



Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa



It has been great to see all the children's happy faces, being back from lockdown, behind the masks I have seen some pretty big smiles on parents faces too. This week we have been getting back into classroom routines and the learning that has been planned for this term. A big thank you to our amazing staff for the huge effort they have put in to provide lockdown learning for our children. Thank you also to the parents who helped support this learning at home. If you have any chrome books or chargers at home please send them in, we are still missing a few.

Unfortunately, we have been unable to put on a banquet for the second year running for our Year 7/8 technology, due to Covid levels, however

Tineke Maunder and Claire Pearson have put together a plan that will allow the children to cook a three course meal and serve it to a staff member and a group of their own class members. I have had the pleasure of sampling a 3-course Korean meal this week, cooked and served by a group of our senior children. It was delicious and professionally cooked and served. I am very proud of our amazing children, thank you Claire Pearson, head chef for teaching them such amazing skills. Each group will prepare a meal from a different country. Technology for Kārearea ran all this week, with woodwork run by Mark Garry, sewing with Dulcie Herring, Art with Tineke Maunder and Cooking with Claire Pearson. A big thank you to these people for providing such a great experience for our children.

We are hoping that some of our other booked events will still happen, such as the Sea Cleaners visit to Kororā and Kōtare and the Bike Ready program for our Year 5 to 8 children.

It seems hard to believe that we have less than three weeks left before the holidays, but we are trying to fit in as much planned learning as possible while being aware that some of our children have arrived back at school quite anxious and need support and care at this time.

***"Me mahi tahi tatou mo te oranga o te katoa
We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone".***

Ngā Manaakitanga
Denise Humphries

A big Whangarei Heads School Happy Birthday to: Hunter Kauika, Penny Barr, Izzy Kake, Cosimo De Donatis-Mooyman, Harper Talbot, Hugh Roelants, Conor Leahy, Mya Tomason, Mac Haggerty and Mrs Drake!!!



Maths Week



Pre lockdown we celebrated maths week by having our annual house maths competition. The participants were challenged by the questions in front of a very excited crowd. In the end Aubrey were the winners, closely followed by Lion, and Manaia and Kauri were third equal.



We also had two teams represent our school at the Whangarei Schools Mathex competition at Whangarei Boys High School. Our Year 6 team finished 4th out of 42 schools!

Year 6 representatives were: Caleb, Aria W, Abigail, and Tommy

Year 8 representatives were: Bri, Izzy, Daisy and Arthur.



A BIG congratulations to Riley Croasdale who competed recently in the National Gymnastic Championships and won!! He is the under 10-year-old NZ National champ for tumbling. Way to go Riley, we are very proud of you!!



Spare Clothing for the Sickbay

We are asking for any spare clothes for our sickbay please. We are mainly in need of pants of all sizes for both girls and boys. If you have any laying around, we would much appreciate them.

Thank you.



Thinking forward to 2022...

All Year 6 and 7 parents are welcome to come to a meeting on Tuesday 28th September at 6pm in Karearea. I will cover what being a year 7 and 8 student looks like at Whangarei Heads School, and will let you know some of the exciting things we will be covering next year.

It would be fantastic to see you there, but if you are unable to attend, but would like the information, please let me know and I will share the google slide show with you. You are also welcome to come and talk to me, my door is always open.

Tineke Maunder

Masks for sale



Karearea have been making masks as part of their tech week. These masks are now for sale, and the proceeds will go towards our camp next term. \$10 per mask. There are a variety of colours and patterns to choose from.

Please order via tineke.m@whangareiheads.school.nz. You can either pay online to the school account or with cash, and your student can collect the mask from Whaea Tineke.



BOOK DAY

Friday September 24th

To celebrate WHS Book Day we are having a dress up. Children and staff are encouraged to come dressed up as their favourite book character. It will be loads of fun!



Technology Week



REMINDERS:

LEVEL 2 RULES:

- Drop off and pick ups at the gate only.
- Masks are compulsory if you enter the school grounds.
- You must sign in or use the Covid app when entering the school grounds.
- If collecting children early, please call the school office and Paula will walk child to the gate.

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.

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.

IMPORTANT DATES: *(if Covid doesn't ruin it)*

Friday September 24

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Tuesday September 28

Friday October 1

Monday October 18

Monday October 25

Friday October 29

Friday November 5

Tuesday November 9

Tuesday November 16

Mon to Fri November 22-26

Friday December 17

Book Day – Dress up

Pancake Breakfast – Gold coin donation

Meeting for Years 6 & 7 Parents – Karearea 6pm

End of Term 3

Start of Term 4

Labour Day – NO SCHOOL

Halloween Disco

Art Exhibition Opening

Years 4-6 Zone Athletics at Parua Bay School

Years 7 & 8 Zone Athletics at Parua Bay School

Karearea Rotorua Trip

Last Day of 2021

*Pancake Breakfast – Sorry
parents this is for children and staff
at this point. More details to come
next week.*



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

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

In today's world, it's essential for young people to learn how to create technology not just consume it. Coding NZ's lessons empower students with the tools they need and help give students the best chance at being successful in our increasingly digital age. Extend your child's awareness and horizons. Free trial lessons available now at www.codingnz.com/signup.

