Whangarei Heads School

Newsletter: Term 1, Week 8, 26th March 2021

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

The term has continued to be a very busy one. In the last 2 weeks we have had two camps, swimming sports, a Whānau Hui and sailing for Rooms 1 and 2.

The junior camps proved to be highly successful with great experiences for our junior children, including Kiwi spotting at Kiwi North, a museum visit, a fishing trip and for our younger children, the opportunity to visit Limestone Island by boat. All the juniors who stayed had great fun sleeping (or not) at school. A big thank you to the wonderful parents who helped support these camps, we could not do it without you, and to our teachers who provide such amazing experiences for our younger children.

Our junior swimming sports provided the opportunity to showcase the skills they have been honing in the pool, plus the confidence they now have in the water. The senior children have proved how great it is to be able to develop those skills in our pool at the WPSSA swimming competition in Whangarei. We have had our best results here for a very long time and the children who qualified will now go to the Northland championship in Dargaville.

Room 1 and 2 have been able to experience what it is like to go sailing as part of their Americas Cup/wind power study and by all accounts the children had great fun.

A big thank you to all the parents who attended the Whānau Hui last week, we had positive engagement from the parents who attended, that will enable us to move forward with building

a culturally inclusive environment. If you would like to give your views on the questions posed, please see me or I can send the questions to you if you would prefer.

I hope everyone enjoys the Easter break next weekend, and a reminder that the school is closed on the following Tuesday after Easter Monday.



Ngā Manaakitanga Denise Humphries

A big Whangarei Heads School Happy Birthday to: Bree Culina, Baxter Roux de Buisson, Miss Daisy Masutti, Abigail Gwilliam, Quinn Jessen, Lottie Gwilliam and Leroy Innes!!!





FUNKY FISH

POSTPONEMENT DAY – SUNDAY APRIL 18TH

Entry tickets for this event can be bought from our school office.

Kia ora all. We need your help!!!

Please complete this form to offer your help for our major fundraising event, even if you did so last time around as circumstances may have changed given the new date. There is a paper copy at the school office if this is easier. Thanks for doing your bit. https://forms.gle/yfQQ2ppTUjrmonng8

WONDER PROJECT

Calling all scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians - we need your help!

Some of our students will be taking part in the Wonder Project Rocket Challenge in Term 2. It's an amazing programme designed to get young Kiwis excited about STEM – science, technology, engineering and maths. The programme pairs STEM professionals with teachers to deliver the learning and we need more volunteers to help our kids design, build and launch water rockets!

Keen to help? It only requires 1 hour a week for 6–8 weeks during Term 2. The Wonder Project team will provide you with training and all the resources, including a rocket kit, a rocket launcher and all the teaching modules.

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to guide young people on the Rocket Challenge. We are looking for passionate and committed professionals working in STEM fields who want to make a real difference – and inspire wonder in the minds of young people in their community.

Register online at www.wonderproject.co.nz



CAMP

On Thursday and Friday last week Kidspace 1 had their camp. We were based at school on Thursday and we enjoyed participating in different craft, cooking and technology

activities like clay animals, bread creatures, animal lanterns,

bird feeders and hut building. The talent show was as epic as ever with magic, singing, jokes, and gym displays, not to mention some lovely makeup skills! Our older children slept over in the classroom and everyone enjoyed pancakes for breakfast before heading out on a boat trip to Matakohe/Limestone Island. Thanks to all the wonderful parents who came to help out and sent yummy baking to sustain us!







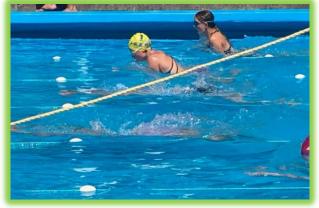
WPSSA Results 2021 for Whangarei Heads School

BACKSTROKE		
Ruben	8th	Y7B
Izzy	10th	Y8G
Lottie	13th	Y8G
Tai	5th	Y5B
Macy	2nd	Y5G
Thomas	5th	Y6B
Zoe	4th	Y6G
Molly	5th	Y6G
Nina	2nd	Y4G
Ella	5th	Y4G
BREASTSTROKE		
Jayde	2nd	Y5G
Macy	5th	Y5G
Thomas	5th	Y6B
Nina	1st	Y4G
Ella	4th	Y4G
Kobi	9th	Y7B
FREESTYLE		
Macy	3rd	Y5G
Tai	9th	Y5B
Zoe	3rd	Y6G
Nina	1st	Y4G
Рорру	4th	Y4G
Ella	10th	Y4G
Leroy	9th	Y7B
Izzy	7th	Y8G









Well done to all of our swimmers who represented Whangarei Heads School at the Whangarei School Swimming Champs last Wednesday. All the children swam extremely well. We have six who swam in the top four and who have qualified for the Northland Swimming Championship held in Dargaville Wednesday March 31st.









