



Whareama School

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Term 2, Week 4

CURRICULUM

Over the past week I have seen some students in the Senior Room really working hard on their standard of work, the presentation of their work and starting to lead their learning by checking their learning journeys and next steps. These will be digitalised soon and we will let you know when we will be adding them to the Senior Room Gmail accounts. The Junior Room have been working hard in their reading, writing and maths and Mrs Stevens and I have been pleased to see lots evidence of progress in her students. Some of the writing the kids were producing from the start of the year to now, is a credit to the work that Mrs Stevens and the children are putting into their school work. Well done to everyone working hard and really trying to be empowered learners and learning with pride.



SAFE BUS TRAVEL

I would like all parents to spend 5 minutes talking to their children about bus safety. There has been a couple of reported incidences to me that students have been taking off their seatbelts early, swapping seats in transit and not sitting safely in general on the bus. It is paramount that our travellers know the legal and safety implications of this and while we have spoken to everyone at school we would appreciate your support in reinforcing this at home. If we have any other incidents like this I will be making contact with the respective parents of those children that have not listened to our messages with regards to this, as it is not only illegal, but dangerous for everyone else on the bus.



FROM THE BOARD

Thank you to all who completed and returned the lunch survey last week. The results were reviewed by the board during the meeting last week. Based on the majority of respondents, we have agreed to continue to carry on with the lunch order fortnightly from the Riversdale Store with deep fried options and non-deep fried options. The school will also support the future introduction of Tuckabox as a school lunch provision option for busy parents. Tuckabox is in a trial process with Opaki School, we will advise when and how lunches can be ordered by parents and delivered to Whareama School potentially from term 3.

The board is currently in the process of future planning for the forecasted school roll increase over the next few years. Shortly the board will send a letter home to parents outlining the consultation process we require to help with this planning. Your input to the planning process will be very important for ensuring the school provides the best possible outcomes for students. Please look out for the letter and we look forward to receiving your input.

LUNCH ORDERS

This Friday lunch orders are available again. An updated order form has been sent home with the students which will cover all lunches till the end of term. Please cut off the appropriate week and send in your order by Thursday.

WORKING BEE

After meeting with Eddie, the working bee will be rescheduled till later in the year when we have some better weather.

RURAL KIDS PROGRAMME

All the Year 7 and 8 students had an exciting first session at Rural Kids and took part in squash, gymnastics, Chinese art, MasterChef and technology challenges. Feedback from the kids was nothing but positive and they are all looking forward to their next session. Their next session is on Thursday the 29th of June.



RURAL KIDS CROSS COUNTRY

Please remember that our cross country day is at Tinui on Wednesday the 7th of June. The school buses will be picking up your children in the morning and then parents need to pick them up from school by 10.15am at the very latest to take to Tinui. We will all meet at Tinui by 10.30am, in time for morning tea and then the first race. The staff need to get there on time as well so please collect your child from school on time. Also they will have a BBQ available for you to buy your lunch. Everyone needs to wear their school uniform and also run in their green polo and black shorts. Please note there will be no bus run in the afternoon.

WINTER SPORTS REPORTS

Rugby – all rugby was cancelled this Saturday.

Hockey- the Country A team had a tough game against MIS on Friday night and lost 10-0. They were in it after halftime but just couldn't stay with them in the second half.

The 11 aside Coasties team played on Monday night last week and lost 4-3 to Kia Kaha Greytown, but hopefully tonight they can turn it around when they play tonight at the turf.



SCHOOL CLOSED

Please remember that school is closed for the Queen's Birthday holiday, Monday the 5th of June.

Regards

Darren, Heather, Sandy and Diana

MAKOURA COLLEGE
OPEN EVENING
Wednesday 28 June 2017
5:30pm in the College Library
Enter our PRIZE DRAW
Entry forms available at the Open Evening.
Prizes drawn on the night, including an iPad
mini, NZ Uniform Vouchers and Warehouse
Stationery Vouchers.

Upcoming Events:

TERM 2:

Thurs 25 th May	Take a Kid Fishing Day
Mon 5 th June	QUEENS BIRTHDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Weds 7 th June	Rural Kids Cross Country at Tinui
Weds 14 th June	Wairarapa Cross Country
Fri 16 th June	Whareama School Speech Day
Thurs/ Fri 22 nd -23 rd June	Life Ed Van at School
Tues 27 th June	Y7/8 Masterton Speech Finals
Thurs 29 th June	Wai Speech Finals Event
Thurs 29 th June	Rural Kids – Session 2
Tues 4 th July	Wellington Regional Cross Country
Thurs 6 th July	BOT Meeting – 5.30pm
Fri 7 th July	Design Tech and Term 2 Ends