



## Newsletter: Term 1, Week 2, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Kia Ora Everyone

It's just magnificent to be part of Whangarei Heads School and to see the children enter through the gates on Monday morning, full of energy, enthusiasm and optimism about the coming year.



A special thank you to all the families who attended the Powhiri, in which I felt very welcome. It was a special moment for me, as it was my first official Powhiri during my teaching career.



A very warm welcome back and a special welcome to all new children, families and staff who have joined our Whangarei Heads whanau this year. I hope you had some quality time off over the holiday season and you managed to find some fun and sun wherever you ventured. My family and I spent some time up in Houhora over the New Year period and it was such a relaxing time together.

It's been fantastic to hear all the holiday stories from our staff and students as well. After much time spent planning the year ahead and in meetings to discuss the finer details, it a pleasure to welcome back the children and to get up and running with daily instruction.

It was brilliant to see our 'Meet the Teachers' well attended. There was a positive tone around the school and we hope it was beneficial for you and your child. We have started the year with 17 new students and it will be really interesting to see what happens to our school roll over the next 12 months as we continue to grow.



Our new students are: Pheonix Herekiuha-Carbin (Yr8), Freya Temple (Yr7), Lexi Holton (Yr6), Brady Tait (Yr6), Aden Edwards (Yr6) Oliver Nanton (Yr5), Harper Tait (Yr5), Georgia Holton (Yr5), Katie Kenworthy (Yr2), Ezra Waetford (Yr1), Louie Bourke (Yr1), Ruby Taylor (Yr1), Primrose Heywood (Yr1), Amelie Straka (Yr1), Otto Schlesier (Yr1) and Shai Shabtay (Yr1), Amelie Straka (Yr1).

It's been a hot start to the year with temperatures much higher than normal, but by being a modern school, with air-conditioning, we have been really lucky to have managed this heat by utilising our facilities - aren't we lucky! We ensure that your child/ren have their sunhats each day and are well hydrated.

This newsletter is a special "Welcome" edition, as we have so much to share with you. We will be sending out another one next week, but in the meantime, enjoy this first edition for 2019 and mark down the upcoming events relevant to you and your children.

As mentioned I will be teaching in Room 1 every Wednesday for half a day. I am looking forward to teaching the Year 7 and 8 students and in the near future start releasing other teachers as well.

**BOT Elections** - This Year BOT elections will be held in Term 2. Please begin thinking about whether you would be interested in putting your name forward. If you would like more information, please contact a Board member or myself. We welcome any visitors to our Board meetings.

**Funky Fish** – a special mention, we are only a few weeks out now. The funky fish team have been working tirelessly to source sponsorship and finalise event activities. Please, if you are able to help out on the day, add your name to the roster outside the office.

Nga Manaakitanga  
Jodi Edwards, Principal

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## **FRIDAY SHARING ASSEMBLY**

Every Friday we have a whole school assembly. This week it will be from 9:30-10am as we have some special visitors coming to talk to us.

## **CAR PARK SAFETY**

Please keep your speed down in the carpark – keep our children safe! Due to safety reasons, we ask that NO CARS drive down the school driveway.

## **ATTENDANCE**

A reminder to please phone or email the office before 9.30am if your child is going to be absent. Please indicate the reason for the absence, as this is necessary for our records.

***Children who are late to school are required to report to the office before going to class.***



## PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS

The Parent Contributions will remain the same this year and are as follows:

\$25 per child per term or \$50 per family per term

*These can be paid by automatic payment throughout the year, please contact the office if you wish to do this.*

## CONTACT DETAILS

It is important that we have your correct contact details. Please let us know if you have moved house, have changed phone or email details, or any circumstances have changed that we may need to know about.

## HEAD LICE

We have had a report of head lice (nits) in Kidspace. These are common and will spread quickly if not treated. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

## HATS ON!

Once again it will be compulsory for children to wear a sunhat when they go outside during term 1, so please get your child in the habit of packing a hat in their school bag. LET'S ALL BE SUNSAFE!



## SCHOOL HATS

A lot of children purchased our school hats last year. It is a good idea if these are kept at school to avoid them being left at home. If you would like to purchase a school hat for \$10, please contact the office.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

We will once again be selling school lunches every Friday. These will be \$4 per child and can be purchased with cash on the day or pre-paid online. We also have homemade fruit juice ice blocks for sale at lunchtime and after school for \$1.

***TOMORROW'S SCHOOL LUNCH: SPAGHETTI & CHEESE OR  
MARMITE & CHEESE ON A BUN & AN ICE BLOCK = \$4***

## SCHOOL PICNIC

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February – 5PM to 7PM

This is a chance to mix and mingle on the field, playground or pool. Come along for a relaxed family evening – bring your picnic and we will have sports gear available.



## HELMETS

Children who use scooters, skate boards or roller blades at school must wear a helmet at all times. Please support your child with this. Make sure the helmet is named.

