



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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27 SEPT 2022

TERM 3 - WEEK 10

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 28 September

NW Year 7/8 Volleyball

Thursday, 29 September

Secondhand Uniform Sale

8.00-9.00am

Friday, 30 September

Mental Health Awareness –

Mufti Day

Last day of Term 3

1 - 16 October

School Holidays

Monday, 17 October

First day of Term 4

Pōwhiri – Welcome

Friday, 28 October

Halloween Disco

Year 0-4 – 4.30-6.00pm

Year 5-8 – 6.30-8.00pm

School Calendar

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, 09 November

6.00pm in the staffroom

TERM DATES

Term 4

17 October – 20 December





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PB4L

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR
FOR LEARNING**

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

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

Tēnā koutou,

The last week of term 3 has rolled around very quickly, hasn't it? And what a term it has been!

We have managed to squeeze a lot into the last 10 weeks. The School Production last week was an absolute highlight. It was the culmination of many hours of hard work from our tamariki, staff and parent helpers. Many hours were spent preparing, making props, rehearsing, selling tickets and setting up the hall, to get ready for show time. These hours of work certainly paid off, as the four shows were outstanding. The actors, singers, dancers, drummers, stage hands, support crew the list goes on, all did an incredible job. The hall was packed and the smiles on everyone's faces was wonderful to see. We are so very proud of everyone involved.

This week, 26 September - 2 October 2022, is Mental Health Awareness Week and we will be holding a mufti day on Friday for a gold coin donation, with all money raised going to the Mental Health Foundation. This year's theme is **Reconnect - with the people and places that lift you up, hei pikinga waiora**. We hope that you all get some time to do this throughout the week and also over the next two weeks of school holidays.

In this newsletter, I want to share with you information from the Ministry of Education (Ministry) about the changes being made to the decile system, and what this means for our school/kura and our learners/ākonga.

As you may know, we receive government funding and staffing to operate our school which is mostly based on the number of ākonga we have. There is also some government funding that is targeted. This includes 'Equity Funding'. Currently our Equity Funding is based on how many students we have and our school decile, but from 2023 school deciles will be phased out. The Ministry has a new measure called the Equity Index (EQI).

The EQI helps identify schools and kura that need additional funding and resources to support ākonga. The EQI gives each school a three-digit number which is tied to a funding rate. This number is not a measure of quality. It is not reflective of our schools' teaching, culture, ākonga ability or achievement.

The EQI is a complex tool with strict privacy protections. School Boards, Principals and staff will not be provided with any information about ākonga, families or whānau, that has been used to generate their EQI number. This number will be updated every year.

For 2023, our number is 405. The average [national] Equity Index number is 463.

Another funding change happening next year is that the Ministry is making changes to the Isolation Index. This tells the Ministry how isolated our school is compared to others. It was last changed 20 years ago and of course there have been lots of changes to roads and our region in that time.

You can read more about these changes including factsheets at the Ministry of Education's website: [The Equity Index – Ministry of Education](#).

School Board - Our new School Board took office on Wednesday, 14 September 2022. Congratulations and welcome to Kellie Watkinson (Presiding Member), Jane Knobloch, Phil Collins, Rob Greer, Sam Lee and Olivia Mead (Staff Representative). If you need to make contact with the Board at any time, you can send an email to: wsbot@whenuapai.school.nz

Ngā mihi

Adam Cels



SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2022





CELEBRATING PIWAKAWAKA LEARNING (YEAR 4)

INQUIRY



***Mā te kimi ka kite, mā te kite ka mōhio, mā te mohio ka mārama-
Seek and Discover. Discover and Know. Know and become Enlightened.***

The Piwakawaka team this term have been enlightened with all the new knowledge they have learnt about the world around them. Whether it be the continent rotation we did with the Kotare and Kakapo teams at the beginning of the term, or making African crafts, djembe drumming, constructing props and art for the production or rehearsing their lines for the show. Our tamariki worked incredibly hard this term and it has been wonderful to see the hive of activity around our team.



DJEMBE DRUMMING

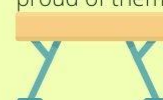


The Piwakawaka students have been lucky enough to have participated in some Djembe drumming sessions this past term with our lovely instructors Rae and Anita. The tamariki absolutely loved getting involved and learning new things about this awesome instrument!

GYMKIDS



The tamariki thoroughly enjoyed their Gymkids sessions this term and all gave it a go. Whether it be balancing, forwards rolls, backwards rolls, jumping over obstacles or even handstands. We are super proud of them!



