



# WHENUAPAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 14

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## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents and Caregiver

Term 4 continues to be full of fabulous learning, wonderful parent support, lots of sporting opportunities and many things to celebrate.

One of the highlights being the amazing opportunity for our students to line the roads of the Air Force Base and wave to Prince Harry and Duchess Meghan as they arrived for their Auckland leg of their tour. This opportunity will be something both the children and staff will remember for years to come.

Last week we have two beautiful days of sunshine, one for the Year 7 and 8 athletics on Wednesday followed by another on Friday for the Year 5 & 6 athletics. The children all participated, tried their hardest and had a wonderful day. Congratulations to all students and thank you to all the parent helpers for both of these successful events.

I also like to say a heartfelt thank you to Claire Chapman and Aiden Millar who over the last school holidays did an amazing job to organise, design and paint the court areas with both new lines and lots of wonderful games such as hopscotch and snakes and ladders. They have done an incredible job and have brought a lot of joy to the faces of our children.

Term 4 is always a very busy term so thank you in advance for the time and support you provide to your children and the school over the remaining 6 weeks.

*Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tatou mahi.  
Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.*

Kind regards,  
Raewyn Matthys-Morris, Principal

### ASSEMBLY DATES

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**  
9.15am – Year 2-3

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November**  
9.15am – Year 0-1

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

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
9.15am – Year 2-3

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**  
9.15am – Year 0-1

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November**  
School Closed

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November**  
Tui Team Bake Sale

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November**  
Book Fair Opens

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**  
5.00pm – Carols and family fun evening.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
Year 2/3 Athletics

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**  
Year 4 Athletics

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
4.00pm Year 7-8 Prize Giving

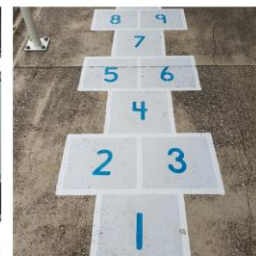
**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.10am Year 0/1 Assembly  
11.30am Year 2/3 Assembly  
1.30pm Sports Prize Giving

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
Last Day of Term 4 - School finishes at 12.30pm

### 2019 DATES

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019**  
Meet the Teacher Day

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February**  
First day of Term 1



## Whenuapai School Values

- ◆ Respect ourselves
- ◆ Respect others
- ◆ Respect learning
- ◆ Respect environment



## HEALTH & WELLBEING

We would like to remind parents/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>

## SUNHATS ARE COMPULSORY IN TERM 4

A reminder that hats are compulsory in Term 4 and also in Term 1.

Caps and bucket hats are available to purchase online at [www.argyleonline.co.nz/shop/auckland/whenuapai-school](http://www.argyleonline.co.nz/shop/auckland/whenuapai-school)

they can also be purchased at the school office.

Caps are \$12 and bucket hats are \$14.

## REMINDERS

### SCHOOL HOURS OF SUPERVISION

Classrooms are not open until 8.30am.

We therefore discourage children from being dropped off before this time as they will not be able to be supervised by a teacher.

A reminder also to please pick your children up on time. A number of students are remaining at school unsupervised after 3.30pm. Again we can not ensure appropriate supervision after this time due to staff meetings and training. If you need care outside of these hours then please contact our before and after school care

provider sKids on 021 174 8473

or via email – [whenuapai@skids.co.nz](mailto:whenuapai@skids.co.nz)

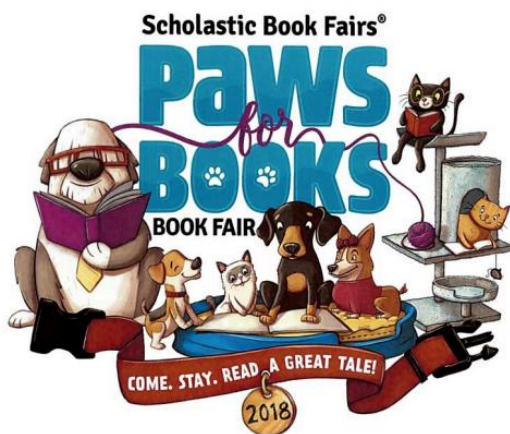
## LIBRARY NEWS – BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic book fair is a little later this year and will be opening for business from **Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> of November and closing again on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December.**

There will be a week of book and reading related activities for the school to enjoy, as well as our fabulous **book character parade on Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of November.** Students will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We will be holding a parade at 9.30am and families are more than welcome to attend (dressed up if you wish).

