



Whangarei Heads School Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 9 - Friday 1st of April

Kia ora Whanau

It is wonderful to have all our staff and many children back from illness. I was able to walk around the classes this morning and see first hand the wonderful learning going on in every classroom space. The children were happy, engaged and there was a lovely sense of purpose in every room.

We are so pleased to be able to have the community back in our school grounds. Remember you are able to come into the grounds and collect your child. Masks are no longer needed outside, but are required inside Korora, Kotare and Karearea.

Unfortunately, the MOE Covid Protection framework still states "It is strongly recommended that assemblies do not go ahead in Red".

The earlier information indicated that provided we did not go over 200, we could have an assembly. Let's hope that we shift to Orange level with the review of Traffic Light System on Monday 4th April. I will let you know when we can have an assembly, we know these provide an important link between the school and community.

Sadly we are losing a valued member of our team next term.

Bridget and her partner Andrew are heading off on the Big OE. Friday 27 May will be Bridget's last day with us. Bridget has contributed so much to Whangarei Heads School as the teacher of Tui Class and also leading a school choir. She will be sadly missed. Plans for her farewell will be shared with you all next term.

We are pleased to be able to announce that we have appointed Fiona Ellis to join the team here at Whangarei Heads School. Fiona has been working in the school since the beginning of the year as a release teacher in the Junior School. Fiona is an experienced teacher, with a passion for Enviro Education. She is a wonderful addition to the team and will take over in Tui from Bridget.

Kelly Mercer - Principal

Coming Events:

Week 10 - 4-8 April

Funky Fish Raffle Sales
- keep selling those tickets!

Week 11 - 11-15 April

Term Ends - Thursday 14 April

Term 2 Begins - Monday 2 May

Week 1 - 2-6 May

E-Pro 8 - Interschool Event

4 May - Year 7/8

5 May - Year 5/6

6 May - Chess Competition

Week 2 - 9-13 May

12 May - STEAM training for teachers

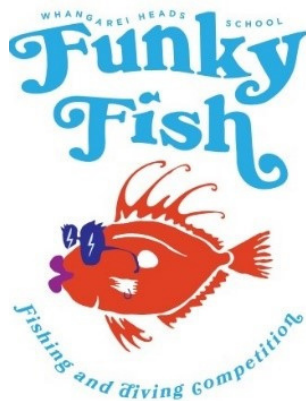
Week 3 - 16-20 May

17 May - Whanau Hui 6pm - TBC



Funky Fish Raffle

Its that time of year when our main fundraiser the Funky Fish Fishing & Diving Competition should be happening but due to the current "unprecedented circumstances" its not going ahead for the first time in its 20 year history, however we are rolling on with the raffle anyway thanks to 8 generous, amazing, sponsors. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 & prizes are valued over \$4k including a bunch of restaurant/bar vouchers.



A raffle pack should have found its way home by now. It contains 2 raffle books (\$2 per ticket or \$5 for 3), a prize list & general raffle information. If selling is not your thing please return the unsold tickets to the school to save me making more than required. More tickets will be available from the office.

All proceeds from the raffle are going toward an asphalt multi-wheel pump track & field loop which we have in the pipeline, please help make this vision a reality by flogging off as many tickets to unsuspecting friends & family.

Thanks a million, The Funky Fish Raffle Department Committee



2022
WHANGAREI HEADS SCHOOL
FUNKY FISH FISHING & DIVING COMPETITION
RAFFLE PRIZE LIST
(over \$4,000 worth of goodness)



1st Prize: AWAY WE GO Bed & Breakfast at the Copthorne Hotel & Resort Bay of Islands for 2 adults & 2 kids (12 & under), Explore Cruise for 2 adults & 2 kids (15 & under) & a \$200 gift voucher for Charlottes Kitchen (prize courtesy of Henderson Reeves & Copthorne Bay of Islands)

2nd Prize: WALK IT OFF Three-day package of walking, accommodation, food & daily transfers for two people with Bream Head Coast Walks (prize courtesy of Bream Head Coast Walks)

3rd Prize: KEEP IT LOCAL Two nights camping for the family at Treasure Island Caravan Park in Patua South, plus to help with the camp cooking you get a Weber Traveler BBQ & a \$200 supermarket voucher (prize courtesy of Donovans & Treasure Island Caravan Park)

4th Prize: \$250 gift voucher to Loco Bar & Restaurant courtesy of Jessen Earthworks

5th Prize: \$150 gift voucher for Loco Bar & Restaurant courtesy of Robinson Asphalts

6th – 15th Prize: 10 x \$100 restaurant gift vouchers courtesy of Daniel Foote Ray White

PLEASE GET IN BEHIND & SUPPORT OUR GENEROUS RAFFLE SPONSORS



Treasure Island Caravan Park



The Buzz around School

All classes have been doing some learning about bees this term. We have been using the awesome House of Science Kits to do a range of experiments.



Bees vibrate to get pollen off the flowers - Florrie



Emily's Bee Garden

Friday Lunches are back

Friday lunch orders restart next week with Sausage Sizzle and Lamingtons on the menu.

Keep an eye on Class Dojo and your emails for the link to order. When paying through internet banking please reference with full names and LUNCH.