Thud as we hit the crashing waves swish swash swish swash the wind is gailing through the unstable harbour. As the Optimus raced through the rough water I thought to myself this is the best day of my life as we steered back into shore I was sad to leave the little red sailing boat. By Andrew.

KIDSPACE 2 CAMP

Kidspace 2 had a fabulous time away at camp. We got to get up close to some kiwi in the kiwi house at Kiwi North as well as spot some well camouflaged geckos. Staying in Te Mangaroa and in our classroom was also a highlight! The weather for our day at Taurikura beach was perfect and some of us even managed to catch some snapper! Thanks so much to Amy and Tim Wall who let us come fishing on their awesome boat. The kids had an incredible time catching shrimps with nets, climbing rocks and fishing. Thank you so much to all the parents who helped out!

I went to Kiwi North and I went swimming at the beach and we had delicious pancakes. I liked sleeping at Whangarei Heads School and when we did marshmallows on the fire. - Aubrey



I went to Kiwi North. There was a male and a female kiwi. It was very dark I could barely see. I watched and watched and they were very fast in their cage. I saw the lady feed the kiwi. I wonder what she was feeding the kiwi? - Primrose



I LIKED CAMP BECAUSE I WENT TO THE BEACH AND JUMPED OFF A ROCK. I WENT TO KIWI NORTH AND I SLEPT AT SCHOOL. IT WAS HARD TO SLEEP BUT I GOT TO SLEEP AFTER ALL. IN THE MORNING WE WENT TO THE BEACH AND I CAUGHT A SHRIMP AND THEN WE ALL WENT HOME. - CONOR



Whangarei Heads School School Board of Trustees By-Election

Voting papers have been mailed out this week. Please make time to vote because your vote counts. You can post your voting paper to 28 Whangarei Heads School Road, RD 4, Whangarei. 0174 or hand deliver to the school office.

Election day - Wednesday, 7th April. Closes 4pm Accept Postal Votes - Monday 12th April Count Votes - Tuesday 13th April Board takes Office - Wednesday 14th April

REMINDERS:

CROSSING

SICK CHILDREN – A friendly reminder to please keep your child home if they are unwell. If your child or family member has had a Covid test, please inform the school and we kindly request they are kept home until a negative test is given. Thank you.

PARKING

- If you would like to park, please do so in front of the Playcentre.
- Please leave the 'bus stop' area in front of the big rock clear of parked cars
- Please do not park on the forest side of the road leave this clear for the drive and collect cars

DRIVE AND COLLECT

- If you prefer to drive up and turn around at the school gate we will deliver your child/ren to you in your car
- We will keep this line of cars moving as quickly as possible

ATTENDANCE

A reminder to please phone or email the office before 9.30am if your child is going to be absent. Please indicate the reason for the absence, as this is necessary for our records. When leaving a message please indicate how many days they will be absent, this will save you calling every day. Thankyou.

Children who are late to school are required to report to the office before going to class.

PLEASE NOTE: IF WE DO NOT HAVE CONTACT FROM PARENT/CAREGIVER, WE MUST MARK YOUR

CHILD AS TRUANT.

COLLECTING CHILDREN EARLY

A friendly reminder to report to the school office when you are collecting your child early from school. It is important for the safety of your child in case there is an emergency at school.

MESSAGES FOR YOUR CHILDREN

If you have a message for your child, please call the school office by 2.30pm to allow plenty of time to deliver it. Thank you.

