



Newsletter: Term 1, Week 6, 14th March 2019

Kia Ora Koutou,

Through the concept 'Belonging', our children are happy and feel valued when they have a variety of responsibilities and an expectation of participation. Our students will be inquiring into how to support each other in their learning. They will be learning skills to **build resilience** through strengthening their **personal identity** and **sense of self**. They will engage in responsible decision making. They will develop knowledge and skills to enable them to better understand, participate and contribute to all communities-local, national and global.

We have a great range of enrichment programmes at Whangarei Heads School which include, Kapa Haka, Mandarin, Swimming, Weekend Swimming Lessons, Education Outside the Classroom, Music Lessons, School Gardens, Enviro Group, Summit Club, Whanau Leaders and finally Student Councillors. Our enrichment programmes are a platform for us to engage our students in the wider community and teach important life-skills.

Congratulations to all of our students who represented Whangarei Heads School admirably at the zone swimming event at Parua Bay School. We had seven students qualify for the Whangarei Primary School Swimming Sports to be held next week. I would like to thank Sarah McDonald for her support in offering weekend swim training, Dane Higginson for his organisation and also to the parents who assisted with transport.

School Donations- I would like to acknowledge the payment of donations recently. They have a direct impact on the quality of education we can offer your children. Although our school is funded through an Operation Grant which covers fixed running costs, we are very reliant on donations to maintain the standard we expect with extra Teacher Aides, professional development for staff, computer equipment and new classroom resources.

School Strategic Plan-At our next meeting the Board will be accepting the Strategic Goals and Annual Plans for 2019. This is our guiding document that maps out a direction for the next three years and supports our vision of Building Leaders and Learners.

As mentioned before, if you are interested in standing for the Board of Trustees you are welcome to be an observer at one of the monthly Board Meetings to get an understanding of the role. The current Board members who are listed on the website are available to discuss their role. The Board meetings are open to the public and are held in the Staffroom from 4.30pm. Our next Board meeting is Tuesday 19th of March. If you would like to communicate with the Board regarding the upcoming election, either write a letter addressed to: The Chairman, BOT Whangarei Heads School or contact the school office.

Friday Sharing Assembly- School Librarians will be sharing some exciting new books with us.

Nga Manaakitanga, Jodi Edwards



GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations to these Gold Award recipients:

Room 1 -Johanna, Cooper

Room 2 - Oliver N, Mitchell

Kidspace - Griffin, Celeste, Otto, Shai

*Congratulations to **Oliver Jones** who received a Gold Award and a Funky Fishing cap for selling the most raffle tickets - a whopping 10 books! Well done Oliver, a great way to support our school.*

Events still to come this term....

Whangarei Primary School Swimming Sports	20 th March
Kidspace Camp	21-22 nd March, Baptist Camp
Room 2 Camp	2-5 th April, Lonsdale Park
Wild Kiwi Run/Walk/Multisport Event	Saturday, 13 th April

***** WILD KIWI EVENT *****

- We will once again be providing car parking wardens, race marshalling and food stalls at the Wild Kiwi Event.
- We will be asking for your support with this please.
- Event organisers are expecting up to 900 entries so this is a very worthwhile fundraising opportunity!
- MORE DETAIL NEXT WEEK but keep the date free – Saturday, 13th April.

Whangarei Primary School Swimming Sports

Congratulations to our swimmers who placed at the Zone sports held at Parua Bay School on Monday. Cooper, Johanna, Brady, Harper, Zoe, Thomas and Sol will now compete at the Whangarei Primary School event next week. This is an amazing achievement, we know you will represent the school well.



Manaia Junior Rugby Registration Day

Sunday March 30th from 2pm – 4pm

Parua Bay Community Centre, All welcome

Friday's School Lunch: Hot chips, bread & an Ice block \$4

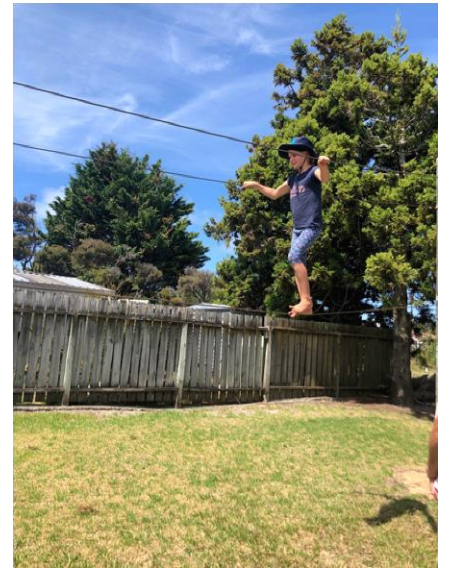
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School Bank Account Number: 12-3092-0033347 00

Room 3 Camp – Mangawhai

❖ When we got to Waipu Cove we ran to the sand. The sand was quite hot then I jumped in the water like a fish. On the confidence course we did lots of fun things like climbing over a wall and lots of other things. Top team was so fun and at the end we had a big water fight. I was so so wet. **By Aria**



❖ We went on this thing called the caterpillar ride. It was so fun, you go up down up down when we went over the bumps. We went in circles. We went up hill, we went down hill. We went on the side of the road.

By Jordy



❖ I went on the flying fox. I went fast. It was scary when I hit the tyres. We did the confidence course and then the top team sponge fight. The sponges were so wet, it was fun. **By Thomas**

❖ On Thursday at Campbell Park we had a water fight. I got soaked! It was extremely fun! We also went to Bennetts Chocolate Factory and we got two bits of free chocolate. One was a bunny and one was crystal shaped. **By Moana**



❖ On Thursday we went to Bennetts Chocolate Factory. We got an example of the chocolate. It was dark and it had this runny stuff in it. Then we watched a video that showed us how chocolate is made. At the end we got chocolate bunnies. There were dark, white and brown. I chose white. **By Penny**



“We had an AWESOME time!”