



Whareama School

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Term 3, Week 7

CURRICULUM

It has been extremely pleasing to listen to the teachers speak so positively about how well their students are progressing in class. The Junior Room have been working so hard at all their must do's and they are really showing so much independence in their learning. I spent a day in the Junior Room last week and the kids are so engaged and they all are working on their individual timetables. This has allowed Heather and Rachel to work hard with their group and target students to make real inroads into their learning journeys. The Senior Room have all completed a statistical investigation which they will present shortly and they have also been working hard on their inquiry projects. Using Google drive as their learning platform has been a big challenge for some students, but they are slowly getting the idea behind how it all works. We will continue with this for next term and there are a couple of big events that will see them use Google Docs to work through their planning for wearable arts and Pets' Day. As well as all this there has been some amazing art and STEM Fridays are making our kids think and work like scientists.

SKI TRIP 2017

On Wednesday the Year 7/8 students and 3 adults head up to Whakapapa ski field for the bi-annual ski trip. The weather is not looking amazing but this will not stop this from being a great experience for everyone involved. Thanks so much to Mike Taylor, who is coming along to host us at the Puketoi Ski Lodge, this makes the trip even more special. We look forward to a couple of days of skiing and this event is another amazing opportunity for all our students to do once in their time here at Whareama School. Thanks to the BOT who support this event every two years.



MUSIC LESSONS

Our new tutor is Cody Field, who comes with vast experience in tutoring as he currently runs lessons in a range of schools, has been part of running the entire music programme at UCol and has worked in a range of music projects around the Wairarapa. The cost to parents is \$10 per lesson and this will be added to your school account. Lessons will begin next Tuesday for all students who had put their names down at the start of the year as well as those who have rung in to be added to list. Please check the names below and if you do not want your child to carry on please let us know before Tuesday next week. He will also be running a google classroom and all lessons, activities and videos to support his lessons will be available to all students through their Gmail account.

Fontyne Allanson, Aria Ashby, Mathew Byl, Josh and Luke Fairbrother, Liam Gardiner, Charlotte Grafton, Charlee and Ollie Halewood, Harrison Kerr, Hunter Meads, Chloe Roberts, Isaac Shaw, Rane Silvester, Digby and Poppy Tatham, Bayley Williams.

HOCKEY IN SCHOOLS

Sharyn has completed her 4 sessions with us and the kids have really worked well in her sessions. She made comment to me that our kids seem to have picked the skills up a lot quicker than others she has worked with and that they have all been really well engaged during the sessions. A huge thanks to Sport Wairarapa for allowing us to be part of this great programme. We will have this in term 2 or 3 for the next 2 years as well as part of our contract with Hockey Wairarapa.

PETS' DAY 2017

We have decided on a date for our Pets' Day this year. It will be on Friday the 3rd of November. This is at the end of Week 3, we have had to wait to then because of other events that the senior students are involved with on Fridays in the first two weeks. A list of all the activities will be out before the end of the term.



HAVE A GO SPORTS DAY

All Year 3 to 8 students will be part of the Sport Wairarapa Have a Go Sport Day on next week. This event is on Wednesday the 13th of September and will be at Memorial Park turf. We will all be going in the school vans and there is an extra newsletter coming home today for these students.

SCHOOL DISCO

Please note that the Year 7 and 8 students are running a disco on Thursday the 21st of September. This will be in the Whareama Domain Hall and is for all Whareama and Tinui past and present students. There is a Neon theme and they are raising funds to pay for next year's National Young Leaders Day students to attend. It is from 6-8pm and entry is \$5 which includes a goodie bag. They will also have glow sticks and wands for \$1 and \$2 on the night. Thanks Brent Jones for your kind donation on the light wands for the kids to sell.



EPRO8 CHALLENGE

We have two teams entering this fun filled technology based challenge day. All students who are going to this received a newsletter last Friday so please check their bags if you have not seen it already. The students going are all Year 6 to 8 students, also Poppy and Rane.

RIPPER RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Well done to all the Ripper rugby teams that saw us have all teams make the grand finals and then the Year 3/4 team and the Year 5/6 team win their respective grand finals. A huge thanks to the coaches on the day and also Eddie who ran the buses for us.

SPORTS REPORTS

RUGBY

Awesome JAB prize giving held yesterday at the Tinui Hotel. Brilliant attendance with every player from all 3 of our JAB teams there to receive a Certificate - well done Award winners and all team members. Thanks to Coaches, parents and Sponsors for today - Riversdale Beach Store, Tranzit and Cross Country Rentals. And a big thanks to Ross, Jolene and the Tinui Cafe and Bar for providing a great Venue on a wet day. Signing off from what has been a special season for JAB rugby at East Coast RFC. Also on behalf of the school and community a huge thanks to Rico who organises everything and does an amazing job all season.



HOCKEY

The Country first XI team has their semi-final on Friday night at the turf so hopefully they can have a win and make it to the grand final... please come down at 5pm to support them in this finals game. All the best to the Coasties XI team in their last game tonight down at the turf.

2017 WAIRARAPA PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The entries for this are due in at the end of this week. Please email any living or non-living photo your child may have taken over 2017 and I will submit for entry. They need to be high resolution to be entered. Remember the photos do not need to be taken at school but they must be taken by your child. Please email me any entries to principal@whareama.school.nz by Friday 3pm to be entered.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic are offering parents who are registered for LOOP the opportunity to earn **Bonus Books** with their Book Club orders for the remainder of the school year. This gives families the chance to build their home library and earn extra books in time for Christmas! So if you haven't done so already check out online ordering with 'LOOP'.

Regards
Darren, Heather, Sandy and Diana

Upcoming Events:	
Weds 6 th Sept – Fri 8 th Sept	Ski Trip Y7/8
Fri 8 th Sept	ONESIES DAY Fundraiser
Weds 13 th Sept	Have a Go Sports Day
Tues 19 th Sept	EPRO Challenge – Y7/8
Weds 20 th Sept	EPRO Challenge – Y5/6
Thurs 21 st Sept	School Disco – 6pm
Fri 22 nd Sept	Design Tech Starts (2 weeks)
Fri 29 th Sept	LOUD SHIRT DAY Fundraiser
Fri 29 th Sept	END OF TERM 3
Mon 16 th Oct	TERM 4 begins