



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2

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## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents and Caregivers

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

It was an absolute privilege this week to be on the selection panel for our 2018 Prefects. Our young people all gave amazing presentations that demonstrated their enthusiasm and commitment to Whenuapai School. The selection panel certainly didn't find making the final decision easy. Congratulations to: Cameron Collins, Cody Lunny, Rebecca Meyer, Elena O'Keeffe and Ariaa Hartwell. They will together make an amazing leadership team and I am looking forward to working with them.

All classes have begun the year extremely settled. The children are all engaged in their class programmes and there is certainly a sense of excitement when our children speak about their learning.

It was lovely to see so many families at the Family Fun Evening last Thursday. The sun came out just in time for everyone to enjoy a fun filled evening. Thank you to the PTA for facilitating such a wonderful event.

I have included an article by renowned clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller which may be of interest to you.

Unfortunately the warm weather has brought with it a range of bugs which has affected both staff and children. Our sickbay has certainly been keeping Sera and Jo very busy. It was a great relief to know we didn't have a case of mumps in the school.

Yesterday we forwarded to the Ministry of Education our planning and reporting information for 2018. A copy of the charter is available in the School office for viewing at any time.

Please remember our doors are always open.

Kind regards,

Raewyn Matthys-Morris  
Principal

### Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Merit Certificates:

**Year 7/8** – Sal-Victor Walter, Bella Woodward, Jacob Atkinson, Travis Roberts  
**Year 5/6** - Cinamyn De Souza, Andre' Bassant, Lucie Paterson, Latrell Tucker, Aston Coyle  
**Year 4** - Casey Khiev, Bailey Ewart, Dylan Marra and Max Mitchell  
**Year 0/1** – Zoe Brazendale, Eric Li, Noah Young, Abby Looser, Jacob Jones, Willow Shearer, Divij Mahna and Myra Bhadang.

### ASSEMBLY DATES

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
9.15am – Year 2/3

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
9.10am – Year 4-8

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
9.15am – Year 0/1

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
9.15am – Year 2/3

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
9.10am – Year 4-8

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
9.15am – Year 0/1

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**  
Blue Mushroom Books  
Visit – Years 5-8

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March**  
Junior and Senior Disco

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 5-8 Swimming Sports

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March**  
School Photos

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 5-6 T-Ball  
Year 7/8 Softball

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Year 5-6 Water Safety

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**  
BOT Meeting – 5.30pm

**Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Mar - Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr**  
Easter – No School

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
Shore to Shore

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Fri 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
Year 7-8 Camp

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
PTA lunch & ice block day

### TERM DATES

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
Last day of Term 1

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April**  
First day Term 2

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your password

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### We are now setup for online payments!!

Payments for school activities and PTA events can be made quickly and easily via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)

It is easy to set up an account and provides a simple and great way for parents and caregivers to keep a track of all payments.

If you have any problems or questions please contact one of the office staff.

## WHENUAPAI SCHOOL WORKING BEE (STAGE 1)

### SAVE THE DATE

**When: THIS SUNDAY - 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**Time: 9.30am start**



We are a group of motivated mums, keen to get the school looking fresh, bright and happy for our children and teachers. The local community has been amazing and donated lots of resources for our two planned working bees.

Working Bee 1 will consist of painting the front wall of the school including signs, planting out various gardens across the school and spreading mulch, moving vege boxes and a general garden tidy up. As an enticement to parents, a sausage sizzle and drinks will be supplied on the day. Feel free to bring the kids (& their bikes) along as we view this as a family/community event!

Before Working Bee 2 commences, local company Mountfield Construction are supplying a digger to pull up the front garden of the school for replanting, and removing the existing stage and storage shed in preparation for a brand new stage.

In light of this stage rebuild, we need someone with building knowledge that can help guide us through the stage rebuild (we would work alongside you and provide materials). Note: no building consent is required, just a straight rebuild.

If you are keen to help us replant the school towards a beautiful environment, please email Kerry or Peta with interest. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

We would like to advise that at Monday night's BOT meeting, Kylie Haskins was elected to the position of Board Chair.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on 26 March 2018.

## HEALTH & WELLBEING

We would like to remind parents and caregivers about the spread of viruses in school.

If your child is unwell please keep them home.

Information on a number of conditions or illnesses can be found on the website below. Please see a doctor if you are concerned.

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses>

## SPORT

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Whenuapai School had two teams participate and compete in the Norwest Tag competition held at Moire Park Massey and run by Auckland Rugby League. There was a girls team and a boys team that represented the school and both teams can be extremely proud of their performances throughout the day. The day started out fine but there was a few showers, but this didn't dampen the spirits of the competitors which included a large number of intermediate age students from all over West Auckland.

