



Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa



Thank you to all the parents who turned up to the Support Group meeting on Tuesday, it was a very positive meeting. We now have a group of 12 parents, who will help organise/co-ordinate events, and support the teachers. They have also come up with some great ideas for fundraising and are already working on projects to enhance our school environment and provide additional resources for our children. We will be having a further meeting this term to organise the 'Movie Night' and it would be great to see more people at that meeting

joining the group. The group will be asking for your support as well, to help with certain events, so be prepared to be shoulder tapped!

This term we will be having 'Passion Time' on three Fridays, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 25<sup>th</sup> June and 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Passion time is where teachers or adults share their passions and the children get an opportunity to also be involved in an activity that they are passionate about, but don't necessarily get an opportunity to follow that passion within the school week.

Our School Councillors have canvassed the classes and so far we have the following groups -

Adam and Alex Hunter - Bush Craft (20 kids)

Emily Drake - Coding/3D printing

Piwakawaka - help in the class

Dane Higgison - Wheels & Sports

Tineke Maunder - STEAM cooking and NZ history

Bridget Crouchley - Art / Plants



Other ideas were - Body Boarding/Surfing, Horse-riding, Hairdressing, Fencing, Fishing and Music.

Our years 0-1 in Piwakawaka will be doing their own activities in the class with Sharon Allen and myself, and are often joined by older children, who get a chance to run activities with our younger children.

If you think you can help out in any of these areas, or take a group that is so far not covered by an adult, please see me or the class teacher.



Next Monday our teachers will be going into Whangarei for a hui to introduce the team to a STEAM program called 'Digital Circus', which we will be using within the school this year, as are all the schools in our Community of Learning cluster. The staff will then be going to the Nathan Wallis talk on 'The Teenage Brain'.

Lisa Watson will again be working in all the classes next Tuesday providing our teachers with professional development in Te Reo.

Also next Thursday, Alex Hunter and myself will be attending the Northland Environmental Awards evening, as our school is a finalist in the 'Environment in Education Award'. This award recognises those in the education sector that are driving learning and action to bring about change on environmental issues. The award is specific to schools, kura Māori, early childhood centres or tertiary institutions, and can include the whole school, groups or individuals. The nomination recognises our partnership with the Bream Head Conservation Trust. One of our past pupils, Jayden Edwards is also a finalist for his work as a 'Junior Fisheries Officer' the award being for 'Environmental Action in the Community'

Our 'Funky Fishing' totals are pretty much sorted now, with just a few bills to pay. We are looking at a profit of \$26,000, with \$7,500 from the fish auction going to the library for new books. This is the most we have ever raised in all the years the event has been held, so a huge thank you to all of you who made this possible.

Ngā Manaakitanga

Denise Humphries

**If you have an interest or expertise in Art, our teachers need support for the Art Exhibition that will be held later this year, please let myself or Paula know if you think you can help.**



**A big Whangarei Heads School Happy Birthday to: Tilly Heywood, Ryder O'loan, Jimmy Harris, Lucas Olsen-Durrant and Aliviah-Rose Sullivan!!!**



## Summit Club Bake Sale

Next Tuesday at morning tea, Summit Club will be holding a Bake Sale in order to raise money for some club T-shirts. Please send your child with a gold coin and any donations of baking. Thank you!





## THANK YOU!

We would like to thank Louise McGregor so much for donating our new chickens. We are grateful to have chickens that will lay eggs. From Korora



## ENVIRO GROUP

For the last three years our School Enviro Group (different children each year) has been working on a variety of tasks including trapping pests, removing weeds and planting natives around the school. This is an ongoing project supported at different times by Northland Regional Council, Weed Action and Bream Head Conservation Trust. In term one we were lucky enough to make a video with LEARNZ to document this project and it was entered into the NRC Environmental Awards. Last week we received this wonderful news...

We are delighted to announce Whangarei Heads School as a finalist in the Education category in the 2021 Northland Regional Council Whakamānawa ā Taio – Environmental Awards. This year we received 47 applications across the eight categories and judges were impressed by the high calibre of entries.

On Thursday 27 May some of our teachers will attend an event in Kerikeri where the eight Category winners and overall Te Tohu Matua - Supreme Award will be announced.







