



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 14

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## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It's hard to believe we are now in Week 8 and only have two weeks left of Term 3. As you are aware, our wonderful Deputy Principal, Carla Veldman, is leaving us at the end of term to take up the position of Principal at Pinehill School. We will be having a farewell celebration assembly for Carla on the last day of term, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm and we would love to see you at this very special occasion.

A reminder that next Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019, we are holding our School Whānau Hui from 5.30 – 7.00pm in the School Hall. As a school we are wanting to look at ways that we can improve the visibility of Māori culture and knowledge in our school and we invite you to meet with us to share and discuss some ideas. If there are specific topics you would like included, or if you are interested in helping to organise this Hui, please contact me. We hope to see many of our parents, caregivers and whānau there.

Coming towards the end of Term, we thought it was timely to provide you with an update on our playground situation. The Junior Playground was repaired and is currently being well used by the Junior school. The repairs are an interim measure as we continue to fundraise for a suitable replacement. The Senior Playground is currently being dismantled, with one more activity still to be removed. The climbing wall will be retained for now and our Caretaker, Mr Shirtcliffe, will be turning over the bark to make the climbing wall safer. Again, this is an interim measure as we continue to fundraise for a replacement.

Over the past few months, the Playground Committee have investigated and reviewed a number of quotes for various replacement options. To replace the Junior Playground, we are looking at a cost of approximately \$110,000.00 and to replace the Senior Playground we are looking at a cost of approximately \$84,000.00. These amounts are significant and require a lot of fundraising before they can be reached. As you will be aware, following the audit and closure of both playgrounds our PTA have been working extremely hard to fundraise money for this and we are extremely grateful to them and to everyone who has contributed.

We have received some very generous donations paid through the Give-a-little page and directly to the school office. Additionally, as a School, we were successful in the NorthWest Rewards shopping competition winning an amazing \$3,000.00. With all of this money combined plus the recent PTA Horse Racing Event which raised just over \$7,000.00, we have raised a total of \$18,500.00 to date and this money has been set aside solely for the playground replacement. The PTA will also be allocating more of their fundraising money from the 2019 year in Term 4 to increase this total. Additionally, we recently submitted an application for community funding through The Trusts Million Dollar Mission. We find out in October if we have been successful with this application. Also, the Playground Committee continue to look at other funding grant options. Depending on the outcomes of these applications we may be able to bring the timeframe for replacement forward.

At Whenuapai School, we spend a lot of time emphasising the importance of kindness in our world and in our lives, so I have attached for you a 'School Holiday Kindness Challenge' at the end of the newsletter. How many can your child/ren capture and complete over the break? Let's do the Whenuapai Kindness Challenge and share in Week 1 of Term 4.

*Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tatou mahi.  
Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.*

Kind regards,

Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

### ASSEMBLY DATES

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
9.15am – Year 0/1 (Kea)

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
9.15am – Year 2/3 (Tui)  
2.00pm – Farewell Assembly  
– Carla Veldman

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October**  
11.30am – Welcome Powhiri

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September**  
Tui Team Zoo Trip

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
Rugby World Cup Mufti Day

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**  
Year 6 Art Gallery Trip

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**  
5.30pm - School Hui

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
Ice Block, Pizza and Mufti  
Last day of Term 3

### TERM DATES

**Term 3**  
Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jul – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Sep

**Term 4**  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

### 2020 DATES

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Feb**  
Meet the Teacher Day

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Feb**  
First day of school

Diary Dates

### SCHOOL VALUES

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

# PTA NEWS

## 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September – Conservation Week

Lots of fun and interactive activities will be happening throughout the week to educate the children!

Some of our wonderful parents are helping to coordinate activities that will be set up in the School Hall on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Different classes will be visiting the hall throughout the day to take part in activities such as making 3D paper birds, DIY bird nectar feeders, colouring in and making DIY t-shirt bags.

The team would be very grateful for any help so if you would like to help or you have any other ideas on conservation week or skills that they could use please contact Naomi at: [naomiharrison.nz@gmail.com](mailto:naomiharrison.nz@gmail.com)

The team are also doing some pest animal monitoring and bird counts during the week if anyone would like to assist.

## 27<sup>th</sup> September - Pizza, Ice Blocks & Mufti Day

Notices with more information will go out next week. Kindo will be open soon and ready to take your child's order. Vegetarian, gluten-free and dairy-free options available. Celebrate the last day of term with this fun day! Helpers needed, stay tuned on the PTA Helpers Facebook Page.

## Entertainment E-Books

Electronic versions are still available for purchase! Please email [stephanieb@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:stephanieb@whenuapai.school.nz) to purchase one.

## 30<sup>th</sup> October (Wednesday) – Halloween Disco

Come dressed up in your Halloween costumes. Prizes for best dressed!

**Juniors** (Years 0-4) 5.00-6.30pm and **Seniors** (Years 5-8) 7.00-8.30pm.



\$5.00 entry payable via Kindo. Snacks, sausage sizzle, iceblocks, drinks and glow wear available on the night.

Seniors have a pizza option which must be pre ordered on Kindo.

