



Whareama School

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Term 4, Week 1

Newsletter No.

START OF TERM 4

I hope you all had a great time with your children over the past 2 weeks and their batteries have been recharged for what is going to be another whirlwind term. This term is eight and a half weeks long and we will be ending our school year on Thursday the 14th of December. Our school Wearable Arts show, prize giving and dinner will be on Tuesday the 12th of December. There is a huge list of events on this term and I have put them all on the timetable at the bottom of this newsletter. Please phone us at school if you have any questions around these events but we aim to send out extra newsletters to the students involved in any of the planned activities, if they are not mentioned in the newsletter. So let's get into the final term by learning some amazing things, developing our students' knowledge in all curriculum areas and achieving our school and personal goals for 2017. Please keep newsletters and help us out by organising things at your end, when needed, to help make our jobs easier. This term has so much on and you can see from the list below all the things that we have coming up. This term will fly by and so please be ready for many fun events and a wide range of learning this term at Whareama School.



LABOUR DAY Monday 23rd October – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR THE DAY

CHINESE LANGUAGE

It is Chinese language week this week and we have Helen coming in every Wednesday until the end of the term. This week she is making dumplings with the kids and maybe you can get your children to try these at home after her programme on Wednesday!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This will continue every fortnight for the rest of the term. After recent media around religious education I have sent home an information sheet that explains our programme so parents are very clear about what the purpose of our programme is. Remember that it is totally optional and let us know if you would prefer your child not to participate. The values and morals that come with this programme are fantastic and I totally support their programme however that is my personal opinion and everyone can make choices for their children accordingly.

ATHLETICS PROGRAMME

Mark Harris will be coming in every Friday this term to run the Get, Set, Go programme with the Juniors and the Seniors will be taking part in the Run, Jump, Throw programme. This runs each Friday and will be our PE focus for term 4.



KOKOMAI FESTIVAL

Tomorrow the Senior Room will be going to a Kokomai Festival event in town. The year 7 and 8 students will be meeting authors in Carterton and the Year 4-6 kids will be listening to a storyteller at MIS. Everyone needs to wear their uniforms and we will be using the school van for transport.

RURAL CLUSTER ATHLETICS DAY

On Wednesday the 1st of November we will be hosting the Rural Schools Athletics Day at the Sports Bowl in Masterton. Everyone needs to be there at 9.30am, in their uniform, with drinks and snacks for the day. Also we will have our sausage sizzle fundraiser on the day and would like parents to offer some help on the day. This is so that one or two parents are not stuck on the BBQ all day. Please offer to help on the day and I will be asking parents to help as the day goes along as well. There are no vans on this day and the finish time will be around 2.30pm. We look forward to seeing you all on the day to support your kids at some stage.

PETS' DAY 2017

Pets' Day 2016 will be on Friday the 3rd of November. The day will start at 12.00pm as usual with lunch available and student stalls. Following this will be the Pets' Parade and prize giving. The theme for this year's Pets' Day is "Inventors Galore". We have everything in place for a great, and most importantly fun day, so now we just need your support by helping your kids at home with the activities and also coming on the day with as many family members as possible. There is a separate newsletter explaining all the activities and plan for the day that your child was given at the end of last term, so please let us know if you need another copy sent to you.



SUNSMART SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a sun smart school and are now reminding you that all students need to have a green school hat from the start of this term. Our aim is to have everyone in their hats from Week 2, after Labour Day, so no students will be allowed out in the sun without their hats on from that time. You can purchase a hat from The Warehouse. With the wearing of hats we do, every now and then, get a run of head lice. Please check your child's hair regularly and keep them at home to treat them if necessary. Usually one treatment is not enough so please be vigilant with this. If we have head lice issues I will call you to let you know and we would like to see your child treated before returning to school. They are a real nuisance but with some care and attention they can be controlled relatively easily.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

There are two more weeks of Design Technology to end the final cycle for all the Year 7/8 students. The van will be taking them and returning them from Week 1, October 20th and the following week, then it will be the end of it for this year.

TROLLEY DERBY

On Thursday the 23rd of November we will be having our trolley derby on Langdale Road. There is a registration form coming home today for you to register your trolley and then a decision will be made to move forward with this event. Please have these back in by the end of this week.



TERM 4 SPORTS

On Friday last term everyone brought home a notice to let you know what sports you have been entered into for Term 4. The teams are as follows:

Kiwi Cricket (First game 27/10): Digby, Ollie, Liam, Georgia, Isaac P, Isaac S, Hunter, Nelson, Georgia

Super 8 Cricket (First Game 27/10): Harrison, Josh, Luke, Freddy, Rane, Oscar, Bayley, Max, Harvey, Jack

Tee Ball (First game 28/10): Chloe, Sophia, Kayah, Domanik, Zarlina, Ziggy, Makaylah, Apirana, Neveah

Tennis (First game 20/10): Hunter, Fontyne, Mathew and Harrison (sub)

Regards

Darren, Heather, Sandy and Diana

Upcoming Events:

Mon 16 th Oct	TERM 4 STARTS
Tues 17 th Oct	Kokomai Festival Day
Fri 18 th Oct	Design Tech continues (2 weeks) –Y7/8
Mon 23 rd Oct	LABOUR DAY – School Closed
Thurs 26 th Oct	BOT meeting 5.30pm
Mon 30 th Oct	Learning Ambassadors – Amy/ Tessa
Weds 1 st Nov	Rural Schools Athletics Day
Fri 3 rd Nov	Pets' Day 2017
Thurs 23 rd Nov	Trolley Derby Day
Tues 12 th Dec	Final Assembly/ Show/ Prizegiving
Thurs 14 th Dec	Last Day 2017 – 12.30pm finish

Our School Vision

"Empowered Learners - Future Leaders."

Our School Mission

"Whareama School aims to provide a stimulating, supportive and positive learning environment, encouraging children to achieve the best in academic, social, cultural and physical areas"