Whenuapai School

Airport Road, Auckland New Zealand

Newsletter – 4 April 2023

Tēnā koutou,

As we come to the end of Term 1, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe Easter holiday break. I hope you get to enjoy some quality time with your loved ones and enjoy the last of the hopefully warmer weather.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our school community for your ongoing support. Your dedication to the success of our tamariki does not go unnoticed and we appreciate every contribution to our learning partnership.

As we continue to try and keep our school safe during these uncertain times, we would like to remind you to inform Claire (school office) if your child tests positive for COVID. It is crucial for us to stay informed to ensure the safety of everyone in our school community. You can contact Claire via phone on 09 416 8779 or via e-mail at office@whenuapai.school.nz

A reminder that at the end of this week we will be conducting our first school donation termly prize draw. When a Whānau pays their school donation in full they automatically go into the termly prize draw to be the lucky family that wins one child's donation back. The winner will be announced at the start of Term 2.

Term 2 is set to be another busy and fun filled term. We are very excited about our Year 5 to 8 school camp at Finlay Park scheduled for early May. This is an incredible opportunity for our tamariki to develop valuable skills such as teamwork, resilience and problem-solving. We hope the tamariki share in our excitement and are looking forward to this experience.

Finally, as we reflect on the success of Term 1, we are excited for what is yet to come in the new term. Work continues to proceed on our Senior Campus at Trig Road and we are all very excited about the opportunities that this will enable us to provide all tamariki.

It is proving to be a very exciting and rewarding year.

Ngā mihi, Adam Cels

Wed - 26 April Tues – 16 May Dates for your diary First Day of Term 2 Yr 7/8 NW Football Wed – 5 April Mon – 24 April Fri – 28 April Fri – 19 May Yr 7/8 - NW Tennis **Teacher Only Day** 8.15am Uniform Sale **Pink Shirt Day** Thurs – 6 April Tues – 25 April Mon 1 May – Thurs 4 May Wed – 31 May Easter Bake Sale Anzac Day Year 5/6 Camp Yr 7/8 NW Basketball Last day of Term 1 Mon 1 May - Fri 5 May Year 7/8 Camp

thank you

THANK YOU

This week we have another special shout out to one of our amazing Whenuapai Whānau.

Maree Ford, a very special and talented Nan of one of our students (Sophie R), kindly donated these stunning Korowai to our school. Along with this, she has also donated multiple pairs of fabric poi for our Kapa Haka to use.

A beautiful and incredible generous gift that will be treasured.

We really do have an amazing school community.







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WHENUAPAI SCHOOI

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RESPECT FOR ENVIRONMENT



Ngā mihi/Thank you to all our Ka Rawe/AweSome students, teachers and volunteers for a wonderful first term of Garden to Table.

We have all learned so much about how to grow, harvest and prepare healthy food together. Our favourite part is definitely sharing our reka/yummy meals together on Tuesdays and Thursdays!

Kia ora mo te kai! Thank you for the food!











Walking School Bus (WSB)



Whenuapai School are looking for parents and children to join the walking school bus (WSB).

A walking school bus is an organised group of children walking to and/or from school under the supervision of adults. WSB can operate from one to five days a week, depending on volunteer commitment.

Children are collected from stops or a parking spot along a planned route and walk together to the school gate. Along the way they learn road safety, socialise and share stories with friends and neighbours and arrive energised at school. Families in the community get to know each other. What a great way to travel to school!

Walking school buses are run by parents/ caregivers/ grandparents from the school community with the support of the school and Auckland Transport.

If you are interested, please email Jenny Cornish jennyc@whenuapai.school.nz

We need your help please!

Do we have anyone in our Whenuapai whānau, maybe a graphic designer or someone with talent in this area who can help convert a few smaller images into one high resolution logo?



Please contact pa@whenuapai.school.nz if you can help!

HOUSE UPDATES!

On Wednesday last week we ran our first house tournament - a Tug of War competition! Each year group had a chance to compete and pull against each other.

To finish off the day we did our final competition where the house captains chose their 'dream team' - a mixture of all age groups including teachers! The results of the day are as follows:

Winners of the Dream Team Competition 1st - Hercules - 300 points Seasprite - 150 points Boeing - 150 points Orion - 150 points

Overall Winners of Tug of War

1st - Hercules - 425 pts 2nd - Boeing - 275 pts 3rd - Seasprite - 250 pts 4th - Orion - 175 pts



Here are the final house points for this term:

1st - Hercules with 1876 points 2nd - Boeing with 1702 points 3rd - Seasprite with 1692 points 4th - Orion with 1594 points

Congratulations to Hercules!

All children in Hercules will be invited to enjoy a Mr Whippy ice cream and a fun sports afternoon on Thursday this week. Ka pai to all students for a fantastic term. Together, you earned 6,864 house points!

Congratulations Team Hercules!



SPORTS

NW Orienteering

Students from Whenuapai School competed in the Norwest Orienteering competition at Moire Park Massey on Thursday 23rd March. Below is a message from the organisers that represents a great acknowledgment of the students that participated in the competition:

"Thank you all for bringing along all your students today. They were all a credit to your schools, both behaviour wise and also with their orienteering. There were some great times from students who polished off their course in excellent times but even more impressive to see were those who persevered and found their away around the course, determined to get to the finish. Most of these completed all their controls in the correct order or missed just one or 2 controls. It was a staggeringly good effort from them all – every student there today was a winner. For those for whom today was their first experience of orienteering, they did even better – we hope it is something they will do many more times in the years ahead.

Thanks again for encouraging and organising for your students to come along today. We do hope you are all keen to return again next year! (Joanna Stewart – Norwest Orienteering Organiser)".

