



NEWSLETTER
Term 1 Week 1
2019



Term 1 Dates of interest

Week 1

Tues 29 Jan Welcome back assembly
Fri 1 Feb School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 2

Mon 4 Feb BoT meeting
Tues 5 Feb Kapa Haka
Wednes 6 Feb Waitangi Day (school closed)
Thurs 7 Feb PTA meeting
Fri 8 Feb School Picnic

Week 3

Swimwell week
Tues 12 Feb Kapa Haka
Fri 15 Feb School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 4

Tues 19 Feb Kapa Haka
Wed 20 Feb Y7/8 Tech
Thurs 21 Feb Bike day
Fri 22 Feb School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons
School Triathlon

Week 5

Mon 25 Feb Student-Lead
Conferences 3pm-7pm
Tues 26 Feb Kapa Haka
Student-Lead
Conferences 1pm-4pm
Fri 1 Mar School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 6

Tues 5 Mar Kapa Haka
Wed 6 Mar Y7/8 Tech
Fri 8 Mar Pinelands Senior
Swimming Sports

Week 7

Tues 12 Mar Kapa Haka
Fri 15 Mar School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

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.

Welcome back to our tamariki and whanau, I trust you have had awesome holidays spending time with family and friends.

We will be settling down to our learning as soon as possible, however, with this week's heatwave, I imagine our kids will be spending a lot of time in the school pool. Please ensure that students come to school each day with togs and a towel.

I look forward to catching up with everyone at our school picnic.

Regards
James White

Swimming Pool

Our pool is ready to swim in and students will need to bring their togs, towel and swimming bag to school everyday. We recommend that students wear rash-shirts during swimming time.

Our pool will be open to the public between 3pm-8pm week days and 9am-8pm in the weekends. Pool will be closed Wednesday afternoons from 3pm-4pm for cleaning. Pool keys can be purchased from the office - cost \$25.00.

Huge thank you to **Mr Shaun Swann** for preparing our school pool throughout the school holidays to ensure our school pool is ready for swimming in on day one!

Week 8

Tues 19 Mar Kapa Haka
Wed 20 Mar Y7/8 Tech
Fri 22 Mar School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 9

Mon 25 Mar BoT Meeting
Tues 26 Mar Kapa Haka
Fri 29 Mar School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 10

Tues 2 Apr Kapa Haka
Wed 3 Apr Y7/8 Tech
Fri 5 Apr School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons

Week 11

Tues 9 Apr Kapa Haka
Fri 12 Apr School Assembly
Piano & Guitar lessons
Note: additional events maybe added to our calendar throughout the term once they are confirmed.

School year 2019

Term 1 (11 weeks)
Tuesday 29 January
Friday 12 April

Term 2 (10 weeks)
Monday 29 April
Friday 5 July

Term 3 (10 weeks)
Monday 22 July
Friday 27 September

Term 4 (9 weeks)
Monday 14 October
****Thursday 12 December**
****Primary Schools must be open for 390 half days a year so the last day of the school year may change due to some additions to our school calendar.**

School Lunches

Lunches will commence on Friday 8th February.

School Lunch List

Item (Mondays & Fridays)	Cost
Mince Pie (large)	2.00
Mince & Cheese Pie (large)	2.40
Mince & Cheese Pie (small)	1.60
Sausage Roll	1.20
Sold Daily	
Popcorn	1.40
Cookie	1.00
Chocolate Bliss Balls	2.40

Classroom Stationery.

Stationery lists have been sent home with all children today. We have all the stationery, listed on the forms available for purchase at school.

It would be appreciated if stationery could be purchased as soon as possible so the classes can commence using the books.

Please contact me if you are unable to purchase stationery within the next week so arrangements can be made.

James White
(07) 88288722

School Newsletter

Please note that school newsletters will go out on Mondays. The oldest or only child in each family will have the responsibility to take it home.

Please remember that you can get the current newsletter from our school website each week.

Link below

<http://www.whakamaru.school.nz/>

Add the School Website Icon to your phone

You are able to add the school website icon to your phone. This will help you to get instant access to our school website.

To do this, find the school website on your Google browser

<http://www.whakamaru.school.nz/>

Go to the Parent Information, click the drop down arrow. Find Website Icon for phones. Then follow the instructions to add the school icon to your own mobile phone.



School Leaders

We are dedicated in providing our students with a range of leadership opportunities below are the main roles but in each class students will have a chance to become leaders of a range of tasks.

School Councilors

Year 8 students have an opportunity to apply for the School Council where they will be given a range of opportunities to lead the school and help provide some direction they see the school going. Opportunities such as running a school event for example School Disco.

Maunga Leaders

Year 6-7-8 students can apply to be Maunga Leaders. Their role is to drive their Maunga throughout the year during sporting events and school assemblies.

School Photo Page Final Assembly 2018



Growth mindset award
Cooper Burgess



Supreme Kaahu award
Kaani Trueman



Main freight Excellence & Attitude award
Anaru Moor



Year 8s 2018
Ratahi, Makaia, Zahra, Anaru, Mike, Brooklyn



Netball, Speech and Class awards
Netball—Aotearoa, Kessidra, Speech-Anaru,
Class—Makaia, Selvyiah, Syifa, Braiden





Whakamaru Playcentre

A FREE parent-run programme for children aged 0-5 years.

Lots of fun activities including a sandpit, playground, carpentry shed, arts and crafts, dress-ups, puzzles, playdough, toys, bikes and more.

Come along and play!

MON & FRI | 9.30AM - 12NOON
CRN TIHOI AND ARATAKI RDS

Piano Lessons

Spaces available for **piano lessons** at Whakamaru School.

Contact Jessica Parker
0275895900



Kiwi Steps Preschool



42 Tihoi Road
Whakamaru

Open 8am - 3.30pm
and during school holidays.
Van Service daily from Mangakino

**Quality Education and
Specialist Teachers.**



FREE 20 hours of childcare for 3 & 4 year olds
WINZ subsidies available



Kiwi Steps has a TREEHUT, woodland area, mudpit, waterplay areas, **sandpit**, outdoor kitchens, **playhouse** and a mini **Whare Kiwi**, balls, BIKES, a cool bike track, trucks, TRACTORS, scooters, swings, rope ladders, SLIDES, climbing cubes, CARPENTRY BENCH, gardens, and the Kaahu Kids Transition to School Programme etc...

To Enrol Phone 8828 234 or 027 933 0368
Nau mai Haere mai – All Welcome!