



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 19

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## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

### LAST ASSEMBLY

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.15am – Year 2/3 (Tui)

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
Year 0/1 Athletics &  
Water Fun

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.15am 0/1 Final Assembly  
11.30am 2/3 Final Assembly  
1.30pm Sports Prize Giving

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**  
2pm - Year 4-6 Prize Giving  
4pm - Senior Prize Giving

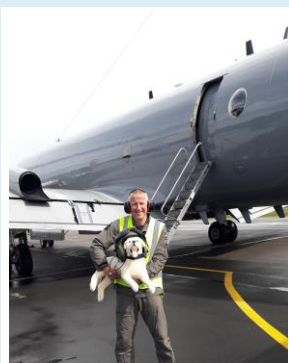
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
Last Day - 12.30pm finish

### 2020 DATES

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February**  
Meet the Teacher Day

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February**  
First day of school

Diary Dates



Check out Whenua!  
He's been out on patrol.

**CHILDREN: PLEASE DON'T  
FORGET TO BRING YOUR  
LIBRARY BOOKS BACK**

Dear Parent's and Caregivers

Over the past weeks it has been wonderful to see so many of our families engaged with their children's events, as well as going forward, as they navigate their last weeks of Term. Our children, while very excited about the experiences they are having are getting extremely tired. Your help is so appreciated; it enables us to offer opportunities to our children beyond the school gate. It is absolutely wonderful that we are all fully staffed as we head into 2020. We are very fortunate that we have awesome new people to enrich our current team. Our new Deputy Principal Molly Fletcher has been working alongside Team Leaders on the current Curriculum Plan for 2020.

At last night's Board meeting I presented the 2020 Strategic Plan, 2020 Annual Plan and Budget for approval. The focus is on:

- Building an inclusive school culture
- Developing authentic partnerships with our families and whānau
- Culturally responsive teaching and learning
- Building our reputation and confidence as a school of choice for a full primary education

Our key focus areas in 2020 are: Maths; Digital Technologies Curriculum; PB4L – sustainability and growth; maximizing out networks within our Community of Learning to support student achievement and developing a Year 1-8 Two-Year curriculum plan.

In addition to our current refurbishment programme we welcomed the announcement by the government this week that we are to receive an additional \$261,261.00 for further refurbishment.

**Heads up about Teacher Only Days in 2020:** As part of the Teachers recent settlement of their Collective Agreement, they are entitled to a eight Teach Only Release Days over the next two and a half years. Taking these days does not add to the length of the school year. In Term One 2020, our first Teacher Only Day is scheduled for Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March where we will be analysing our student's achievement data. In Term One I will advise you of the additional two days in the year for Teachers to work on assessment. We are very mindful of the impact the school being closed for instruction will have on many of our families. We will advise our After School Care providers and have attached the days to weekends to try and reduce any inconvenience. Please also note in addition our Kāhui Ako are having a combined Teacher Only Day on the 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020 where all the schools will come together for a day of professional learning. This is separate to those allocated through the collective.

*Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tatou mahi.*

*Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.*

Kind regards,  
Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

## PB4L

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING - WHENUAPAI SCHOOL VALUES



Respect Others



Respect Self



Respect Learning



Respect Environment



# PTA NEWS

## Request for Uniform Donations

If anybody has and size 12 girls skorts or any size 16 boys shorts they would like to donate to the PTA we would be extremely grateful. All uniform donations can be left at the school office. Thank you!

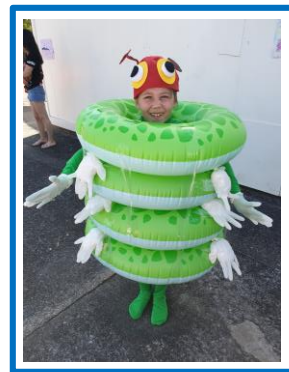
## Three seats to fill

We are currently looking for someone to fill the roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary for next year so if you are interested then we would love to hear from you. Please email us at [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com).

## BOOK PARADE



THE BOOK PARADE WAS A  
ROARING SUCCESS – HERE ARE  
SOME SNAPS FROM THE DAY



# SPORTS

## Norwest Year 7 & 8 Athletics

Whenuapai School had 12 students compete in the Norwest Year 7 & 8 Athletics Sports on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November held at Moire Park. All students competed to a very high standard and can be proud of their performances. The following students gained placings in the following events.

Brody Good	- 200m and Long Jump
Olivia Curgenvin	- High Jump
Latrell Tucker	- 200m
Alec Death	- 400m

Latrell, Brody and Alec will now represent the school and compete at the Interzone Athletics Champs at Mt Smart held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November. The school would personally like to thank Kim Weston, Kevin McFadgen and Barbara Death for assisting with transport and supervision of the students.

## Whenuapai NW Athletics Team 2019

Alec Death	3
Jack Pringle	4
Latrell Tucker	4
Martim Monterio	3
Brody Good	3
Payton Berry	4
Eva Hogg	4
Kathryn Farac	4
Brooke Naylor	4
Olivia Curgenvin	3
Lucy Somers	3
Abigail Grbic	4



On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November a girls and boys team represented the school at the Year 5 & 6 touch tournament held at Moire Park Massey. Both teams were committed and it was great to see exceptional team work and personal performances on display. Both teams went through pool play and qualified for the semi finals. The girls played Helensville in the semi and unfortunately lost in a close contest while the boys played Marina View and played with spirit but lost 4-2. The boys had a playoff for third and won against Kaukapakapa. The overall results were a third placing for both Whenuapai teams which all players, coaches and management can be proud of. The final results were a positive indicator of the development and improvements in our touch programme at Whenuapai school and credit goes to the players and coaches supporting our young and aspiring players of the future. Special thanks to Jelena Nasmith and Sarah Peck for overseeing our girls team and to all the parents that supported with transport and support on the day. Lastly, a big thank you to Brody Good and Payton Berry for your support and service to the school in refereeing at the event.

