

UP COMING EVENTS – Term 2 – 2020

DATE	EVENT
Monday 22 nd & Tuesday 23 rd June	STUDENT WELL-BEING INTERVIEWS
Wednesday 24 th June	BOARD OF TRUSTEES HUI 3.30 PM
Thursday 26 th June	RUMAKI CAKE STALL
Tuesday 30 th June	END OF TERM ASSEMBLY
Wednesday 1 st July	RUMAKI – HAERENGA KI TAUPO
Thursday 2 nd July	X COUNTRY – WHOLE SCHOOL – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.
Friday 3 rd July	TEACHER ONLY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 20 th July	FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

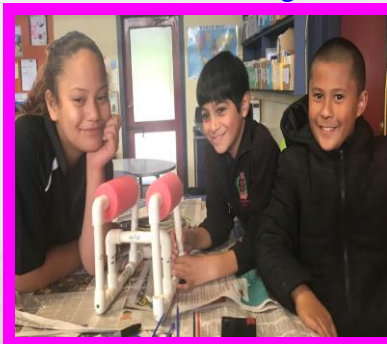
TE TOHU O TE TUMUAKI PRINCIPAL AWARDS – congratulations....

Te Rau Aroha Vujcich	For consistently displaying the values of our kura.
Kya Woods	Kua pakari to mōhiotanga o ngā oro o te reo Māori.
Joe Newton	He toki koe ki te pānui pukapuka.
Pakira Mita.	Nau mai haere mai ki Whangamarino School. You are settling in very well to school life.
Delaney Namana	For excellent work ethic in writing and reading.
Wipaea Fitzell	He akonga manawanui na te mea ka aro ki nga kaupapa ako ahakoa te aha. To kaha tama.
Taine Anapu	For improved attitude and completing good quality mahi.
Tegan Grant	Kua pakari koe ki te mahi rangatira ki roto i te akomanga
Manea Brown	He toki koe ki ngā mahi katoa

AQUABOTS have arrived at Whangamarino!



Whaea Jessica, Whirinaki Fitzell and William Patu



Wharekura Teepea, Te Rama King and Tiakina Waenga with their completed Aquabot



Whangamarino School

Monday 22nd June 2020 Term 2 *Rotorua New Zealand*

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 (Values) Manaakitanga, Aroha and Whanaungatanga

School Newsletter

Week 11 – Term 2

Te Panui o Whangamarino

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

Welcome back to the second to last week of term and one which despite the COVID-19 lockdown seems to have been quite long. Over the past week we have had a reminder that this virus is still around and it is extremely important we all remain vigilant and act with care. We continue to have sanitiser in classrooms and encourage students to use this regularly.

Student Wellbeing interviews started today. It was wonderful to see so many parents, caregivers and whanau passing through the school doors. Hopefully you left the meeting with a clear understanding of your child's current progress and their next steps in their learning journey.

If you were unable to attend today and would like to meet with the teachers please book in for tomorrow night through our Skool Loop app. Or you can get in touch with your child's teacher via Seesaw or email to arrange an alternative appointment time.

In the weekend Te Roopu Manaaki (our parents fundraising group) catered for a Fishing competition. They raised approximately \$1200.00 for our kura. A big thank you to all whanau that donated kai for this fundraiser. I want to also acknowledge and give a very special thank you to the wonderful parents, tamariki and whanau for all the work they did in the weekend, in particular- Hilary, Nepia, Heeni and Kahutapeka Dewes Green, Teina Mear, Rangi Te Kanawa, Tesh Paul, Rose Te Whau, Cath Kingi, Mita and Amanda Paul, Jax Waikawa, Shoney Galvin, Matarena Hay, Taquila Tarei and Kathleen Galvin-Taingahue.

We have another catering fundraiser coming up this week for the Taheke Paengaroa AGM and need parents to help Friday and Saturday with kai preparation and clean up. Please contact Whaea Hilary here at kura if you can help.

I really want to implore and encourage all of you to think about contributing to the work of Te Roopu Manaaki. We really do need the support and at the moment it is falling on the shoulders of a few. With big fundraising goals around free stationery for all tamariki, new kapahaka uniforms and the production coming up, we really need a lot more help please whānau.

