

11th March 2010

From the Principal's Desk

Tena Koutou Parents/Caregivers

Parent-Teacher Interviews form a critical part of our reporting to parents system. The upcoming interviews serve the following purpose:

- provide feedback on the student's progress
- share the results of recent testing with you
- set learning goals for your child for the year.

As you can see all these issues are very important to your child's learning and it is vital that we meet all parents during the interviews. That will ensure that you know how your child is progressing and that you are aware of how you can support your child's learning.

Please ensure that you return the interview slips asap.

Best wishes

Jaco Broodryk
(Principal)

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 17 Mar	Northern Cluster Swimming
Mon 22 Mar	Parent/Teacher Interviews start
Sun 28 Mar	GALA
Wed 31 Mar	School Athletics
Wed 31 Mar	BOT
Thu 1 Apr	Last day of Term 1
Fri 2 Apr	Easter
Mon 19 Apr	Term 2 Starts
Tue 27 April	Parent Curriculum Info Meet

RE Programme

We started our Religious Education programme last Friday (9:00-9:30). Parents who choose for their children not to participate must please send a note to the office. On Fridays, school will start at 9:30 for those students.

Value of the Week HONESTY

Value of the Week Certificates went to:

Room 1: Jade Neave
Room 2: Harrison Boerboom
Room 4: Samuel Coles
Room 5: Andre Le Pine - Day
Room 6: Elle Fixter
Room 7: Eric Jiang
Room 8: Ashleigh Gunn
Room 9: Lockie Robinson
Room 12: Cooper Gibb - Faumuina
Room 13: Ethan Harbord
Room 14: Devin Liggins
Room 15: Mason McLean
Room 16: Michael Le Pine - Day
Room 17: Makaela Jones

Congratulations



Elections during April / May this year!

Are you considering standing?

Talk to a current BOT member or the principal if you want to know more

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews will be held during week 8 (22 – 25th March). The appointment booking sheets went home with students yesterday. These forms need to be returned to teachers by Monday 15th.

SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to all students who participated in the senior swimming sports. The results for the championship are as follows:

Senior Boy – Nic Jolly
Senior Girl – Brittany Holden
Junior Boy – Ryan Adams
Junior Girl – Isabella Wassilieff

HOUSE RESULTS – SWIMMING

1st - Kauri
2nd – Rimu
3rd – Kowhai
4th – Totara
5th - Rata

CLASS WIKIS AND ULTRANET

Each class now has its own wiki or ultranet page. The wikis can be visited, simply by visiting the links below. To view your child's ultranet page, you will need to log-in using their individual usernames and passwords. Below are the addresses for each classroom. We encourage you to visit these often and see the wonderful learning experiences your child is involved in. You can also see these links on the Whakarongo School Website www.whakarongo.school.nz under the "Our Kids" link

Room 1 – www.wsroom012010.wikispaces.com
Room 2 – www.wsroom022010.wikispaces.com
Room 4 – www.wsroom042010.wikispaces.com
Room 5 – www.wsroom052010.wikispaces.com
Room 6 – <http://whakarongo.ultranet.school.nz>
Room 7 – <http://whakarongo.ultranet.school.nz>
Room 8 – www.wsroom082010.wikispaces.com
Room 9 – www.wsroom092010.wikispaces.com
Room 12 – www.wsroom122010.wikispaces.com
Room 13 – www.wsroom132010.wikispaces.com
Room 14 – <http://whakarongo.ultranet.school.nz>
Room 15 – www.wsroomxv2010.wikispaces.com
Room 16 – www.wsroom162010.wikispaces.com
Room 17 – www.wsroom172010.wikispaces.com
<http://whakarongo.ultranet.school.nz>

SPORT

CRICKET – Saturday 13th March

Whakarongo Wizards V's St Marys Black at 8.45am on Ongley J15
Whakarongo Aces V's Ashhurst at 8.45am on Papaioea Park J6
Whakarongo Knights at O L L 8.45am on Papaioea Park J3

SUMMER HOCKEY – Wednesday 17th March

Whakarongo White v's Webbinators at 4.30pm on 1A

SUMMER HOCKEY – Thursday 18th March

Whakarongo Blue v's RSS Dreamers at 5.00 on 2B
Whakarongo Red V's Westend Goldsticks at 4.30 on 1C

WEETBIX TRYATHLON WED 24TH MARCH

FROM YOUR PTA...

