

Whenuapai School

Airport Road, Auckland
New Zealand

Newsletter – 21 February 2023

Tēnā koutou,

The devastation from across New Zealand is hard to watch and I can't even begin to imagine what it would have been like during the storm or the aftermath. Our thoughts are with everyone who has been impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle and the Auckland Floods.

Yesterday was our first Monday of the school year and we are already up to Week 4! I would like to say thank you for supporting the school during this difficult time and tricky start to the school year.

I know we keep on reminding you about the John Parsons presentation for online safety but we think this is super important in this day and age. It seems that lockdowns, school closures and other pressures have increased children's digital footprint, online use and access to social media. The online world is something that children need to be prepared for and John is an expert in the field.

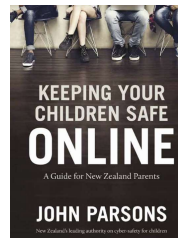
The presentation is this Wednesday evening at 7.00pm in the school hall.

John Parsons is the country's leading authority on cyber-safety for children. Based on years of frontline experience, John has developed a toolbox of highly practical, realistic, and proven strategies for both children and their caregivers helping families stay safe in the digital world.

He is committed to promoting the rights of children to use digital technology safely and ethically. Tips include:

- communicate with your child about their use of technology world
- keep family and friends safe in the digital world
- teach your child to project power and control
- maintain an acceptable level of screen time

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I have previously mentioned that the Garden to Table programme is a passion of mine, even though I have absolutely no gardening skills or knowledge. The programme helps to prepare children in so many ways more than just Gardening and Cooking. It develops social skills, communication skills, team work, collaborative skills, reading and writing skills and problem-solving skills to name a few.

We have enthusiastic staff running the programme with Miss Alescha Davies (Cooking), Whaea Sarah (Cooking and Gardening) and Mrs Charlotte Govorko (Gardening) but to make the programme successful and reach its full potential we need volunteers to help support the students whilst they cook and garden.

The Garden to Table programme runs on a Tuesday (Year 7/8) and Thursday (Year 5/6) and we are looking for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and community members who can support us for a few hours on these days - no experience required. I can honestly say that it is a very rewarding experience and as a bonus you get to enjoy a nice meal.

If you are interested in finding out more or coming along for a look, please contact: Whaea Sarah - sbone@whenuapai.school.nz, Alescha Davies - aleschad@whenuapai.school.nz or Charlotte Govorko - charlottegovorko@whenuapai.school.nz

Lastly this week, just a friendly reminder about our school values, Respect for Self, Respect for Others, Respect for Learning and Respect for the Environment. These values are incredibly important to us at Whenuapai, as they promote and develop kotahitanga (unity) and whanaungatanga (close connection between people) across the school.

We teach our tamariki how to develop, show and promote these values each day both inside and outside of the school gates. To help with this, we expect adults (including staff, whānau and visitors) to also model these values and behaviours when on the school grounds (this includes the school carpark) especially during busy times such as drop off and pick up. Please remember to be kind and patient and show Respect for Others.

We thank you for supporting us with this.

Ngā mihi,
Adam Cels



KOTAHITANGA

WHENUAPAI SCHOOL

PB4L Learner Capabilities



Listen

Collaborate

Share

Value

Participate

RESPECT FOR OTHERS

Dates for your diary....

Tuesday – 21 February

7-8pm Friends of Whenuapai Meeting

Wednesday – 22 February

7.00-8.30pm John Parson's –
Cyber Safety Education

Thursday – 23 February

8.30am & 3pm Have a Go–Music Session
Senior Camp-Out - Overnight

Tuesday – 07 March

Year 5/6 – NW Teeball

Thursday – 09 March

Year 7/8 - NW Softball

Monday – 13 March

Year 6-8 - NW Swimming

Tuesday – 21 March

Year 7/8 – Cricket

Wednesday – 22 March

6pm – Board Meeting

Thursday – 23 March

Year 5-8 - NW Orienteering

Sunday – 26 March

Shore-to-Shore Fun Run

Friday – 31 March

Year 7/8 - NW Tag

Wednesday – 5 April

Year 7/8 - NW Tennis

Thursday – 6 April

Last day of Term 1





Garden To Table



Lunchtime Clubs and Activities

A reminder that our wonderful staff members run a number of lunchtime clubs and activities for our students to get involved in. Has your child been to one this year? Do you know which one is their favourite?