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.



LIBRARY

The next school holiday programme is coming soon.
Tuesday, October 4, 2022 until Thursday, October 6, 2022.

There will be a one-day workshop for children aged 7 to 10.

Young writers will learn:

- ✓ How to come up with story ideas
- ✓ How to plan and outline a story
- ✓ How to come up with interesting, sympathetic characters
- ✓ The writing process, how to put it all down on paper

Plus, they'll make new friends and have heaps of fun!

Location:

Kristin School
360 Albany Highway
Albany.

Young writers (or their parents) can register here:

http://www.writelikeanauthor.com/CampListing.asp?wc_id=363

HOLIDAY WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn the **secrets** of writing great stories from an **award-winning author**

- 3 day writing camp for ages 9-14
- 1 day workshop for ages 7-10

Meet your presenter:

Maria Gill
The award-winning author of over 60 books including Anzac Heroes and New Zealand Disasters

Andy Griffiths says...
"I wish this camp had been around when I was a young writer!"

COVID SAFE

Where: **Kristin School 360 Albany Highway, Albany**
When: **4 Oct to 6 Oct 2022**

Register now at:
WriteLikeanAuthor.com

WRITE like an AUTHOR

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 10 and the school holidays are to focus on all four respect values

Respect for Self

Respect for Others

Respect for Learning

Respect Environment

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



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

User- **whenuapai**
Password- **airport**

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Each term we invite you to give feedback on our school policies and procedures. This term, the focus is on the **Student Wellbeing and Safety** and **Staff Wellbeing and Safety** sections.

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

All reviewers:

1. Visit the website <https://whenuapai.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
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

SAVE THE DATE
Halloween Disco
Friday, 28 October



Tickets available on Kindo soon!

WILLIAM PIKE PROGRAMME ACTIVITY 4

TE RAU PURIRI REGIONAL PARK – SOUTH HEAD

As part of the Whenuapai School William Pike Programme for Year 7 & 8 students, 71 students attended a bush tramp on Friday 16th September to Te Rau Puriri Regional Park out at South Head past Helensville.

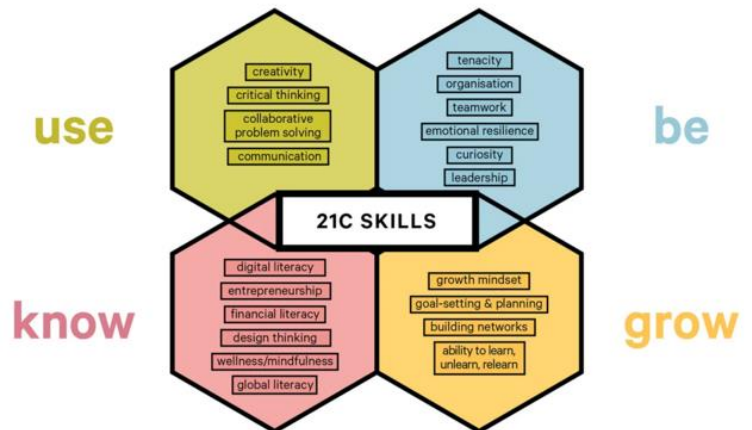
The group boarded buses just before 9.00am and the bus ride took approximately 55 minutes to get to the carpark at the start of the tramp. The weather on the day showed glimpses of rain but generally the day was fine with a moderate cool breeze upon our arrival. The sights and views overlooking the Kaipara Harbour were amazing and students were eager to get started on their trek. The walk was 6km in total and the group started at the top peak and did a loop track that took them all the way down the main ridge to the harbour, where they had lunch. There was an opportunity for the students to go onto the foreshore of the harbour and explore as the tide was out before the group departed and started their climb back up the ridge returning to the carpark where they first started.

The objectives of the day were to develop our students William Pike Challenge 21st Century skills by participating and experiencing the outdoors in a challenging but yet achievable activity. These learning skills are below and it was a great opportunity while students completed the tramp to see the qualities of resilience and commitment, support, tenacity and perseverance when students collectively completed the tramp and did so overcoming the challenges of the walk.

It was great for some of the students to experience a new activity and it was a pleasure to see the support from other students especially when the group started the climb back up the ridge as the gradual climb tested a few students. Overall, it was a great day and the students are to each other and put themselves out to try a new activity.

