



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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22 NOV 2022 - TERM 4 - WEEK 6

Tēnā koutou,

It is hard to believe that this is the second to last school newsletter for 2022. The school year is almost over and we are less than a month away from the end of term 4, as school finishes at 12.40pm on Tuesday, 20th December 2022. That being said, we still have a lot of learning and fun activities still to squeeze into the next 4 weeks. Some of these include:

- Year 7 / 8 Interschool Athletics Competition
- Year 5/6 Interschool Touch Competition
- Tamariki sharing their learning through the Innovations Expo
- Rainbows End Trip for students who have had school wide responsibilities
- Sports Prize Giving, Team celebrations and our Year 8 Graduation Celebration
- Year 7/8 Cycle Trip to Herald Island
- NZ Air Force Visit - Helicopter on the field
- Tamariki meeting their teacher for 2023
- Mistletoe Mania

As we look forward, now is also a good time to look back and reflect on what has been. There are so many things to be thankful for and to acknowledge and celebrate. For example:

- The first full year of uninterrupted schooling in recent memory
- Fantastic tamariki, whānau, kaiako, staff and community
- Excellent reading, writing and mathematics learning programmes
- The School Production - Around the World in 80 Minutes
- Fundraising - Colour Fun Run, Cake/Plant Stalls, Horse Racing Night
- Welcoming the community back onto school grounds
- Positive student progress and achievement
- Curriculum community meetings
- Sporting events like cross country, athletics, swimming

So, as we look forward and back, we would love to hear from you, our whānau and community.

How do you think we have gone this year? Are we meeting your tamariki needs and your expectations? Please click on the following link and complete our short survey. Your input will help us as we complete our planning for 2023 and also help us to improve.

[Please click here to complete our survey.](#) Thank you in advance for your time.

The Board and Staff are looking forward to 2023. It is going to be a very exciting year as our school continues to grow. We are excited for the introduction of our refined senior learning programmes and the opening of our second school campus on Trig Road.

2023 is going to be a 'one of a kind' year with the extension of our school zone and the opening of the second campus. To support this process the Board and Senior Leadership Team have prepared a special annual plan to ensure success for our Tamariki, Whānau and Kura. We are excited to be sharing with you the following five 'Statements of Intent' which will underpin our decision making processes, to make sure we keep true to our Whenuapai Way:

1. Treaty of Waitangi / Culturally Responsive Practices - Whenuapai school will value, validate and embed mātauranga māori practices by strengthening tikanga, te reo and community and whānau relationships. We will embed the NZ Histories curriculum across all year levels, ensuring equitable learning outcomes for all learners.
2. Curriculum Development and Refinement - Whenuapai School will refine our Local Curriculum to ensure that it is responsive to the needs, identity, language, culture, interests, strengths and aspirations of our tamariki and their whānau. Our curriculum will ensure that our tamariki have a clear understanding of their learning pathway with a focus on individual and collective academic achievement and progress. Through inclusive practices our local curriculum will enable our tamariki to engage with the knowledge, values, and competencies so they can go on and be confident and connected lifelong learners.
3. Assessment for Learning - Through sustainable assessment processes, Whenuapai School will celebrate and support all student learning. Teachers are accountable for student achievement, monitoring and tracking alongside tamariki to develop and meet learning targets and goals. Teachers will continue to develop their pedagogy and practice through teaching inquiries to ensure better outcomes for all learners. Reporting to students and whānau will be purposeful, authentic and consistent across the school to ensure transparency.
4. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) - Whenuapai School will provide quality teaching and learning within a safe and inclusive environment that nurtures positive relationships so all students can experience successful outcomes and reach their full potential. As a school, we will implement Tier 2 (PB4L), whilst sustaining our Tier 1 processes through schoolwide integration of the PB4L principles and values, alongside our school values and learner capabilities, and ongoing professional learning. PB4L is about people, practice and processes. It is not a programme, but is about the way we 'do' work. Integrated into the PB4L strategy is:
 - A focus on learning
 - Thorough analysis of data
 - Capability building
 - Identifying and promoting evidence-based practice
5. School Environment - Whenuapai School will be a school of choice for our community. The physical internal and external space will be inviting, aesthetically pleasing, robust, conducive for learning and fit for purpose. The campuses will visually connect through colour, signage, themes and other architectural features. The campuses will be completed on time and the construction phase will cause minimal disruption to our tamariki learning and the wellbeing of everyone who is on our school campuses.

Have a great week!

Ngā mihi, Adam Cels

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday, 22 November
NW Year 7/8 Athletics
HPSS – Orientation Day

Wednesday, 23 November
RNZAF Helicopter Visit

Monday, 28 November
Yr 7/8 Bike to Herald Island

Tuesday, 29 November
Yr 7/8 Bike to Herald Island
NW Year 5/6 Touch

Friday, 02 December
Rainbows End Trip

Tuesday, 06 December
Sports Prize Giving

Friday, 09 December
SAVE THE DATE



Tues 13 – Wed 14 Dec
Innovations Expo

Wednesday, 14 December
8.00-9.00am
Second Hand Uniform Sale

Monday, 19 December
Team Celebrations
Year 8 Graduation

School Calendar

[CLICK HERE](#)

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, 14 December
6.00pm in the staffroom

IMPORTANT - WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE!

