



WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 13

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ASSEMBLY DATES

Friday 29th Sept

2.15pm –Year 5/6 and 7/8

Monday 16th Oct

9.15am –Welcome Powhiri

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 29th Sept

Pizza and Ice Block

Last day of term

Monday 16th Oct

First day of Term 4

Monday 16th -27th Oct

Calendar Art

Thursday 31st Oct

Year 0-2 MOTAT Trip

Thursday 2nd Nov

Year 5/6 - Goat Island Trip

Friday 3rd Nov

Lunch and Ice Block Day

Thursday 9th Nov

Toyworld Event

Friday 17th Nov

Mufti Day

Friday 24th Nov

Carboot Sale

Friday 15th Dec

Last day of Term 4

TERM 4 DATES

16 Oct – 15 Dec

2018 DATES

Monday Feb 5th

Parent, Student, Teacher
Introduction Interviews

Wednesday Feb 7th

First day back at school

*Have a safe and happy
holiday!*

A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents and Caregivers

A very warm welcome to our new children and their families who have joined us over the past two weeks. We trust you will enjoy a very positive relationship with our school.

I am pleased to advise the end is in sight for the refurbishment of the relocatables; the fencing is due to come down over the weekend and they will be painted over the break.

What an amazing 'Wearable Arts Show' the Year 5-8 team put on this week. The children need to be incredibly proud of their achievements. Some of their work is displayed in the office foyer.

The 5/6 team have formed a wonderful relationship with Summerset Retirement Village. Going forward the children will continue to strengthen the relationship with groups of children visiting the residents on a weekly basis. It was lovely that some of the residents were able to attend the matinee performance of the Wearable Arts Show.

We certainly have had a phenomenally successful term. There is much to celebrate throughout the school in relation to student's learning. We have all observed over the term how motivated our children are to write. I have been very impressed with the quality of writing.

Jen from Marrzipan has been extremely proud of how our children have grown in confidence over the term. It certainly has been an exciting initiative for our children to be a part of.

A very big thank you to our parents who have been sport coaches or managers. Your commitment has been highly valued and we acknowledge without your dedication we couldn't do what we do.

As always, thank you for your amazing support of the school. My door is always open.

If you are travelling over the break, safe travels.

Kind regards, Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

COHORT ENTRY – 2018

Whenuapai School will be adopting a cohort entry policy from Term 1 of 2018.

Cohort entry is when new entrants start school in groups through the year, at the start of each term, rather than on their fifth birthday.

With a cohort entry you use the mid term date to work out when your child can start school. The mid term date (which is set by the Ministry of Education) is the mid-point between the start of the term and the start of the next term.

If your child's birthday is before the mid term date, then they can start school at the beginning of that term. If their birthday is on or after the mid term date, then they can start school at the beginning of the next term.

You can always choose to delay your child's start until the beginning of a later term or until age six if you are concerned about the readiness for school.

2018 Mid Term Dates:

TERM	START OF TERM DATE	MID TERM DATE	END OF TERM
1	07/02/2018	20/03/2018	13/04/2018
2	30/04/2018	11/06/2018	6/07/2018
3	23/07/2018	03/09/2018	28/09/2018
4	15/10/2018	12/12/2018	20/12/2018

UNIFORM SALES – MOVING ONLINE

We are moving to an **online uniform shop!**

In Term 4 Whenuapai School uniform will be purchased directly from Argyle Schoolwear through their on-line shop.

You will be able to access our order form through www.argyleonline.co.nz by selecting Shop Argyle Online, Auckland then Whenuapai School.

Online orders can be placed 24hrs 7 days a week.

Measurements will be available online and a small stock will be kept at school for anyone who wishes to try on different sizes before purchasing.

