

UP COMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 29th January	Start Term 1
Wednesday 6th February	Waitangi Day – School Closed
Wednesday 20th February	Meet The Teacher Evening 5pm
SATURDAY 9TH FEB	WORKING BEE – 9am start
Monday 25 th Feb – Friday 1 st March	Tech Week at Mokoia Intermediate for Year 7 & 8's
Thursday 28 th February	B.O.T. Hui 1.00pm
Wednesday 6 th March – Friday 8 th March	OHOPE WHOLE SCHOOL CAMP
Thursday 7 th Feb	Rumaki Whanau hui at kura 5pm bring a plate

Who's Who – The 2019 Kaiako Staff Structure is as follows:

AURAKI WHANAU

Whaea Tiria Haylock (Hineora - Years 4,5 & 6)
Whaea Miriata Oranje (Waiwaha -Years 0,1, 2 & 3)
Whaea Tracy Bishop (Hinetapaturangi - Years 6,7 & 8)
(Reliever - Bev Goldsworthy)

RUMAKI WHANAU

Matua Rehua Mihaka (Rumaki Tuakana Years 7 & 8)
Whaea Rose (Rumaki Teina Years 5 & 6)
Whaea Teina Mear (Rumaki Potiki Years 4 & 5)
Whaea Rangī Te Kanawa (Rumaki Kohungahunga (Year 3)
Whaea Hariata Tapiata (Rumaki Poniponi Years 0, 1 & 2)

Tumuaki Whaea Lorraine Northey
Deputy Principal - Auraki Whaea Tiria Haylock (Rm 1 - Yrs 3 & 4)
Deputy Principal - Rumaki Matua Rehua Mihaka (Rūmaki
tuakana Yr 6 - 8)



Thursday 31st January 2019

Term 1 / No 1

Mission Statement

The children at Whangamarino School will stand tall and be caring and honest in all aspects of their life so they may strive to do their personal best

Whakaaro Rangatira - Manaakitanga, Aroha and Whanaungatanga

School Newsletter

Te Panui o Whangamarino

Tena koutou katoa / Dear Parents, Caregivers, Whānau and Community Members

Remarkable Things Happen Every Day Here at Whangamarino!

Breakfast club volunteer needed –

Kutu's in the school

Matawhaura swimming – aquatics, children will be dropped off at least an hour earlier on this day as we will

Bus Agreement

Writing PLD, Assessment for Learning and Play Based Learning, followed by a chance for you to go to the classroom and have a chat with your child's teacher. Remember that this is an early time in the year so academic progress will not be discussed. Rather, take the

opportunity to introduce yourself and put names to faces. You will also be able to meet some of the other parents too while you are there.

The staff and I look forward to providing wonderful learning opportunities this term. We hope you will be able to share in some of them with us.

Personal Thank you

I would like to say a very big thank you for the kindness shown to me over the past couple of weeks. I have been in and out of hospital and I am now at home recuperating. Tiria and Rehua have been leading the kura and running things for me this week with the support of our amazing kaiako. I am very grateful to all of them. I will be returning next Monday and I am looking forward to catching up with our lovely tamariki, staff and whanau. Arohatinonui Lorraine.

STAFFING FOR 2018

Welcome: We would like to extend a very warm welcome to Mrs Bev Goldsworthy who is joining the teaching staff this year as a reliever. We are very excited to have Bev join our teaching team as she is an experienced teacher who brings a wealth of knowledge with her. A big welcome to our three new support staff, Cathryn Kingi, Rose Patu and Wayne Fitzell. We feel very lucky to have recruited these amazing people onto our Whangamarino School Staff.

A big WHANGAMARINO School Welcome to our new tamariki: Himepiri and Huhana, Ngawai, Teina, Osiris, Joe, Te Tauri, Te Mana, Lyric, Pheonix Blaze, Sparrow, Oliver, Danielle and Kauhutapeka. A very warm welcome to all of you and your families. We hope you enjoy your time here with us at Whangamarino School.

WE'RE BECOMING A 'WATER AND MILK ONLY' SCHOOL'-
Why is this happening? The Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health are jointly encouraging all schools to become 'water-only'. This

means plain water (and plain milk) will be the only beverages available for our tamariki to drink while at school. This is because sugary drinks (like powered drinks, fizzy drinks, sports drinks and juices) cause tooth decay, obesity and diabetes. They also make it harder for children to learn while at school.



Please support us going 'water-only'? We encourage you to please support your children, by

- Providing your child with their own 'named' drink bottle for kura.
- Filling their drink bottle with plain tap water only
- Using a clear 'named' drink bottle for school, so that teachers can see children are drinking water only and can ensure they are getting enough water throughout the day.
- Keeping any sugary drinks you may have for 'treats' at home only. We really appreciate your support with this.

Our Aroha goes to: Tracy Bishop's son Zane Crean who is currently in Waikato Hospital in a coma. We wish him all the best for his recovery and send him our love and prayers. Kia kaha Tracy, we are all thinking of you both.

In the meantime, Bev Goldsworthy will be relieving in Tracy's classroom until she returns.

Have a happy fortnight and please be reminded that Wednesday of next week is a statutory holiday (Waitangi Day).