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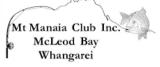






Eric Jagger





Headlice

Unfortunately, these little critters have made their home in some of our children's hair. Can you please check your child's hair and get them treatment as soon as possible? If you need any advice or information, there are leaflets available from the school office. Alternatively, your local pharmacy will be able to help.

https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/head-lice



IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday March 30

Tues to Thurs March 30 – April 1
Friday April 2
Monday April 5
Tuesday April 6
Wednesday April 7
Tuesday April 13
Mon to Thursday April 12 to 15
Friday April 16
Sunday April 18th
Monday May 3
Tuesday June 8

BoT Meeting – 5.30pm Staffroom (date changed due to personal reasons)

Room 3 Camp – Ruakaka Scout Den Good Friday – NO SCHOOL Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL Easter Tuesday – NO SCHOOL By-Election Day Count of Votes for By-Elections Room 2 Camp – Lonsdale Park Last Day of Term Funky Fish Competition Term 2 Starts.



We encourage you to use internet banking for any school payments.

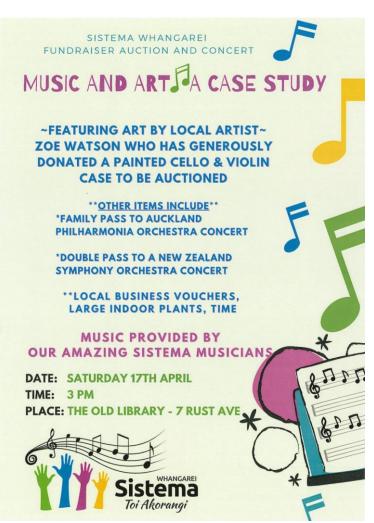
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FUNKY FISH: 12-3092-0033347-03

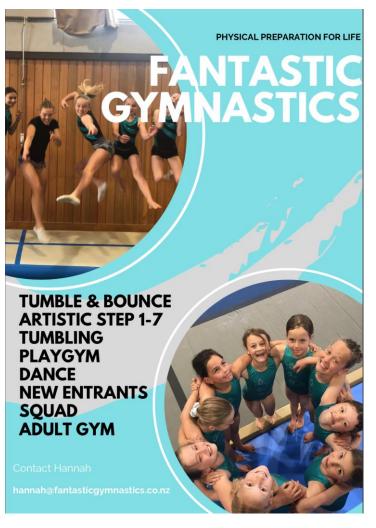
School Photos

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

• Manaia Hockey Year 2/3 practise starts the 31st March at Whangarei Heads School, 3:30PM till 4:30PM. Please bring your stick, shin guards, mouth guards and a funtastic attitude to play hockey! Any other interested players who would love to join this amazing team can turn up on the day or call Shara on 02102668025. Yours in Hockey- Annette Diamond (Coach) and Shara Halford (Manager).









or contact Christian 021 246 7328

GYMNASTICS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPOT TUESDAY & THURSDAYS 20, 22,27,29TH APRIL 12:00 - 4:00PM

Contact: hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz

OPEN 7 DAYS 10AM - 6PM (LAST ENTRY 5PM) 1511 LEIGH ROAD, MATAKANA

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SPECTATOR: \$5.00
GROUP DEALS

FAMILY PASS (2 X ADULTS 2 X CHILDREN): \$99.00
GROUPS OF 10 AND OVER: \$5 DISCOUNT PER PERSON

WHAT TO BRING

FOOD AND WATER
SUNBLOCK
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(FOR THE WATERSLIDE)
BRING A PICINC OR USE OUR BBQ!*

THE BRAMBLE CAFÉ WHICH SERVES
DELICIOUS FOOD AND DRINK IS NEXT DOOR
AND OPEN EVERY DAY FROM 6AM UNTIL 3PM.

NO HARNESSES NEEDED!

WE USE A PATENTED AIR BAG SYSTEM TO SAFELY FALL FROM THE ACTIVITIES.

YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO LAND SAFELY ON YOU BACK OR BUM BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO TAKE PART. FOR KIDS 5 AND UNDER, THERE IS THE BOUNCING PILLOW AND MAZE WHICH CAN BE USED AT ANY TIME. MOST RIDES ARE SUITED TO CONFIDENT 5 YEARS OLDS AND ABOVE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE NINJA WARRIOR COURSE AND THE TRAPEZE WHICH ARE HEIGHT AND ABILITY DEPENDENT.

IF YOU HAVE ANY PRE-EXSITING INJURIES OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS, PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH US AND DISCLOSE THIS TO OUR STAFF AT THE FRONT DESK SO WE CAN BEST ADVISE YOU ON YOUR SUITABILITY TO THE ACTIVITIES.



