



Whareama School

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Term 1, Week 3



ZOO TRIP

The kids had an absolute blast on our recent trip to Wellington to stay overnight at the zoo and also to visit the Lego display at Te Papa. I have had some great feedback from parents about how excited the kids were about this trip so hopefully we can use their enthusiasm to roll into their learning and excitement in our classroom programmes. A huge thanks to Darleen and Janelle who came along and were fantastic parent support on this trip and also to Heather for planning and running an extremely successful trip. We were super impressed at the behaviour and manners of our students and they have definitely earned themselves another trip away overnight again.

BEACH ED 2018

We have our trip to Riversdale Beach to take part in the Beach Ed programme on this Friday the 16th of February. Please let the school know if you can help out on the day as we need parent support for this trip due to safety around the water. There is a separate notice about Beach Ed with today's newsletter.



HOMEWORK

Both junior and senior rooms will be starting homework in Week 3 and this will consist of reading, spelling, mathematics through Maths Buddy or Mathletics and any work that requires completion from unfinished class work. Any questions about homework please ask our teachers.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

This year the Year 7 and 8 students who will be going to Design Technology at Makoura College on Fridays from Week 6 this term. There is a separate letter coming home for each of these students later this term to remind you about this programme. The school van leaves school at 10am each Friday and returns in the afternoon for all students to attend each week. There is a cost of \$20 each term as part of the take home component and this will be billed at the end of term.

STATIONERY

Any books that the children need will be supplied to them from our stationery cupboard when our orders arrive this week. The extra equipment that needs to be supplied will be billed to your school account and we will let you know the cost for these as soon as our order comes through. We would like all children to have their own felts and colouring pencils. These are a couple of things that we do not sell through our stationery cupboard at school, so if you could find the time to please go and get these for your children that would be greatly appreciated. If you purchase these from the Warehouse Stationery please nominate our school, it will go towards us getting cash back at the end of the year.

FUNDRAISING- Friends of Whareama

To save time we have decided to have a fundraising meeting at 11am on Wednesday at school. If you are around and would like to come to this please do so. If you are working and cannot make it please contact Nicola Newell or Darren to let us know. We do need a few parents to make this group successful and we would love you to be part of it.

SWIMMING

Every child in the school will be part of the regular, daily classroom swimming programme so please remember to send them along with their togs and a towel in a swim bag each day. Also Becks O'Neale's swimming lessons start tomorrow and a timetable for this was sent home on Friday.

MUSIC LESSONS

These will be starting up again with Cody Field next week on Tuesdays so if you have signed up for lessons please remember their instruments each Tuesday if you are bringing your own.

KI-O-RAHI COASTAL CLASSIC

On Friday the 2nd of March our school is hosting the first ever Ki-o-rahi sports tournament. This will be at Riversdale Beach and will be run with Whaiora and Kokiri Te Puna from Wellington. We have around 200 students from schools in the Wairarapa coming to this and we will be entering hopefully two teams.

PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT INTERVIEWS – to be held on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th March and a booking sheet will come out to you shortly. We will use this time to show where your child is at with their learning, provide next steps and how we can support each other to provide the best education for your child.

SCHOOL BUSES

As a friendly reminder please remember if there are any changes to what bus you would like your child on please give us at least 24 hours' notice. There are minimal spaces available on buses at certain times but please ask and we will help where we possibly can. The town bus now has 2 pick up and drop off points in town and these are Henley Lake and the Colombo Road Alleyway. The phone number contacts for the bus drivers are Janelle 0273532329 for the town bus, Eddie 0210433658 for the Homewood bus and 3723395 for Brent driving the ICA bus. If your child is not on their bus for any reason please let your bus driver know as soon as possible.

SPORTS

Cricket and tennis are both underway.

The first game of cricket saw the Stags take on Red Star Renegades - bowling first the team did fantastically well to restrict the opposition to 70 runs of 18 overs - some good Bowling and great fielding. The run chase was solid and went down to the final over but we couldn't quite get their runs and fell short with overs up on 68 runs - well done player of the day Tama Ratima, great bowling in his first game of competitive cricket - Rico Fairbrother

Regards

Darren, Heather, Sandy and Diana

Upcoming Events:

TERM 1:

Fri 16 th February	Beach Ed @ Riversdale Beach
Weds 21 st February	Rural Schools Swimming Sports
Fri 2 nd March	Ki-o-rahi Coastal Classic
Weds 7 th March	Masterton School Swim Sports
Weds 14 th / Thurs 15 th March	Parent/ Teacher Interviews
Weds 14 th March	Wairarapa Swimming Sports
Fri 13 th April	Term 1 Ends