



# Whareama School

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Term 2, Week 1

## ***FROM THE PRINCIPAL***

Welcome back to the start of Term 2. When I reflect back on a year ago and the massive changes that took place in the world around us it is definitely nice to have school pretty much back to normal and to see everyone's smiling faces. A huge welcome to Mac Moore and Taylor Martin who have started with us at Whareama School today. We look forward to seeing them settle into school life and to make the most out of their learning in our special school environment. The kids all seem well rested and ready to go on all cylinders for another big and busy term. Please note that all the events have been added to the bottom of this newsletter and is updated weekly, so please keep an eye on that to see any upcoming events that effect your child. Our strand in mathematics this term is measurement and number across all the classrooms. Our writing focus will be integrated into learning that is happening in a wide range of areas so it is authentic and useful writing for a purpose. We begin the Kia Hakinakina PE programme this term and this will focus on cross country and large ball skills....and there is also some work being done with our leaders to build their skills for our hauora fitness sessions. Music and Kapa haka will start in Week 2. Our focus for our school value this term will be Being Resourceful and our learner quality focus is Creative Thinking. This is to focus on our work and skills in being creative in a wide range of areas in our lives, whether it be arts, literacy, maths, sports – Creativity is a fine skill to have and is observed in so many different forms....not just art! Term 2 is 10 weeks and we have plenty of opportunities for the students to have a good balance across the curriculum. We will keep you as updated as possible through our newsletter and just remember our Facebook group will be continually added to. Please go to our school HERO app or school website, which has our calendar and newsletters added to it. Remember to check your child's HERO page for their new goals for Term 2, the goals they achieved in Term 1 that will be updated by the end of Week 1 and also their learning samples. *Nga mihi, Darren Kerr*



## ***ANZAC DAY SERVICE***

Well done to Emily and Luke who spoke so wonderfully at the recent ANZAC Day service at Tinui. It was awesome to hear the reports and see the online service and hear them both speak so well. Our students speaking at the service is a real privilege and it's great to see the kids take this so seriously and do such a wonderful job.



### ***NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY***

On Thursday 13th May our Year 8's will be attending the National Young Leaders Day in Palmerston North. Thanks so much to Abi and Becks who will be taking these kids over for the day.

### ***TAKE A KID FISHING DAY***

Congratulations to Bianca, Ollie, Isaac and Bella who have been selected to go on the Take a Kid fishing Day this year. The Pukemanu Fishing Club sponsor this day and it is a great experience for these kids to get on a boat on the Wellington harbour. Hopefully the day is nice and there's plenty of fish in the water.



### ***BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING***

Our first meeting for Term 2 will be on Mon 17<sup>th</sup> May at 5.30pm in the staffroom at school.

### ***DESIGN TECHNOLOGY***

The Year 8's will head off to Design Technology again in week 6 (June 11<sup>th</sup>) and I will send out a reminder about this again closer to the time.

### ***BUS RUNS***

Please make sure you know the normal times for your school bus pick-ups, especially in the mornings, as we rely on you to be there on time otherwise it holds up all the following pick-ups. Please check in with your bus driver if you are not sure of the usual time that your bus is due to pick up and drop off. We aim to keep to the same times approximately each day but when we have changes from parents, times will be slightly different at times. We appreciate your support with this to ensure buses run smoothly.



### ***SCHOOL KAITIAKI***

I am really proud to announce our Whareama School Kaitiaki for 2021 is Luke Fairbrother and our Deputy Kaitiaki is Emily O'Neale. They will lead our new student council who will meet termly to discuss school matters and to plan for changes students would like to see around the school. I look forward to them coming and speaking to our Board of Trustees later this term. The other members of the school council are Digby Tatham, Kayah Roberts, Ollie Halewood and Charlotte Grafton.

### ***SCHOOL LUNCHES***

We will be starting school lunches this Friday and have them available each Friday for this term. We will start with the Riversdale Beach Store each odd week and then Pita Pit are doing lunches each even week. So this Friday it is the Riversdale Beach Store and a form for ordering will be attached to this newsletter and given to your child. We need to keep supporting this please so it is viable for both businesses. Please look at the great food they have, save yourself a job on a Friday, and order your lunches on time.....best this is done by the Thursday before the lunch day!

### **BOOK CLUB**

Issue 3 book club brochures are out today. Orders will close on Friday 14th May.

### **BREAD TAGS**

Please keep collecting bread tags for the Bread tags for Wheelchairs promotion. When you collect please send them into school – *Logan and Luke*

Regards

The Team at Whareama School.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

##### **TERM 2:**

Tues – Thurs 13-15<sup>th</sup> April - Leadership Camp  
Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> May – NYLD 2021 – Year 8s  
Fri 14<sup>th</sup> May – Take a Kid Fishing Day  
Mon 17<sup>th</sup> May – BOT Meeting 5.30pm  
Weds 19<sup>th</sup> May – Writing Workshop  
Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> May – RURAL KIDS 1  
Weds 26<sup>th</sup> May – LITERACY EVENING – PAPER PLUS 5.15pm  
Tues 8<sup>th</sup> June – Rural Cross Country – Tinui School  
Fri 11<sup>th</sup> June – Design Tech starts  
Weds 16<sup>th</sup> June – Wairarapa Cross Country Event – Solway  
Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> June – RURAL KIDS 2  
Mon 28<sup>th</sup> June – BOT Meeting 5.30pm  
Weds 30<sup>th</sup> June – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Life Ed Van at Whareama  
Fri 9<sup>th</sup> July - Term 2 Ends