Whenuapai School would like to thank the following parents for their support on the day. This includes Sarah Bone, Kerry Berry, Morgan Vermeulen, Keith Murray, Sarah Peck, Apolka Zsadyani-Nagy and her mum. A special mention to our year 7 & 8 teachers that have supported the William Pike Programme and assisted on the Te Rau Ruriri Regional Park walk who were Karl Ganda, Nicola Campbell and Brooke Bennett. The school thanks all parents and teachers as without your contributions the day wouldn't have been the success it was.

On behalf of Whenuapai School and our William Pike Programme I would also like to thank the June Grey Charitable Trust, Kumeu Rotary Club and The Community Trust for their active support in funding the William Pike Programme for 2022.



SKIDS – BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE



Daily Activities After-School Programme

5 to 13 years old

Monday Games

From board and card games to balloons and party games, we will have a mix of these fun activities every week!



Tuesday Sports / Active

Get moving with sKIDS. We will have different activities each week such as sports and anything to get active.



Wednesday Arts & Crafts

The kids will have fun with a variety of arts and crafts while learning to get creative.



Thursday Challenge Day

Have you got the skills to complete our challenges? Join us at sKIDS for a fun challenge afternoon.



Friday Music, Dance & Free Play

Fridays are a time to have fun and relax with an opportunity to participate in a variety of exciting activities.



General After-School Schedule

3.00pm - 3.30pm	Healthy afternoon snack provided
3.30pm - 4.00pm	Homework/Reading
4.00pm - 5.00pm	Exciting scheduled activities
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Fun activities

Email: whenuapai@skids.co.nz Onsite Mobile: 021 174 8473 (Only checked during opening hours)

Book now at www.skids.co.nz and click on Book Now

For more information, please contact us on:

021 174 8473 or

Email whenuapai@skids.co.nz



Fees Schedule sKIDS Whenuapai

Effective 2 May 2022

Full Time Bookings (5 days per week):

Full time ASC (3 - 6pm)	\$105 per week
Full time ASC Early Pick Up (3 - 4pm)	\$ 80 per week
Full time BSC (7.30 - 8.30am)	\$ 85 per week
Full time BSC & ASC	\$180 per week

Part Time Bookings (1 to 4 days per week):

Part time ASC (3 - 6pm)	\$ 23 per session
Part time ASC Early Pick Up (3 - 4pm)	\$ 18 per session
Part time BSC (7.30 - 8.30am)	\$ 19 per session

Casual Bookings (bookings on an ad-hoc basis):

Casual ASC (3 - 6pm)	\$ 27 per session
Casual ASC Early Pick Up (3 - 4pm)	\$ 21 per session
Casual BSC (7.30 - 8.30am)	\$ 22 per session

Please remember all fees are to be paid in full 2 weeks before the end of term (with payments due 2 weekly in advance of the week booked) as per the enrolment parents / caregivers have booked for, in order for you to continue with your booking in the next term and to avoid a debt collection agency to get involved.

Abbreviations
 ASC = After School Care
 BSC = Before School Care

The Breakfast Club











7.30 to 8.30am



@ Whenuapai School Hall
 H Airport Road, Whenuapai

- Your child/children will receive a nutritional breakfast if they arrive by 8.00am.
- We will engage them with some quiet activities to ease them into the school day.
- They will also have the opportunity to complete any homework or undertake revision exercises.



<p>Monday 3rd</p>  <p>DIY BIRD FEEDERS</p> <p>Interact with nature this spring by making bird feeders. Might as well enjoy feeding them!</p>	<p>Tuesday 4th</p>  <p>WILLY WONKA CHOCOLATE WORKSHOP</p> <p>Turn sKIDS into a chocolate dreamland by creating and designing chocolates!</p>	<p>Wednesday 5th</p>  <p>PHOTOGRAPHY DAY</p> <p>Let's take photos of spring's natural beauty and learn photography techniques.</p>	<p>Thursday 6th</p>  <p>SKIDS SURVIVOR</p> <p>We will remake the popular series Survivor at a Park where the children will be faced with challenging tasks.</p> <p>TRIP</p>	<p>Friday 7th</p>  <p>ROBOTICS DAY</p> <p>Play with cool robots, "mBots" and "Spheros" and learn about coding and programming.</p>
<p>Monday 10th</p>  <p>CREATIVE ART</p> <p>Experiment with different objects to create an artful piece of work including clay, fruit, plants and pencils.</p>	<p>Tuesday 11th</p>  <p>BALLOONAMANIA</p> <p>Blow up lots of balloons and play games with balloons such as balloon burst, balloon darts, races.</p>	<p>Wednesday 12th</p>  <p>INVENT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS</p> <p>Create and make musical instruments and play with your instrument at our jamming session.</p>	<p>Thursday 13th</p>  <p>BACKPACK HIKING</p> <p>Come and join us for a scenic walk at a kid friendly trail in the Waitakere Ranges.</p> <p>TRIP</p>	<p>Friday 14th</p>  <p>NERF WARS BATTLEFIELD</p> <p>Nerf wars is back! Even more exciting with action packed hideouts and target shooting ranges.</p>