If your child has a change of plans during the school day, please contact Claire in the school office. Any absence, notice of lateness, early pick up, changes to bus routine **must be communicated to the office**. There have been a couple of incidents in the last month or so where parents have communicated directly with their children via email or text message and this has resulted in confusion for both staff, children and parents.

Verbal messages from children are often not communicated, lost in translation or not passed on to the correct person, so we ask that parents communicate any important messages rather than students.

This policy is to ensure the safety of our tamariki.

Claire can be contacted via email – office@whenuapai.school.nz or phone 09 416 8779.

Or use our Online Forms - [Changes to Bus Schedule](#) and [Report an Absence](#)



Our students helped to re-pot nearly 1,000 native plants last week to grow on in our nursery for the Trees for Survival planting next winter!



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 6 and 7 are Respect for Others

Understanding each others personal space

Apologies and Acceptance

Talking to others respectfully

Understanding each others points of view

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 **Safety On and Off School Grounds** section.

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

Kahu

Term 4



Last week the tamariki in Kahu took part in our bike training course run by North Harbour Sport. These training sessions are to prepare us for our final William Pike Challenge to bike to Christmas Beach at the end of November.



Our students recapped:

- The 4 L's when getting on a bike.
- The ABC's to check our bike
- Road safety when biking



Inquiry



This term in inquiry, Kahu students have been working to become problem solvers through using the Whenuapai design process. When developing their problem solving skills, students have to select issues that are personally, communally, or globally relevant to them. They have then had to create prototypes and pitches to present to their stakeholders for feedback.



LIBRARY NEWS

Helen Brinkman, our wonderful Librarian, created an exhibit for Schools' Pride Week on 13th to 17th June 2022. She displayed a number of books to help celebrate and support rainbow rangatahi and rainbow families within our community. This week she received a certificate for Runner-Up Best Primary School Library!



[Click here to view](#)

SPORTS

Norwest Year 7/8 Touch Tournament

On Tuesday, 8 November 2022, Whenuapai School was represented at the Norwest Touch tournament with a boys and girls team and the tournament was played at Moire Park. The games were high intensity with our students challenged at every moment of the games. It was great to have our students learn and experience the pressure and attitudes required to develop and work within a team environment.

Both teams performed well but unfortunately the boys team missed out on the semi finals and finals. The girls team played consistently in pool play to make the semi finals where they played Marina View School and unfortunately narrowly lost to them. Both teams are to be commended on their perseverance and commitment. All students demonstrated respect for officials and other players from other schools. The school would like to thank Jelena Nasmith and Dana Foster who supported on the day with coaching, managing and transporting students to the event.

Norwest Year 5/6 Cricket Tournament

Well done to all of our students who competed in the Norwest Year 5/6 Cricket tournament at Huapai Domain last week. All students played well and demonstrated our school values throughout the day. Congratulations to our girls' team who were the Norwest Cup 2022 Girls Runner up!!

The school would like to thank Kane Stratford the wonderful parent helper who supported the students on the day along with Simon Robinson and Georgia Jones.



Year 0/1 Students - Practicing Scooter Skills



SKIDS – BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE



Daily Activities After-School Programme

5 to 13 years old

@ the Whenuapai School Hall
14 Airport Rd, Whenuapai, Auckland

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.
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General After-School Schedule

3:00pm - 3:30pm	Healthy afternoon snacks provided
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Homework/reading
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Participating in scheduled activities
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Fun activities

Email: whenuapai@skids.co.nz | On-site Mobile: 021 174 8473 (only checked during opening hours)

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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

- 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.



@ Whenuapai School Hall
N Airport Road, Whenuapai

IMPORTANT Reminders for the Safety of our Students.

There is to be **NO** riding, scootering, walking etc. through the ITM (Pinepac) carpark **AT ALL TIMES**.

This is a significant health and safety risk to our students and families as well as ITM staff and customers. Please talk to your children and remind them of the importance of sticking to the footpath and also slowing down and being extremely careful of driveways and vehicles.

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!



LOST PROPERTY

Please remember to regularly check lost property items!



Also, a friendly reminder to please label your child's uniform and other items. This makes it so much easier to find the owner. THANK YOU!

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!



Log in to Kindo



Find us on Facebook



Purchase Uniform



MISTLETOE MANIA WHATS ON GUIDE

We're less than 3 weeks away from Mistletoe Mania and we're excited to share with you a 'What's On Guide' with more info on the food and entertainment we will have on offer.

Cheese platters with beer and wine are available for the adults to pre-purchase on Kindo now until Wednesday 7 December – [CLICK HERE TO ORDER ON KINDO](#).

