



NEWSLETTER
Week 1 Term 1 2020
#1 Final newsletter



Whakamaru School Mission Statement:

To Grow Creative Thinkers

Final Assembly
Top Maunga 2019

Tauhara



Welcome Whaea Sam



Important Notice

Dojo ePortfolio you should have all been given access codes to your child's Classdojo.

Family Fiesta

Friday 21 February come along talk to teachers and enjoy a day of fun.

Principals message

Tēnā koutou ngā whānau o te kura o Whakamaru.

Welcome back to our tamariki and whanau. Its great to see all of our students arrive back to school recharged and ready to learn. We are very excited about our 2020 year and are looking forward to seeing you all throughout the year.

Our fantastic school team for 2020

Room 1 Whaea Lianne Baker (Year 7-8)

Room 2 Whaea Donna Northcroft (Year 5-6)

Room 3 Mrs Leanda Moor (Year 4-5)

Junior Class—Ms Keriana Whatarau & Whaea Sam Dalton (Year 0-3)

Teacher aides—Christine Taylor, Beth Enright & Rita Jensen

Office administrator—Elva Lorenz

Cleaner—Elaine Brindle

Groundsman—Roly Schwass (retiring end of February)

Stationery lists should have been sent home. If you are looking for these lists look on the Skool Loop notices.

We are looking to use Classdojo as our students ePortfolio, where our students will be able to share their learning to you through personal blogs in Classdojo. These will come to you through your own mobile phone or computer. Our teachers have sent you all invitation codes to connect to your child's ePortfolio.

Family fiesta this day we are looking to connect with our families and friends and will open our school throughout the day for you all to come and talk to teachers, look at Classdojo and share your thoughts. We will hold an afternoon activity for all to get involved in. Look forward to seeing you all then. More information will come out soon about this day.

Regards

James White

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Final Assembly
Korowai 2019

Peniera Thomson



**Congratulations to
our Heaviest Calf
Competition 2019**

winner

Winner Farm 15 WMI

William Reti

161.5kg bull calf

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Final Assembly Awards 2019



Duffy Mainfreight (Korowai)

Awarded to the one student in the senior part of our school who has shown a positive attitude in all areas of school life.

Congratulations Piniera Pahuru-Thomson



Class Certificates	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5
All round attitude	Michael Swann	Amitiel Colipano	Dana Swann	Alex Huffam	McQuin Colipano



Year 7 Excellence in Attitude—this award is for attitude towards learning.—*Ella Gordge*

Growth Mindset—awarded to someone with a “can do attitude”
Aanav Singh

Supreme KAAHU Kid for 2019—consistently displaying our KAAHU values—*Shadrach Perez*

Speeches for successful placings in the Pinelands Speech Competition.
—*Chika Aryunda & Faith Perez*

Sports Cup - for outstanding sporting effort throughout the year.
Meihana Smith

Swimming Cup—successful placings in Pinelands Swimming Sports
Huntah Riri

Mana Maori award— for showing outstanding use of school tikanga and te reo throughout the school year. *Ngariki Brown*





New Mural in the pool area.

Huge thank you to Kiana Ormsby for designing and painting the new mural in the pool area.

Kiana explains its meaning and how it relates to our school.

The wahine in the design obviously represents Kahukeke or Kahurere, which ever name of hers is used in the end is fine. She represents our tupuna, courageousness, exploration, the great history and heritage of us Maori/New Zealanders.

The Maunga silhouette in the background represents our journey through life, obstacles which have been overcome or yet to be overcome. They represent our whenua and beauty of nature.

The Korowai with the Taniko patterns I chose because the pattern is a reminder that change occurs at such meeting points. Like Waharua Kopito, Aronui are triangular patterns. The design refers to the pursuit of knowledge about the natural world. Relating to the Whakamaru School proverb (whakatauki)

- **Whāia te iti kahurangi, ki te tuohu koe me he maunga teitei.**
- Pursue that which is precious and do not be deterred by anything less than a lofty mountain.

A proverb which encourages us to strive, to set goals, to persevere by setting our sights high and to not give up on them for anything.

The reason I chose to put these three main ideas together was to show a complete picture of the amazing qualities and all other amazing attributes that Kahurere/Kahukeke has set in place for our tamariki to learn, to remind us as well of the history and to encourage both us and our tamariki to never stop seeking out for the best we can. (the highest peak of the mountain).

Once again thank you Kiana & Josh (Kiana partner) for such an amazing mural that reflects our school.

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	1.30
Sold Daily	
Popcorn	1.40
Cookie	1.00
Chocolate Bliss Balls	2.40

PIANO LESSONS

LEARN TO PLAY THE PIANO

Spaces available for piano lessons this year
Lessons done during school time

Contact Jessica Parker
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FOR KIDS AGED 5-12
FRIDAY 6 MARCH, 8:00AM

IRONMAN New Zealand Event Village,
Northern Domain Taupo

Entries are open online until 5pm Thursday 5 March
and on-site until 7:45am Friday 6 March

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Term 1 2020 dates of interest

Weeks	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
One	3/02 Teacher only day—PD	4/02 First day of school New student powhiri	5/02 Newsletter #1	6/02 Waitangi Day	7/02 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons
Two	10/02 Karakia Swimwell week	11/02 Kapa haka BoT Meeting 6pm	12/02 Karakia	13/02 Karakia	14/02 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons
Three	17/02 Karakia	18/02 Kapa haka Longworth observations	19/02 Karakia Newsletter #2	20/02 Karakia TECH—TBC	21/02 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons Family Fiesta
Four	24/02 Karakia	25/02 Kapa haka Bible in schools	26/02 Karakia Senior Swimming sports	27/02 Karakia TECH—Y7-8 PTA Meeting	28/02 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons Junior Swimming display
Five	2/03 Karakia	3/03 Kapa haka Special Assembly—Greg-talk	4/03 Karakia Junior pinelands swimming? Newsletter #3	5/03 Karakia Junior pinelands swimming?	6/03 Ironman run (x10) Pinelands Swimming Sports (PSS) KiwiCan Taupo Ironman WE
Six	9/03 Karakia School Photos	10/03 Kapa haka	11/03 Karakia School Triathlon	12/03 Karakia TECH—Y7-8	13/03 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons PSS-postponement
Seven	16/03 Karakia Y7-8 Immunisations	17/03 Kapa haka	18/03 Room 2&3 Camp Karakia Newsletter #4	19/03 Room 2&3 Camp Karakia	20/03 Room 2&3 Camp Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons
Eight	23/03 Karakia	24/03 Kapa haka	25/03 Karakia	26/03 Karakia TECH—Y7-8 PTA Meeting	27/03 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons
Nine	30/03 Karakia Bible in schools	31/03 Kapa haka	1/04 Karakia Newsletter #5	2/04 Karakia	3/04 Assembly KiwiCan Piano/Guitar lessons
Ten	6/04 Karakia	7/04 Kapa haka	8/04 Karakia	9/04 Final Newsletter TECH—Y7-8	10/04 Easter Friday