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CODING LESSONS



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Coding NZ Lessons

- Learn coding languages to create technology.
- An expert tutor is online to help during lessons.
- 1 hour per week at 4pm, 5pm or 6pm weekdays.
- Try a free trial lesson at codingnz.com



Free Kids Only Holiday Surf Programme

We are running our popular holiday surf programme over the Spring School Holidays on Tutukaka Coast & Taupo Bay. This is free for 11-18 year olds

Fun, Active & Healthy

11-18yr olds | Monday-Friday | Morning or Afternoon Sessions

Tutukaka & Taupo Bay | 4-8 Oct & 11-15 Oct 2021

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment.



Limited spaces | Please email to book

surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz

www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz

Break-Away
School Holiday Programmes



FUTSAL

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Our holiday programmes are focused on kids having loads of fun in a safe & friendly environment.

Futsal...and so much more!

Kids aged 7 - 13

Mon 4th - Fri 8th October
8:30 - 4:00pm

WEEKLY FUTSAL SESSIONS

Our futsal academy sessions run during school terms and cater to boys and girls of all abilities.

TERM 4 SESSION TIMES

Ages	Days & Times
7 - 9yrs	Wed 4:30 - 6:00pm
	Thu 4:30 - 6:00pm
10 - 12yrs	Mon 4:30 - 6:00pm
	Tue 4:30 - 6:00pm
	Fri 4:30 - 6:00pm
13 - 16yrs	Tue 6:00 - 7:30pm
	Thu 6:00 - 7:30pm
	Fri 6:00 - 7:30pm

All our programmes are at
The home of Northland Futsal
Excellere College, Kamo

for more info & registration visit
northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
 or contact Christian
christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
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Junior Tennis Coaching at Onerahi Tennis Club

Junior tennis coaching will resume on Monday 18th October 2021 and run for 8 weeks of term four and another 8 weeks in term one of 2022.

3:30pm – 4:30pm for 6 – 8 year olds.
 4:30pm – 5:30pm for 9 – 12 year olds.
 5:30pm – 6:30pm for 13 year olds and over.

Membership (\$100 for under 12 year olds, \$120 for 12 and over) includes use of the club for one year in addition to the coaching. Any questions please contact:
 Gerry Hess at 09 971 9652 or ghess321@gmail.com

Manaia Ridge Pest Control 2021 - Notice

Manaia Landcare will be undertaking further pest control in the Manaia reserve through Spring/Summer 2021/2

The work is to reduce possum, rat and stoat numbers to support our forest and especially the kiwi chicks about to hatch!

From September 1st a small amount, (up to 200gm), of cereal bait containing Sodium Fluoroacetate (1080) will be placed in the manaia bait station network, any uneaten bait will be removed by late October.

This operation is under the existing Manaia MOH permission.

Bait stations on the lower bait lines and in the vicinity of the public track are excluded - (Double Tap or Ratabate will be used in these areas).

The Manaia summit access track will remain open to the public throughout the operation.

Precautions throughout project period:

keep to the marked public track when in the reserve, all other areas are closed.

- **keep pets out of the reserve, bait and carcasses are toxic to dogs and cats**
- **watch children at all times**

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Te Manawa o Whangārei

Pānui #2

Term 3 2021

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to Term 3 and our second pānui. We hope you have had a restful holiday!

Te Manawa o Whangārei kicked off the term with Digital Circus working in our schools around our **STEAM** Achievement Challenge.

WITHIN SCHOOL TEACHER HUI

Our first hui for all our Within School Teachers is being held 11 August. We are looking forward to working with the team!

HUB NEWS

The next Wellbeing Hui is on 18 August at Semenoff Stadium (Please note the change of venue). The format for the day is similar to the last day, however, the three breakout sessions will be of equal length. Furthermore, Denise will give us some short sharp strategies to help students become more resilient. We look forward to working with Denise and her team.

