

Whenuapai School

Airport Road, Auckland
New Zealand



Newsletter – 30 July 2024

Kia ora whānau and welcome to Term 3,

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable school holiday break, full of quality time with family and friends. A big welcome to all our new tamariki and families—it is wonderful to have you with us.

The start of the term is always such an exciting time, and we had a fantastic first week back. We launched our inquiry study into the Olympics, and there were lots of history and sporting challenges underway. It is going to be an exciting term.

We are thrilled to invite you to our Curriculum Showcase on **Wednesday, 21 August, 2024**. This afternoon / evening is designed to give you a comprehensive understanding of what your child is learning within our school curriculum.

Event Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday, 21 August 2024
- **Location:** Both Campuses
- **Drop-in Sessions:** ✓ **Afternoon Session:** 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM
✓ **Evening Session:** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

What to Expect:

🔍 **Explore Our Programmes:** Gain insights into our Reading, Writing, Mathematics, and Inquiry programmes. We'll showcase how these core areas are taught in our curriculum.

🔍 **Discover Our Resources:** See the educational tools and materials we use daily. From textbooks to digital resources, get a firsthand look at what supports your child's learning journey.

👤 **Meet the Teachers:** The teachers will be available to discuss their teaching strategies, answer your questions, and provide guidance on how we approach various subjects and skills.

📱 **Maximize HERO:** Answer your HERO questions We'll have staff on hand to explain its features, show you how to navigate the app, and demonstrate how it can enhance communication between home and school.

📝 **Provide Feedback:** Your input is invaluable. We want to hear your thoughts on our current school communication practices and how we can make improvements. Your feedback will help us better serve our school community.

Cross Country 2024

There are only three more sleeps until the School Cross Country. New course, new activities - lots more fun.

Tamariki are encouraged to wear their house colours and please remember a change of clothing in their school bag - it could be a muddy and wet course.

- **Hercules: Green**
- **Orion: Blue**
- **Boeing: Red**
- **Seasprite: Yellow**

The schedule for the day:

- 9:30am: **Year 0-1** - 1 Lap (950 m)
- 10:15am: **Year 7-8** - 3 Laps (2850 m)
- 11:30am: **Year 2** - 1 Lap (950 m)
- 12:15pm: **Year 5/6** - 3 Laps (2850 m)
- 1:40pm: **Year 3** - 2 Laps (1900 m)
- 2:15pm: **Year 4** - 2 Laps (1900 m)

Our school carpark is part of the course so please park in the Air Force car park across the road.

Our AIMS team will be running a sausage sizzle at lunch time. Sausages are available to preorder now on Kindo - [Please Click Here](#).

There will also be baked goods available as well please bring gold coins. This is the last fundraising event for our AIMS team - only 5 weeks until the competition in Tauranga.

Two exciting events - hope to see you there.

Have a great week!

Nga mihi, Adam Cels



Dates for your diary

Thursday – 01 August Year 3-6 – Ripa Rugby	26 –30 August Book Fair Week
Friday – 02 August Cross Country	Friday 30 August Book Parade and Book Day
Tuesday -6 August NW Year 7&8 Netball	7-13 September NZAIMS Games
Wednesday – 7 August Tough Guy and Gal	Friday – 27 September Last Day of Term 3
Tuesday – 13 August NW Year 5&6 Netball	Monday – 14 October First Day of Term 4
Wednesday – 14 August 6pm - Board Meeting	Friday – 25 October Teacher Only Day– School Closed
Wednesday – 21 August 3.15 & 6.00pm – Curriculum Showcase	Monday – 28 October Labour Day – School Closed
Thursday – 22 August Year 5-8 NorWest Cross Country	Friday – 20 December Last day of Term 4

Thank you & Congratulations

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has paid their school donation so far this year.

Your support is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

Payment of school donations make a huge difference to what we can provide our tamariki at Whenuapai School and we appreciate each and every contribution.

Term 2 Winner

Congratulations to **Emma O’Sullivan**, the winner of our Term 2 Donation draw.

Another draw will be held at the end of Term 3.

NorthWest Rewards

A big thank you to everyone who participated in NorthWest Rewards Schools 2024!

We are so excited to announce we won second place and an amazing \$2000.00!!

- 🥇 1st Place: Woodhill School
- 🥈 2nd Place: Whenuapai School
- 🥉 3rd Place: Matua Ngaru School



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Waste Free Lunchboxes



Whenuapai School is an EnviroSchool and we ask that students come to school with waste free lunches (**Nood Food**) to show Kaitiakitanga/Respect to our school environment.



