



Whareama School

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Term 1, Week 3

GREAT START TO THE YEAR

What a great, and busy start to the school year. Everyone is settled in and have made a very positive start to our school year of learning. Mrs Stevens and Mrs Walker are doing a great job in starting up the classrooms for the year, while I sort out administrative work in the office with Diana. I have had the pleasure of teaching a couple of days in the Junior Room and it's great to see how enthusiastic everyone is in their learning.

The Senior Room have come back to school keen to learn and the Year 4 students have settled into Senior Room life relatively quickly. I look forward to seeing our students continue to learn and grow over this year and to building a positive learning relationship with all families.



TIP TOP KID OF THE WEEK

Back by popular demand is the Tip Top Kids of the Week and thanks to Dave Wright from Tip Top who is again sponsoring the free trumpets each week. The kids loved this 2 years ago and it is great to have Tip Top back on board. Well done to our first winners which went to Ollie for working the best he possibly can and to Fontyne for making good decisions and working hard in class.



MARAE NOHO/ BEACH ED 2017

We have needed to put our visit to the marae on hold until later in the term but we definitely are doing beach Ed this Friday. You would have all received a letter last week explaining all the things you need. If you have not seen this please phone school for another copy. If you would like to meet us there as a parent helper we would love to have you join us, please let myself or Diana know as soon as possible. We are joining with Tinui School this year and look forward to a full Coasties' day out learning about beach safety.

HOMEWORK

Both junior and senior rooms now have homework from this week and this will consist of reading, spelling, mathematics through Maths Buddy and any work that requires completion from unfinished class work. You will also receive a class newsletter next week, to outline some of the other bits and pieces of news you may need starting the school year.

KI-O-RAHI COASTAL CLASSIC

On Friday the 3rd 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 a Year 5/6 team. The Year 7/8 students will be at Design Tech on this day.

ALSO IMPORTANT

The weather is hopefully going to get better so please sunscreen your children in the morning and ensure they all have their hats at school. We have sunscreen at school as well however if your child has sensitive skin and requires a different lotion please send some to school with them. Ensure lunchboxes are filled with appropriate foods, no junk food and lollies please and we also want to only use the microwave predominantly to heat up food in the winter. Water bottles are essential as well so we can keep the kids hydrated throughout the day.



PHONE LIST

A new phone list will be sent out at the end of this week so please send any changes to school before Thursday so we can finalise the list.

SPORTS

Cricket

Incrediball – our team played a tough game in their first ever Incrediball game against an unbeaten Carterton team. They did a good job scoring 96 runs with Max and Harrison getting retirements. Also Fontyne was amazing in the field by bowling someone in his first ever bowl and also a couple of catches. Max was named player of the day.

Kiwi Cricket – played against Carterton and have backed up from last season with a win straight away. Ollie told me how well everyone did and that Liam and Digby were players of the day! Thanks Emma for sorting out the team again this year.

BOOK CLUB

Orders are due back at school by Friday 24 February please.

FORMS

Please return these forms into school as soon as possible:

- Transport Form
- Cyber Safety Form
- Phone list with any changes if needed

Regards

Darren, Heather, Irene and Diana

Upcoming Events:

TERM 1:

Weds 22 nd February	Immunisations talk - Y7+8
Fri 17 th February	Beach Ed @ Riversdale Beach
Mon 6 th February	Waitangi Day – School Closed
Fri 24 th Feb	Book Club orders due
Weds 1 st March	Rural Schools Swimming Sports
Fri 3 rd March	Ki-o-rahi Coastal Classic
Weds 8 th March	Masterton School Swim Sports
Thurs 15 th March	Wairarapa Swimming Sports
Weds 22 nd and Thurs 23 rd March	Interviews
Mon 27 th March	Science Roadshow – Senior Room
Thurs 6 th April	Immunisations - Y7+8
Thurs 13 th April	Term 1 Ends (teacher only day – no students)