

22nd July 2010

From the Principal's Desk

Tena Koutou Parents/Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 3. This is the term when we really see the benefits of the hard work that has gone into teaching and learning during the year. Students often become more independent, show gains in academic performance and take responsibility for themselves in an increasing variety of ways. This is able to occur because of the dedication of our staff and the positive working relationships they have established with your child.

Take time regularly to chat with them about the various activities occurring over the next ten weeks.

As many of you will know Jaco Broodryk is on a sabbatical as part of a Ministry of Education programme this term. We wish him well as he undertakes some study, and has some time to reflect and relax.

Best wishes

Lesley Jeffery
ACTING PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 23 Jul	Portfolios home
Fri 23 Jul	Photo Info home
Tue 27 Jul	Science Fair
Mon 2 Aug	Ruahine & Kapua Owlcatraz trip
Tue 3 Aug	ICAS English
Tue 3 Aug	Yr 7 Immunisation
Thurs 5 Aug	Digi Hands On Evening
Wed 4 Aug	BOT
Thu 5 Aug	School Photos
Tue 17 Aug	ICAS Maths
23 Aug – 2 Sept	Parent / Student / Teacher Conferences
6/7 Sept	Yr 7/8 Ski Trip
8 Sept	BOT
9 Sept	Digital Class Open afternoon
16 Sept	Arts Festival
20 Sept	Final HPV Immunisation

ATTACHMENTS

- Icon Photography information

Value of the Week RESPONSIBILITY

Value of the Week Certificates from end of term 2 went to:

Room 1:	Lynnae Sands
Room 2:	Emma Deans
Room 4:	Samuel Coles
Room 5:	Deijannah – Paige Fricker
Room 6:	Steven Jiang
Room 7:	Sophie Fifield
Room 8:	Quentin Tomlin
Room 9:	Jacob Neave
Room 12:	Tekeata Taylor
Room 13:	Cassie Parrott
Room 14:	Ryan Adams
Room 15:	Jayden Granger
Room 16:	Nicole Fraser
Room 17:	Connor Fleury

Congratulations

Science & Technology Fair

Next Tuesday will be the judging of the students Science Fair Project. Work will be displayed in the Atrium for viewing from 3.00 - 5.00pm. Judging will begin at 10.30 so it is imperative that all projects are delivered by 9am at the latest. We are grateful to Mr Adriam Coombs for being willing to take on this task for us.

STUDENT/PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES

We are slightly changing the format of how we report to parents this term. It is the next stage in refining our Learning / e learning portfolios and the Learning Plans introduced last term. We are moving away from the traditional parent / teacher interview towards a student led three way conference. Please diary the timeframe and watch this space for more information.

Comings & Goings

We welcome Mrs Thea Hathaway back in Room 1, as Mrs Julie Peters takes some maternity leave and we also welcome back Mrs Kay Richdale, who has begun a third New Entrant class in Room 3. It's great to have you both on staff!

Mrs Judith Pearce is also leaving us shortly to take on new ventures. She has taught here for fifteen years and has made a valuable contribution to our school. She will be missed. Mrs Lisa Drysdale has been appointed and will begin teaching in Room 7 on August 9.

School Photos

Information will be sent home on Friday with the portfolios. Students need to wear correct school uniforms and have the appropriate sports

gear at school if required. Librarian and House Captain photos will be taken as well.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

When - Friday 23rd of July (tomorrow)
At - lunchtime
Where - Outside room 16 & 17 (near Room 13)
Cost: \$1.50 per sausage.
Just line up, pay for your sausage(s) and enjoy a hot tasty sausage(s) for lunch – Yum.
**** Plenty of sausages, sauce, bread and onions for everyone.**
A Room 16 & 17 ski trip fundraiser

YAMS 4 U

Yams continue to be sold for the Room 16 & 17 ski trip fundraiser. They are sold on Fridays, before and after school and on Tuesdays before school near the new car park.
Yams are \$4 a kg or \$10 for 3kg.
Thank you to those who have supported us already.

Welcome ...

The following students have joined the Whakarongo School Family this week ..

Room 3: Nicholas Nielson & Jaden Savill
Room 5: Alex May & Caleb Stevens
Room 6: Chloe Stevens
Room 9: Kiely Trainor

SPORT

HOCKEY - Friday 23rd July
Whakarongo Intermediate A v's Huntley A on Turf 1 at 5.25pm

HOCKEY - Saturday 24th July
Whakarongo Intermediate B v's PNINS Blue sticks on Turf 2 at 9.40am
Gold Sticks v's Linton Country on 7B at 9.00am
Blue sticks v's Cornerstone Rockets on 6B at 10.00am
Red Sticks v's Kairanga Turbos on 3B at 10.00am

NETBALL: Saturday 24th July
Whakarongo Steel v's West End Tuis on Ct 12 Vautier Park at 12.00
Whakarongo Pulse v's Tiritea School at 10.00am at Whakarongo School. The game will be 8min quarters (twice as long as usual)
Whakarongo Magic – games start again on 31st July
Whakarongo Mystics – games start again 31st July

NETBALL - Monday 26th July
Whakarongo Tactix and Swifts – draws to be advised

FLIPPER BALL TERM 3

Flipper ball will be at the Lido on the 28th July with the Whakarongo Dolphins.

If you have any questions about sport at Whakarongo School, please email our sports coordinator, Karl Radford, at kradford@whakarongo.school.nz

FROM YOUR PTA...

Whakarongo P.T.A.



Welcome back to term 3 and trust we all had a good holiday

JUNIOR DISCO - We have our junior disco later this term so keep an eye out for this. We will let you know when and where.

CHOCOLATES – It's chocolate time again and this term we will be sending out a box of chocolates with your children in the 3rd week. We ask that if you have a real adversity to selling the chocolates to call Nigel on 3572593 and leave a message, before the end of next week.

FAMILY/CHILDRENS PHOTOS BY ICON PHOTOGRAPHY – Icon Photography are coming to Whakarongo School on Sunday, 12 September 2010 to take family/children's photos. You will receive a 10" X 13" portrait with a value of \$69.00 FREE. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits if you wish.
Samples of the quality of photographs and print size are displayed in the foyer.
Please return the voucher along with payment of \$10.00 (sitting fee) to the PTA communications box in the office by 3 September 2010. We require 25 families to make this a viable event. We would appreciate your support.
If you have any queries please email Alison at muzzandcurly@xtra.co.nz

Nigel Rook
Chairperson
Whakarongo PTA

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

- **PALMERSTON NORTH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL**
Enrolments for Year 9 2011 open Monday 19th July. The open night, hosted as a guided tour commencing at either 3.30 pm or 7.00pm Thursday 29th July.
- **FREYBERG HIGH SCHOOL**
Open night Wednesday August 4th 4pm and 7pm. 2011 prospectus will be available from the Freyberg School office from 26th July.

FRIDAY SCHOOL LUNCHES

Week 1 – 23rd July – Sausage Sizzle
Week 2 – 29th July – 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

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 5 brochures have been sent to class. Money and orders are due back to the office by Friday 13th August. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic NZ Ltd.

OTHER NOTICES

See the atrium window for further community notices and information.