Helpers needed for both discos. Junior help is needed from 4.45-6.30pm and senior help is needed from 6.45-8.30pm. We need your support in order for this amazing fun night to go ahead. If you can help please email [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com)

## TERM 4 EVENTS

**16<sup>th</sup> October – Second Hand Uniform Sale** – starts at 8.15am outside the main office building.

**22<sup>nd</sup> October and 3<sup>rd</sup> December - PTA Meetings** – starts at 7pm

**30<sup>th</sup> October - Halloween Disco** - Junior & Senior Dance Party

**20<sup>th</sup> November - Carols Night** - Whole School end-of-year outdoor celebration

**28<sup>th</sup> November - Toy World Night** - get a discount at Westgate ToyWorld as you get your Christmas shopping done!

*The PTA are always looking for more parents to join us at our termly meetings, which help organise fundraising events, or at our actual events, to help ensure that they run smoothly. Please contact us through email ([pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com)) or find us on our Facebook helpers page to stay connected.*



**Photos from our Father's Day Breakfast**

## PB4L

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

#### OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Whenuapai School is a PB4L School (Positive Behaviour for Learning). We teach behaviour through the use of our school values - **Respect Self, Respect Others, Respect Learning and Respect Environment.**

#### Our PB4L Focus for Term 3 Weeks 8-9

Our current focus is **Respect for Self** and in particular; **Treat others how you want to be treated.**

We would love for you to discuss at home what these mean and look like in and around your child's classroom and at home.



## HEALTH & WELLBEING

We would like to remind parents and caregivers about the spread of viruses in school. If your child is unwell please keep them home.

The Ministry of Health site has information on a number of conditions or illnesses that can be searched to help families understand what their child may have and what action should be taken.

Please see a doctor if you are concerned.

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses>



## SPORTS

**Norwest Cross Country** - The Norwest Cross Country was held at Muriwai Beach Surf Club on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Whenuapai School had 31 students competing across each of the following year levels from Year 5 to Year 8 in Boys and Girls. There were some outstanding performances and all students showed the effort and determination required to compete and perform on the demanding and challenging course. There were some exceptional performances with the following students gained placings. Special mention for the performance out of these students goes to Talia Hosking for placing third in her Year 6 girls race. The other great result was the Year 5 Boys who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the teams event.

**Year 6 Girls**

Talia Hosking

**Year 5 Boys Team**

Max Mitchell / Caio Monterio / Harry Barrett / Lachlan Hosking / Jackson Brown



Our school has agreed with Auckland Transport to undertake a Baseline Travel Survey. This survey is designed to collect information about how students are travelling to and from school, preferences for travel and identifying any barriers that might limit students from travelling in an active and sustainable way. This information will assist Upper Harbour Primary School to develop new road safety and travel initiatives, to better cater for our students, both now and in the future.

Please **click** on the link:

[https://aucklandtransport.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9WAe2GVT6EJrGSh](https://aucklandtransport.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9WAe2GVT6EJrGSh) to complete the survey, it should take no more than 10 minutes to do.

The survey will be open until **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**. As a thank you for taking part, Auckland Transport is providing an opportunity for all survey participants from our school to enter a draw to win 2 sets of double movie passes.

To be eligible you will need to put your full name and contact details on the survey. Any personal information collected will be securely stored & used strictly for this research & the prize draw.

## LEGO CLUB

Our students in the junior school have thoroughly enjoyed the Lego Club that has been held at lunchtime each Wednesday over the past two terms by one of our lovely Mum's.

A HUGE thank you to Claire Miller for taking the time every week to provide such enjoyment for the children, especially during the wet wintery months. We look forward to the club starting again next year in Term 2, 2020.





We would love to invite you and your friends, family & colleagues to be in the studio audience of Three's show The Project. The audience is an important part of the show each night, and you can join in the fun – for free! The show is live so you are only in the studio for just over 30 minutes (1 hour on Fridays). We also have discount vouchers for some lovely local restaurants if you want to make a night of it. Our Hosts are Kanoa Lloyd, Jesse Mulligan & Jeremy Corbett plus 4th Hosts and Special Guests and free lollies every night!

#### DATES AVAILABLE TO BE IN THE PROJECT STUDIO AUDIENCE:

- Monday 23 September - 4th Host: Michele A'Court
- Tuesday 24 September - 4th Host: Mark Richardson
- Friday 27 September - 4th Host: Jaquie Brown
- Wednesday 2 October - 4th Host: David Seymour
- Thursday 3 October - 4th Host: tbc Plus Special Guest Rachel Hunter Live in Studio
- Friday 4 October - 4th Host: tbc Plus Special Guest Katie Wright Live in Studio
  - Monday 7 October - 4th Host: Paddy Gower
  - Tuesday 8 October - 4th Host: Justine Smith
  - Wednesday 9 October - 4th Host: Guy Williams
    - Thursday 10 October - 4th Host: tbc
    - Friday 11 October - 4th Host: tbc
  - Monday 14 October - 4th Host: Paddy Gower
  - Tuesday 15 October - 4th Host: Michele A'Court
  - Wednesday 16 October - 4th Host: Kim Crossman
  - Thursday 17 October - 4th Host: Mark Richardson
    - Friday 18 October - 4th Host: tbc

Please note, Hosts & Guests are subject to change

**TIME:** 6:30pm -7:30pm (8pm Fri)

**STUDIO LOCATION:** Boston Road, Mt Eden

**AGE:** 13 years+ (13-15 year old must be accompanied by an adult)

To book your place in the audience, please email [taniagoldsbro@mediaworks.co.nz](mailto:taniagoldsbro@mediaworks.co.nz) with your date request, with a back-up date in case your first choice is full, and how many seats you need (maximum 6 - or more if you'd like to organise a social group outing). Your name will be added to the Audience Guest List and an e-ticket confirmation will be emailed to you. There's lots of easy and free parking around the studio. Our studio is wheelchair accessible.

