

NEWSLETTER Term 4 Week 2 2018



Dates of interest (Weeks 3-6)

WEEK 3

Mon 29 Oct

BoT Meeting

Tues 30 Oct

R.D.A

Bible in Schools

Wednes 31 Oct

Tech (Y7&8)

Thurs 1 Nov

CAP meeting (TBC)

Fri 2 Nov

School Assembly (Rm3)

WEEK 4

Start of end of year testing.

Tues 6 Nov

R.D.A

Thurs 8 Nov

Junior Athletics Y0-3 (Marotiri)

Fri 9 Nov

School Assembly (Rm5)

WEEK 5

Tues 13 Nov

Teachers strike
**R.D.A

Wednes 14 Nov

Tech (Y7&8)

Fri 16 Nov

Pinelands Athletics Y4-8 held at Whakamaru.

WEEK 6

Tues 20 Nov

R.D.A

Thurs 22 Nov

Life Education

Fri 23 Nov

School Assembly (Mr White)

Life Education

See Week 7-9 page 4

School Newsletters

School Newsletters will be circulated every Monday afternoon from this term onwards.

Whakamaru School Mission Statement:

To educate all children to become life-long learners which develops and celebrates talents and abilities.

Principals message

Tēnā koutou ngā whānau o te kura o Whakamaru.

I continue to enjoy meeting more new people this week who are linked to our school, please if I still have not met you come and say hello.

The PTA meeting on Thursday went really well and a range of fundraising items were discussed. We talked about the direction we see the PTA going with future goals and possible items to fundraise for from the staff wish list.

Our school Facebook page is back online and ready to be used to pass on any messages or notices that need to be put out to the community.

So you are all aware, we will be involved in the rolling teachers strikes between the 12-16 November. Each different region will be striking on one day throughout this week. We will be striking all day on Tuesday 13 November, unless our government decide to meet our demands.

Have a great week everyone.

Regards

James White

School Leaders

School leaders have been in meetings with Mr White over the last two weeks about possible things, they would like to see happen around the school.

A **Common Room** was suggested for the Year 8's only, for somewhere they can hang out in by themselves as they prepare themselves for college.

The Senior Leaders asked for the change to the **lunchtime eating routine.** So they can gain a longer playing time. This has been considered and will take place from today under a trial basis to see how well it goes (12:30pm is now the new eating time).

The leaders wrote a **letter to the PTA** to ask for some financial assistance for a school initiative, they would like to take on. This was positively accepted by the PTA although they would like to see a more detailed plan of this initiative before moving forward.

Week 2.

Classes have settled back into their routines and are right into their learning.

Over the last two weeks we have seen our school continuing with our Kapa Haka, Youth Town, Kiwican programmes as well as the additional piano and guitar lessons.

Roll for 2019

We are currently looking into our school roll for 2019. If you have a child or children or know of a family that are going to enroll into Whakamaru School during 2019, can you please let us know, by phone or email (below) This will help us confirm our staffing for 2019.

Thank you in advance.

Vision & Hearing

If you would like to get your child's eyes tested Spec-savers give your child a first examination free.

If you hold a community services card and your child needs glasses, they will be heavily subsidized through your card.

If interested contact:

Spec-savers (Taupo)

Educational Optometrist

Sara Hoe

Or

Spec-savers (Rotorua) Educational Optometrist

Celestra

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Awards of the Week

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KAAHU KID BEHAVIOUR EXPECTAIONS—EFFECTIVE THINKERS AND LEARNERS AT WHAKAMURU SCHOOL:

KAAHU KIDS are......

Knowledge seekers — Curious, Inquiring, Reflective.

Always respectful — Self, Others and Property.

Accountable — for Ourselves, our Actions, our Words.

High achievers —Excellence, Personal Best, Perseverance

Unified —Teamwork, Everyone working together, Kotahitanga.

Maunga	Senior Kaahu Kids		
Tongariro	Havana Kingi		
Titiraupenga	Mike Vanner		
Tauhara	Alex Burgess		
Pureora	Ngäriki Brown-Taurima		

Maunga	Junior Kaahu Kids		
Tongariro	Manaia Reti		
Titiraupenga	Estahrn Currie		
Tauhara	Pania Tanirau		
Pureora	Syifa Mohammad		

SENIORS





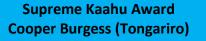
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Kaahu Kids













ASSEMBLY AWARDS

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Achievement Certificates	Brooklyn Webber, Ratahi Lay, Mike Vanner, Zahra Fadhilah, Anaru Moor.	Ngawaiata Taylor	Jacob Pullen	Phoenix Dwane Cooper Burgess Manaia Reti
Duffy Certificates	T'Keyha Heta-Haora	L.J. Taylor	Syifa Mohammad	Lilly Currie

Class Sharing Page

Learning through play during Itime in Rooms 3 & 5





What is happening

Throughout the week in math sessions, Honey-Jorjah and Glow have been working on their addition and basic facts to 10 and 20. Kessidra has been working on subtraction basic facts to 20.

During Itime Jacob made a shop and decided to sell signs for \$5 each. He made a money box and filled it with milk bottle lids. Glow and Honey-Jorjah joined the game and the group decided to sell other items including chocolate (\$1) and pita pits (\$1). Kessidra joined the game as a costumer using milk bottle lids to buy things.

When Kessidra bought things Jacob used a scanner (stick) to scan the price and made the noise of a scanner "beep"! The group worked together adding the prices of the items that Kessidra had purchased. Kessidra used her subtraction maths knowledge to help them work out

The learning

"Children are naturally motivated to play. A play-based programme builds on this motivation using play as a context for learning." (Robertson, Morrissey & Rouse)

During this group experience students were practicing the Stage 3 and 4 number knowledge that they had gained during our teacher lead Math's session., to enhance their play. In this context students were motivated to practice what they had learned in Maths because their play was self-chosen and self directed.

These students were also positively displaying the NZ Curriculum's key competences including "working together", "managing self" and "communicating".

Where to next

These students will be given opportunities to extend their math's knowledge during Itime through the supply of additional play resources. Templates will allow this group to make money with different values (notes as well as coins). They will then be able to practice addition and subtraction basic facts using larger numbers. Making play groceries and cash register available will help to create a higher interest in this pretend play. This will encourage more students to participate and increase the length of time that this game is played.

Dates of interest (Week 7-9)

WEEK 7

Mon 26 Nov

Life Education

Tues 27 Nov

R.D.A

Life Education

Wednes 28 Nov

Tech (Y7&8)

Fri 30 Nov

Maunga Leaders Assembly

W.O.W fashion + Flower

Spectacular.

Week 8

Tues 4 Dec

R.D.A

Fri 7 Dec

Performance Assembly.
Movie Night—PTA

Week 9

Mon 10 Dec

Year 8 Special trip (TBC)

Tues 11 Dec

R.D.A

Wed 12 Dec

Maunga Treat

Thurs 13 Dec

Last Assembly

Reports go home

Keep an eye on these dates as some events may be added in throughout the term.









Assembly photos

Whanau Room

Please use our **Whanau Room.** This is a space anyone can use at anytime when you are visiting school or waiting for your child after school.

You can even make yourself a coffee or cup of tea while you are waiting. There is also access to a laptop which you can use as well. Come and make yourself at home!!

Piano Lessons

Weekly on Fridays – with itinerant teacher Jessica Parker. If you are interested in your child starting piano lessons please ring the school office or Jessica on 027 589 5900

