



Newsletter: Term 4, Week 9, 13th December 2018

Kia Ora, failte

Room 1 trip to Adrenaline

I was lucky enough to be able to go with Room 1 to the Adrenaline Park overnight camp this week. The weather was amazing and the activities were awesome. Our children had a really great time. We are a bit sore and tired today, but it is a good feeling knowing that we have had a great end of year experience.

Apart from being targeted and tipped out of the kayak a number of times, I really loved being part of the experience. A big thank you to Ms Grace for organising this great event, and the wonderful parents who helped with transport, cooking and supervising.

What a nice way for the Room 1 children to spend the money they made from the banquet in term 2, and end the year so positively.

Reminder - Powhiri for Mr Edwards and our new families

Last week we talked to Kim Tito, our kuamatua, and he suggested that we have a short Powhiri for our new families at 9am on Thursday 7th February, and then welcome Jodi Edwards and his family with a Powhiri at 9.30am.

We invite parents to come along and share the occasion with us. We ask you to please provide a plate for a shared morning tea afterwards.

Christmas Tree Evening

Reminder, Christmas Tree evening begins at **5.30pm**. Our amazing Kapa haka group will be performing, as well as a selection of Sam's music group. We invite you to farewell our Year 8 children and the presenting of the trophies. Followed by a special visitor!! Bring a picnic and enjoy the atmosphere.



End of Year

I would like to thank everyone for your support over the last two terms. Our teachers are amazing, and we are a strong team who support one another and work together for the good of our children. I am so pleased that we are keeping these great teachers for next year.



Thank you to our amazing teacher aides Catherine and Jenny who go above and beyond in their care of children who need support.

Joy continues to be our rock who is another person who loves this school and always gives her all. This year she has been ably supported by Karen Parr and they have made a great team.

Thank you to the Board of Trustees for their support for me in my Acting Principal role.

Thank you to Greg who does such a great job as our caretaker.



Aileen who helps run the library and Jenny Parker who looks after our reading books. To Sam Benge, who does an amazing job nurturing our children's musical talents.

Thank you to the parents who give so much of their time to support our school in a variety of ways. Finally, the children, who give me so much pleasure every day. I am looking forward to being back in Kidspace next year and continuing to nurture and support the children as they begin their learning journey at our great little school.

Finally have a great Christmas and happy holidays. We look forward to having Jodi Edwards as our Principal next year, and the ideas and inspiration I am sure he will bring to our school, to move us into the future.

We will be having a short assembly at 11:45am tomorrow to give out a few special awards and farewell the students.

Ka kite ano, mauri ora
Denise Humphries

GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations to these Gold Award recipients:

Room 1 - Jessie, Tai

Room 2 - Mitchell, Josh

Room 3 - Bea

Kidspace - Oceana, Levi

Pompallier Catholic College Prize Giving for Year 9 & 10

Congratulations to these former students, we are very proud of your achievements.

Isabella Hunter-Willets, Year 9 - First - Technology - Metal Work.
Commendation: Art, and Soft Materials

Niall Prosser Year 9 Second - Technology - Metal Work

Corey Capey Year 10 Second Technology - Design and Visual Communication.
Commendation in Social Science

Finley Valent Hay Year 10 Commendation: Maths, English and Science

Lily-Rose Dubout Year 9 Commendation: Maths, Science, Social Studies,
Technology Food and Technology Soft Materials.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

2019 - TERM ONE START DATE
Thursday, 7th February

ROOM 3 CAMP (MANGAWHAI)
6-8th March

KIDSPACE CAMP (BAPTIST CAMP)
21-22nd March

ROOM 2 CAMP (LONSDALE PARK)
2-5th April

FUNKY FISHING FESTIVAL
Sunday, 3rd March

Please have a look at home and return any school shirts – thank you!

STATIONERY FOR 2019

It is best if your child can begin the school year with all of their necessary stationery, if possible. Once again this year Office Max will have a list for each class available online and instore. You can also obtain your stationery from other sources if you wish.



Sunday 3 March 2019

.....is probably the last thing on your mind but the event is just **3 months** away so here is a brief **UPDATE** where things are at with the Funky Fish & Diving Festival:

Planning is well underway by a dedicated small team, but as it is **the season of giving** you may want to think about how you could give some of your talent, time, energy, connections etc to the event. Below is a list of contacts for people who could do with your help. Thanks!

The event is only **3 weeks after the start of term 1** so we will be starting the fundraising year with a bang! While we are not asking you to commit to big tasks before the end of the year we are keen to get organised now.