CONGRATULATIONS

ICAS Mathematics Competition Results

Congratulations to the following students who received Distinction or Credit awards in the recent ICAS Mathematics Competition:

- ✓ Connor Mclean (Year 4) - Distinction
- ✓ Taya Nasmith - (Year 4) - Distinction
- ✓ Aaron Ang (Year 4) - Credit
- ✓ Akane Shibata (Year 8) - Credit
- ✓ Georgia Hodges (Year 8) - Credit



'PUSS N BOOTS: PET DETECTIVE' BY PLAYHOUSE THEATRE

On Tuesday the 12th of September in the hall, after morning tea, the Junior School got to watch the funny 'Puss n Boots: Pet Detective' by Playhouse Theatre. They did 'Puss n Boots: Pet Detective', 'Goldilocks' and 'The Hansel and Gretel Show'.

My favourite part was the porridge song where they played 'Sorry' by Justin Bieber. Instead of saying 'Sorry', they said 'Porridge.' There were three incredible actors. Two girls and one boy and they called Baby Bear 'Justin Baby Bearber.' It was so funny and they thought Mrs Pengelly stole Justin Baby Bearber but it was actually the princess. She stole Justin Baby Bearber's underwear and toothbrush. It was sooooo funny. I couldn't stop laughing my head off!



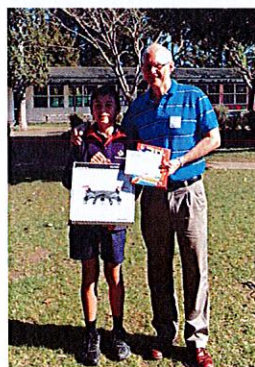
Written by:
Sylvia Morris
Room 16

CONGRATULATIONS

Massive congratulations to Caleb Cole-Baker (Room 8) who won the Interface Magazine 2017 Scratch Competition.

The competition involved students from all over New Zealand and they had to code a game that was based on cleaning up the ocean. Caleb won a drone for the school and a programming book for his own personal use. You can find Caleb's game here:

<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/158208719/>



POWHIRI

9.15 am
Monday 16 October.

Grass area by the
staffroom.

To welcome the new
students to
Whenuapai School.

BOOK FAIR UPDATE



Preparations are well underway for our book week held in conjunction with our Book Fair. Book Week will begin with a grand book character parade on Friday, 20 October at 9.30am. Children will have plenty of time during the holiday to recreate their favourite book character.

Families are more than welcome to attend, maybe you would like to join in?

There will be spot prizes and prizes for the most imaginative recreations.

The Book Fair will be open for purchases after the parade until 11.30 am on that day, and again from 2.30 until 4.00pm.

WEARABLE ARTS

Recently on the 26th of September 2017 all the students from the Year 5-6 and 7-8 syndicates put on a fashion show based around 'Wearable Arts'. Everyone organised themselves into groups, each group having about 5 people in it.

First the groups came up with 3 words. One group from Room 7 had the words Hunt, Butcher, and Thief. Next, the groups got a giant piece of paper and traced around a group member so they could create a life-size plan of their costumes, using pieces of cut out paper to glue on top of the plan.

After that the making began, and it was hands-down CRAZY. From characters in movies, (Groot, Rm 9) to fiery pokemon, (Charmander Rm 9) the ideas were all very different and exciting. Pirates, Robots, Fairies - you name it, we had it!

After a couple of weeks, everyone was down to those tiny finishing touches before going under the spotlights. On the day before the show there was a dress rehearsal performed to the year 1-4 children, and they loved it! On the actual day there was a full house, and all the groups were very nervous, but they still put on an awesome show!

Congratulations to all the models and designers, the costumes were great!

Written by: Caleb Cole-Baker Yr 5/6



**Please remember
School hats are
compulsory in Term 4!**



SCHOOL READERS

We are currently missing many of our junior school reading books.

Can we please ask parents and caregivers to have a hunt at home for any of these little books and return to these to School – thank you!



CALENDAR ART

Over the coming weeks all students will be creating some wonderful art which can be purchased as 2018 calendars, diaries and cards. These make fantastic Christmas gifts for family and friends.

