



Nga Mihi Nui Kia Koutou Katoa

Welcome back to the last term of the year, and for 13 of our students, the last term of their primary school education. In the same breath, we welcome our new students and families to our Whangarei Heads School community. I sincerely hope you enjoy your time with us, and find our school environment to be an inviting and relaxing place to be.

We were delighted to be able to start the term by opening our newly refurbished Room's 2 and 3, the under-cover area, and our outdoor classroom. Thank you to all of those who attended our special Dawn Ceremony, including Kim Tito for his blessing, his son-in-law Fletcher for supporting him, and to Rachael and parents for providing some delicious kai for us.



The children of Room 2 and 3 seem very excited to be in their colourful new space!

This term is 10 weeks long, and from experience it disappears in a heartbeat. Looking at the school calendar, there is definitely lots happening, and believe me if we want to add anything else we will have to shoe-horn it in somehow!

In amongst all of the activity, classroom learning will continue, with energy focused on term 4's value of 'achievement'. Teachers will begin the end of year report writing process after assessments in a few weeks' time.

Interschool Athletics is next Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th. The children have been practising and honing their skills, and next week we will see them put it all into action alongside their peers and children from Parua Bay Kura.



If the weather is not looking flash, Mr Higginson will inform us via Class Dojo or our Facebook page on the day, and a postponement date will be set. If you hear nothing from us, you can presume the day is proceeding as normal.

Remember to check your calendar dates for next week. We have multiple events happening e.g. Athletics, Tuia 250 and our 10th Annual Art Exhibition at Reyburn House Gallery.

Planning for next year is well advanced, and by Week 4 we will be able to confirm class placements, who the teachers are, what level they will be teaching and their classrooms. We will also be consulting with you this term about Health & PE and gathering ideas for our 3 Year Strategic Plan.

Room 3 will be sharing their learning with us at tomorrow's assembly.

Nga Manaakitanga

Jodi Edwards

Principal

LIBRARY CLOSED from 25th – 30th October due to a computer software upgrade.

25 th – 29 th October	Library CLOSED for system upgrade
Wednesday, 30 th October	Year 4, 5 & 6 Zone Athletics Day, Parua Bay
28 th Oct – 10 th November	WHS Art Exhibition, Reyburn House
Thursday, 31 st October	Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday, 1 st November	Art Exhibition Opening, 5:30pm, all welcome.
Friday, 1 st November	Tuia 250 Event (Whole school bus trip to Onerahi)
Thursday 14 th November	Kapa Haka Festival, hosted here at WHS
Friday, 15 th November	Whangarei Girls High School Orientation Day
Monday, 18 th November	Whangarei Boys High School Orientation Day
Tuesday, 19 th November	Taurikura Snorkelling Day
Thursday, 21 st November	Reotahi Snorkelling Day
Wednesday, 27 th November	Year 7&8 Whangarei Zone Athletics
Wednesday 4 th December	Kapa Haka Performance at Boat Club (evening)
Wednesday, 4 th December	Year 4-6 Whangarei Zone Athletics
Wednesday, 18 th December	Christmas Tree Evening, 5:30 pm
Thursday, 19 th December	Last Day of School Year (midday finish) End of Year Reports Sent Home

TE WHANGA T-SHIRTS

This is your last chance to order a Te Whanga t-shirt for our 2019 Kapa Haka event. These can be paid for online or by cash and cost \$25.



Save the date!

Sunday, 1st March 2020

Planning has begun for next year's event. If you can help with **sponsorship or marketing**, please contact event coordinator, Greg Hartwell on 027 886 4894 or contact the school office.

Our first meeting is this evening, 5:30pm at the Manaia Club.



Our Surfing Champ Cooper:

Cooper won the Year 7 & 8 boys division of the national primary schools Surfing Championships at Midway Beach, Gisborne. He won every heat in the round robin format before competing in the semi-finals and going on to win the final. Well done Cooper!



Room 1 pictured inside parliament during their tour.

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Fun Six Week Drama Group

We are running a six week introduction to speech and drama. Not just any old drama club this introductory class is for kids who love WORDS, may be a little shy, but are super imaginative. Come and check it out, you'll be among friends. It's The GREAT Big Speech & Drama Class starting 31st October <https://enrolmy.com/making-a-scene>

*Your body is a natural ecosystem. Love yourself. Do your best.
Enjoy life as a learning journey —*

Please keep payments rolling in: We encourage you to use internet banking for any school payments.
School Bank Account Number: 12-3092-0033347-00

Friday's School Lunch:

Spaghetti or marmite and cheese on a bun and an iceblock - \$4

TUIA 250
KI TAITOKERAU
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TUIA TE MUKA TĀNGATA
WEAVING THE THREADS OF HUMANITY

Saturday 2 November, 10am - 3pm
Hihiaua Peninsula, Herekino St, Whangārei

Flotilla – Mass Haka Pōwhiri – Kai – Live Entertainment

Whangarei District Council