



Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 8 - Friday 24 March

Nau Mai, Haere Mai

EOTC or Education Outside the classroom continues with Tui on camp this week, and Kotare on camp next week. These are incredible learning experiences for all students, and we thank the huge group of volunteer parents who have helped out to make these events happen. We can't thank you enough.

Term 2 is going to start later than initially planned with a Teacher Only Day on Monday 24th April. The Ministry of Education has awarded all schools a day in the first 2 weeks of Term 2 for the staff to begin work on the NZ Curriculum Refresh. We will be looking at the Aoteroa NZ Histories Curriculum which is brand new to schools, and also review the draft Numeracy and Literacy Curriculum. **The first day for children to be back in Term 2 is Wednesday 26th April, after ANZAC Day.**

Our biggest fundraiser, the Funky Fishing and Diving Competition is on NEXT WEEKEND here at Taurikura. There will be more details in the newsletter, but for those of you new (like me) this is an amazing fun day out. You don't even have to fish to have fun, just come on down to Taurikura and enjoy the event. There will be heaps to do.

To make the Funky Fishing a huge success we need an army of helpers. The committee has been very busy behind the scenes getting everything ready, but **now we need your help!** Please sign up for one of the areas that we need help for, which was sent out via google form this week. If every family helped out in some way for just an hour, the whole event will be a huge success.

We have so many new whanau, I have added a brief explanation of what the Funky Fish is to explain, this was shared by Kotare at Whanau Assembly this week.

Ngā mihi nui
Kelly

Coming Events:

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
School finishes at 3pm

Term 2

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

Week 1 - 26-28 April

Chess Comp - 28 April

Week 2 - 1-5 May



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



Funky Fish – Fishing and Diving Competition

Our biggest fundraiser is just 9 days away!
Encourage all of your friends, family, and neighbours to get their entry tickets either online or through one of our local outlets:

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



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.

What is this Funky Fish event all about?

A big Funky Fishing hello to you all!!

Coming up next week is **THE BIGGEST EVENT OF THE YEAR** for Whangarei Heads School and the wider community!

You, your family, friends and neighbours can head out onto the beautiful harbour as part of our biggest school fundraiser of the year. From 3pm next Saturday April 1st you can start your engines, and your fishing lines can be thrown overboard. In fact, if you can't get out on a boat you can fish from one of the wharfs along our coast or from the beach.

You can fish right through **until Sunday afternoon**, but remember, weigh in closes at **2:30pm!**

From **11am Sunday** there will be loads of things going on down at event HQ - aka Jagger's paddock. Bouncy castle, face painting, crafts and more. Kids can grab a \$10 entertainment package and get access to all this plus a sausage and iceblock. There will also be stalls for lemonade, a bake sale, and hot food.

Don't forget the famous **live fish auction**. For the new kids out there, this is where we get to stand on stage with slimy, heavy, and sometimes scary close up looking sea creatures. This is an important job!!

If that isn't getting your attention, then the prizes will!!! This year there are over **\$20,000 worth of prizes** to be won. And you could win!! Just get out fishing and join in the fun.

The colouring competition winners will be announced. There will be live music playing. And the last of the raffle tickets will be on sale until 5pm (if we haven't sold out again by then!)

You have your fishing ticket which was sent home with your raffle books. So make sure you get out on the harbour, and we will see you all down at event HQ on **Sunday April 2.**



Swimming Superstars

A group of our best swimmers from years 5-8 attended the WSPPA Swimming Championship at Whangarei Intermediate School last Wednesday. We are so proud of you all for representing our school and giving it your best!

