



Whareama School

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Term 4, Week 5

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Whareama School is all about supporting students to be empowered, engaged RURAL learners. This is done by giving a grounding of strong literacy and numeracy skills, developing a range of passions through all the curriculum areas, develop the agreed school values and learner qualities all while giving the students as many opportunities in and out of school as possible. This week we will be taking the whole school out to events around the Wairarapa. You will have received letters from both rooms with information about Timatanga and Whanake's trip to Pukaha Mt Bruce and Whakatutuki's trip to Rivenrock. We hope everyone has a great trip and makes the most out of these learning opportunities. Also you will be receiving an extra letter about our new initiative for 2021 that the Board of Trustees have supported and this is the new Forest School venture. Please take the time to read the newsletter about this exciting opportunity and if you have any questions please contact Sandy or myself at school. Have a great week everyone and thanks for your continued support.

TROPHIES

We are still awaiting a few trophies to be handed back from last year's prizegiving. We need all these back by this Friday please.

GNS SCIENCE COURSE

Last week we had 4 students attend the GNS Science workshop in Carterton. It was a very interesting course with some great hands-on learning. We also had MARY visit Whakatutuki for a photography course. All students took part in this hands-on course and learnt a range of photography skills. A huge thanks to REAP house for this opportunity.

HERO SURVEY

This year we started to report live to parents and use our new student management system HERO. We want to know how this is working for you as caregivers. We will be sending a survey to you to your email to complete for us. We are aware that there are some people that may have not managed to access this yet and we want to support you to connect with your child's learning. Please keep an eye out for this survey and complete for us. Also, if you need support to get onto your child's portal please contact Darren at school to help you with this. It is easy to access and only needs to be done once.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The school photos will be available soon for you to view and order online. Once we have these from Kerri we will let you know how to find them and all details on ordering will be with the photos on her photography page.



ATHLETICS

Thanks so much to everyone who were extremely well organised with their children last week for our Rural Cluster athletics day. We had no less than 14 students qualify for the Rural Cluster team and they will take part in the Masterton athletics event on this Wednesday. Thanks also to Friends of Whareama and parent helpers who ran our BBQ and supplied everyone with lunch.

CONNECT, INSPIRE, LEARN CONFERENCE

It was great to get feedback about the quality of the workshops that our senior students took at the recent Connect, Inspire, Learn conference. They were all highly organised and ran really engaging sessions. Well done to Fontyne, Bayley, Harrison, Luke, Oscar and Seth for the work they did in inspiring other students.



SCHOOL HATS

It is that time of the year when the weather is on the improve and we now ask that all students wear their school green bucket hats outside during break times and when learning outside. If students do not have their hats then they are expected to stay under the shade sails when it is sunny. These rules are set out as part of being a Sunsmart school so please support your children to have the correct hats. These can be purchased from the Warehouse, or we have a supply for sale at school for \$10 please contact Diana if your child needs a new hat. The hat that we use at Whareama School is identified in the picture below.

Nga mihi nui The Team at Whareama

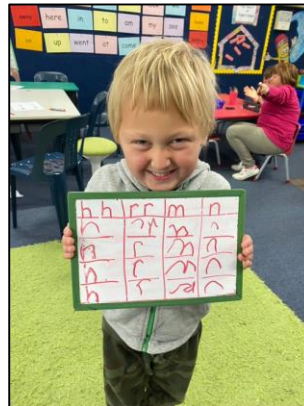


Events Calendar

Weds 11th November Masterton Athletics Day
Thurs 12th November SCHOOL TRIPS
Mon 30th November BOT Meeting – 5.30pm
Tues 1st December Water Skills Day – Swim NZ
Fri 4th December Beach Education Day – Riversdale
Mon 14th December Prizegiving and Dinner – 5pm
Tues 15th December Term 4, 2020 Final Day – 1pm finish



Athletics with Whakatutuki



Zayden with his letters



Sophie working hard