This is a wonderful opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts and stocking fillers as the books and novelty items are usually well priced with lots of variety.

Please support us if you can, it is a great way for us to raise funds to benefit your children and the school. We can earn up to 30% commission with your invaluable help.



## THANK YOU

A very big thank you to the Events Prefect Committee who organized a bake sale last week to raise funds for this year's book fair.

Well done to Lara Skeens, Charlotte Graham and Rebecca Meyer who raised an amazing \$280.00.

A big thank you to those families who provided the yummy baked goods!



## ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE 2018

On Sunday the 11th of November at 11.00am, an Armistice Day Service is being held by Defence personnel on the green by the school carpark. The Air Force Base have kindly asked if Whenuapai School students would like to attend this service with their families. Should you wish to attend please be there by 10.40am. It would be lovely to see our students wearing their school uniform at this special event.

Some of our wonderful students helped to set up for the service last Sunday. Thank you to all of those involved, the area looks beautiful.



# SPORT NEWS

## Hockey Year 5 & 6 Kiwisticks

The Whenuapai Year 5 & 6 Kiwisticks Hockey team celebrated their second placing in their grade at the North Harbour Hockey prizegiving held last Friday. Congratulations to the players and the team management on behalf of the school for a great season. Below are the team and also included is a photo of the team at prizegiving.

**Coach and Manager** - Paula Pusich

**Parent Helper** – Carey Jones

**Players** - Anka Pusich, Natalie Mellish, Sophie Sutton, Jack Paterson, Kyla Williamson, Lance Thomson and Sean Hutchison.



## Whenuapai Athletics Sports Year 5 & 6 2018

Whenuapai School held its annual Year 5 & 6 athletics day on Friday 2nd of November 2018. The sun came out making for ideal conditions. The day started with over 90 students dressed in their team class colours with many shades of red, yellow and green marching down to the field.

The day started with the 1500 metres with a large group of students testing themselves over this long distance event. Once completed the students moved through the field events including shot put, high jump, long jump and discus and the track events which included 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m. The events that the students competed in allowed them to gain a participation certificate as part of their achievement. A large number of students crossed over many events and these students competed in as many running, jumping and throwing events as they were able. Some students attempted a new event for the first time and were successful in accomplishing new personal bests.

The competition for the top student in each age category was fierce and every student was attempting to improve across the day. It was evident from the final results that some students performed well in field events like throwing and jumping while other students had greater success in the running track events. Some students preferred the sprints while others enjoyed the longer distance. The day finished with relays with Rooms 8, 9 and 10 competing against each other with Room 9 being the fastest class overall. The event was made more successful with the support of teachers including a parent Kimberley Gray, and Year 7 & 8 students coordinating their events, recording, timing and general organisation.

The 2018 Whenuapai Athletics event was a tremendous success and the school would like to thank everyone for their support and the students for their top efforts!

## **PB4L – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

### **Our PB4L Focus for Term 4 Weeks 3-4**

Whenuapai School is a PB4L School (Positive Behaviour for Learning) school.

We teach behaviour through the use of our school values - Respect Self, Respect Others, Respect Learning, Respect Environment.

Every fortnight at the school hui we introduce a new values focus for the entire school to specifically hone in on. We then share our learning around this focus through photos at the next hui, and introduce our new PB4L focus.

Our current focus is **Respect for Environment** and in particular; **Store devices in the correct way and place, and keep all learning areas tidy.**

You may like to discuss at home what this means and looks like in your child's classroom and at home.

# PTA NEWS

**November 16-18 Tania Foster Recital - Urgent Help Needed** - Tania Foster's year-end dance recital will be held at Massey High School on the weekend of November 16-18, and the Whenuapai PTA will be running the tuck shop. It is a great opportunity to get out into the community, serve and raise funds for our wonderful school!

We are looking for more people to help with a shift the Saturday evening (**2 people from 5:30-9:00pm**) or Sunday afternoon (**1 person from 12:30-4:30**)! Please email Pam at [pta.whenuapai@gmail.com](mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com) if you are able to help.

If you have offered to bake for this event please **deliver to the office, individually wrapped and in a bag or box labelled 'PTA' on the morning of Friday, November 16th**. Savoury/Sweet muffins, Savoury/Sweet Scones, your favourite Slice or Cookies. Some *Gluten-Free Baking* would be appreciated too! More offers of baking be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to those who have already offered their help, it is greatly appreciated.