JUNIOR: YEAR 0-4		WHAT'S ON AT LUNCHTIME?!					SENIOR: YEAR 4-8			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library	Library
Bike Riding 12.45 - 1.00	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	Enviro Wanderers	Bike Riding 12.45 - 1.00	Bike Riding 12.45 - 1.00	Bike Riding 12.45 - 1.00	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	Enviro Wanderers Around school	Enviro Wanderers Around school	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15
No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	Yoga Club Room 15	Enviro Wanderers	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	Drama Club Room 11 12.45 - 1.00	Languages Room 16 12.45 - 1.00	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	No Man's Land 1.00 - 1.15	Senior Coding Club 12.45 - 1.00 Room 6
Sports Club The Field 1.00 - 1.15	Languages Room 16	Jump Jam The Hall	Enviro Wanderers	Enviro Wanderers	Chinese Club Room 23	Sports Club Field 1.00 - 1.15		Jump Jam Hall 12.45 - 1.00	Senior Art Club Room 5 12.45 - 1.00	Chinese Club Room 23 12.45 - 1.00
			Construction Room 27	Art Club Room 19	Lego Club Room 12					Lego Club Room 12 12.45 - 1.00

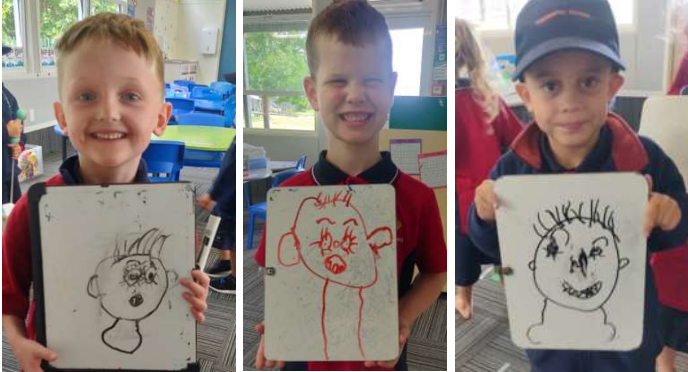
Clubs start at 12.45pm unless written! Please wait outside for a teacher.

Please wait outside for a teacher. *Kids with their own bikes can ride every lunchtime

Please encourage your children to get involved!

Room 21

Room 21 students drawing some amazing self-portraits.



Celebrating Success

A reminder that we love to celebrate our tamariki.

Many of our taura/students are involved in clubs, sports and music outside of our school teams and we love to hear about their stories and achievements.

Please let us know if your tamariki are achieving amazing things after school or on the weekends.

Please email photos and details to pa@whenuapai.school.nz

We would love to hear from you!

This is one of our superstars, Darcie F, who came 5th in the NZ National Bouldering Competition in Christchurch in December last year. An incredible achievement and we can't wait to see how 2023 goes Darcie!



Congrats Darcie!



SPORTS AND OTHER THINGS



**NORTH HARBOUR
SOFTBALL
FUNDAMENTALS PROGRAM**

Whenuapai School
MONDAY 3:00-3:45PM ON SCHOOL FIELD
7 WEEK PROGRAM STARTING 13TH FEBRUARY 2023
COST \$80 PER PERSON
REGISTER ON [HTTPS://WWW.SPORTY.CO.NZ/VIEWFORM/228993](https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/228993)



FAMILY FUN DAYS

FREE TO JOIN

Next EVENT:
Sat 25th Feb, 1 - 4 pm
Albany Community Hub

Upcoming EVENTS:
Sun 5th Mar, 1 - 4 pm, Headquarters Park & Playground, Hobsonville Point
Sat 15th Apr, 1 - 4 pm, Meadowood Community House, Unsworth Heights

- Free games & equipment
- Ice cream & waffle truck
- Win Lego & Countdown vouchers!
- Cultural games

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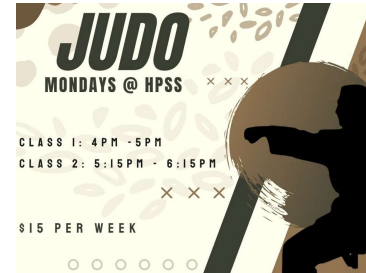


Kumeu Cricket Club

We are looking for girls aged 7 - 10 to join our softball team. A wonderful opportunity to meet new friends and have fun.