On Wednesday Kotare and Korora met up and joined 1959000 children from around NZ and Australia for the annual simultaneous story time from the International Space Station. We enjoyed the reading of 'Give Me Some Space' by an astronaut. This was a pretty cool way to launch our joint Space topic for this term.

## SCHOOL FIREWISE VISIT

Last week the school had an educational visit from Fire & Emergency NZ and delivered the schools Firewise program. We hope the kids came home with some Firewise questions and safety ideas on how you are prepared at home in case of a fire emergency. FENZ can assist with smoke alarm installation, advice on escape plans, safe meeting places, general fire safety tips and advice. You may even qualify for free smoke alarms in your home. Contact Greg Hartwell (Fire Risk Management Officer & member of your local volunteer brigade) 0272453849



# Board Bites

We hope that you all are doing well and that all our students and families are enjoying the new school term.

We would like to start by welcoming our new board members; Emily Bengel, Rebecca Brown and David McDonald, who were successfully elected at the by-election in April. We would also like to acknowledge all who stood in the by-election. The high calibre of all candidates reflected the passion and dedication of our school community, for which we can all be grateful. Thanks also to our amazing returning officer, Paula Kanara, and finally – thanks to everyone who voted! The turnout was bigger than ever, so a ngā mihi nui to everyone involved.

We would like to also acknowledge the amazing mahi of the staff and key members of the Funky Fish team, as well as all the volunteers, students and sponsors who together pulled off the most successful fundraising event in our school's history. A whopping \$26,838 was raised! A special shout-out to the key organising committee:

- Dane Higgison
- Denise Humphries
- Greg Hartwell
- Warren Parr
- Mel Leahy
- Annette Diamond
- Matt Dennis
- Tim and Amy Wall
- David McDonald
- David O'Brien
- Elanit Valent
- Jodi Kake
- Jo Smith



And in other news, now that we have a fully elected board, we have re-started the appointment process of a new principal. The aim is to appoint someone in term four for a start date of term one, 2022.

We are continuing to work through our policies, updating them where required. You are now able to access all school policies via the School Docs link on our school website.

The school continues to experience growth, which is encouraging as we have a pretty unique and special school. As a board, we have the implications of growth on our radar. At our next board meeting, we will look at drafts of the 5YA (5-year funding agreement) and 10YPP (10-year property plan) that we recently received from the Ministry of Education, reviewing our options in light of not only current growth but also projections for the future.

Well, that is it for now but we look forward to sharing further updates after our next board meeting.

Ngā mihi nui,

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*Speak UP* #PINKSHIRTDAYNZ  
**STAND TOGETHER  
STOP BULLYING**  
KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA





# SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup>

Please contact Liz Davies direct for any queries.

## Whangarei Heads School Photo Order Form

Photos will be taken on: 8 June 2021

Online/Prepaid orders must be completed and paid by: 7 June 2021



Easy online ordering at [www.lizdaviesphotography.co.nz](http://www.lizdaviesphotography.co.nz)

Please order online if paying by credit card or direct credit.

Use this order form if paying with cash and return it to school.

PLEASE USE ONE ORDER FORM PER FAMILY						Please tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> appropriate boxes			
Contact Phone No.						Class Photos		Portrait Photos	
Email Address						Class	Combo	Indiv.	Sibling
Child's Surname	First name	Class No.							

Browse the product range below and indicate quantities (number) of products required in the orange circles

Class Photo/ Funny Photo	A4 size (21 x 30cm) Laminated & Named \$18	A5 size (15 x 21cm) Named \$15	FUNNY PHOTO (12.5 x 18cm) \$10	Total \$

Combination Pack	Class Photo and INDIVIDUAL Portrait Combined (not available for sibling/family photos)	Total \$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x A4 named class photo with individual insert</li> <li>2 x 12.5 x 18cm</li> <li>4 x wallet</li> <li>2 x postcards</li> <li>FREE Funny Photo</li> </ul>		\$48

**PORTRAIT PHOTOS**  
NB: Family photos will be taken between 8.15 and 8.30am.

SIBLINGS: Children attending this school only  
FAMILY: Adults and/or children NOT attending this school along with siblings