## **PB4L - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

### **OUR SCHOOL VALUES**

Whenuapai School is a PB4L School. We teach behaviour through the use of our school values - **Respect Self, Respect Others, Respect Learning and Respect Environment.**

### **PB4L Focus for Term 4 Weeks 6-7**

Our current focus is Respect for Self - Make sure you're in the right place at the right time.

We would love for you to discuss at home what these mean and look like in and around your child's classroom and at home.



## **HEALTH & WELLBEING**

We would like to remind parents and caregivers about the spread of viruses in school. If your child is unwell please keep them home.

The Ministry of Health site has information on a number of conditions or illnesses that can be searched to help families understand what their child may have and what action should be taken. Please see a doctor if you are concerned.

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses>



## 2020 ENROLMENTS

If you have a child that you intend on starting on the first day of Term 1, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020 please feel free to pop into the reception during office hours 8.00am-4.00pm to complete a pre enrolment form. We look forward to seeing you!



For our Policies and Procedures please visit SchoolDocs at: [www.schooldocs.co.nz/](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz/)

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### Dare to Explore (Kia Maia te Whai) Summer Reading Adventure

Looking for fun, free ways to keep your Children/ tamariki learning and building their reading skills over summer? Sign up for Kia Māia te Whai- Dare to Explore, Auckland Libraries' summer reading programme for children aged 5-13 years.



**Don't miss out!** You can register online from 18 November at [www.daretoexplore.nz](http://www.daretoexplore.nz) and collect your free booklet from any one of the 54 Auckland libraries from December 9<sup>th</sup> onwards. This is a great activity to do with friends, so encourage your child's buddies to come along and join the adventure. Fill your children's summer holidays with exciting challenges and take part in the free activities offered at your local library. There will be parties at the end of the programme to celebrate your success.

Children can join the programme from home, at the library, online, or away on holiday.

## THANK YOU!!

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### Gymnastics Classes Gym Zone - Hobsonville



- Term classes 2-15 yrs
- Holiday programmes
- School Programmes
- Birthday Parties
- Free-Play

For enquires or to register: [www.gymkids.co.nz](http://www.gymkids.co.nz)  
Contact us on 09 951 0355 or 09 416 0003 Email: [admin@gymkids.co.nz](mailto:admin@gymkids.co.nz)

**Christmas and Summer Holiday Programmes open for booking!**

### KEY CONTACTS

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Year 4 – Jessica Powell	<a href="mailto:jessicap@whenuapai.school.nz">jessicap@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Year 5-6 – Chris Groen	<a href="mailto:chrisg@whenuapai.school.nz">chrisg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	<a href="mailto:karlg@whenuapai.school.nz">karlg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>

### ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock at email: [thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz)

**Bank Account details:** 12 3085 0494188 00

**Reference:** Students Name

**Details:** The activity the payment is for

If you pay online for more than one activity or pay for more than one student and various activities, please email Tony detailing what payments are for.

**Also payments can be made via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)**

# NOTICES:

Join us for the .....

## SWITCHING ON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS WHENUAPAI VILLAGE HALL

Sunday 1st December, from 6pm  
Sausage sizzle (\$1 each), lolly scramble for the kids  
BYO drinks, holiday spirit and a few gold coins for your sausages



## Initiate Dance Holiday Programme

Dance away the holidays and join in the fun! Over two weeks learn a variety of dance techniques and routines with fun games and team building activities. Open for anyone aged 8 to 12 years. Register now!

6-10 January 2020 (Week One)  
13-17 January 2020 (Week Two)  
9am-4pm each day  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday  
Kelston Community Centre  
Only \$60 per week \$120 for both weeks

Book online at [www.initiatedance.co.nz/holiday](http://www.initiatedance.co.nz/holiday)  
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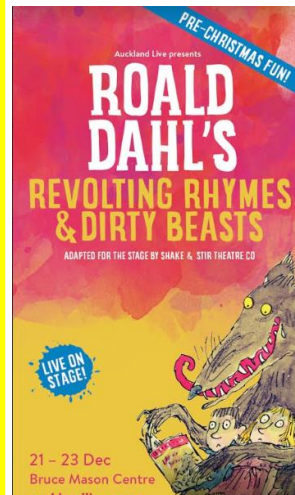
PRE-CHRISTMAS FUN!

## ROALD DAHL'S REVOLTING RHYMES & DIRTY BEASTS

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LIVE ON STAGE!

21 - 23 Dec  
Bruce Mason Centre  
[aucklandlive.co.nz](http://aucklandlive.co.nz)



## Free ice skating!

Get your skates on at Westgate Shopping Centre's free ice skating rink.  
Sat 7<sup>th</sup> – Sun 20<sup>th</sup> December.  
11am to 6pm daily.  
Find out more at: [westgate.kiwi](http://westgate.kiwi)



Parent Help



**FREE PARENTING HELPLINE** [www.parenthelp.org.nz](http://www.parenthelp.org.nz)  
**ALL ISSUES ALL AGES** **0800 568 856**




## DECEMBER HOLIDAY CAMP at West Harbour Tennis Club

**Where:**  
West Harbour Tennis Club  
Picasso Drive, West Harbour

**When:**  
16-20 December 2019  
9am-12.30pm, drop off from 8.30am

**Cost:**  
Half Day \$45, Full week \$199

All ages welcome  
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