Gala: Remember to keep aside **Sunday the 28th of March for our gala.** We would love to see you all there.

- We still need a few good pots to put plants in for the gardening stall.
- We require non perishable goods like cocoa, icing sugar, coconut, flour, etc for the baking in the cafe stall. So if you have any spare please drop it off to the office.
- We have a shipping container in the teachers old car park. Please drop of anything jumble or clothing wise (Books, toys, clothes, dress up, anything) straight into the container which will be open during school hours.
- Raffle books have arrived home and we only have a short time to sell them. Please put sold ticket stubs in the box at the office, along with the money and also any unsold tickets by Thursday the 18th.
- We need big preserving jars for a stall run by room 5. If you have any please drop them into room 5.
- There will be baking box's coming out on Friday 19th so start thinking about what you will be baking for our cakes and sweets stall.
- We still need helpers for the day, so the PTA will be making a few phone calls to try and gather more people to help on the day.
- Posters – if you can put a Gala poster up at your work, or you know of good windows around town that could have a poster, please pick some up from the office.

Mufti-day: There will be mufti day on Friday the 19th. A donation will be a gourmet grocery item which will go towards the grocery raffle and

quick fire raffles. There will be a box in each classroom so please just drop it in your child's classroom.

Movie Night: We are having a movie night tomorrow night (Friday the 12th) in the atrium at school. It starts from about 6pm onwards. So bring your own takeaways and drink and we will provide the entertainment.

Nigel Rook
Chairperson, Whakarongo PTA

NO NAME

In the last Scholastic order somebody put in an order for a book called "Hot and Cold". This was from the arrow catalogue. The student who sent this order in, put the money and slip into a lovely purple envelope with a picture of the book cellotaped to the front of the envelope. Unfortunately the student never put their name on the slip. The book has been ordered and is waiting at the office. If you are missing your book – please come to the office and collect it.

ABSENCES

Just a reminder that if your child is going to be away from school no matter what the reason – the school needs to be informed asap. By law you also need to provide us with a **reason** for their absence. Your help in this regard will be appreciated.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – issue 2

Issue 2 brochures have now been sent to all classes. Orders for issue 2 will close of the 19th March. Order sent to the office need to be named and in an envelope. Cheques to be made out to Scholastic.

FRIDAY SCHOOL LUNCHES

Week 6 - 11th March – Subway

Week 7 – 18th March - Subway

Subway orders to be placed in the box in the office by **9am each Thursday**. 1 slip to be filled in for each child. The slips and money are to be in an envelope. Delivery of Subway is Friday lunchtime.

Hotdogs to be ordered on Friday morning before school. .80c for half hotdog or \$1.50 for a whole hotdog.

OTHER NOTICES

Rugby and Soccer Registrations – See the atrium window for PNHSOB Junior Rugby registration dates and times. All new players welcome. Also Freyberg Junior Rugby registration details are in the atrium

Registrations are still open for Hokowhitu Junior football club – see atrium for details

Funky Monkeys – The Funky monkeys are performing their live musical at the Globe theatre 16th April @11am. See notice in window for more info.

Lido Holiday Programme 6 – 16th April – See atrium window for contacts, activities and registration details.

Ashurst Scottish Country Country Dance Club - Meets Wednesday 7.30 – 10.00pm in the Whakarongo Hall. For further details contact Anne 3571832 or Gae 3576564 or see poster in the atrium window.

Junior Badminton Clubs - Clubs and nights displayed in atrium.

Joseph – PNBHS present Joseph, 18 – 27 March. Bookings and details in atrium window

Manawatu Gymsports Inc – General gymnastic classes for all ages boys and girls. See the flyer in the PTA stand at the office for sessions and fees.

Youthline Holiday Programme- See notice in the atrium window for registration and details.

See the atrium window for further community notices and information.

ATTACHMENTS

- St Albans School holiday programme flyer