



# Whareama School

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Term 3, Week 10

## *Welcome from the Principal*

It seems crazy that we have got to the end of another term already. We obviously had a bit of a bump in the middle of our term with a home learning program put in place but all the kids have come back extremely excited and have continued to show how well they learn in any circumstances. There were a few events that we missed out on but fortunately everyone has missed out on something due to Covid and it doesn't hurt for our kids to learn the same. There are heaps of events planned for next term and obviously one of our major events will be our Pets Day. We are working around how we can make this work at level 2 and ideally will be back at level 1 so that everything can go ahead as normal. We are restricted to numbers at school with mass gatherings but we are working on this so at least the work that the kids put in does get displayed and judged for them. Make sure you have a good chance coming up to allow everyone to recharge the batteries and get set for what's going to be a huge term 4 at Whareama School.

*Nga mihi, Darren Kerr*

## **MUFTI DAY - FOODBANK APPEAL**

Thanks for your generosity and supporting our Masterton food bank appeal last week. We took three large banana boxes full of products for the Masterton food bank, which were really appreciated. There were some awesome costumes on the day and the kids had heaps of fun. Once again thanks so much for your support.



## **SKI TRIP**

Unfortunately, I had to make a really tough call last Monday to cancel the ski trip for 2021. While we had procedures in place to travel in level 2, it was under the condition that Covid was contained in Auckland and that was not the case on Tuesday. But this also allowed Wainuioru School to reduce their full group size to under 50 so they could continue to travel if they chose to. The good news is that there will be a ski trip to Whakapapa next year so we will all be looking forward to that.

## ***WOOLSHED VISIT***

I would like to thank The Campaign for Wool NZ Trust for bringing this amazing resource to us over the past couple of weeks. All students at Whareama had sessions in the Woolshed and learnt all about wool, what it is used in and also how valuable it is for our export industry. Our playgroup also had a session in the Woolshed so thanks to everyone involved who brought this amazing learning space to us.



## ***SPEECH DAY***

While Covid managed to put an end to our Speech Day we had planned, it was great to hear all the students from Whakatutuki complete their speeches in front of the peers last week. The quality of the speeches were as high as ever and all students have been sent a video of their speech and also their marking sheet, which has been uploaded to Hero. If you would like to see your child's speech, please ask them to share this with you from their email account.

## ***DESIGN TECHNOLOGY – Year 7/8***

Please remember that Design Technology will be running for the first 7 weeks of Term 4. The second Friday of the term will be our annual Pets' Day so we will miss that session.

## ***RURAL KIDS PROGRAMME – Year 7/8***

Unfortunately, due to weather we had to call off our final Rural Kids session. This means that there was only 3 out of the 5 sessions so we have reduced the donation for transport for this programme for 2021.

Regards -The Team at Whareama School.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### **TERM 3:**

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> October – Term 3 Ends  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> October Term 4 Starts  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Design Tech Starts – Year 7/8s  
Fri 29<sup>th</sup> October Pets' Day 2021

## ***WHAREAMA SCHOOL 125<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS***

Yes, we are turning 125 years old next year. To celebrate this amazing milestone in our school's history we are planning a celebration weekend. Please lock into your calendars Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> April and Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> April next year for this celebration. More details will be out soon and a huge thanks to Pip Fairbrother who is leading the organisation of this weekend for us. To register interest please contact Scott Andrew on

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