## CLASS CAMPS IN TERM 1

ROOM 1 – 26/27<sup>th</sup> February Jagger’s Farm    KIDSPACE – 21-22<sup>nd</sup> March – Baptist Camp

ROOM 3 – 6-8<sup>th</sup> March - Mangawhai

ROOM 2 – 2-5<sup>th</sup> April Lonsdale Park

## 2019 HOUSE CAPTAINS

The speeches were presented to House groups on Monday, then voted on. Congratulations to our new House Captains for 2019:

|                             |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>KAURI</b> (blue house)   | Otis & Jonjo    |
| <b>AUBREY</b> (green house) | Elsa & Faith    |
| <b>LION</b> (yellow house)  | Cooper & George |
| <b>MANAIA</b> (red house)   | Bethany & Luka  |

We will be having House events every term, so it’s a good idea to have a variety of your House colour items that you can wear for these fun events.

## SPARE CLOTHES/SWIMWEAR

We are in need of spare shorts, t-shirts and swimwear, particularly smaller sizes for children to use at school.



*Room 3 have for sale NZ CANCER SOCIETY SUNSCREEN 50+ 50ml tubes for \$5*

*Kidspace have “My Vita Bags” for sale – 4 pack for \$13*

*and “My Lil Pouch!” reusable food pouches – 5 pack for \$15*

*These are two great ideas for helping care for our environment.*

*Come and check them out at the school office.*



***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***

# SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Whangarei Heads School on Thursday 21st February - 10am start

| <b>Senior Races</b>      |          | <b>(non-competitive)</b> |    |          | <b>(competitive)</b>   |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|----|----------|------------------------|
| 1                        | Y4 girls | 1 length freestyle       | 11 | Y4 girls | 2 lengths freestyle    |
| 2                        | Y4 boys  | 1 length freestyle       | 12 | Y4 boys  | 2 lengths freestyle    |
| 3                        | Y5 girls | 2 lengths freestyle      | 13 | Y5 girls | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 4                        | Y5 boys  | 2 lengths freestyle      | 14 | Y5 boys  | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 5                        | Y6 girls | 2 lengths freestyle      | 15 | Y6 girls | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 6                        | Y6 boys  | 2 lengths freestyle      | 16 | Y6 boys  | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 7                        | Y7 girls | 2 lengths freestyle      | 17 | Y7 girls | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 8                        | Y7 boys  | 2 lengths freestyle      | 18 | Y7 boys  | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 9                        | Y8 girls | 2 lengths freestyle      | 19 | Y8 girls | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| 10                       | Y8 boys  | 2 lengths freestyle      | 20 | Y8 boys  | 3 lengths freestyle    |
| <br>                     |          |                          |    |          |                        |
| <u>Freestyle Finals</u>  |          |                          |    |          |                        |
| 21                       | Y4 girls | 1 length backstroke      | 31 | Y4 girls | 2 lengths backstroke   |
| 22                       | Y4 boys  | 1 length backstroke      | 32 | Y4 boys  | 2 lengths backstroke   |
| 23                       | Y5 girls | 2 lengths backstroke     | 33 | Y5 girls | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 24                       | Y5 boys  | 2 lengths backstroke     | 34 | Y5 boys  | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 25                       | Y6 girls | 2 lengths backstroke     | 35 | Y6 girls | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 26                       | Y6 boys  | 2 lengths backstroke     | 36 | Y6 boys  | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 27                       | Y7 girls | 2 lengths backstroke     | 37 | Y7 girls | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 28                       | Y7 boys  | 2 lengths backstroke     | 38 | Y7 boys  | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 29                       | Y8 girls | 2 lengths backstroke     | 39 | Y8 girls | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| 30                       | Y8 boys  | 2 lengths backstroke     | 40 | Y8 boys  | 3 lengths backstroke   |
| <br>                     |          |                          |    |          |                        |
| <u>Backstroke Finals</u> |          |                          |    |          |                        |
| 41                       | Y4 girls | 1 length breaststroke    | 51 | Y4 girls | 2 lengths breaststroke |
| 42                       | Y4 boys  | 1 length breaststroke    | 52 | Y4 boys  | 2 lengths breaststroke |
| 43                       | Y5 girls | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 53 | Y5 girls | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 44                       | Y5 boys  | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 54 | Y5 boys  | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 45                       | Y6 girls | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 55 | Y6 girls | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 46                       | Y6 boys  | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 56 | Y6 boys  | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 47                       | Y7 girls | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 57 | Y7 girls | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 48                       | Y7 boys  | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 58 | Y7 boys  | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 49                       | Y8 girls | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 59 | Y8 girls | 3 lengths breaststroke |
| 50                       | Y8 boys  | 2 lengths breaststroke   | 60 | Y8 boys  | 3 lengths breaststroke |

### Breaststroke Finals

**12 noon - 12:40 pm – LUNCH BREAK** (approx)

Seniors will return to class after lunch, with the exception of House captains.