Saturday mornings - 8am (75 minutes games)

Contact Charlotte 021885993 to join
Coaching and gear provided



JUDO

MONDAYS @ HPSS


CLASS 1: 4PM - 5PM
CLASS 2: 5:15PM - 6:15PM

\$15 PER WEEK



HAVE-A-GO KIDS CRICKET

Wed 5:30 - 6:30pm Years 1 - 5
Nov 9 - Dec 7 '23 Feb 15 - Mar 15
Hobsonville War Memorial Park
facebook.com/HobsPointCricket



ENJOY CHESS IN 2023!

✓ Improve logical thinking and problem solving skills

Wednesdays
8 Feb to 5 Apr 2023
9:55 - 10:55am

Scan to register

A Chess Coaching Programme will be held weekly on a Wednesday from 9.55am - 10.55am in the library starting, Wednesday, 8 February 2023.
[Please click here to register!](#)

Music – Have a Go Session
8.30am and 3.00pm - Thursday, 23 February 2023
In the School Hall



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!

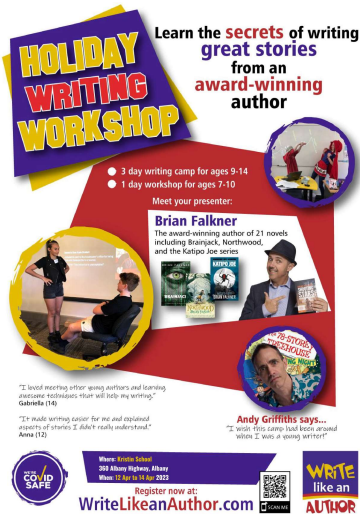
MusiqHub is offering 'Have a Go' sessions on Thursdays, in the Hall, where your children can try out an instrument with the music tutor Gloria Arboleda Martinez. (Parents are welcome to join in)

WHAT? Have a Go
When? Thursdays 16th & 23rd Feb
Times? 8.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.
Where? Hall

Gloria has a Bachelor of Music and has tutored in schools in Colombia, the UK, and for the past five years with MusiqHub here in Auckland. Gloria offers music lessons in guitar, ukulele, and keyboard/piano, clarinet, flute, recorder, saxophone and trumpet.

For more information, contact
Gloria Arboleda Martinez
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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:
Brian Falkner
The award-winning author of 21 novels including Blainjack, Northwood, and the Kaitiaki Ice series

Andy Griffiths says...
"I wish I was like Brian. I wish I could write like him. I wish I was a young writer!"

Where: Write Like an Author
303 Albany Highway, Albany
When: 11 Feb to 13 Feb 2023

Register now at: [WriteLikeanAuthor.com](https://www.writelikeanauthor.com)

Holiday Writing Workshop

Learn the secrets of writing great stories from an award-winning author (Brian Falkner) "Write Like an Author" is a school holiday program for young writers.

Where: Kristin School.
When: school holidays, **Wed, April 12, 2023 to Fri, April 14, 2023.**

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! [Click Here To Register](#)



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2023 Parent Handbook



There is a Parent Handbook available on our school website with lots of useful information. You can check it out by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.whenuapai.school.nz/information/general-admin/>

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Before and After School Care

It's that time of year again The Harcourts Cooper and Co Shore to Shore fun run is back after two years. At Whenuapai school we want to support the event as it's a great way that we can fundraise for sports equipment at the school. Get your friends and family, to sign up and do it with you.

All the information can be found at www.shoretoshore.co.nz



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5km Fun Run & Walk

OUR FAVOURITE EVENT ON THE NORTH SHORE
26TH MARCH 2023



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