Holiday Programme

3rd – 14th October 2022

sKIDS Whenuapai
 Whenuapai School Hall
 14 Airport Road, Whenuapai

Short Day \$50
 9.00am to 3.00pm
 Before Care \$6
 7.30am to 9.00am
 After Care \$9
 3.00pm to 6.00pm
 Trip Day \$75.00
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(Only checked during opening hours)

🧴🚰 Kids: Please bring your water bottle, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea each day 🚰🧴



COACHING PROGRAMME

Dear Parents,

Playing chess in school helps students achieve many learning outcomes faster and more effectively. Put simply, chess makes kids smarter. Chess enables all students to shine and develop intellectually in a way they really enjoy. Playing chess develops self-confidence, concentration and problem-solving skills.

Put simply, chess makes kids smarter.

We are pleased to continue the Chess Coaching Programme at our school and look forward to bringing the excitement, competition and educational benefits of chess to your children.

Chess Power has been educating Chess in many schools in Auckland and across New Zealand. Our coaches are all professionally trained and accredited and our support systems are world class.

WHAT HAPPENS IN A CHESS POWER COACHING PROGRAMME?

- ✓ Grow Kids Minds™!
- ✓ Improve concentration and focus
- ✓ Develop important life skills – fair play and decision making
- ✓ Develop Tactical & Strategic thinking
- ✓ Prepare for Chess Tournaments against other schools
- ✓ Develop a love of chess, of learning and of thinking
- ✓ Play Chess Online safely and for free



Each session starts with a formal lesson; all players will learn a new strategy, idea or skill each week. Then they put those skills into practice with activities and games. All games are monitored and supervised by the coach who provides individual feedback along the way.

Throughout the programme, we reward kids that do well and encourage and support kids that are struggling. At completion of the programme we recognise each child with a certificate based on their performance.

CLASS DETAILS

Sessions will be held weekly on **Wednesdays** during school from **9:55am to 10:55am** in the **Library** starting **Wednesday 19 October 2022**. The last session will be held on **Wednesday 14 December 2022**.

This is a 9-week program. The fee is \$160 for the term per student.

REGISTRATION

If your child would like to be part of this for Term 4, please visit our website: www.chesspower.co.nz/class-registration

It is easy to register. Just choose your school and fill out the online form. A payment link will be available to you on the form.

To learn more...
Visit our website www.chesspower.co.nz and click Parents Centre

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Toothbrush & Toothpaste Fundraiser

Shout out to Fraser Dental Hobsonville who has donated \$1,500 worth of Bamboo Toothbrushes (adult and children's) and Colgate Total Toothpaste to support our 2022 fundraising efforts.


 [CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE VIA KINDO](#)

Items will be delivered to students each Wednesday!

Brain Play

Auckland Wide Holiday Events
Minecraft/Robotics/Science

<https://www.brainplay.co.nz/holidays>

Thursday 13th October

RIP RUGBY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

11-13YR OLDS (Y7/8), GIRLS AND BOYS WELCOME, 9AM-4PM \$20 INC LUNCH



Looking after our plants Malcolm Hahn Reserve

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We are holding a volunteer afternoon at the beginning of October in the Malcolm Hahn Reserve - do come along and lend a hand and bring along the friends and Whanau.

Details: Sunday 2nd October 2 - 4pm
43 Waimarie Road, Whenuapai

Bring along gardening gloves, water bottles and weeding tools if you have them - although some will be supplied.


We look forward to seeing you there.

Holiday Programmes

October 3-14

Make the most of your holidays with a fun-filled learning experience!
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- PYTHON
- LET US CODE
- MINECRAFT MODDING
- ROBOTICS USING EDISON
- MAKEY MAKEY
- 3D PRINTING
- HTML/CSS
- ANDROID APPS
- GRAPHIC DESIGN
- ROBOTICS USING MBOT
- DEVELOP UNITY 3D GAMES
- ROBLOX PROGRAMMING

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