## CALLING PIANO TUNERS!

We are looking for a trained piano tuner who would be willing to donate their services.

We are hoping for regular tuning of our lovely new piano, and possibly some first aid on our old one.

Contact [karlg@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:karlg@whenuapai.school.nz)



### IMPORTANT!

A friendly reminder that the driveway in front of the school office is for staff access and buses only. This is not a drop off area.



## Rugby World Cup 2019



### Mufti Day!

(Gold Coin Donation)

Friday 20th of September

All donations will go toward more P.E. equipment.

We want you to support the All Blacks by coming to school wearing something BLACK!

*By Jack Pringle  
(Sport Prefect)*



**GO THE ALL BLACKS!**



# NOTICES:

**Play Cricket this summer!**

Kumeu Cricket Club offers cricket for all ages and abilities

Register at [www.kumeucricket.com](http://www.kumeucricket.com)

P: 022 043 4615  
E: chair@kumeucricket.co.nz

**It's almost time for our HOLIDAY WORKSHOP!**

The Marrzipan Holiday Workshop runs from 10am-4pm Monday 7th - Friday 11th October at Birkdale Intermediate. Students will devise their own play from scratch, create characters, direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes and get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day!

Past workshops have been a great hit! As well as having fun, the children develop confidence and public speaking ability, in a fun, relaxed environment.

For more information, check out our website!  
Spaces are limited to 16 per group so get in quick!

W: [marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://marrzipandrama.co.nz) E: [workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz](mailto:workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz) T: 0275217352

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**Our Chess Lovers School Holiday Program for October 2019 is now open for bookings!**

[Book today](#) to make sure you don't miss out!  
Registrations close 20 September 2019

**OPEN DAY**

WAITAKERE BMX

Sat. 11-2pm  
28.09.2019

**TRY BMX FOR FREE**

**TIMETABLE**  
11:00 Sign-in, Gear Up, Ride  
12:15 Raising Demo  
12:30 Jumping Demo  
1:30 Lolly Scramble

**EVENTS ON THE DAY**  
Demos, Prizes, Raffles, Sausage Sizzle, 2nd Hand Gear Market, Canteen, Lolly Scramble.

**WHAT TO BRING**  
A Bike, BMX, Balance, Mountain, they are all welcome. Some Protection, Long Pants, Long Top, Shoes, Gloves & Helmet. Limited Race Bikes & Full Face Helmets are available for use on the day.

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103 Glen Rd, Ranui, West Auckland  
WAITAKEREBMX@GMAIL.COM  
WWW.WAITAKEREBMX.COM

**SQUASH BOREDOM!**

Whether you're looking for school holiday entertainment or something unique for your next party, a Rise and Flow workshop is for you!

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**AG DAY 2019**  
SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER

Coatesville School, 24 Mahoeu Valley Road, Auckland

**Farm Animals, Food Stalls, Silent Auction, Games and Rides, Recycle Boutique, Baked Goods, Fresh Produce and more!**

Judging starts at 9am and stalls open 10.30am

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Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	<a href="mailto:karlg@whenuapai.school.nz">karlg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock at email: [thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto: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 payments are for.

Also payments can be made via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)

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## KINDNESS to SELF

- Do something that makes you happy today
- Exercise for 10 minutes and get your heart pumping
- Smile more often
- Avoid complaining for the entire day
- Create a new game and play it with friends and family
- Take time to practice mindfulness
- Take long slow deep breaths for 3 minutes
- Listen to your favourite music



## KINDNESS to FAMILY

- Help with the chores without being asked
- Express your gratitude to your family
- Play a game with a family member
- Wash Mum or Dad's car
- Make a handmade card for someone in your family
- Tidy up after yourself
- Surprise a family member by doing their job for them
- Cook a meal
- Leave a special note on a family member's pillow



## KINDNESS to OTHERS

- Write a letter or note to someone out of town and post it
- Bake a cake or your favourite food and deliver it to a friend or someone in need
- Find opportunities to give compliments today
- Say "thank-you" as much as possible
- Hold the door open for the person behind you
- Do something kind for a stranger
- Greet people with a Hug, High Five or Handshake



## KINDNESS to PLANET

- Use less plastic
- Drink from a reusable water bottle
- Turn off the lights when you leave the room
- Use reusable shopping bags
- Pick up 5 pieces of litter
- Walk more, drive less
- Recycle
- Make a piece of art work from recycled materials

