



Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 3 - Week 8 - September 8, 2023

KIA ORA WHANAU,

It feels like spring lately! We do need some sunny weather to help send the bugs and illness away.

Thanks to you all for your understanding as we worked our way through the recent wave of gastro illness. We were well supported by the Public Health team. Please do let Courtney know if your child/ren have any vomiting or diarrhoea as they are still monitoring the situation.

It is with mixed emotions that I have to let you all know that Mary Lennon has resigned from her position as New Entrant / Reception class teacher. She has won what she describes as her "dream job" working with neurodiverse children at Blomfield School. Her last day with us will be Friday 22 September.

Claire Pearson, a well known member of our School Community will be teaching in Piwakawaka for Term 4, Monday to Thursday. Carole Davidson will teach on Fridays. We wish Mary well in her new role.

Congratulations to the Aims Games team, you have represented our school incredibly well, displaying sportsmanship and following our school values. Special congratulations to Riley who won a Gold Medal in tumbling! A first for our school, we are super proud of you!

Kelly

Coming Events:

Week 9 - Sept 11-15

Week 10 - Sept 18-22

Sept 22 - Farewell Whaea Mary

Last day of term - 3pm finish

School Holidays - Sept 25 to Oct 6

Oct 8 - Manaia Tigers Prizegiving

TERM 4

Week 1 - Oct 9-13

Welcome to Mrs Pearson and Mrs Davidson

Week 2 - Oct 16-20

Oct 19 - School Photo Day



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



Korora (Class of 2022)

Spent a night with the Sharks!

During Week 5, students from last years Korora class went on an overnight trip to Kelly Tarlton's. They won this trip by taking part in the Young Ocean Explorers Challenge during Term 4, 2022. It was an amazing experience for the children and the adults!

SEA★**LIFE**
Kelly Tarlton's, Auckland



Kelly Tarlton highlights

On my birthday our class went to Kelly Tarltons aquarium. We had a big drive to Auckland, and in my car were Zara, Cruz, Harley and me. In Wellsford we stopped for pizza for dinner. It was so yummy, the flavor I shared with Halia was hawaiian. When we got back in the car it was not long until it got dark, when we arrived at Kelly Tarltons it was pitch black. When we went inside I set up my bed and got myself ready, we spent the night looking up at the sharks and stingrays.

By Liv Bowling



My highlights of Kelly Tarltons

1. Sleeping under the fish.
2. Watching how Kelly Tarlton built the place and got the fish inside.
3. Feeding the fish.
4. Walking around and looking at the different sea animals like fish, turtles, sharks, crayfish, starfish, octopus and eels.

By Jihzaan



Get your wide-brim sun hats ready for Term 4!

Spring is here and we are finally seeing the sun! It's a good reminder to get sun hats ready for all students for Term 4. To play outside in the full sun all students are required to wear hats to protect themselves. Sunscreen will also be available in every class. We have school sunhats for sale in the office for \$16 each - which can be personalised with an embroidered name for an additional \$10.





Zespri AIMS Games 2023

This year we have sent 14 amazing sports stars down to represent Whangarei Heads School in their chosen sporting code at AIMS games. The AIMS games are held in Tauranga, for Year 7 and 8 students. This year there are 11,500 competitors, from NZ, Fiji and the Cook Islands.

The hockey team consisting of Molly, Jordy, Thomas, Finn, Caleb, Jayde, Sophia, Arlo, Tai and Isaac are still playing!! Moana came 8th for Rock Climbing. Penny was a badminton superstar. Iyah was a canoeing sensation. Thomas is still playing golf. And Riley came FIRST for tumbling! Our very first gold medalist at AIMS!

We are so proud of every student, as they have all done our school proud, both with sporting ability and sportsmanship!



Bring Your Own Device 2024



Thank you for all those parents who have indicated if they are able to supply a Chrome Book for next year or now. It will be great to release some of the money that we spend on leasing Chromebooks next year, for other learning resources. We will still have a set of Chrome Books available for those unable to purchase. For those parents of Year 6/7 children, they will be able to use their Chromebooks at High School.

We would appreciate those parents who have not responded to do so as soon as possible. Below are the prices from the various local companies. A sturdy case will also be required to bring Chromebooks to and from school, Barrells has a good price for one of these.

One of the companies below offers refurbished Chromebooks, which have been recommended to us as very good machines.

This company – NZ Laptop Warehouse, supplies refurbished Chromebooks
<https://nzlw.co.nz/product-category/laptops/chromebooks/>

This is Noel Leeming's best offer –

https://www.noelleeming.co.nz/c/byod?prefn1=subclassCode&prefv1=%7C%7CChromebooks%7C%7C&schoolName=Whangarei%20Heads%20School&schoolOptIn=TRUE&utm_source=schoolFinder

Barrells Whangarei

We can offer an Asus or an Acer Chromebook at a Really good price of \$377.00 Inc Gst . These have 32gb SSD Storage and 4gb Ram with 11.6 Inch Display and Built Rugged . I can also supply a Hard Topped Rugged case for them By Targus at \$52.00 Inc Gst .

