



Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 4 - Friday 10 March

Nau Mai, Haere Mai

We are in the swing of EOTC weeks for all classes. It has been wonderful to be a part of some of the parent meetings (for those able to have them) and to read the planning in preparation for these camps. Camps are an incredible opportunity for children to learn in a different environment, and having a camp this early in the school year helps to bond the classes, developing friendships and establishing the class culture. There is a lot of preparation that goes into camps from the teachers, so I thank them for their incredible work and organisation to create both a fun and safe experience for everyone.

You will have heard in the media that the Primary Teachers Union and the Primary Principal's union are intending to strike on Thursday 16th March. There will be official advice coming out from the Board in regards to this, but yes we will be closed for instruction on Thursday 16th March. The following is a summary of the reasons for the strike action; it is not something we teachers and principals do easily. *Our tamariki need a quality education. And we want to give that to them. Unfortunately, the funding for our schools and kindergartens is not enough for us to give us the time we would like to support all our kids to thrive. We need to attract and retain educators by ensuring that teaching is a valued and attractive profession.*

We are having a review of the use of the school grounds (including classrooms and admin areas) by the Gaidhealtachd. They hire the school each January (from Dec 30th - Jan 8th) each year. If you would like to add your voice to the review process, please email the office@whangareiheads.school.nz and Courtney will gather this information for the Board.

Ngā mihi nui
Kelly

Coming Events:

11 March - Wild Kiwi Event

Week 7 - 13-17 Mar

13-17 Mar - Karearea Camp
16 March - STRIKE School Closed

Week 8 - 20-24 Mar

20 Mar - Funky Fish Meeting 6pm
23-24 Mar - Tui Camp

Week 9 - 27-31 March

28-31 March Kotare Camp
**April 2 - Funky Fish
Fishing and Diving Competition**

Week 10 - 3-7 April

6 April - Last Day of Term

Term 2

Teacher Only Day
Monday 24 April
Term begins - Wed 26 April

Our Place to Grow and Learn together
Ko tātou kura, kia tipu, kia ako ngātahi



EPro8 Challenge - Kārearea

A super successful night for the Kārearea Epro8 team, convincingly taking out the first round of Epro8. They displayed great skill, commitment and team work, and were 100 points ahead of the next team!!! They are now in the finals which will be on Tuesday night at Whangārei Boys High.

EPro8 Challenge - Kōtare

When we walked in the room it was slightly cold. We were building a car wash which had lots of electricity. The part that we struggled with was trying to connect the wires. We had two hours. The easiest part was making the frame, it was fun! At the end of the day we came 4th (out of 12 teams) - Gemma, Poppy, Ben, George. A big thanks to Rachael and Matt Dennis and Clint Drake for their parental support.



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and Aria W

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KINDNESS / MANAAKITANGA

CREATIVITY / AUAHATANGA

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Kindness

All classes have been focusing on Kindness. How we can be kind and look after one another and our environment.

We are aware that we have some issues with playing, especially around the soccer field.

The children have all come up with a set of agreed expectations for playing nicely and then consequences. This seems to have helped, for the moment.

Some of our senior classes are unpacking anti-bullying further, and I am hoping they will come up with suggestions for how we can improve things here at Whangārei Heads School.

We as teachers, are going to use this information to review our behaviour management plan, once complete.

Whangarei Heads School Strategic Plan 2023 – 2025

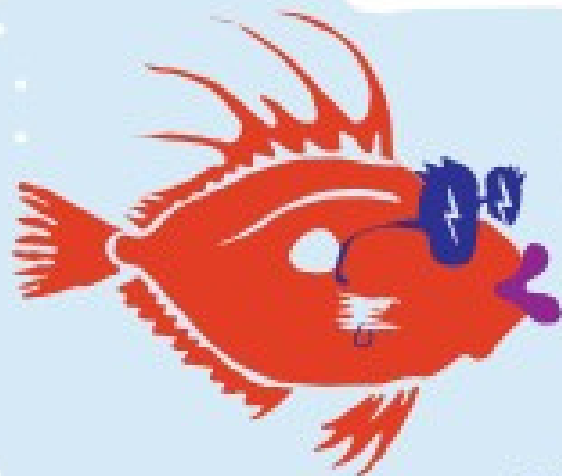
OUR PLACE TO GROW AND LEARN TOGETHER *Ko tatou kura, kia tipu, kia ako ngatahi*



We have begun our work from the Strategic Plan, looking at Learner Agency. As teachers we are considering ways in which they can encourage more Learner Agency. Some of the ways this happens is allowing the children to choose how to share information they have learned from researching Whananaki, carrying out surveys' to decide what to do on camp, or eat, or who should chose their cabins. In Piwakawaka the play based learning allows for regular learner agency, following the children's passions.

We are having a **Teacher Only Day on the 24th April** to review our school Curriculum. This day has been awarded to all schools to support them to refresh their curriculum. We will look at the new Aotearoa NZ Histories Curriculum.

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WHANGĀREI HEADS SCHOOL

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Funky Fish – Fishing and Diving Competition

We are well underway with our Funky Fishing and Diving Competition planning for this year. All proceeds go to Whangārei Heads School! Every senior ticket has a chance at winning the main prize draw!

Every Whangārei Heads School student gets a free ticket to this event, make sure you're there, as there are plenty of spot prizes to win!

Encourage all of your friends, family, and neighbours to get their tickets either online or through our local outlets:

- Donovans
- Parua Bay GAS
- The Deck
- Burnsco Marine
- Whangārei Heads School



Tickets are \$30 for Seniors (16+) and \$10 for Nippers (0-9) or Juniors (10-15)

This event is sure to be a good one, with over \$20,000 in prizes! We look forward to seeing you all there on the day. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors who allow us to run this amazing event year after year. Make sure you show them support, there is a large range of local businesses out there in our community!

Each newsletter we will be thanking the sponsors for the Funky Fishing Competition.

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Starting with Donovans - who are long time sponsors of the event and hold the naming rights. We are incredibly grateful for the ongoing support from the team at Donovan's who are major contributors to the organisation of the day and advertising.

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Thanks to Bayley's for their amazing contribution towards the major prize. We are so appreciative of your support for the event. Can't wait to enter the draw and win!

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for 12 yrs & over; distance: 5km

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Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated*

Date	Hub Locations	Term 1 2023, Weeks 5 to 7
Wed 1 March	Mangakahia Community Room, 1480 Mangakahia Road	
Thurs 2 March	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wed 8 March	Te Horo School, 3239 Pipiwai Road, Pipiwai	
Thurs 9 March	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 15 March	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	*10am – 12.30pm*
Thurs 16 March	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Hikurangi	
	Back 2 Basics Childcare, 179 Newton Road, Maungatāpere	
Wed 22 March	St John Ōtāmatea Ambulance Hall, 172 Hurndall Street East, Maungaturoto	
Thurs 23 March	Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei	
Wed 29 March	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thurs 30 March	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	

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