A waste free lunch means only packing items that can be composted or recycled. That means, **no plastic wrap, no foil, no zip lock bags and no packaged foods**. We have compost bins for food scraps which we feed to our worm farm which then fertilises our vegetable māra/gardens and fruit trees. Through this process we are teaching the students to be responsible for the waste they create and how they can make a difference to our planet. **If students bring waste to school, we ask them to please take this home.** Thank you for supporting our school value of Kaitiakitanga/Respect for the Environment.

Library News



Scholastics Book Club Issue 5 out now!

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER ONLINE](#)



Book Fair Week – Dates for your diary

Monday, 26 August – Friday, 30 August 2024.

More details to follow but there will be a Book Fair Parade and whole school Book Day on Friday!



Celebrating Success

Last term one of our amazing Year 5 students, Vivaan, ran a 10km race at the Onehunga Half Marathon. He was one of 3 kids who attempted the distance, and the youngest in the Men's Open.

This is a very long distance and incredible achievement. Well done Vivaan. We look forward to hearing about more running events in the future.



Another incredible achievement was from a super star Year 7 student, Iden!

Iden's team won a national football tournament on the weekend. Iden was the golden boot across 6 games scoring 4 goals and getting an assist in his team's 5 - 1 win in the final.



In September, Iden will be heading to the AIMS Games in Tauranga with a wonderful Whenuapai School football team and then on 01 October, Iden's other team will go to Sydney to take on Australia's best. A bright future ahead, well done Iden!

We are also thrilled to share that, Sanaya, one of our Year 3 students recently won **third place in a STEM challenge** organised by STEM Club NZ, as part of an annual event promoting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) for kids under 12 years of age.

Her creation (pictured below) depicts an alien doing math. This was her second time participating in this event. Last year, she attempted the science fair with a project on melting ice faster using salt and other common compounds.

This year, she won recognition for her creativity and engineering skills with her unique strawbead design. Her unique idea set her apart from others who focused on more conventional patterns or links.

An absolutely amazing achievement – well done Sanaya! We look forward to hearing about your next project!





KEA TEAM

During our first week of Term 3 we have started learning about the Olympics for our Inquiry

Each class will be learning about a different country during the Olympics following thier journey.



≡Welcome≡

Also a big welcome to our new tamariki who have started this term! As well as another big welcome to Joe Soares who has taken over in Room 11. We are very glad to have you as part our our Kea whanau.

Introducing our new...

HOUSE T-SHIRTS

KIDS ICE TEE - YELLOW



- BLUE



KIDS ICE TEE - GREEN



RED



\$25

EACH



Below is the size chart.

KIDS MODERN FIT	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
GARMENT ½ CHEST (CM)	34	36	38	40	42	44	47	50

Check out these awesome House T-shirts available for purchase soon on KINDO.

All proceeds go towards our Whenuapai School AIMS sports teams!

A huge shout out to Anthony & Nicole at Brandistry and our Awesome House Captains for designing such cool T-shirts for our students to wear at School House events :)

TERM 2 - 2024

Ngā Harenga ki Aotearoa

W H E N U A P A I



Our school recently had the immense pleasure of presenting "Ngā Harenga ki Aotearoa," a captivating journey through New Zealand's rich history. The production, a labour of love for both students and staff, was a testament to the talent and dedication that thrives within our School community.



First and foremost...
From the initial planning stages to the final bow, the commitment displayed by our entire school was nothing short of inspiring. Each class contributed uniquely, portraying significant events and figures from New Zealand's past with creativity and enthusiasm. The attention to detail in the costumes, and performances brought history to life, making it an unforgettable experience for everyone involved.
Our students shone brightly on stage, showcasing their acting skills with confidence and poise. Whether part of the main casting, back stage, or a supporting role, each child gave their best, reflecting their hard work and the guidance of our dedicated teachers.



Special recognition must be given to the teachers and staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. Their expertise in coordinating rehearsals, designing sets, and managing the technical aspects of the production ensured that everything ran smoothly.
The positive relationships fostered within our school were evident throughout the production process. Students from different year levels collaborated seamlessly, supporting and learning from one another. This collective effort not only enhanced the quality of the production but also strengthened the bonds within our school community.

THE JOURNEYS OF NEW ZEALAND



"Ngā Harenga ki Aotearoa" was more than just a school play; it was a celebration of our shared history and the values that define us. The production also served as a reminder of our commitment to providing a well-rounded education that goes beyond the classroom, nurturing not just academic excellence but also creativity, teamwork, and a sense of community.



We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents and guardians who supported the production, whether by helping with costumes, attending rehearsals, or cheering from the audience. As we look back on this wonderful experience, we are filled with pride and gratitude. Our students have not only learned about New Zealand's history but have also created memories that will last a lifetime.