Harvey Norman – best prices

https://www.harveynorman.co.nz/index.php?subcats=Y&status=A&pshort=N&pfull=N&pname=Y&pkeywords=Y&search_performed=Y&q=chromebooks&dispatch=products.search

Kind Regards

Denise Humphries



Arts Trail AGM

Whangarei Heads Arts Trail Society 2023
AGM meeting will be held on Sunday
September 24th at 3pm in the
McLeod Bay Hall.
All Welcome.
Please email wh.artstrail@yahoo.com.

school holiday program

futsal...but so much more

Monday 25th - 29th September
8:30 - 4:00pm

details & registration

www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
021 246 7328



WPSSA Cross Country - Barge Park



Last Call for Junior Surf Programme

Last call for memberships for our junior surf programme! If you want your children aged 7+ to learn vital beach safety skills and set them on a pathway to become a surf lifeguard, please email juniors@whslsp.nz with an expression of interest. See you on the beach this summer!



School Sponsorship

If you would like to sponsor the school in any way, please contact the office. We appreciate the support for our school events, camps, sporting activities, and school projects!



**Thank you
Aaron Smylie
for your
generous
donation to
AIMS Games!**



**Thanks Bayleys for the awesome
AIMS games tees worn by our
students attending the 2023 Comp!**



**Best Birthday Wishes to
these students**

**Zaleah-Rei
Cosimo, Harper
and Kylan**

Manaia Mariners Baseball Camp

School Holidays

26, 27, 28 September (Tuesday – Thursday)
3, 4, 5, October (Tuesday – Thursday)

Fun with Baseball

9am – 10am
Ages: 7 – 10 years old
Learning fundamentals and playing games.

Building the Basics

10:15am – 11:30am
Ages: 9 – 12 years old
Designed to grow skills and confidence in the game.
More in depth and disciplined.
Playing games.

Where: Parua Bay School Field

Price: \$60

Email: nathan.mcdonald2637@gmail.com

Bank details: N D McDonald 38-9016-0070127-00

SAM SWINBURNE
SUPPORTS OUR LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

WE ARE PROUD TO DONATE **\$500** TO THE
WHANGAREI HEADS SCHOOL
UPON OUR RECENT PATAUA SOUTH SALE.

Terms & conditions apply

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at FLAMES

Calling all Art & Crafters

Join our New Event

www.flameshotel.co.nz



The Craft Market takes place indoors at Flames Hotel in Onerahi on the last Sunday of each month from 8am - 12pm (starting 29th October 2023)

This upscale event showcases a diverse collection of arts and crafts, hosted in the hotel's elegant Kauri room. With the added convenience of an on-site café, attendees can indulge in a delightful browsing experience while exploring the finest local artistic talent in the region.

A two metre table space costs \$20 with table hire an extra \$10 (if required).

If you would like to showcase your creations at this community event, please register your interest by downloading the registration form from our website, sending an email to functions@flameshotel or phone 09 436 1539

*Please note - strictly no ready to eat food stalls (we have a cafe on site) or Bric a Brac items, however we will gladly accept food items such as preserves, artisan breads, cheeses, chocolates etc.

Tai Tokerau RTLB Cluster 2 presents:

The Ultimate Parents Guide to...

Understanding our kids **Online World** and how to keep them safe.

Cyberbullying

Social Media

Gaming

Online Predators

Online Porn

Smartphones

Filters

Boundaries

Come and hear Filmmaker & Author Rob Cope in what promises to be a hilarious, straight talking Parent to Parent talk

Watch the promotional video here - [Our Kids Online Parent Evening](#)

MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2023 | 4PM - 6PM

WHANGĀREI BOYS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

WHANGĀREI BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

245 WESTERN HILLS DRIVE, WHANGĀREI

Please note that due to the nature of the content covered this presentation is not for children/teenagers to attend.

Register for the event at [Eventbrite](#)

Email: cyber-safety-working-groupertlb.school.nz

LIVE DAY

Sunday September 17 10am - 2pm



Family Fun

Miniature Railway

Train Rides

Tractor Rides

Food Trucks

Club Activities

Entertainment



Gate 1, 500 SH14, Maunu

Visit www.kiwinorth.co.nz for more information



Te Manawa Tahī
Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

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

Date	Hub Locations Term 3 2023, Weeks 5 to 9
Wed, 16 August	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
	Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei
Thurs, 17 August	St John Ōtāmatea Ambulance Hall, 172 Hurdall Street East, Maungaturoto
Wed, 23 August	Te Horo School, 3239 Pipiwai Road, Pipiwai
Wed, 30 August	Bream Bay Community Trust (10:00am to 12:30pm), 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā
Thurs, 31 August	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Hikurangi
Thurs, 7 September	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka Street, Morningside
Wed, 13 September	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville
	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kāmo
Thurs, 14 September	Ngunguru School (9:00am to 10:30am), Te Maika Road, Ngunguru

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