Term 3 - Staff and Classroom Changes - Next term we will be having a number of changes happening in our kura:

Staff: 1. Whaea Tiria Haylock our Special Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) will be fully released for Term 3 to focus on her SENCO role. Whaea Gaylene Jeffries will be Whaea Tiria's replacement teacher in Hineora.

2. Te Tai Cooper will be returning to our kura as a kaiarahi reo in Rumaki

3. Matua Clark Puru will be our new Eastside bus driver as we farewell Matua Warner Rahurahu at the end of the term.

Classrooms – Due to our roll growth we are still currently short of two classroom spaces in our kura, so we have had to juggle some classes around to accommodate the large number of new entrants that have enrolled. This is what we will be implementing at the start of Term 3:

1. Whaea Koha Gourlay and her tamariki in Manawakotokoto will be moving into Whaea Gaylenes classroom –Hineora. This will be a shared teaching space with a total of 33 students and 2 teachers.

2. Whaea Rangi Te Kanawa's tamariki in Kohungahunga will be moving into Manawakotokoto's classroom (Library). There will be a total of 16 students, 1 Kaiako and 1 teacher aide.

All other classes and kaiako will remain the same. We appreciate your support with these changes.

The Lockdown Learning Survey was really interesting. We had nine responses (which represents less than 10% of our Whangamarino School Whanau). It was interesting to read some of the different experiences that whanau had over the lockdown and what people learnt about their own children and about teaching and learning.

Some of the highlights: 99% of responses were extremely positive and enjoyed the

bonding time they had with their children and being a part of their child's learning. 99% of responses were happy with the mahi their teachers had set their children.

Some of the challenges: 90% of responses identified the lack of devices as being a challenge for their children.

I will present the data to the Board at our next meeting and discuss what some of the options or ideas we could explore.

AQUABOTS Last week Whaea Jessica Wilkes from the Rotorua Public Library taught a group of our tamariki how to make remotely operated, underwater vehicles. Aquabots are a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) challenge. It involved building, and modifying a submersible vehicle, soldering and wiring the control components. Our tamariki will be entering the Rotorua Aquabots competition in September this year. At this competition in September our tamariki will have to use their Aquabot to complete multiple challenges in the pool. The winning local school team will win a trip to the USA to compete against other schools across the world. A big thank you to Whaea Jessica, Whaea Tiria, Nanny Mere and Whaea Rachel Owen for supporting our tamariki on the day.



Terry Teepa, Kahurangi King, Nanny Mere, and Himepiri Panapa working on their aquabot.

Awanui Owen, Whaea Jessica, Marcia Patu and Te Whaiora Thompson



Rotation Sports

Today we had a fantastic whole school sports afternoon while teachers and parents were in interviews. We played egg and spoon races, wheelbarrow races and lots of team activities. It was great to see our tamariki laughing, having fun and watching our tuakana looking after our junior students. Such an awesome whānau spirit here at Whangamarino School.

Thank you Tamaki Tours Our Eastside bus is still out of action this week and Tamaki Tours have allowed us to use their bus again free of charge. We are so grateful. A BIG THANK YOU to Tamaki Tours for their generosity.

Keeping It Real Online - You may have seen some of the 'Keeping it Real Online' advertisements on television recently. This campaign is here to support parents and caregivers to reduce the risks of online harm such as cyber-bullying, inappropriate content, pornography and grooming. Parents and caregivers can find information including tips on how to have conversations with their children at www.keepitrealconline.govt.nz.

Cross Country – This term we've been training for our whole school cross country. We are working towards improved fitness. As with all subjects, we expect every child to aim high and give it a go. We are expecting every child to display an awesome attitude towards setting and achieving a personal fitness goal. Our School cross country will be held next Thursday 2nd July. More details will follow next week but please diary the date so that you can come along and cheer on our tamariki.

A Warm Welcome to our new 5 year old, Pakira Mita. We are glad to have you as part of our Whangamarino School whanau.

Teacher Only Day – Friday 3rd July Please note we have a teacher Only Day on the last Friday of term to focus on the PLD mentioned in the previous newsletter. We appreciate your support with this. This also means our End of Term Assembly will be on Tuesday 2nd July, we look forward to seeing you all there.

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi
Lorraine Northey (Principal)



Bluebell Wallis and Aotea Renata having fun with their wheelbarrow race



Jah Woods



Robert Holmes-Sullivan



Jahkoby Rowberry helping little Troy Strickland