Whenuapai girls had a squad of 9 players and they did extremely well with one sub and with an extensive amount of girls that hadn't played before. They showed flair and determination to finally finish 4<sup>th</sup> overall losing in a close 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> playoff.

The boys team started the day positively with a number of wins then reached the semifinal and were down by 1 against West Harbour School before a line break saw Casey Good break through and score a try in the 2 point box to achieve a win in what was a very close contest. The final for the boys was played in ideal conditions and at half time only a small margin separated the two teams Colwill and Whenuapai. However, Whenuapai closed out the game in the second half with some impressive individual and team plays. At the completion of the game it was triumph and elation for the Whenuapai team as they had achieved a long awaited title at Norwest competition.

The school would like to congratulate all the players on their achievement and to all the supporters and parents that contributed to the day and assisted with supervision and transport. Both teams lived by the school sports Motto: "Accomplish what you foresee as Unattainable – Back yourself and Back each other". They will now progress to the champions of champions event which is held on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 which takes all the top qualifiers from all the other zones. Best Wishes to the team from the Whenuapai School Community.



## MUSIC – HAVE-A-GO SESSION

Do your children want to have music lessons at school? Come along to our Have-A-Go session 8-9am or 3-3.45-pm on Tuesday the 6th of March.

Gloria Arboleda, an experienced MusiqHub tutor and musician, teaches at Whenuapai School on Thursdays during school hours. This term she has lessons available for keyboard, clarinet, saxophone, flute and recorder students, and the older students play in a concert band. Prices range from \$20.20/week per student for small group lessons. Instruments (other than keyboard) can be hired through MusiqHub.

Register your interest on [musiqhub.co.nz](http://musiqhub.co.nz) or send an email to [admin@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:admin@musiqhub.co.nz) for more details.

## PTA NEWS

**Family Fun Evening** - What an absolute fantastic evening with the community atmosphere being wonderful. Any feedback we would love to hear please email it through to us at [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com)

**Junior and Senior Disco - Thursday 8th March** - Entry fee is \$5.00 which you have the option to prepay via kindo. Drinks, snacks and glow products will be available for purchase through the shop which is cash only. Pizza for the senior disco is a pre-paid order which closes on the 7th March.

Payments can be made via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)  
If you're NEW to Kindo/ezlunch, create an account here <http://bit.ly/2nvHSQe>

\*Junior Disco - Year 0 to Year 4 is from 5.00 to 6.30pm. \*Senior Disco - Year 5 to Year 8 is from 7.00 to 8.30pm.

Please make sure that all children (junior & senior) are collected from the school hall. Due the size of our school hall size and health & safety, we would request that any siblings who are not currently a student please do not attend.

**Easter Raffle** – Unfortunately we are unable to carry on with this fundraiser as no one is able to run the event. Will look at an alternative date later on in the year.

**Ice Block and Lunch Day – 13<sup>th</sup> April**

**Entertainment Books** - are ready to order or download onto your phone. Use the following path for your order <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/952m82>

**PTA Secretary** - The PTA are currently looking for a person to fill the Secretary position. We have some really exciting fundraisers planned this year! If you have any questions please let us know via email [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com) or feel free to come and have a chat to any of our current PTA committee members when you see them around - Carey Jones and Paula Pusich. We would be appreciative of anybody who is willing to give this a go.

**Help Please** - We need more helpers. If you are able to help out in any way, no matter how big or small, please join our Facebook helpers page. Once on Facebook type in the search option "Whenuapai School PTA Helpers" and request to join the group. The PTA use this page to ask for help for any fundraising events that we have.

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# NOTICES:

## Keyboard, Clarinet, Saxophone, Flute & Recorder Lessons at Whenuapai School

Enrol your child in the music lessons they have always wanted to do.

Gloria Arboleda, an experienced music tutor and musician from MusiqHub, has keyboard, clarinet, saxophone, flute and recorder lessons available at your school.

- Complete beginners to experienced students are all welcome.
- All lessons are during school time and are 30 minutes in duration.
- We offer group (3-5 students), paired and 1-on-1 lessons.
- Students in groups or pairs are placed with others of the same age and ability where possible.

### There is NO REGISTRATION FEE!

Prices range from \$20.40 per student per lesson for small groups to \$38 per student for 1-on-1 lessons.

### Frequently Asked Questions from Parents

Do we pay per lesson?

Payment is made for the term - usually 8 to 10 lessons - and is invoiced before lessons start. Payment plans are available.

Do we have to buy a musical instrument?

Keyboard students are required to have their own keyboard or piano for home practice. Clarinet, saxophone, flute and recorder students are required to have their own instruments and these can be rented through MusiqHub.

Are there any other expenses?

A music tuition book is required for each student. Prices range \$38 to \$45. These books typically last for 1 to 2 years lessons. This charge will be added to the first invoice.

