

Our recent Book Week was an incredible success. Total sales reached \$6,800 with \$2,300 raised for our school library. This money will make a significant difference for our tamariki and their learning. Our book character day was something else and definitely a day to remember. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and creative flair of so many tamariki and also staff members. There are some photos attached on the following pages .... I just wish we could have included a photo of everyone in their amazing costumes. A very BIG thank you to everyone involved for making this week such a huge success.

The Friends of Whenuapai (FOW) Horse Race Night was held on Friday, 2 September and what a wonderful night it was. The effort, imagination and incredible amount of support of everyone involved was outstanding. A lot of laughter and fun was had and this was topped off by raising an amazing \$7553.00. Thank you to everyone involved including sponsors and supporters. We are all looking forward to the next one already.

As many of you will be aware, our tamariki and staff have been working incredibly hard on the School Production - Around the World in 80 Minutes. Whether it be rehearsing their part in the production, practising their drumming or making props and costumes, it has been wonderful to see the hive of activity around the school and also the excitement building as we inch closer to show time.

We can't wait to bring this amazing show to you all next week. Tickets for the four available shows are able to be purchased on Kindo - <u>please click here</u>.

Show dates and times:

- Matinee Shows Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st September at 11.30am.
- Evening Shows Wednesday 21st September & Thursday 22nd September at 6.00pm.

Please check with your child/ren which show they are in before purchasing your tickets.

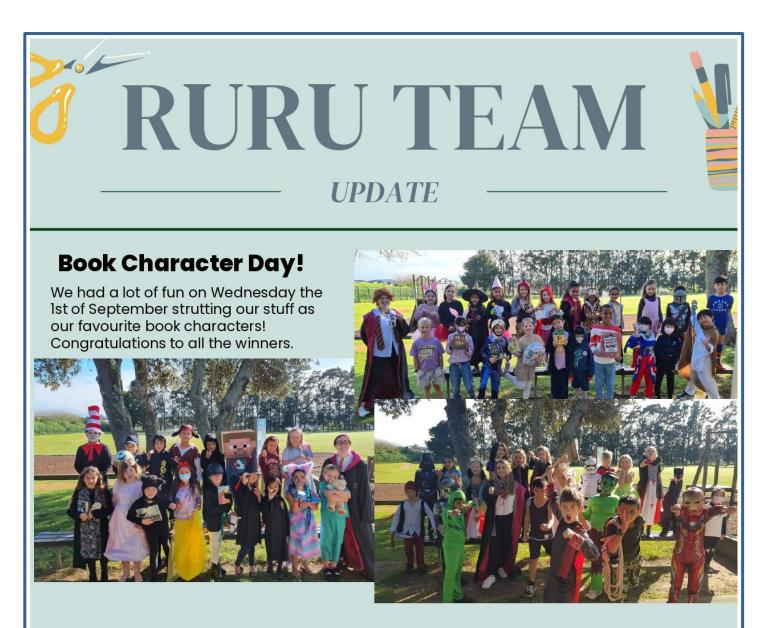
**Whenuapai Senior Campus (Trig Road)** - thank you to those who attended the community consultation evening last Tuesday. It was wonderful to gain your feedback and be able to answer your questions. We will continue to keep you updated as we continue along this exciting period of development.

**School Board Elections** - Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent School Board Elections. A declaration of results is expected from our Returning Officer later today with the new School Board taking office tomorrow.

**COVID-19 Update** – Yesterday the Government has announced that Aotearoa New Zealand will move to a new long-term approach to managing COVID-19. The key change is the removal of the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights), which took effect last night (Monday 12 September) from 11:59pm. The two key changes for the school environment are:

- Household contacts of a person with COVID-19 do not need to isolate, but instead are asked to complete a RAT test each day, for five days. Therefore, our tamariki who are household contacts but test negative and do not have COVID-19 symptoms, should continue to attend school. It is the best place for them to be so they can be engaged in their learning, and connected with their teachers, classmates and friends.
- Mask wearing is no longer required at school. Additionally, masks are no longer required on school transport and in line with other mask changes, they are no longer strongly recommended in school settings.

Have a wonderful week. Adam Cels



# **Gym Kids**

The tamariki are having an amazing time learning new skills at GymKids. We have four sessions across the term.



### Inquiry

We have been working hard on presenting our learning for the school show by making props for our Market of Europe!



### Important Reminder – For the safety of our students.

We have noticed several close calls with our tamariki being picked up. Please ensure your car is parked and off the road when picking up your child. We know that the car park is often full, however, by 3:05pm there are spaces available for your child to walk over the road to you safely. Thank you for your support in this matter.



# **SPORT**

#### Norwest Cross Country

On September the 1st, a noisy bus of singing athletes traveled out to the beautiful Muriwai Beach to compete in the Norwest Cross Country event. We had thirty-four students representing Whenuapai School across eight different races starting with our Year 5 girls and finishing with our Year 8 boys (photos show the Year 5 girls just before their 2km race, a celebratory group shot and two of our Year 6 boys crossing the finish line together).