**HOUSE RELAYS (Y1-8) [4 boys & 4 girls] NOVELTY RELAYS (Piggy Back, Noodle Pull & Dress Up/Clothes Change)**

### Junior Races

|                                |                    |                 |               |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Flutter board (freestyle kick) | half length (Y1&2) | 1 length (Y2)   | 1 length (Y3) |
| Front with noodle              | half length (Y1&2) | 1 length (Y1&2) |               |
| Freestyle                      | half length (Y2)   | 1 length (Y2)   | 1 length (Y3) |
| Back with noodle               | half length (Y1&2) | 1 length (Y1&2) |               |
| Backstroke                     | half length (Y2&3) | 1 length (Y3)   |               |
| Breaststroke                   | half length (Y3)   | 1 length (Y3)   |               |

Junior Novelty Races (x2)

Swimming underwater challenge

*We look forward to seeing you there to support the children.*



## Only just over 2 weeks 'till the **Funky Fishing & Diving Competition Festival** on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**.....

...planning & organising is well underway thanks to our group of amazing people working away behind the scenes. However, we still **NEED** more event parent help, prior, on the day and afterwards with the pack-up & returns. This is our school's major fundraiser for the year. **PLEASE SUPPORT US!**

Rachael Clever is coordinating the job / event roster, please contact her to register your offer of help, email; [mscreebu@gmail.com](mailto:mscreebu@gmail.com)

If you have a business or know of a business that would like to help sponsor event prizes, we would love to hear from you!

***Please add your name to the roster at the front office or phone us with your choice of job – every shift short or long helps!***

**The Funky Fishing Colouring-In Competition sheets are available at the office and include all age groups from 0 – 13 years. So let's get creative!**

# SURF LESSONS

2 hour learn to surf lessons available

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> Feb & 6<sup>th</sup> March

Any age - \$20 for 4 weeks

5pm meet at 14 Ranui Road, Ocean Beach.



**Living locally, working together**

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## Come and see a kiwi in your backyard!

WHLF Backyard Kiwi invite you to attend a community kiwi release. Learn about kiwi at Whangarei Heads, see a wild kiwi up close and take part in the release of kiwi into the area.

**5.30pm, Sunday February 17**

**At Parua Bay**

Park at the Parua Bay Community Centre and walk down to the rugby field.


Short walk to the release site optional

(wear shoes for walking)

Backyard Kiwi Hats (\$25) and Bumper Stickers (\$5) will be available for purchase

For more information, call Todd on 021 1145 385 or [info@backyardkiwi.org.nz](mailto:info@backyardkiwi.org.nz)

Check out Facebook & our website [www.backyardkiwi.org.nz](http://www.backyardkiwi.org.nz)




**Manaia Makos Junior Rugby League Club**  
"Come have a run around and a game at your local fields!"  
**4pm Friday's 15th&22nd Feb**  
**Onerahi Rec fields with Dave**  
**Parua Bay, Ross Trust Community fields with Caleb**  
PLAY LEAGUE IN 2019?

Manaia Junior Rugby League Club invites you to register your interest as a player for the 2019 season. The season gets underway late March at the Otaika Sports Grounds (Blue goose fields) and are played at the same time each week. All grades play in boots and play tackle.

The age grades are :  
7's, turning 7 or Under in 2019  
9's, turning 8 or 9 in 2019  
11's turning 10 or 11 in 2019  
13's turning 12 or 13 in 2019  
SUBS \$30 per child (includes a mouth guard and socks)

Visit our facebook page at Manaia Junior Rugby League Club  
Or call/text for more information. Caleb Piggott 0212220721  
Brett Yakas 021 844 109  
Dave Odgen 0212244504



## Contract Conservation Ranger

The Bream Head *Conservation Trust* is looking for a *second* contractor to help look after this iconic piece of Northland. The Trust is looking for a skilled and passionate person to join the team to deliver the field work including pest control and associated outcome monitoring.

Applicants must have the following qualities:

- Sound experience in pest control and species outcome monitoring
- High level of fitness and the ability to carry out field work in difficult terrain
- Enthusiasm to be part of the team but also be capable of working alone
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- GPS/GIS and basic IT skills (excel and online docs)

Act today! For more info and/or an application

pack: **Email:** [bhctrangers@gmail.com](mailto:bhctrangers@gmail.com)

**Applications Close:** Wed 27 February 2019.

Whangarei Heads Guide Club has spaces for Guides and Brownies, Girls ages 7 and over. We meet Wednesdays 4.30 to 6.30pm at the McLeod Bay Hall (5 Stuart Rd) during each term. Lots of time spent in the outdoors and leadership opportunities. Fun, adventure and friendship. Come visit and see if it's for you. We are also looking for adult helpers so we can grow. Contact Diana Staveley 027 7373321 or [distaveley27@gmail.com](mailto:distaveley27@gmail.com)

The mighty VODAFONE WARRIORS are scheduled to play a trial game against the WEST TIGERS at Northland Events Centre. An opportunity has opened up for all children in Northland ages 5 – 13 years to come and join the Warriors in a skills and drills training session on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – 4:15pm. There will be a free bbq and giveaway prizes!