Results:

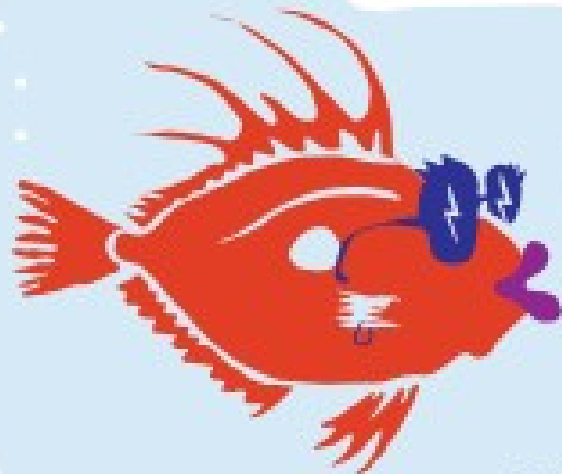
Nina 1st overall in year 6 girls freestyle and breaststroke, and 2nd overall in backstroke

Filipa 3rd overall in year 6 girls breaststroke

Poppy 3rd overall in year 6 girls backstroke

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WHANGĀREI HEADS SCHOOL

Funky Fish '23

FISHING AND DIVING COMPETITION

Sunday April 2, 11-6pm

Taurikura Bay, Whangārei Heads
Fish auction, live music, fresh food,
licenced bar, kids entertainment...
Get more info, prizes, rules and your tickets at:

www.funkyfish.co.nz

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Without the support of these sponsors Funky Fish wouldn't be the wonderful event that it is. Please show your support to these local businesses to show them our appreciation!

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- Northland Waste
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- Carrington Estate



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to these students

Bree

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Abigail

Thank you to our Raffle Sponsors!

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- Dean & Dust

Tui Camp

As we write this newsletter Tui is having an amazing day on their camp.

They are enjoying the beautiful Taurikura Bay, with a range of boating, fishing, kayaking, yachting and swimming experiences. It was very hard to leave the beach and come up to the office to write the newsletter!

I heard that the "World famous at Whangarei Heads" camp concert was another hit last night, with amazing performances from the children and the adults.

Does anyone have any good footage?



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Manaia Tigers Football Club

New and returning football players turning 5 to 12 this year can register online:
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Juniors (9 to 12yo - teams entries close 30 March)

Fun Football (7 to 8yo)

First Kicks (4 to 6yo)

You do not need to pay on registration - **use the pay later option** at the end of MyComet registration. If you are not sure about the MyComet process or have any queries, email Guthrie manaiatigersfc@gmail.com

Join the Manaia Tigers FC Facebook group for further info.

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Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th April

For kids aged 6 - 16 years

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 Ōtamatea 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	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz.

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Whangarei Heads School Strategic Plan 2023 – 2025

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

NGĀ WHAINGA GOALS NGĀ MAHI INITIATIVES NGĀ ANGITU SUCCESS INDICATORS	OUR LEARNERS akonga Our students and staff are engaged and empowered in their learning	OUR ENVIRONMENT kaitiaki Our environment drives our curriculum inside and outside the school gate	OUR COMMUNITY whakakotahitanga Our partnerships are strong, authentic and active	
	1a Growing student agency 1b Strengthen formative teacher practice 1c Create whole school curriculum design including Te Ao Maori	2a Create whole School culture shift to kids being guardians/kaitiakitanga 2b Develop whole school inquiry education programme- focused on environmental Education 2c Engage local Environment Groups	3a Create more opportunities to bring community members into school including local iwi 3b Building deeper relationships with other education providers 3c Tap into and embed programmes that align with our kaupapa	
	Our students are confident, connected learners who co-design learning. Our staff are highly skilled motivated experts who continually explore innovative ways to teach and engage children. "Ma to huruhuru karere to manu"	Our environment is evident and celebrated as our unique point of difference "Ko ahau te taiao, Ko te taiao, ko ahau"	Our community and whanau are valued as an essential part of helping children thrive. "It takes a whole village to raise children"	
NGĀ MATAPONO VALUES	Belonging Whanaungatanga	Kindness Manaakitanga	Creativity Auahatanga	Resilience Manawaroa

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.