It was a challenging course across grass, gravel, the beach, sand dunes and marsh land. Our students ran hard against the tough competition and achieved some excellent results. We had four qualify for the Auckland champs: Astyn Nasmith (1st place!!! Year 7 girls), Kaylan Nasmith (2nd place, Year 7 girls), Jayda Meek (7th place, Year 8 girls) and Lachlan Hosking (7th place, Year 8 boys) and Leila Morton came 9th in her Year 5 girls race.

Thank you to all our awesome parent helpers, we really appreciate all your continued support. We are very proud of all our runners for giving it a go and we hope to have even more students participating next year!

Kia Kaha, Kia Māia, Kia manawanui: be strong, be brave, be steadfast!



## **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 weeks 8-9 of Term 3 is: Respect for Learning

Learning buddies

Being prepared

Responding to feedback Taking learning risks

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

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### WHENUAPAI SCHOOL'S PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

I would like to take the time to introduce myself, my name is Alice McVeigh and I am the Public Health Nurse working with the Whenuapai Primary school whānau.

I have been a child health nurse for the past 17 years and working in acute hospital settings and communities. I have always been a very keen advocate for child health and supporting families as a whole unit to reach their own health goals.

I moved to Aotearoa 9 years ago from London with my husband and we have two young active boys. We live in West Auckland and I love being part of this community.



I am available to help you navigate the health system, provide health education, offer support with any health needs your Tamariki may have, I can help with head lice treatment, skin complaints, accessing dental services. I can visit you at the school or at your home and I work Monday to Friday. I can be contacted via the school front office or the class teacher. You are more than welcome to contact me directly on 021 227 4022 or at Alice.McVeigh@waitematadhb.govt.nz

# BOOK WEEK 2022

























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If you would like to provide feedback then please follow the instructions below:

All reviewers:

- 1. Visit the website <u>https://whenuapai.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm</u>
- 2. Enter the username (whenuapai) and password (airport).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the Policy Review button in the top right-hand corner.
- 6. Select the reviewer type.
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments



(Only checked during opening hours)

Kids: Please bring your water bottle, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea each day 🌢 🕅



**CELEBRATING SUCCESS** - We love to celebrate with our amazing tauira.

Many of our tauira are involved in clubs and sports outside of school teams and we would love to hear all about it! Please let us know if your tamariki are achieving amazing things after school or on the weekends.

We would love to hear from you! Please email: pa@whenuapai.school.nz



### STAFF VACANCIES

Are you keen to join the wonderful staff at Whenuapai School?

We currently have two part-time positions available (term-time only). Please click on the following links to view the vacancies via Seek.

Learning Support / Teacher Aide – starting ASAP

Finance Officer – starting 2023

If you are interested in either role – please forward your CV, cover letter, and application form (available from our website) via email to Jo Wright, Principal's PA at pa@whenuapai.school.nz

# RNZAF SWIM CLUB NEW MEMBERS WANTED!

Are you a Swimmer aged 8-18 years old and would like to take your swimming to the next level? The RNZAF Swim Club is looking for new members to join our Swimming Whanau. We cater to both competitive and fitness oriented swimmers working on technique and stamina

Where: RNZAF Base Whenuapai Pool, Auckland Trainings: Tuesday and Thursday 5-7pm, Sunday 5-6.30pm How: Complete a trial session with the Coaches

As this is an Air Force run club all new members will need to complete a police check before entering Base. This can be organised after the trial session.

If you are interested or would like to know more please get in contact with Georgie on <u>georgie.cresswell@nzdf.mil.nz</u> or Rick on <u>richard.mackay@nzdf.mil.nz</u>



### NumberWorks 'nWords

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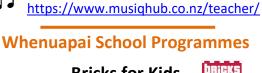
### https://numberworksnwords.com/nz/

- Phone: (09) 416-3123
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Kia ora everyone, this is a gentle reminder that we are encouraging <u>NUDE FOOD</u> (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).



**Music Lessons at Whenuapai** 



https://www.bricks4kidz.co.nz/westauckland/ Phone - 09 835 2998 or 027 835 2998 Email - hendersonoffice@bricks4kidz.com

### Chess Club

Click Here for Parent Information PDF https://www.chesspower.co.nz/ Phone – 0800 424 377 Email – paul@chesspower.co.nz





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PTA

**SKIDS After School Care** 

Year 0-1 - Melissa Parkins

Year 2 - Rebecca Archer

Year 4 – Stephanie Brook

Year 3 – Olivia Mead

Year 5 - Paige Chellew

Year 6 – Chris Groen

Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda

**Team Leaders** 

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 <u>mykindo.co.nz</u>



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