



Whareama School

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Term 4, Week 1

Welcome back from the Mr Kerr

I hope you all had a great time with your children over the past 2 weeks and their batteries have been recharged for what is going to be another whirlwind term. This term is nine weeks long and we will be ending our school year on Wednesday the 15th of December, at 1pm. Our school prize giving and dinner will be on Tuesday the 14th of December, starting at 4pm. There is a huge list of events on this term and I have put them all on the timetable at the bottom of this newsletter. Please phone us at school if you have any questions around these events but we aim to send out extra newsletters to the students involved in any of the planned activities, if they are not mentioned in the newsletter. So, let's get into the final term by continuing with our engaging programmes, developing our students' knowledge in all curriculum areas and achieving our school and personal goals for 2021. Please keep newsletters and help us out by organising things at your end, when needed, to help make our jobs easier. This term has so much on and you can see from the list below all the things that we have coming up. This term will fly by and so please be ready for many fun events and a wide range of learning this term at Whareama School.

Nga mihi, Darren Kerr

LABOUR DAY – Monday the 25th of October – SCHOOL CLOSED

SUNSMART SCHOOL

We are now in Term 4 and ask that all students wear their green school bucket hat when playing outside in break times. We have allowed the kids to be sorted by Tuesday next week and any students who do not have a school hat will need to stay in the shaded areas during break times.



PETS' DAY 2021

Our annual Pets' Day will be on Friday the 29th of October, but will look a little different this year. Due to being at Covid Level 2 we have decided that to reduce the chance of it being a mass gathering we will have our pets' parades at 1pm for students in playgroup and Timatanga and at 2pm for students of Whanake and Whakatutuki. We ask that we restrict the adults coming to the event to 1 adult per family and if you only have children in the 1pm group that you leave school after your parade. If you have students in the 2pm parade only we ask you wait until asked to come onto the school site. All adults need to scan in or sign in on our Covid register and also be wearing a mask at all



times. The children's art work will have photos taken of them and be put as a video on Facebook for you to all see. This means that we do not have to worry about social distancing in the classrooms. We also will not be having any stalls or food available at this year's Pets Day. While this is not ideal it still allows the kids to parade their animals, as many of them they have put so much time into this and we do not want them to miss out completely. We hope you understand this and the restrictions put on us this year.

STUDY LEAVE

It is with great excitement that we can now let you know that Jane Tiley has been awarded a study leave grant for 2022. She will be completing her Masters degree over the year and then will be back with us in 2023. We are working on finding an amazing replacement for a fixed term contract to teach Whanake in 2022. We wish Jane all the best with her study and look forward to her bringing all her new learnings back to us in 2023.

ATHLETICS DAYS

At the moment we are planning for our Rural Schools Cluster Athletics and the Masterton Cluster athletics days but these will only go ahead under Level 1. Wellington regional events also are not happening unless we are at Level 1.



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY – Year 7/8

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

SCHOOL LUNCHES

This week we will start with store bought lunches alternating with Pita Pit. Forms have been sent home with students today to return by Thursday please. There will be no lunches available on Pets' Day - students to bring packed lunch. See below for dates.

BOOK CLUB -Brochures sent home today. Orders close Friday 5 November.

END OF YEAR TROPHIES

If you have one of these adorning your mantelpiece at home, can you please return these to school now so we can have them sorted for our end of year prizegiving. Thanks so much for getting these back to us.

Regards -The Team at Whareama School.

Friday Lunches		
Week 1	22 October	Store lunch
Week 2	29 October	Pets' Day
Week 3	5 November	Store Lunch
Week 4	12 November	Pita Pit
Week 5	19 November	Store Lunch
Week 6	26 November	Pita Pit
Week 7	3 December	Store Lunch
Week 8	5 December	Outdoor Ed

Upcoming Events:

TERM 4:

Fri 22nd October – Design Tech Starts – Year 7/8s
 Mon 25th October – LABOUR DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
 Tues 26th October – BOT Meeting 5.30pm
 Fri 29th October Pets' Day 2021
 Weds 10th November – Rural Cluster Athletics
 Fri 12th November – Mountain to Sea Y4-6
 Weds 17th November – Masterton Cluster Athletics
 Fri 3rd December – Mountain to Sea Y4-6
 Mon 6th December – BOT Meeting 5.30pm
 Weds 8 – Fri 10th December – Outdoor Education Events
 Tues 14th December – Prizegiving and Pop up show 4pm
 Weds 15th December – Last Day of 2021 – 1pm finish