Viewing of the art will take place in Week 1 and 2 of Term 4 in the school library. Orders and payments will need to be made by Friday 27 October to ensure delivery by late November. There are samples in the office or with Mrs Pengelly in Room 17 to view.



Donations greatly appreciated

If you have a pre-loved 12" bike that is wanting a new home we would love to take this off your hands for our smallest riders in the school.



SPORT

Junior School Cross Country

On Friday the 15th of September the Year 0-2's ran their Cross Country. They all did such an amazing job and should be very proud of themselves. Congratulations to the following children with their placings:

Year 5 Boys

- 1 - Dawson Hodges
- 2 - Jordan Van Vugt
- 3 - Jordan Smith

Year 5 Girls

- 1 - Isabelle McKay
- 2 - Holly Lincoln
- 3 - Alyssa Benton

Year 6 Boys

- 1 - Benjamin MacCulloch
- 2 - Joel Pitout
- 3 - Mack Thomas

Year 6 Girls

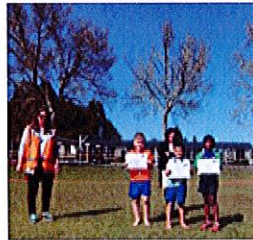
- 1 - Amber Young
- 2 - Giselle MacCulloch
- 3 - Astyn Nasmith

Year 7 Boys

- 1 - William Griffin
- 2 - Rocco Tupu
- 3 - Keon Naran

Year 7 Girls

- 1 - Olivia Szusterman
- 2 - Ryla Peck
- 3 - Huia Carrie



CONFIDENTIALLY FORMS

Thank you to all of our wonderful parent helpers! We always need and appreciate additional support in our classrooms.

Just a reminder, that a confidentiality agreement should be signed before working within the school and must be adhered to at all times.

Whenuapai School	
Confidentiality Agreement	
This agreement is between Whenuapai School and _____ This agreement is to ensure the Privacy of all staff, Parent Helpers and Students.	
Confidentiality The Parent Helper / Learning Support staff shall during the continuance of the school year and after the year end for any reason:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use best endeavours to prevent the disclosure of any confidential information, • Other than in the course of duties, not to disclose any confidential information to any person other than Principal, Deputy Principal, SENCO or Team Leader, • Not use confidential information to the Parent Helpers / Learning Supports own benefit. 	
The following is a non-exhaustive list of information which is regarded as confidential and must be treated as such by Parent Helpers / Learning Support:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All information regarding student behaviour. • All information regarding academic levels. • All information related to staff. • All information regarding projects being worked on. • All information regarding any personal details or circumstances of staff or students. • Information received in confidence from Principal, Deputy Principal, SENCO, Team Leaders or Class Teacher. • Personal information about any staff member or student where disclosure would or would likely to be in breach of the Privacy Act 1993. • Any other information disclosed to the Parent Helper / Learning Support or that otherwise comes to his / her notice and which is either identified as confidential or should reasonably be appreciated as confidential. 	
Policy on use of Social Media	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Except as expressly authorised by Whenuapai School purposes, electronic media such as Facebook or other blog sites should not be used to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Post comments or discuss information that will bring the students, staff or school policies into disrepute (such as by the use of abusive, demeaning or negative comments). o Information posted about the school will not be misleading. 	
While Whenuapai School accepts that posts on any personal blog site outside working hours will not usually be the school's concern, nevertheless, even in such contexts the Parent Helper / Learning Support must ensure that any information or comments that are posted will not tend to bring the students in their care into public disrepute, or injure the reputation or breach the right to privacy of other staff members and students.	
Any breach of this policy may result in further action being taken.	
Signed _____	Date _____
Parent Helper / Learning Support	

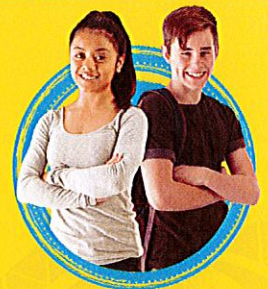
Need mumps protection?

