



Whareama School

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Term 3, Week 1

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora ma koutou katoa. It seems crazy that we are into week three already and there are so many things happening at school that is ensuring that we have a full-on busy curriculum underway here at Whareama School. We are looking forward to taking the Year 7 and 8s on the extra fundraised ski trip this week and will be heading to Mount Ruapehu for four days. The extra students from Whakatutuki will be working in Whanake and Timatanga and they have their programme set up for them, for the full week. They will also be able to help out the students in those rooms and be supportive leaders. It was great to get along to the YMCA during the week and watch our new mini ball team play. What a great bunch of players and such supportive parents. I look forward to getting along and watching some hockey and rugby once we are back from our ski trip. We have just completed moderated writing and we have been analyzing the results of this data and changing our writing programmes to address some of the writing gaps that we have found. It has been amazing to see some of the writing being produced by the students and the thought that is going into the work that they are doing, a special mention to Nelson Bird and his amazing piece of work. Have a great week and we look forward to seeing you all back again next week. ***Nga mihi nui – Darren Kerr***

HOUSE COMPETITIONS

The basketball competition has been put on hold until our second hoop arrives. We have had the first one turn up and installed, thanks to Bob Alsop who helped the senior kids put this together – it is definitely a popular choice at lunch and break times.



SKI TRIP 2020

Please remember all your gear and we will see you at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Also remember the food you've been asked to bring by Becks and ensure that your child's gear is all packed if you're not one of the adults coming on the trip.

YUMMY STICKERS

Remember to keep eating lots of apples and collect the stickers for our school. Sticker charts can be downloaded from their website or ask for one at the school office. The more we collect the more money we will be able to spend on sports gear at the end of the term.

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Information about the upcoming quiz night fundraiser was sent home last week. This is the major fundraiser for the year and we need everyone to support this in a range of different ways. Any questions please phone Darren at school or Flick Tatham.

SPORTS IN TERM 3

Well done to the mini ball team, they had a good win during the week and it was awesome to see all the rugby teams play with both rippa and tackle rugby teams having wins in the weekend. The hockey team is in a pretty tough competition but they are doing really well and the results will no doubt turn their way soon. Thanks so much to all the parents for helping make these games possible and supporting your kids in their sports. A special mention to Harrison who is goal keeper for his 12th grade football team, playing in the 13th grade. He is yet to have a goal scored against him and he kept a clean sheet with some amazing saves in goals this Saturday against a tough Carterton team, this also saw him win player of the day.



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

This will begin again for our Year 7 and 8 students in Week 4 this term and will run for 4 consecutive Fridays. The first date will be Friday the 14th of August.

Book Club



Please get in orders for this round into the office or done online by the Friday 7 July.

SCHOOL BUILDING WORK

As part of the Ministry of Education school investments package, we have had and continue to have a variety of building work done around the school. Currently we have had the staffroom extended with the removal of the Principal's office and a new office for the Principal has been put out the back behind Diana's office area. There is also a full kitchen being built into the old library space which will become a technology suite for us to run technology classes in soon. We have also had a solar heating unit added to the swimming pool which will extend the swim time for the kids this year. All this work is very exciting so I encourage you to pop in to school and have a look if you are free. A huge thanks to Sarah Tatham who is our board of trustees property support person who has been overseeing this work.

BOT REVIEW

This term we are asking parents to review the policy of Recognition of Learning Support. This will be open until the end of the term. Please go to our SchoolDocs website <https://whareama.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm> and username is 'Whareama' and password 'learnwithpride'

Events Calendar

TERM 3:

Tues – Fri 4 th -7 th August	Year 7/8 Ski Trip
Fri 14 th August.	Design Tech Starts – Y7/8
Weds 19 th August	Matharapa – Yr 5/6 team
Thurs 20 th August	Matharapa – Yr 7/8 team
Fri 28 th August	TEACHER ONLY DAY