We are still looking for someone who would like to coordinate the food. We have a dedicated and experienced 2IC ready but need a food team leader. Let Katharina know asap if you can help. Other than planning in your head there is no need to do anything before the end of the year.

Contacts for key event teams so far

Fishing Competition / Operations / Marketing / Event Coordination:

Greg Hartwell - gregorious17@gmail.com - 0278664894

Sponsorship / Prize Coordinator:

Juliet Hollis - mandjhollis@yahoo.com.au

Facebook promotion:

Fiona Bycroft - fiona_bycroft@hotmail.com & Amy Wall - resto@cottrellandross.co.nz

Children's Entertainment: Dulcie Hering - dulciehering@yahoo.co.uk

Job/Event Roster: Rachel Cleave - mscreebu@gmail.com

Raffle: Mel Leahy - melissaclarksonnz@hotmail.com

Site Organisation / Booking of Equipment/ Event Coordination: Katharina Friedli -

caulton.friedli@gmail.com - 021687177

Check out www.funkyfishing.co.nz for more event info



**REMINDER: SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12PM
TOMORROW - BUSES WILL RUN AT THIS TIME.**



Formal Proceedings:

5:30pm - welcome everyone,
make introductions
MC's for the evening - Year 8's

Kua tae - All

Speech - Denise Humphries (Principal)

5:40 - Group One Graduands - (3)

Item - Kapa haka

6pm - Group Two Graduands - (3)

Item - Musical Items, Sam 's group

6:20pm - Group Three Graduands - (3)

Presentation of Excellence Certificates

Speech - Rachael Dennis (BOT Chair)

Item - Musical Items, Sam 's group

7pm - Presentation to Year 8 leavers - Anna &
Denise

Item - School item - song

7.10pm - Presentation of trophies - Citizenship / Ambassador/Sport/Environment/Nova
Rising Star/Mana/Belonging
- Denise/ Rachael

Year 8's - Thank you

7:20pm - Song - Jingle Bell Rock

Denise - Best manners to line up for Santa



Please keep school payments rolling in:

We encourage you to use internet banking for any school payments.

School Bank Account Number: 12-3092-0033347 00




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HOLIDAY
DRAW**

Whangarei Heads School

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**Fishing & Diving
Competition**

MAJOR PRIZES + Great CATEGORY & SPOT prizes!

**GREAT
FAMILY
DAY OUT**

**FUN
ACTIVITIES
FOR THE
KIDS**

**Be in to
WIN!**

**FRESH
FISH
AUCTION**



**SUNDAY
3 MARCH
2019
TAURIKURA
BAY**

book the date, spread the word

TICKETS ON SALE at

www.funkyfishing.co.nz

SCHOOL DISCO

We all had an *AMAZING* time at our school *DISCO* last Friday!

Wow – we certainly *ROCKED* Te Mangaroa in our sea of *BEACH WEAR!* Thank you so much to *DAISY, CEARA & IZZY* and their families who created a really special evening!

Thank you to our *SUPER AWESOME* DJ Ms Grace who kept the tunes lively and to Mr H and Mrs Humphries for showing us their moves!

The girls raised a *WHOPPING \$450* which they would like to use to create a mural to beautify an area of the school.
Great idea girls!

KAIWI LAKES

FREE OPEN DAY 2019

Lake Waikare, Sat 26 Jan 2019, 10:30am – 3:30pm*

*Postponement date in case of bad weather: Sun 27th Jan. Postponements on Whitebait Connection Facebook page.



Something for all ages!

Prizes

Waka Ama

Bioversity Displays

Water Safety Displays

Day/Night* Guided Snorkelling

Games & Colouring Competition

Food & Drink for Purchase

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*Registration for night-time snorkelling via www.emr.org.nz

For more info: www.facebook.com/whitebaitconnection

Junior Tennis Coaching at Onerahi Tennis Club

Junior tennis coaching will resume on Tuesday 5th February 2019 and run for 8 weeks of term one 2019.

3:30pm – 4:30pm for 6 – 8 year olds. 4:30pm – 5:30pm for 9 – 12 year olds, 5:30pm – 6:30pm for 12 year olds and over.

Grant Van Dalsum will be coaching again this term. Any questions please contact: Gerry Hess on 09 971 9652

Have a safe and happy holiday from everyone at Whangarei Heads School



ROOM 1



ADRENALINE PARK FUN !!!



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