**Carols and Family Fun evening 28th November 5-7pm** - Come and join us to celebrate the end of the school year. We have some fantastic performances lined up from the children. The library will be open celebrating book week. Come and explore all the books that are available for purchase. The grand opening of the garden art that children have been working on throughout the year will happen tonight. Grab a map and look at the fantastic creations. There is a free photo booth so come and take some silly photos with your friends. Skids are hosting some games for us to participate in. The ever popular lolly scramble will happen at the end of the night along with the RNZAF fire truck, bring your togs as you will get wet!

The PTA will have a sausage sizzle, nachos, sweet treats table and novelty items available for purchase. There is also and coffee and ice cream truck. Come and enjoy an evening of fun and have dinner while you're here!

**November 29 - Toy World Exclusive Evening** - The PTA are holding a fundraising evening at ToyWorld Westgate on Thursday 29 November 2018 from 6.30-8.30pm. ToyWorld are offering 20% of all items in store, including already discounted items. To make shopping that little bit more enjoyable, wine and juice will be provided on the night. We would love as many people to attend as possible (friends and family are more than welcome) as a percentage of all sales on the night goes back to the school.

**Nominations are open for PTA chair and Secretary** - Please email the PTA with your expression of interest, or if you would like more information. We will review the list of nominees at the final PTA meeting on December 4th. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Thank you** - Whenuapai PTA would like to say a very big thank you to the Hobsonville RSA for inviting us to participate in their monthly Quiz Night on October 18th. We had such a fun evening and were able to receive \$605.00 in money raised on the night and donated to us! The Hobsonville RSA's doors are always open so let's show them our appreciation and go out for a great meal there!

*We would love you to join us on Facebook - please 'like' the [Whenuapai School PTA Helpers Page](#) to stay up to date with PTA events and when help is needed.*

## KEY CONTACTS

Principal – Raewyn Matthys-Morris	<a href="mailto:rmatthys-morris@whenuapai.school.nz">rmatthys-morris@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
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HOD – Sport	<a href="mailto:gregb@whenuapai.school.nz">gregb@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Board of Trustees	<a href="mailto:wshot@whenuapai.school.nz">wshot@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
PTA	<a href="mailto:pta.whenuapai@gmail.com">pta.whenuapai@gmail.com</a>
SKIDS After School Care	<a href="mailto:whenuapai@skids.co.nz">whenuapai@skids.co.nz</a>
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Year 4 – Chris Groen	<a href="mailto:chriscg@whenuapai.school.nz">chriscg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Year 5-6 – Maureen Mason	<a href="mailto:maureenm@whenuapai.school.nz">maureenm@whenuapai.school.nz</a>
Year 7-8 – Karl Ganda	<a href="mailto:karlg@whenuapai.school.nz">karlg@whenuapai.school.nz</a>

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

Payments can be made via our online school shop at [mykindo.co.nz](http://mykindo.co.nz)

Any queries please contact Mr Tony Hitchcock via email at: [thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz](mailto:thitchcock@whenuapai.school.nz)

**For any Direct Debit payments:**

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**Reference:** Students Name

**Details:** The activity the payment is for

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# Community Notices & Holiday Activities



## Free APD Seminar: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Come to a free community seminar on Auditory Processing Disorder to learn more about APD. This will be presented by the team at SoundSkills.

**SoundSkills** is a specialist service for children and adults with **Auditory Processing Disorder (APD)**. **SoundSkills** provides a full range of diagnostic and treatment services in Auckland.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT AUDITORY PROCESSING DISORDER!

Learn more about APD and ask questions from the team, like:

- What is APD?
- What are the symptoms and effects?
- How is it diagnosed?
- Where can I go for help?
- What does it cost?
- What funding assistance is available?

This seminar is offered to all professionals and caregivers of students affected by APD, or for those who would just like to know more.

**Time:** 3.30 onwards  
**Venue:** Hobsonville Point Primary School

RSVP LINDA BOXALL: [LINDA.BOXALL@HPPS.SCHOOL.NZ](mailto:LINDA.BOXALL@HPPS.SCHOOL.NZ)

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## POLICE OPEN DAY

Family Friendly Free Event

**Sunday 11 November 2018**  
**10am – 2pm**  
**North Shore Policing Centre**  
52 Parkway Drive, Mairangi Bay