There's an outbreak of mumps amongst Auckland students not fully vaccinated.

The measles-mumps-rubella vaccine will help protect young people against three serious diseases that are easily spread.

And it is free. Talk to your doctor or nurse today.

For more info call 0800 immune (0800 466 863)
or visit ARPHS.govt.nz



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PERSONAL LEARNING DEVICES - YEAR 5-6 STUDENTS

A few parents are wanting to get organised for Christmas and have asked about PLD's for our Year 5-8 students. Our IT team recommend Acer or HP devices and only recommend the models with 4GB or RAM and a 3 year warranty to ensure they last the student's time at school.

ISOMETRIC solutions have an online shop which often has better pricing than some of the larger chain stores. Each Chromebook option has a bag bundle available with different options.

The shop can be reached at either of the following links:
<http://www.byodshop.nz> – then Whenuapai School
or <https://www.facebook.com/nzbyodshop/>

SPORTS UNIFORM

Whenuapai School is researching the possibly of introducing a sports / PE uniform for our students in Years 5 – 8.

A sports uniform could be worn on a weekly basis during class time sporting activities and could also be worn at sporting events both on school grounds and when representing Whenuapai in an offsite activity.

The cost would be approximately \$64.00 for a pair of dry-fit shorts and a matching t-shirt.

As part of the investigation process we would like to hear feedback from our students and parents.

Please send feedback to Mrs Jo Wright at jwright@whenuapai.school.nz



PTA NEWS

16-27 Oct Calendar Art	3 Nov Lunch and Ice Block Day	9 Nov Toyworld Evening
17 Nov Mufti Day	24 Nov Twilight Car Boot Sale and Carols by Candle Light	

Calendar Art - Children's art work will be on display in the library during week one and two of Term 4 (Monday 16 October to Friday 27 October). The art work will be in class folders. Order forms will be sent home at the start of Term 4. Order and payment must be made by Friday 27th October. The art work will be back late November for collection. There is a variety of things that you can order from calendars, cards, mouse pads, note books, diaries the list goes on. We find these gifts are very popular Christmas presents!

Lunch and Ice Block day 3rd Nov – HELP NEEDED - The PTA is looking for someone or several people to co-ordinate this event. This involves organising the notices to go in teachers cubbys, to collating the orders, purchasing what you need (you will be reimbursed) and organising the event and help on the day. You will be given a handover and full briefing, you will also have support if needed. If you would like give this a go please email the PTA on pta.whenuapai@gmail.com

Toyworld Evening - Exclusive Christmas Evening at Toyworld Westgate for family and friends of Whenuapai School. 20% off everything in-store including already discounted lines. Refreshments available on the night. Notice to come home next term.

Mufti Day - Instead of a gold coin payment we are asking for a non-perishable grocery item from the senior school and a delayed (to be brought in on the 24th November) baked good from the junior school for the car boot sale on the 24th November. More details to follow.

Twilight Car Boot Sale and Carols by Candle Light – Want to do a clear out at home and earn some money before Christmas? Then book a spot in the car boot sale! Spaces are \$20.00 per car. Contact the PTA to book a spot. (pta.whenuapai@gmail.com).

We will need helpers on the day. If you are interest in helping out please get in touch. The areas we need help are:

- ✓ Guess the Lollies ✓ Cooks for the BBQ ✓ Bouncy Castle ✓ Juicy Station
- ✓ Cake Stall ✓ Second Hand Jumper Sale ✓ Glow Stand ✓ Car Parking Attendants

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Year 3-4 – Carla Veldman	cveldman@whenuapai.school.nz
Year 4-5 – Maureen Mason	maureenm@whenuapai.school.nz
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	karlg@whenuapai.school.nz

ONLINE PAYMENTS

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock at Email: 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.

For our Policies and Procedures please visit SchoolDocs at: www.schooldocs.co.nz/ User- whenuapai Password- airport