



# Whareama School

[www.whareama.school.nz](http://www.whareama.school.nz)

Newsletter No. 12

26<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

Term 3, Week 1



## *FROM THE PRINCIPAL*

Welcome back everyone to the start of term three and I can't believe we are halfway through the year already; I guess this officially means we are on the downhill way to Christmas.... not that we probably want to think about that already at this time of year!

Please note there were a few minor changes to bus runs at the end of last term and if you did not get to see the newsletter please phone Diana at the office and we will make sure you get another copy. There are so many activities and events on this term to keep us busy and as well as all of these things we will be welcoming Dianne Christenson to Whakatutuki starting from week four. Sadly, this means we will also be saying farewell to Sandy, but not forever, as she will still be coming back in and helping us as a reliever at school.

Our strand in mathematics this term is proportions and ratios number knowledge and strategies and also a focus in geometry this term. Our writing focus will be based around descriptive writing and specific skills in writing. Kia Hakinakina will be our skill-based lessons for PE and we are going to be doing some jump jam/dance as part of our wet weather PE programme. In art, we are working in school on 3D modelling. Our focus

for our school value second half of this year will be on being an Achiever – this includes self-management as our learner quality focus for Term 3. This is to focus on our own organisation, how to set goals and aim to achieve them successfully.

On a final note I do want to say huge thanks to the staff, Jolene and Reggie and Rachel for getting everything set up for a fantastic new term. There will be some amazing things happening in and out of the classroom and to have the school environment inside and outside looking fantastic all bodes positively for another great term at our kura.

*Nga mihi, Darren Kerr*

## *WELCOME TO WHAREAMA SCHOOL*

Welcome to school Keiana and Marisa who have come to us from Tinui school as they have moved around the corner into Waimimi Road. A huge welcome to them and their family and we look forward to seeing more of you as our term progresses and we have events on at school.



### ***TRIP TO TOWN***

Whanake and Whakatutuki will be heading to town to visit Aratoi and then have a fun event, as a farewell to Sandy, on Wednesday next week. There will be a newsletter about this along with today's newsletter with all the information you will need. They will need parent help for the swimming component of this trip so please get back to Jane or Sandy if you are able to help out please.

### ***RURAL KIDS PROGRAMME***

Our third session will be on Thursday next week. All the planning is the same as previous events and we all need to be at Opaki by 9.45am and then picked up by 2pm. The school van will be taking kids from school and returning them to school as normal. If you are wanting to take your children there and/or pick up from Opaki then please let us know.

### ***DESIGN TECHNOLOGY***

The 3 Design Technology session for our Year 7 and 8 students will be in Weeks 6, 7 and 8 this term.

### ***VIRTUAL LEARNING NETWORK***

It is with great excitement that this week sees the start of the extension programme for 8 of our students. Charlee and Luke will be part of a writing programme and Ollie, Nelson, Josh and Digby will be in a Science Astronomy programme. These kids will be working online with a teacher that they Zoom with each week and will have assignments to complete across the programme.



### ***SCHOOL LUNCHESES***

This week we are back on the Riversdale Beach Store lunches from Week 1 and then Pita pit from Week 2. Please get all orders in each Thursday.

### ***MATHARAPA COMPETITION***

In a couple of weeks time, we have the annual Matharapa competition and it is great to see that this is on again this year after having to be cancelled last year due to Covid. We will be sending a team of Year 5/6 students and a team of Year 7/8 students to this event. I'll be sending letters home to the team members' parents asking for some support on this day. This will be to get the kids to and from the event and also to help out with some marking as well.

All the best to all the students taking part in the Matharapa competition at Wairarapa College in Week 3.

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

Our next meeting is on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August at 5.30pm

Regards -The Team at Whareama School.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

##### **TERM 3:**

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> July – Term 3 Starts  
Tues 4<sup>th</sup> August – Whanake/ Whakatutuki Town Trip  
5<sup>th</sup> August – RURAL KIDS 3 – Year 7/8  
Mon 9<sup>th</sup> August – BOT Meeting – 5.30pm  
Weds 11<sup>th</sup> August – Matharapa – Year 5/6  
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> August – Matharapa – Year 7/8  
Tues 24<sup>th</sup> – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> August – Ski Trip – Year 6-8  
Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept – RURAL KIDS 4 – Year 7/8  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept – ONESIE Day Fundraiser  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Sept – RURAL KIDS 5 – Year 7/8  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Sept – BOT Meeting – 5.30pm  
Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept – HPV Vaccinations – Year 7  
Fri 1<sup>st</sup> October – Term 3 Ends