BRONZE Package	4 x wallet photos 2 x postcards 1 x 12.5 x 18cm	BRONZE: INDIVIDUAL \$22	BRONZE: SIBLING \$27	BRONZE: FAMILY \$32	Total \$

SILVER Package	4 x wallet photos 2 x postcards 1 x A4 photo FREE Funny Photo	SILVER: INDIVIDUAL \$27	SILVER: SIBLING \$32	SILVER: FAMILY \$37	Total \$

GOLD Package	8 x wallet photos 4 x postcards 2 x 12.5 x 18cm 1 x A4 photo FREE Funny Photo	GOLD: INDIVIDUAL \$35	GOLD: SIBLING \$40	GOLD: FAMILY \$45	Total \$

Digital Image	We will email a high resolution digital image suitable for printing at large sizes to the email address you specify below:	INDIVIDUAL \$30	SIBLING \$35	FAMILY \$40	Total \$

Any enquiries to Liz's email: [photos@lizdaviesphotography.co.nz](mailto:photos@lizdaviesphotography.co.nz) or call her on 027 457 1151

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In case you haven't heard about this programme we use or wondered what it is about!

Zones of regulation is a programme that the school has implemented, ending the lessons in 2020. The programme was decided to be used from a School Well-being review that was done around three years after looking at data from a student survey (a committee of some teachers, parents, RTLB and Year 8 students).

This year we are revising lessons and keeping the zones language alive to introduce to our new school whanau and keep developing social and emotion skills. Your child may talk about their feelings in terms of being in the blue or green or yellow or red zone.

This is from the ZoR website which explains what the zones are about.

The Zones of Regulation framework and curriculum (Kuypers, 2011) teaches students scaffolded skills toward developing a metacognitive pathway to build awareness of their feelings/internal state and utilise a variety of tools and strategies for regulation, prosocial skills, self-care, and overall wellness. This includes exploring tools and strategies for mindfulness, sensory integration, movement, thinking strategies, wellness, and healthy connection with others. The Zones of Regulation provides a common language and compassionate framework to support positive mental health and skill development for all, while serving as an inclusion strategy for neurodiverse learners, those who have experienced trauma, and/or have specific needs in terms of social, emotional, and behavioural development.

The Zones of Regulation creates a systematic approach to teach regulation by categorizing all the different ways we feel and states of alertness we experience into four concrete coloured zones. Integrating in cognitive behaviour therapy, students build skills in emotional and sensory regulation, executive functioning, and social cognition. The framework is designed to help move students toward more independent regulation while also honouring and respecting each student and their unique self.



**Spit, don't rinse after brushing**  
Tuwha, kaua e opeopea i muri i te taitaitanga

**Avoid eating or drinking after brushing your teeth; especially at night**



**Need a dental appointment for your child?**  
**CALL 800 MY TEETH (0800 698 3384)**

NORTHLAND DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD  
Te Puwhiri Hauora o Te Tai Tokerau



## **REMINDERS:**

### **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



**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.

### **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.

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Wednesday May 26  
Weds to Fri May 2 to 4  
Wednesday 2 June  
Monday 7 June  
Tuesday June 8  
Friday June 18  
Friday July 9  
Monday July 26  
Monday August 23  
Friday December 17

Year 7 & 8 Winter Sports – Kensington Park  
Life Education  
Year 4 to 6 Winter Sports – Kensington Park  
Queen's Birthday – NO SCHOOL  
School Photos  
Science Roadshow – Years 5-8 WIS  
End of Term 2  
Start of Term 3  
Teacher Only Day – NO SCHOOL  
Last Day of 2021

*We encourage you to use internet banking for any school payments.*  
**SCHOOL FEES: School Bank Account Number: 12-3092-0033347-00**

COMMUNITY NOTICES:



Come along and get  
some great tips and  
ideas on parenting:

- Get cooperation  
from your kids  
without feeling like  
a grump

- Evidence-based  
principles that work with  
toddlers through to  
teenagers

**John Cowan**

Writer | Speaker | Radio | Councillor

# Keys To Cooperation

- A cool-headed, kind-  
hearted approach to  
discipline

**Parenting Evening**

Friday 21 May | 7 PM

Church Unlimited | 10 Mill Road, Regent

Cuppa & Cake Included  
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