Nga Mihi Nui

Whaea Lorraine
Tumuaki

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L) We are excited to be offered a place on the PB4L professional development round for the next two years. The PB4L initiative has been very successful across many schools

in New Zealand. It is an evidenced based framework and looks at behaviour and learning from a whole school and individual student perspective. PB4L provides schools with a process for teaching social and behavioral skills and helps to develop and reinforce a positive, proactive and systematic approach based on our school data. It takes the approach that opportunities for learning and achievement increase if:

- expectations are consistently clear
- students are consistently taught expected behaviours
- expected behaviours are consistently acknowledged

Health and Safety—**SUNHATS** We remind both children and parents that our school policy “No Hat, No Play” requires all students to wear a school sunhat, when they are playing out in the playground in Terms 1 and 4. All children must be wearing the black and white striped school hat. All staff are also required to wear a sunhat during these terms.

Lunches All children require a packed lunch daily. We strongly encourage healthy options. We also encourage litter-less lunch boxes, which means that the children are asked to bring lunch boxes without wrappings. Any plastic wrappings will be taken back home in their lunch boxes. We appreciate your support with this.

- inappropriate behaviours are consistently responded to in a fair and equitable way

“PB4L aims to provide a positive school climate and to create a supportive environment for personal, social and academic growth for students and staff. In other words, the school-wide plan is essentially an instrument to enable the goals of the school to be achieved, especially the goals of students achievement.” Colvin, 2007, pg 10.

Exciting times here for us at Whangamarino.

Stationery Was given out to all students on Tuesday, this enabled the classroom programs to start on day 1. A big thank you to all parents who have already paid for their child’s stationery. A stationery account will be going out this week. Thanks for your support with this.

Touch Rugby

Touch rugby starts on the 13th of Feb. Whaea Teina and Whaea Rangi will be meeting with interested players this week. We will be depending on parents to volunteer to coach teams before we can register. Fees per player are \$15.

Thank you

- A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO: Margie Murray from the Rotorua School for Young Parents Childcare Trust for gifting us 2 Forts for our Junior Playground.
- Thank you to Barry and Glenda Gates, Carl Gage, Ma Te Kanawa, Caroline and Brett Newton, Uncle Wakainga and
- Selwyn for collecting the new junior forts for our junior playground. What a huge undertaking that was dismantling the equipment then transporting it to kura. Thank you
- A special thank you to Newton Logging for using their truck to transport the forts. Tumeke!
- All the staff who attended 3 days of Professional Development during their holidays.

Rumaki Whanau Hui

On the 2nd Thursday of each term, we have our Rumaki Whanau hui. So our first hui for this year is next Thursday 7th Feb at 5pm. Expectation is that all tamariki Rumaki will be represented at the hui by members of their whanau. We will be discussing expectations for our tamariki and Whanau, kaupapa and haerenga for term 1 and fundraising. We will also have a kai tahi so please bring a dish of kai. This is a great opportunity for whakawhanaungatanga to start our year. We are looking forward to seeing all our new Whanau and our long standing Whanau too!

OHOPE here we come!



This term we will be going on our first Whole school camp from the 6th – 8th March. The purpose of our whole school camp is *'Whakawhanaungatanga, Ake and Mahi Tahī'*.

Together these concepts will bring us together to make connections and build our relationships.

Our tamariki will have an opportunity to strike out on their own and bond with their new classmates and friends, get to know the fun side of their teachers and try out some different activities. How exciting! We hope you will be able to come and join us. Our camp organisation committee have attached a letter with more details.

Queries or Concerns: Should you have a query or concern; please approach the appropriate staff member in the first instance. If there is no resolution; please do not hesitate to contact me directly, by phone or email principal@whangamarino.school.nz. Any matter that cannot be resolved can, as a final step, be directed [in writing] to the Board Chairperson – Mrs. Glenda Gates.

Skool Loop APP - A reminder for everyone to please download our school's **Skool Loop App**. Please go onto the App Store and search for Skool Loop and search for Whangamarino School, download and then push (allow notifications). This app makes sure you are kept in the loop. You can have up to date notices about events, cancellations, reminders and more.



We Need your Help please

Our first **working bee** for the year will be held on **Saturday 9th February** starting at 9am. We need to put up our new junior forts in the junior playground, waterblast the junior block, weed gardens (all over the kura), sweep down tennis courts, trim branches and lots of other jobs. We want our kura to look its very best but need your support. Please bring your own brooms, weeding equipment, shovels, rakes etc, thank you. You are welcome to bring children (they are just not to be in classrooms). There will be a BBQ at the end to say 'Thank you' Mahi tahi at its best, nau mai haere mai koutou.

Newsletters Today we are sending newsletters home in hard copy. In term two all newsletters will be sent home fortnightly on Thursday's, via email. Can you contact us here at school with your email address so we can put you onto our newsletter email list. If you do not have an email address and would prefer to receive a hard copy please contact Letitia at the office and she will organize this for you. Newsletters are also available from our school website **www.whangamarino.school.nz**. If you are a Facebook user, you can also receive messages and reminders from our Facebook page. Just find us on Facebook. Please also make sure you keep a close eye on the newsletters as they give you details about term events as well as term start and finish dates and times. Newsletters are on odd weeks (always the first week of each term).

School Transport - We operate our two school buses and a school van. If you have any queries, please call the office and speak to Whaea Letitia on 073624879 between 8.30-2.30pm.

