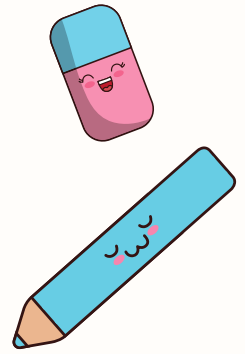




Whareama School Newsletter

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



It's hard to believe that this is my final newsletter in my time at Whareama School. The last 11 years have been such a rewarding time in my career and has set me up to take up my next position in leadership at REAP Wairarapa. There are so many people to thank and trying to do this individually runs the risk of missing someone out, so I simply can't try and do this. I do want to say thanks so much to every single staff member I have worked with over my time, every parent that has come and gone over my 11 years and most importantly all the incredible students I have had the pleasure to teach over my time. There have been so many positives and funny moments that I leave behind but I know that each one of them have helped shaped me into the person I have become. I'm very keen to still visit Whareama in my capacity at REAP and to support the school in all the amazing things it will be doing in the coming months and years. Thanks so much again for the amazing memories and support over my 11 years and ensuring Whareama School is the best place for teaching and learning and the Home of the RURAL learner.

SCHOOL TRIP TO PUKAHA

Tomorrow the whole school will be going to Pukaha Mt Bruce with Ruud Kleinpaste for our 'Things that Fly' day. There was a separate letter sent home about this so please check you have this as pick up and drop off times will be different for most students. If you have any questions please contact Dianne in the Senior Room at school.

Message from Jane - Kia ora Whareama whanau

As I do not wish to take the focus away from Darren's farewell on Wednesday, so I thought it would be appropriate to say goodbye in the newsletter.

Firstly, thank you all for your help and support for the five years while I was teaching in Whanake, the school/home partnership was very evident and has given your kids the best chance of success. I have always felt well supported and appreciated by the board and my colleagues have been absolutely amazing with their support and comradery. One thing that was reinforced during my Master's study was the importance of a positive culture in a school and Whareama certainly thrives because of the culture here. I have also felt privileged to teach such fantastic kids and contribute to the local community - it's not really goodbye as I will still be a parent at the school and hope to continue with sport if it's Ok with Nathan - I have loved working at Whareama and will be sad to move on!

Kia hora te marino, kia whakapapa pounamu te moana, kia tere te k rohirohi i mua i t u huarahi.

May the calm be widespread, May the ocean glisten as greenstone,
May the shimmer of light ever dance across your pathway

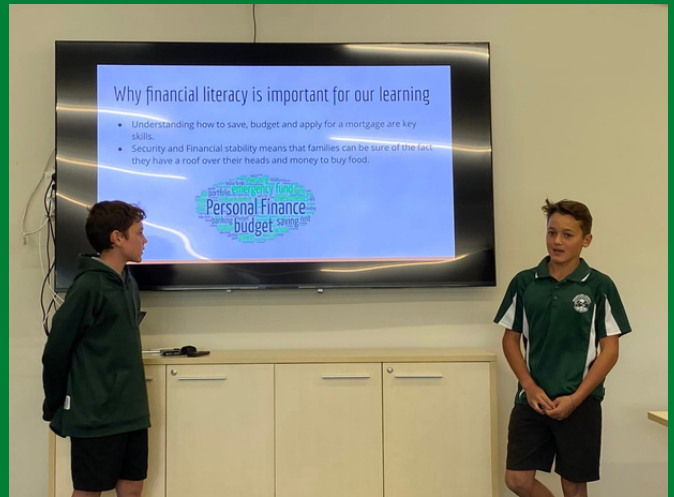


Tennis Lessons @ Riversdale

There will be lessons at the Riversdale Beach Golf Club tennis courts these holidays. Please contact the Golf Club for more details of this great opportunity.

School Date Reminders

Please remember that Thursday the 6th of April is our Masterton wide teacher only professional development day and Monday the 24th of April is our Ministry of Education appointed curriculum refresh day that we will be doing with Wainuioru School. Therefore, school will be closed both of these days for students.



MASTERTON PRINCIPAL CLUSTER WORKSHOPS

Josh did an amazing job speaking in front our Principals group last week. They spoke about the things they thought were important to learn at school. They came up with ideas like literacy and numeracy skills, learning to be resilient, having strong financial literacy skills, learning about manners and how to be a person who contributes well to society. What a great job Josh, I was very proud of you!

Māori & Pasifika Schools Performing Arts Academy

Please check out your email inbox for information about this exciting opportunity these holidays. There are registration details in the email if this is something you would like your Year 7 or 8 child to participate in.

Garden to Table

Please keep offering to help at these sessions next term everyone. We will need you to come along and support this programme for it to continue and provide the amazing learning it provides. Please keep an eye out for Rachel's posts on Facebook for the upcoming days and what classes will be doing Garden to Table that week.



Events - Term 1

Upcoming Events:

- Tues 4th April - Ruud Kleinpaste at Pukaha with School
- Weds 5th April - Farewell 3.30pm at the Whareama Hall
- Thurs 6th April - TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Fri 7th April - GOOD FRIDAY TERM 1 ENDS
- Mon 24th April - CURRICULUM REFRESH DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Tues 25th April - ANZAC DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
- Weds 26th April - Term 2 Starts

Board of Trustees Meeting

Our next Board Meeting is Monday the 3rd of April at the Education Centre in Dixon Street, Masterton at 5pm. If you ever need governance related matters raised at one of our board meetings this needs to be added to the agenda and should be directed to Abi Fairbrother - BOT chairperson, Friday before the following week's meeting.

Tapu Ae Tournament

A huge thanks to the team at Lakeview School who hosted our team at the recent Tapu Ae tournament. The team had a heap of fun and did a great job with the support of Ms Tiley and Sarah Turner. Thanks so much everyone involved and we look forward to the event next year.



Design Technology

Design Tech will be back in Week 1 in Term 2 for the next rotation at Makoura College.