- Cheese platter (for 2) - \$15
- Cheese platter (for 2) & bottle of either Rose, Pinot Gris or Sav - \$30
- Cheese platter (for 2) & four beers - \$30
- Bottle of either Rose, Pinot Gris or Sav - \$15



[CLICK HERE TO JOIN US ON FACEBOOK](#)

These options will also be available to purchase on the night, but cheese platters will be limited so we recommend locking your order in now!

Be sure to join the 'Whenuapai Primary School Parents and Caregivers Page' on Facebook for more updates and a chance to bid on one of several auction prize packages up for grabs!



DINNER OPTIONS



- Bowl of nachos (mince & vegetarian) - **\$10**
- Chicken kebab & rice - **\$10**
- Chicken & vegetarian sushi - **\$5 for a pack of 6**
- Beef burgers with coleslaw - **\$6**
- Sausage sizzle (GF available) - **\$2**
- Kiddy packs - lollies & chips **\$3 or \$5** with a sausage sizzle
- Dessert stall - cakes, cupcakes, slices - **POA**
- All natural sodas and bottled water - **\$2**
- Harcourts coffee & ice-cream truck - **POA**

THE FUN STUFF



- Christmas carols sung by the Whenuapai school students
- Performance from the Kapa Haka group
- Santa and his lolly scramble
- Christmas Markets
- Live band performance by Mintah
- The infamous fire truck - remember to bring your togs!
- SKIDS & their fun game
- Bouncy Castle
- Chocolate Trailer
- Dunk the Teacher
- Open Fort

FOR THE ADULTS



The following can be pre-purchased on Kindo from Monday 21 November until Wednesday 7 December.

- Cheese platter (for 2) - **\$15**
- Cheese platter (for 2) & bottle of either Rose, Pinot Gris or Sav - **\$30**
- Cheese platter (for 2) & four beers - **\$30**
- Bottle of either Rose, Pinot Gris or Sav - **\$15**

These options will also be available to purchase at the event as well as **\$6 beers and \$6 for a glass of wine**

ITINERARY



- 4:00pm** Mistletoe Mania kicks off!
- 5:30pm** Christmas carols & performance from the Kapa Haka group
- 6:00pm** Santa and his lolly scramble
- 6:30pm** Get your togs on and get sprayed by the infamous fire truck
Stay and enjoy the food and entertainment we have on offer!

BEFORE THE EVENT



- Pre-order your cheese platter combo on Kindo
- To help keep costs to a minimum and to ensure we can fundraise as much as possible for the school, we would greatly appreciate a food donation towards our cheese platters and dessert stall. More information will be sent out next week.
- Make sure you have joined the '**Whenuapai Primary School Parents and Caregivers Page**' on Facebook for more updates and a chance to bid on one of several auction prize packages in the lead up to the big event!

ON THE NIGHT



- **Bring your togs and towel** if you fancy getting blasted by the infamous fire truck!
- **CASH!** There will be loads of dinner options and entertainment games. Eftpos will be available on the beer & wine stall along with an eftpos stall to withdraw cash. But to avoid queues, we recommend bringing cash.
- **A picnic blanket or chairs.** There will be lots of space in front of the stage for you to sit back and watch all the entertainment we have on offer.
- **Bring your own wine glass and cutlery.** Great way to help the environment by bringing your own glass and a fork or two for the dinner options we have available.



Herald Island Community Carols

Friday 16 December 2022 - 6:30pm
Herald Island Community Hall
44A Ferry Parade, Herald Island

We would like to invite Whenuapai School Kapa Haka & Whenuapai School students who play a musical instrument to join us for our Christmas Carols evening in our newly-renovated hall.

Attendees offer a Koha which will assist the Salvation Army Westgate to provide Christmas food parcels.

School contacts:
 Whaea Sarah (sbone@whenuapai.school.nz)
 & Helen Brinkman
 Or contact:
 Rae Hassett - 0274 923 129



Holiday Programmes December 19 to 23rd
 January 9th to 27th

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS!

Many of our students 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.

Please email:
pa@whenuapai.school.nz

We would love to hear from you!



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- **Phone: (09) 416-3123**
- **Email: northwest@numberworks.com**

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Whenuapai School Programmes

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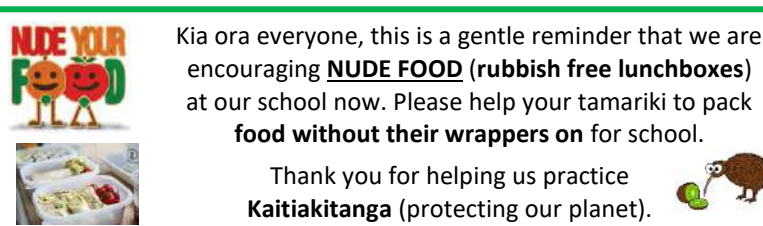
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 Email – paul@chesspower.co.nz



NUDE YOUR FOOD

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).



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Year 6 – Chris Groen	chriscg@whenuapai.school.nz
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	karlg@whenuapai.school.nz

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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