I have other questions not answered above.

Contact MusiqHub by phone or email. We are only too happy to answer any other questions you have.



Gloria is a piano / keyboard, clarinet, and saxophone tutor. She has a Bachelor of Music and has tutored privately and in schools in Colombia and the UK for the past 15 years, as well as more recently in New Zealand. Gloria played in Latin bands in London for several years, and has created and managed children's woodwind and mixed instrument bands for over 10 years. Her passion is helping children achieve their goals.

To register or for more information, contact MusiqHub:  
Phone: 0800 78 78 66  
Email: [admin@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:admin@musiqhub.co.nz)  
or via our website [www.musiqhub.co.nz](http://www.musiqhub.co.nz)

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## GUITAR AND UKULELE LESSONS AT YOUR SCHOOL

Enrol your child in fun, easy to follow Guitar and Ukulele lessons.

John Casson, Graduate from London's Guitar Institute and musician from MusiqHub, has guitar and Ukulele lessons available at your school.

- Complete beginners to potential music prodigies are all welcome.
- All lessons are during school time and are 30 minutes in duration.
- We offer group (3-5 students), paired and 1-on-1 lessons.
- Students in groups or pairs are placed with others of the same age and ability where possible.

### There is NO REGISTRATION FEE!

Group Lessons **\$18.00**

Twin Lessons **\$23.50**

One To One **\$33.00**

### Frequently Asked Questions from Parents

Do we pay per lesson?

Payment is made for the term - usually around 8 to 10 lessons and is invoiced before lessons start. Payment plans available.

Do we have to buy a musical instrument?

Yes, do let me know if you need an instrument since there are discounts available.

Are there any other expenses?

A music tuition book is required for each student. This is \$33. These books typically last 1 to 2 years. The charge will be added to the first invoice.

Are there additional lesson resources?

Absolutely! There are hundreds of video lessons available. I record lessons on my [YouTube channel](#) daily. So there is always something more to inspire you!

I have other questions not answered above.

Do contact me by phone or email. I'm very happy to answer any other questions you have.

Click [HERE](#) to register



John is an experienced guitar teacher who has produced a number of instructional DVD's that are sold world wide. He has hundreds of teaching YouTube and going teaching style enables guitar students to master their instruments simply.

To register or for more information, contact John:  
Phone: 022 604 8766  
Email: [john.casson@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:john.casson@musiqhub.co.nz)  
Or via our website [www.musiqhub.co.nz](http://www.musiqhub.co.nz)

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## spanish club

I'm happy to announce that Spanish Club will start at **MILFORD SENIOR CITIZENS HALL**

(141A Kitchener Rd)  
Tuesday 6th March  
at 3.50pm to 4.50pm  
for six weeks initially.  
60 mins \$ 20.00



If there are any queries or questions at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

[mary@lcfclubs.co.nz](mailto:mary@lcfclubs.co.nz)

You can see more about me on my website:  
<http://www.kiwimary.com>

\*A minimum of 6 children is required.

LIFE EDUCATION  
Learning with Heart!

## AUGKAND WEST TRUST QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Spend an evening of fun with Harold and his helpers.

Life Education is a charity that relies solely on donations & grants to operate. Our community trust is run by volunteers who are dedicated individuals that are passionate about building a better world for our children.

Please come along and support us!

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March  
7pm start  
HOBSONVILLE RSA  
114 Hobsonville Rd

Teams of between 4-6 people  
The kitchen will be open for meals, so come along early  
Tickets can be purchased on the night

RSVP by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March  
Phone Murielle 0210194523 for more information

**GIRLS ONLY CLUB RIPPA**

Does your daughter want to play Girls Only Rugby this year?

Rugby season is coming around fast and soon your local club will be holding registration & muster days for Girls Rippa (non-contact)

Competition Information:

- Saturday Morning - 9.30am
- May-August
- Home and away games
- + 2 festival days
- Grade Structure: (7 aside)
  - Under 9 - Rippa
  - Under 11 - Quick Rip
  - Under 13 - Quick Rip

For more information contact your local club for their registration dates, or Sarah McIlroy Women's Rugby Manager [sarah@harbourrugby.co.nz](mailto:sarah@harbourrugby.co.nz) 021 193 8716

**KUMEU JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS 2018**

WEDNESDAY 28TH FEB 4-7 PM  
SATURDAY 3RD MAR 8-11AM  
WEDNESDAY 7TH MAR 4-7PM  
SATURDAY 10TH MAR 8-11AM

J1 (U13) J2 (U12) J3 (U11) J4 (U10) J5 (U9) J6 (U8) J7-J8 RIPPA  
GIRLS RIPPA U13 U11 U9

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