



# Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 9 - March 28, 2024

# KIA ORA E TE WHĀNAU,

It's my very first newsletter blurb! Kelly is away at the Principals Conference this week, where she has been participating in lots of workshops and different learnings that she will be able to bring back kura.

As I sit and reflect on the past two weeks, as well as the term, the famous whakatauki comes to mind "He waka eke noa - We're all in this together". There is so much going, but we are all in this together getting it done - kaimahi, whānau and community. This is what makes Whangārei Heads School the amazing place that it is. Just to name a few examples, we have the Funky Fish Crew working around the clock, putting a huge amount of effort and time to get this event ready. We are just finishing our 4th camp for the term, the Year 7 & 8's are travelling home today from Rotorua, and we all know how much time and effort is needed to make a camp go ahead as well as the running of it while there. Our community library is back up and running, with lots of hard work being put in from the members to get it ready for everyone to use again. Lastly, our community evening where we were able to whakawhanautanga/connect with whānau and show how we enact the vision of our place to grow and learn together. These few examples truly show how working together can make great things happen!

We hope you all enjoy the long weekend and get time to re-fill the tank ready for the last two weeks of kura.

Ngā manaakitanga, Tracey Morgan

# **Coming Events:**

Mar 25-29

Mar 29 - Good Friday! School Closed

### Week 10 - Apr 1-5

Apr 1-2 - Easter - School Closed Apr 3 - All Raffle Books Returned (Sold or Unsold!) Apr 5 - Dad's Pies ETA

#### **FUNKY FISH!**

Apr 6 - Fishing comp opens 3pm Apr 7 - Funky Fish Event - Taurikura Activities from 11AM-6PM

Week 11 - Apr 8-12 Apr 10 - "Dress as a Hero" day Apr 12 - Last day of Term 1

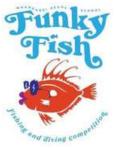
## **Term 2** Apr 29 - First Day of Term



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



# BAYLEYS



# Funky Fish - Fishing and Diving Competition

Our biggest annual fundraiser is just 10 days away! We look forward to seeing you in Taurikura at the Funky Fish HQ on Sunday, April 7. Gates open from 11am for the fish weigh-in, and the family-fun begins!

Fishing opens for the competition from 3pm Saturday, April 6, and all fish must be submitted by 2.30pm on Sunday, April 7.

Encourage your whanau, friends, neighbours and collegues to join the fun, and pick up their entry tickets from one of these outlets:

- Bayley's
- Whangārei Heads School Office
- GAS Parua Bay
- Burnsco
- online at eventbrite.co.nz

All WHS students have received a free entry ticket, for everyone else, adult tickets are \$30, and Juniors & Nippers (under 16 years old) are \$10 each.

Even if you don't catch a fish, make sure you are at the event for the big prize draw for everyone who holds an entry ticket!

See the website for competition rules and the event timetable:

funkyfishing.co.nz

This year there are 52 fishing categories, including 17 'Catch and Release' prizes. Fish measurers available in the office now!





## Want to be involved on the day?

Funky Fish is run by an army of volunteers on the day, made up of parents, staff and other community members.

But we always need more help! We will be putting a call out for parents who can volunteer on the day, in areas such as:

- Food tent BBQ
- Fish Filleting with Fish2Fish
- Weigh-In tent
- Photography
- Bar Service
- Coffee stand
- Kids workshops and activities

But feel free to email the office right now if you would like to be involved in one of these areas and I will put you in touch with the volunteer in charge!



## OUR NGĀ MATAPONO / VALUES

This week, in whānau hui we focused on our Values -Ngā Matapono. In our activity we had to match the value with their Māori kupu, this was a bit tricky but like always we used our beautiful Tuakana / Teina relationships to get the task done! Our wero (challenge) is to be able to say our Ngā Matapono in both English and Māori. Keep practising them at home

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## TE REO MĀORI

Rerenga kupu/ kupu o te wā (phrase/word of the moment) Whakahokia te... (return the...) Whakahokia ngā (return the - pural)

Whakahokia te pukapuka- return the

Whakahokia ngā pukapuka - return the books



# Wild Kiwi - We are the Champions!

The challenge between Whangarei Heads School and Parua Bay School to take out the Wild Kiwi competition was tough, but our school community proved that we are right at home racing over our hilltops here at The Heads! Well done to everyone who entered and helped bring home the trophy!















# EPro 8 - Check out these future engineers!!

Arlo Benge, Jayde, Florrie and Gemma competed in the Year 7&8 Epro8 interschool competition on Wednesday 20th March. They were sensational - coming second, only 10 points behind first place. They qualified for the finals, however we are away on camp when the finals are occurring. Well done Arlo, Gemma, Florrie and Jayde - you guys are amazing!!!







Our Year 5&6 team, Conor, Molly, Tim & Otto, came second equal, however didn't quite mmke it through the playoff to get to final. We are so proud of you for making it as far as you did! Well done team!

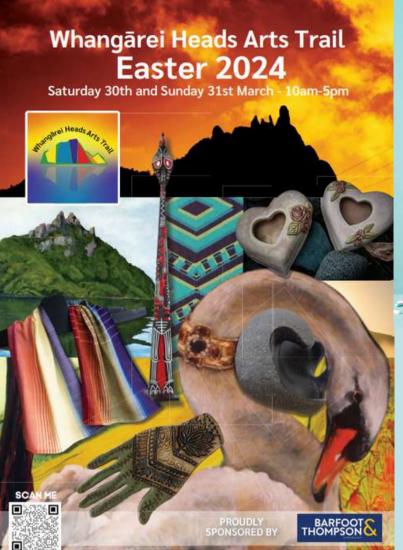
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Maddie, Nico G, Fletcher, Luca R, Harley & Maya



WHEN: Thursdays 3.45pm - 4.30pm

WHERE: Raise The Bar Health & Fitness

**COST:** \$6/child per session

To express interest please contact Caitlin at Raise The Bar Heath and Fitness on Facebook or on 021 207 2641 \*Classes will begin Thursday 15th February





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Sunday April 7, 11-6pm Taurikura Bay, Whangarei Heads Fish auction, live music, fresh food licenced bar, kids entertainment. Get more info, prizes, rules and your tickets at

www.funkyfish.co.nz









