Look who's getting nominated for Awesome Kaitiakitanga!

Great Job Whenuapai School...we are being nominated for the 2024 Tāmaki Makaurau Zero Waste Awards



Thank you to all our students for bringing Nood Food and/or taking their lunchbox rubbish home...it is making a massive difference!!

You may have noticed we don't have landfill bins outside anymore because we are trying to decrease our Waste



Keep composting your food scraps at home... together we can all help our planet



SPREAD THE WORD!

The following message is a suggested Community Feed Post about Hero's new partnership with Noel Leeming, offering discounts to families at your school!

KIA ORA PARENTS & GUARDIANS,

Hero have just announced their new partnership with Noel Leeming, granting Hero users exclusive in-store discounts. This partnership aims to make essential tools and technologies more accessible for whole school communities, to drive student success.

As a caregiver of our school, we're excited to share that this discount extends to you, too!

How does it work?

- **Get Your Code:** In your Hero App, navigate to 'Hero' - your barcode is located here, in the new 'Special Offers' tab.
- **Shop, Scan & Save:** Present your barcode in-store to access exclusive discounts across a range of products.

Happy shopping!

**Terms & conditions apply. Barcodes must be scanned in-store to redeem preferential pricing.*

ADD AN IMAGE

[Click to download](#)





FOOTBALL LUNCH PROGRAMME

KIWI KICK STARS

Whenuapai school

FUN FOOTBALL SESSIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS!!

TERM 3

Our awesome programme gets kids exercising through super fun activities based around football and storytelling. Kids build confidence while improving their motor skills and coordination, Learning how to play with others, focus on problem solving. Our friendly, experienced coaches have a hands-on, relatable approach and a passion for fun!
Everyone's a winner at Kiwi Kick Stars!

Where: Whenuapai School fields
When: Wednesdays (starts on Wednesday 24th July)
Time: 3 - 4 pm
Cost: \$135 per term (10 weeks)
Second child discount of 10% applies!

TO REGISTER GO TO WWW.KIWICKICKSTARS.COM



FOOTBALL ADVANCE SKILLS LUNCH PROGRAMME

KIWI KICK STARS

UNLEASH YOUR POTENTIAL & MASTER BALL CONTROL IN OUR FOOTBALL ADVANCED SKILLS SESSIONS

The programme aims to develop skilful and confident players on the ball by teaching them ball mastery and skills essentials for football.

This programme focuses on developing individual player techniques and skills, and how to apply them in game situations. Perfect for ages 10-14.

Curriculum

- 1- Passing
- 2- Turning and Shielding
- 3- Shooting
- 4- Faints
- 5- First touch
- 6- 1v1 2v2 3v3

Where: Whenuapai School Turf/fields
When: Monday (starts on Monday 5th August)
Time: Lunchtime
Cost: \$87 per term (7 weeks)

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER GO TO WWW.KIWICKICKSTARS.COM



School Notices:



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Policies and Procedures

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

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2024 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:

[Click Here](#)



Classic Cuts



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ORTHODONTIC SCHOLARSHIPS



TWO \$10,000 PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

Scan the QR code to submit your nomination



McIntosh and Fraser Dental are excited to offer two \$10,000 Orthodontic Scholarships in 2024.

Established in 2012 by Dr. Alex McIntosh and Dr. Milan Raniga, the scholarship was founded to help deserving students in West Auckland. Dr. McIntosh and Dr. Raniga saw a significant need for support and created this scholarship to give something meaningful back to the community.

Since its creation in 2012, McIntosh and Fraser Dental have transformed the smiles of 28 students by awarding \$195,000 in scholarships. This year the Orthodontic Scholarships consist of two prizes of up to \$10,000 in orthodontic treatment.

We are looking for students who have a clear need for orthodontic treatment and who excel in one of these key areas: **academics, sport, the arts, cultural or community involvement.** Students can be nominated by teachers, school staff, whanau and their peers.

Nominations are open to students in Year 7 to 13 who attend selected schools in West Auckland and West Harbour. You can find the full list of eligible schools on our websites: mcintoshdental.co.nz/scholarship and fraserdental.co.nz/scholarship.

All nominations must be submitted via our online nomination form. For more information and to fill out and submit the nomination form please visit mcintoshdental.co.nz/scholarship or fraserdental.co.nz/scholarship. Students can be nominated multiple times, so spread the word to support your nominee!

Nominations are open from 1st August 2024 and close on 31st August 2024. Dr. McIntosh, Dr. Raniga and the scholarship committee will select the finalists in September 2023, and the winners will be announced shortly after that. Make sure you follow us on Facebook for regular scholarship updates.

Good luck!

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