



Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 3 - Week 10 - September 22, 2023

KIA ORA WHANAU,

We had a unexpected surprise with the MOE Roofing team coming to replace the roof on the Community Library on Tuesday. Due to the Health and Safety risk associated with the project we have reluctantly had to advise the community that the library will be closed for the duration of the works. I will advise the community via facebook as soon as it reopens. I apologise for the lack of notice and inconvenience.

Education Outside the Classroom is an important way we bring the learning alive for our students, and regular access to the Outdoors is a key part of the learning programme here at Whangarei Heads School. This is more than the annual camps, it is opportunities to explore our local environment. Like Wednesday's trip to Bream Head by Kotare class to walk the track, and get an update on the planting they did with the Bream Head Conservation Trust team.

Dane and I have recently attended two Professional Learning Days about the planning and safety that sits behind learning outside the school environment. (You may have noticed some changes to the forms sent for trips). We will be updating the staff on these changes early next term, and plan to be ready to use the new process in 2024.

The staff and board have been involved of a review of the current EOTC programme this year. If you would like to have a say about EOTC, feel free to come and see me, or send an email. It is important to get all view points.

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Coming Events:

School Holidays - Sept 25 to Oct 8
Oct 8 - Manaia Tigers Prizegiving

TERM 4

Week 1 - Oct 9-13

Welcome to Mrs Pearson
and Mrs Davidson
Oct 11 - Cricket Sessions

Week 2 - Oct 16-20

Oct 19 - School Photo Day
Oct 20 - Cricket Sessions

Week 3 - Oct 23-27

Oct 23 - Labour Day - No School
Oct 24 - Board Meeting 6PM



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

Digi Tech Info Evening

Wednesday 18th October

5:30 pm

Whangarei Heads School

This year the teachers have been further developing their understanding of the Digital Technology Curriculum. We have worked with Dani Jolly from DC (Formally Digital Circus), lead by Whaea Tineke in her role as Within School Teacher.

The Digital Technology Curriculum was developed in 2020, supports the teaching and learning of; Computational Thinking and Designing and Developing Digital Outcomes.

Children use Digital technology to explore and deepen their understanding of the world. They can use Digital Technology to communicate, collaborate and create.

We invite you along next term to an Information Evening where we will share the more detail about the Digital Technology Curriculum. Each of the classrooms will be open for you to explore and see how the children have used Digital Technology to enhance their learning.



Earlier this year Ruru constructed 3D cities (Maths - Geometry) and then used the BeeBots to drive through the cities.

BeeBots are just one Digital Technology tool we use to teach simple coding using algorithms.



2024 Inaugural Wild Kiwi Interschool Competition

Our local run/walk/multi-sport event is about to get more interesting with a bit of friendly competition between our two local schools. It is open to all students, past students, teachers & parents of Whangarei Heads School & Parua Bay Schools who enter the 8km, 15km or 21km run/walk events. Total Sport have come up with a points system to calculate the winner & the trophy will be presented to the winning school at prize-giving on the day.

More information is available here: [Whangarei Heads School Vs Parua Bay School Comp — The Northpower Wild Kiwi \(thewildkiwi.co.nz\)](https://thewildkiwi.co.nz)

Save the date: the 16th March, super early bird tickets on sale until the end of September which offer a huge discount (the kids dash is only \$10 until then as well). Get the whole family involved, get out there, get active - its always a great day out based down in Taurikura.

Enter using the following code, you will get a 10% discount on the entry fee for the eligible courses & you will be automatically put into our schools team: CTS23WHANGAREIHEADS



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DIGI EXPO

Wednesday 18th October

Start: 5:30 in Te Mangaroa
talk from
Dani(digital technology in
school expert) about the
Digital Technology
Curriculum

6-7pm: classrooms opened
up to see what your child
has been doing



Tea, coffee+nibbles
provided

Free sausage sizzle for
students 5:30-6pm



Huts Springing Up Throughout the School

If you have wandered down and around our school grounds lately you may have noticed a whole lot of unconsented building going on! Students from across the school have taken to building huts every chance they get - all in their free-play time, completely unguided. These creative kids have really put some amazing effort into the design and decoration of these huts, we wanted to celebrate their productivity in this weeks newsletter!



Science and Technology for Fun Friday in Tui Class

Making catapults was lots of fun! We are learning to follow instructions then test our catapults safely.



Classes choose their gear!

This term, classes were given the responsibility of selecting and purchasing their own sports gear to use at break times. They were given a catalogue and a budget, and between them decided on the sports gear their class required.

This is a change in system, and hopefully each class takes responsibility for this new gear. It has certainly been used well over the last two sunny days!



School Hats for Sale!

Hats and sunblock are a must for Term 4!
If you would like to order one of our school bucket hats send a message to the office and we will add these to your school account.
\$16 for one of these hats with our school logo.
\$26 to be personalised with an embroidered name - and to ensure it doesn't get confused with someone else's.



Best Birthday Wishes to these students
Connor, Hugh, Herbie, Mya, Mac H, Sailor and Ciaran!



Manaia Mariners Baseball Camp - These Holidays!

Nate will be running his fun-filled Baseball Camp again these school holidays. The sessions have been condensed into one group session than previously advertised.

Dates:

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

Time: 9.30-10.45AM

Ages: 7-12 year olds

Place: Parua Bay School Field

Price: \$60

Email Nate to book your child's place:

nathan.mcdonald2637@gmail.com

Payments to:

N D McDonald

38-9016-0070127-00



Term 4



STUDIO YOGA ON

STARTING 16TH OCTOBER
MONDAYS 3:45 - 4:45PM
9 sessions due to Labour DAY

Ages: 6 to 13 years
Investment: \$198 per child
- 10% whānau discount: Available for 2 or more children from the same whānau

bookings www.yogaon.nz
ph.: 027 295 9686

BENEFITS OF ENROLLING YOUR CHILD IN PLAYFUL AERIAL YOGA

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NURTURING PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING

To register your child, or if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Limited spots are available. So we encourage you to secure your child's place asap

49A WALTON STREET WHANGĀREI



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.



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

Library Closed These School Holidays

Our Library Roof is getting revitalised! While this will be great for protecting our precious library books, it unfortunately means that while the work is being carried out we cannot access this special space.
 Thank you for your patience while the work is completed. We can't wait to see the end result!



CIRCUS KUMARANI
 PRESENTS

BREAK THE MOID

CIRCUS SHOW

27TH SEPTEMBER

Two of our Students will be in the show!

FORUM NORTH
 BE INSPIRED
2PM & 6PM



TICKETS AVAILABLE ON **eventfinda**



THANKS TO FUNDING FROM **Whangarei District Council** and **creative12**



Te Mahau

Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

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

Date	Hub Locations	Term 4 2023, Weeks 1 to 4
Tue 10 Oct	Te Rito, 165 William Jones Drive, Otangarei	
Thurs 12 October	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 18 October	Back 2 Basics Childcare, 179 Newton Road, Maungatapere	
	Bream Bay Community Trust 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Thurs 19 October	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Thurs 26 October	Onerahi Community House, 130 Onerahi Road, Onerahi	
	Tauraroa Area School, Omana Road, Maungakaramea	
	Tauraroa Area School *12.30pm - 2.00pm* Omana Road, Maungakaramea	
Wed 1 November	He Puna Ruku Mātauranga o Whangaruru *9am - 10.30am* 2916 Russell Road, Hikurangi	
	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thurs 2 November	Mangakahia Community Room, 1480 Mangakahia Road, Titoki	

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