Manaia Netball Club

We are looking for new and old players from Year 1 through to Year 8 for our combined Whangarei Heads & Parua Bay School netball teams.

If your child is interested, please contact me (Mel 0272455772) with their details.

Registrations are open and teams/trainings are getting set so please get in touch!

The season will kick off in Term 2.



Board Bites



Kia Ora School Whanau.

The Board would like to acknowledge and thank Kelly and all the staff for their amazing work this term. Covid has made for a tricky term and as usual the team has done a fantastic job to maintain as much of "normal" as possible for the children.

We are excited that with the great leadership of Kelly, the school charter is being looked at and we look forward to being able to consult with you all, the school community, to the direction and what is important to us all for our school.

2022 is a full Board election year. Further information will be shared on this later in the year.

Lastly, it is exciting that with the recent covid restriction changes, we will be able to return to meeting as a community in the school grounds and returning to some of our old normal things and maybe some new things too.

Finally the board would like to wish Bridget well on her adventure and welcome in Fiona Ellis to the permanent team at Whangarei Heads School. It is great to have an awesome teacher who knows our school and the children and can maintain the stability of the children so seamlessly with her appointment.

The Board is looking forward to connecting with you all again soon.

Nga Mihi

Josh and Hanna Co Board Chairs and Whangarei Heads Board team.

Junior Friday Fun!



Bus Timetable

Mornings

Oceans Bus

8:00AM Departs Taurikura

8:12AM Departs Ocean Beach

8:24AM Departs Ody Road

McLeods Bay

8:45AM Departs McLeods Bay, far end

Afternoon

McLeods Bay - First Bus

3:05PM The Deck to Neptune Drive

McLeods Bay - Second Bus

3:15PM Far End of McLeods Bay

Oceans Bus

3:25PM Taurikura and Ody Road

3:35PM Ocean Beach



Best Birthday wishes to the following students:

Nico, Abigail, Leroy, Fletcher,
Luca, Harley and Maya



Sell with Sam Swinburne of Bayleys and we will lend our support to Whangarei Heads school.

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Thank You Sam

Local real estate agent Sam Swinburne has pledged to make a donation to our school for every property sale in the Whangarei Heads zone. We have already received two generous donations to date.



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It's nearly football season – for all you keen players wanting to sign up again, registration will be online. Please go to the Northland Football Federation website to register at www.nff.org.nz. There is a page for mycomet to talk you through re-registering this year (<https://www.nff.org.nz/About/COMET-Guidelines>).

For new players wanting to join the club, we will hold a get together later in the term for registering and handing out kit. Many thanks!



Grade	Year of birth	Age on 1 Jan 2022
U5 (Rippe)	2018	3
	2017	4
U7 (Rippe)	2016	5
	2015	6
U8 (Tackle)	2015	6
	2014	7
U9	2014	7
	2013	8
U10	2013	8
	2012	9
U11	2012	9
	2011	10
U12	2011	10
	2010	11

Registration day / Weigh in 2022

SUNDAY APRIL 3rd

9am-10am

All registered players must weigh in

All old, new, interested players welcomed

Have a game, Grab a sausage,

Merchandise orders

Can't make the day? you can still register online at

www.sporty.co.nz

find us on FB Manaia Junior Rugby

It must be April 1st..

There was ice in our shoes.
Salt in our water bottles.
Water soaked sponges.
Tomato Sauce.
Toilet paper.
Milk colouring.
No one was safe.
Not even our visiting
Board member.
It was a relief for
all staff when the
clock struck 12.



Holiday Programme

Full Day 8.00am to 5.30pm **\$55.00**
Trip Day 8.00am to 5.30pm **\$60.00**
Short Day 8.00am to 3.00pm **\$40.00**

Mon 18th April
CLOSED
EASTER MONDAY

Tue 19th April
Tie Dye Tuesday
Bring something white to dye
Design your own rainbow

Wed 20th April
Whacky Wednesday
Its Wheels Day
Bring your skates, scooters, bikes, skateboards
DON'T FORGET YOUR SAFETY HELMET!!

Thu 21st April
ANZAC cookies & decorations!
Remembering those who fought for us.
Bake yummy Anzac cookies to take home & share, also a beautiful Anzac floral decoration

Fri 22nd April
TRIP DAY:
We will take the skids shuttle to watch a movie at event cinemas, followed by the aquatic center. Please arrive by 9am & we will return by 4pm

Mon 25th April
CLOSED
OBSERVING ANZAC DAY

Tue 26th April
Air Dry Clay Craft
Design and make your own air clay ornament/ Keychain

Wed 27th April
Whacky Wednesday
Its Wheels Day
Bring your skates, scooters, bikes, skateboards
DON'T FORGET YOUR SAFETY HELMET!!

Thu 28th April
Team Sports
Egg & spoon, Relay races, Giant sack races

Fri 29th April
TRIP DAY:
We will take the skids shuttle to watch a movie at event cinemas, followed by the aquatic center. Please arrive by 9am & we will return by 4 pm

EPIC SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Tue 19th - Fri 22nd April

Futsal...and so much more!

"The best holiday program in the world!"
Ollie, aged 10

Kids aged 7 - 13 years
8:30am - 4:00pm

1 day: \$45 per day
3+ days: \$40 per day

10% discount for siblings

@ The Home of Northland Futsal
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