It is a credit to our Whenuapai students and they can be very proud of their performance and achievements at the event. Whenuapai had one Year 8 girls team place in the top three so that team will now progress through to Interzone Orienteering held at Cornwall Park, Epsom on the 10th May. Eloise Hood also placed at the Norwest event and will also be competing at the Interzone event in Term 2.

Well done to our Orienteering team and we look forward to your performances at Interzone.



NW Cricket

The Norwest Cricket competition for Year 7 & 8 was held on Tuesday 21st March at Huapai Domain. The weather started off relatively fine but deteriorated towards the end of the day, but the majority of the competition had been completed at stage which was a positive. The players managed to get 4-5 games in and Whenuapai had two teams that performed exceptionally well given that it was for some their first introduction to competitive cricket.

The school would like to thank all students for their participation and attendance at the competition. Also, a big thankyou to all the parents that supported and Sarah Ehrlich for assisted on the day with leading one of the Whenuapai teams. We appreciate your support and hope you enjoyed the experience.



Shore to Shore 2023

Harcourts Cooper and Co Shore to Shore enjoyed a great day out along our sunny shores with 2633 participants running or walking the 5.9 km route this year!

The event started at Takapuna Grammar School, headed along both the picturesque Takapuna and Milford beaches and ended at Milford Reserve.

This event brings together the North Shore community and supports local schools by providing them with an opportunity to raise funds for much-needed sports gear.

It was once again a great opportunity for Friends, Parents, Aunties, Uncles and Grandparents to get together, dress up, and join everyone for the fun!

Another great event was held with plenty of awesome costumes and spot prizes.

The streets were once again filled with a whole lot of laughter and enthusiasm!

We think it was great that our school community represented Whenuapai school at the event and we look forward to more people giving it a go in 2024!



Celebrating Student Success

Adam B (Year 5) is a member of Mairangi Bay Surf Lifesaving Club and recently competed at the clubs Junior club champs and received medals in the following events:

- U10 Surf Race 2nd Place (120m open water swim)
- U10 Board Race 4th Place (200m Foamie kneeboard)
- U10 Diamond 3rd Place (Run, swim and board)

Adam has also competed at regional events in Auckland throughout the season and loves spending a day at the beach.



Adam is also a member of North Shore Swimming Club and is attending the 2023 Apollo Projects New Zealand Swimming Championships this week as a 'Basket Handler' at Sir Owen G Glenn National Aquatic Centre for some of the best swimmers from around New Zealand who are going head-to-head for the National swimming title.

Photo: Lewis Clareburt

Adam has been lucky enough to meet Commonwealth and Olympic swimmers Lewis Clareburt, Cameron Gray, Zac Reid and Erika Fairweather and Paralympian Dame Sophie Pascoe and Cameron Leslie to name but a few of the amazing swimmers we have within New

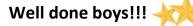
Zealand and have his T-shirt signed.



Another super star student is Aloisio P (Year 3) who has recently played Tag for the New Zealand invitational U8s in the Oceania tag tournament AMAZING!!!







Friends of Whenuapai (FOW)



THURSDAY, 6TH OF APRIL

★ Sales start from 8:15am
★ Preferably Cash (Eftpos will be accessible if need be)
★ Baking boxes will be distributed to students Friday 31/3 to fill
★ Bring plate or containers for individual purchases (2)



Anzac

Day

2023



TUI TEAM YEAR 2





WE HAVE HAD SO MUCH Fun doing inquiry This term!

We had lots of fun learning about finger prints

We got to make Pounamu out of Clay











This is us learning about first aid and what to do if you get lost

TUI TEAM WE HAVE DONE LOTS OF GREAT LEARNING THIS YEAR 3 TERM! 1 2 twelve .3 Check out some awesome work from RM 10 Slead. Freedow Stand A Water safety with Rm 24 always Stay bitwin the Rm 23 have been working The second hard! 書

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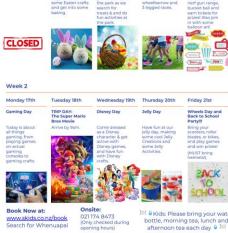


sKids - Before and After School Care

Monday 10th

Easter Crafts & Baking





Wednesday 12th

TRIP DAY: Easter Picnic in the Park

Thursday 13th

Races Day

Friday 14th

Carnival Day



When

Monday 24th April 2023

Short Day: 9.00am to 3.00pm \$50.00 Add Before Care: 7.30am to 9.00am \$ 6.00 Add After Care: 3.00pm to 6.00pm \$ 9.00

Where

Whenuapai School Hall, 14 Airport Road

What

The <u>Theme</u> for Today is: <u>Chocolate Day</u> Today is a day of Everything Chocolate!



How

Book this day via April Holiday Programme: https://enrolmy.com/skids-whenuapai/book-now/16-sKids-Whenuapai-April-2023-Term-1-Holiday-Programme

BOOK NOW AT: https://www.skids.co.nz/book-with-us/











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TERM 1 Review Topic Open Now:

Legislation and Administration Policy



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Order ezlunch for delivery from Monday 27 March to Thursday 6 April and go in the draw to WIN a Lego Creator 3-in-1 White Rabbit.

The winner will be drawn on Thursday 6 April 2023 and be notified by phone and/or email. Every lunch order gets another chance to win. Go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering.



FREE INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAMME

Practical strategies for caregivers of children aged 2-8 years Learn new and effective ways to deal with challenging

- behaviour such as:
- · Aggression, tantrums, sibling fighting • Talking back, not following instructions or routines
 - · Yelling, whining, self-regulation
 - Getting out of bed, fussy eating and more ...

The Incredible Years Parent Programme is being held at: Level 1, Waimarino Building

33 Paramount Drive, Henderson on: Thursday 27th April – Thursday 27th July, 9.45am - 12.15pm (14 sessions)





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