OUTLINE

Himene / Karakia / Mihi mihi

Whakawhanaungatanga: Fostering intentional connection - bringing others into the room

Navigating the ups, down and don't knows: Practical strategies to support resilience

Story hui: A process for sharing learning, success strengthening wellbeing and resilience

Across Kura learning: Harvesting ideas, building resources, sharing success, slam dunks

Deep Dive Sessions

Denise - Storytelling and strengths: for culture, wellbeing and literacy

Gayle - Ko wai au? Story hui - using our own stories to grow - how to get started

Chris - Collaboration Ninja Training - wrangling, tantrums and impact

Greg - Working 'WITH': Wellbeing - Restorative Practices - Circles - Strengths: connecting it all together

Nga mihi ki a koutou,

Kate Fortune, Christine Dean, Sharon Wendt, Adam Crump

Kahui Ako - Across School Teachers

BETTER START LITERACY APPROACH

The Better Start Literacy Approach, is an integrated classroom literacy programme for Year 0/1 classrooms to support children's early reading, writing and oral language success. It incorporates vocabulary development using quality children's story books, structured teaching of critical phonological awareness skills and letter-sound knowledge through fun, game-based activities, activities making explicit links to the reading and spelling context, and structured small group reading sessions using the new Ready to Read – Phonics Plus early readers series. The Better Start Literacy Approach follows a phonics scope and sequence that is used in the class and small group reading teaching.

All our primary schools have taken up this professional learning opportunity and will be training with the University of Canterbury.

Parent support can be accessed through www.betterstartapproach.com/families



Kathryn Berkett
Tāhu te Ahi

30th September
Whangārei Boys High School Hall

Our guest speaker is Kathryn Berkett and her presentation will focus on the neuroscience of trauma, and responses and strategies to help children and young people impacted by these experiences.

Developing Resilience - 4.00 – 5.30
Teacher/School Session

Raising Resilient Children - 7.00—9.00
Parent/Caregiver Session

This workshop will cover how trauma can impact the development of the brain, and how we can increase the 'antidote' = resilience. Both of these concepts, the cause and the cure, will be covered in language that is easy to understand and apply, whilst still being based in research and neuroscience.





There are lots of reasons why **STEAM** learning can be beneficial for your child. Here are a few:

- Learning in real-life contexts makes it more relevant.
- Encourages exploration and discovery.
- Builds connections in their learning.
- Encourages their natural curiosity.
- Promotes decision making and groupwork negotiating.
- The skills learned can be applied to a variety of careers.
- Technology is a vital part of our future.
- Skills overlap like they would in the workforce.
- Prepares learners for future jobs that may not exist yet.
- It's good fun!



DIGITAL CIRCUS

Tracey Kinloch-Jones from Digital Circus worked with many of our schools last week. In the Primary Schools she introduced STEAM by Stealth or STEAM in a book. It is an engaging way of integrating STEAM through the Literacy programme. Children focus on a problem they have identified from the story and look at many ways of trying to solve the problem. Tracey read "The Very Noisy Night" to the children. In these photos some Year 1 children are designing beds big enough for Little Mouse to share with Big Mouse so he won't be scared.

2021 DATES

Term 2 - Sept 20 - 23 (Week 9)
Term 4 - Nov 29 - Dec 3 (Week 7)



WRITE THAT ESSAY

The Kāhui Ako has been successful gaining 200 PLD hours to continue working with Write That Essay. The second round will start this term with WTE working closely with our teachers. There will be a focus on sustainability to ensure WTE becomes embedded in our schools and classrooms.

Focus:

- ✓Leading School Wide Improvement
- ✓Across Curriculum Planning
- ✓Assessment

VERY SHORT SENTENCE

Structure:

- 2-5 words
- Subject and verb

Function:

- Impact
- Power
- Emphasis

Examples:

- The door slammed shut.
- Statistics reveal a tragic truth.
- It was all so simple.



TERM 3 DATES

Thursday 05/08	Leading School Wide writing improvement (SFX / Ngunguru)
Monday 09/08	Leading School Wide Writing Improvement (St Josephs, Matarau, Maungatapere)
Friday 20/08	Leading School Wide Writing Improvement (Pompallier am / WGHS pm)
Thursday 12/08	Precision Workshop (Catch Up)
Tuesday 24/08	Precision Coaching - SFX (In School)
Wednesday 25/08	Precision Coaching - Ngunguru (In School)
Thursday 26/08	Precision Coaching - St Josephs (In School)
Wednesday 01/09	Precision Coaching - Maungatapere (In School)
Thursday 02/09	Precision Coaching - Parua Bay (In School)
Wednesday 08/09	Paragraph Workshop High School (ZOOM)
Thursday 09/08	Assessment and Improvement - WGHS (ZOOM)

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari te toa takitini

I come not with my own strengths but bring with me the gifts, talents and strengths of my whanau, iwi and tupuna (family, tribe and ancestors).