

24th June 2010

From the Principal's Desk

Tena Koutou Parents/Caregivers

This term is quickly coming to an end. It is a long term and much has been achieved. We have just about completed our Inquiry Unit and some classes have started preparation for the Science/Technology Fair. The Fair takes quite a lot of work, but we believe it is worthwhile as it teaches our students some Science concepts and the scientific process. Please support your child over the holidays in this if they are doing an individual project.

Next week the senior team will also start their hook-in for their next unit.

I want to thank the staff for the hard work they have put in during the term and I know that our students have benefited greatly from this.

Best wishes

Jaco Broodryk
(Principal)

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Fri 25 | House Genl Knowledge Comp |
| Mon | Rm 16/17 trip |
| Tue | Winter Sports Tournament Yr 5/6 |
| Fri | Rm 14/15 trip |
| Fri 2 Jul | End of Term 2 - School finishes at 2pm |
| Mon 19 Jul | Start of Term 3 |
| Wed 21 Jul | PTA |
| Tue 27 Jul | Science Fair |
| Tue 3 Aug | ICAS English |
| Tue 3 Aug | Yr 7 Immunisation |
| Wed 4 Aug | BOT |
| Thu 5 Aug | School Photos |
| Tue 17 Aug | ICAS Maths |

END OF TERM

**SCHOOL CLOSSES AT
2PM
ON FRIDAY 2ND JULY**

Value of the Week RESPONSIBILITY

Value of the Week Certificates went to:

Room 1: Trinity McCreedy
Room 2: Nikita Currie
Room 4: Jackson Dreliozis
Room 5: Caitlin O'Keefe - Lucas
Room 6: Kylah Skerrett
Room 7: Max Zander
Room 8: Joshua Rook
Room 9: Kenzie Finlayson
Room 12: Emily Fifield
Room 13: Lauren Deans
Room 14: Caitlin Robinson
Room 15: Manaia Kingi
Room 16: Eden Campbell
Room 17: Jessica Sykes

Congratulations

Wonderful Wikis

Have you checked out your child's classroom wiki lately?? - there has been some great learning happening at Whakarongo School and this is being showcased on classroom wikis. Check out the following two wikis for some great examples of podcasts, movies, shared story responses, individual inquiries and information for parents about education and learning:

Room 5: <http://wsroom052010.wikispaces.com>
Room 17: <http://wsroom172010.wikispaces.com>

New BOT

Paul Fifield (Chairperson)
Lindy Purdy (Vice – Chairperson, Personnel)
Phil Ropiha (Property and Health and Safety)
Mary Hopkins (Treasurer)
Tane Rogers (PTA, Community Relations)
Anna Wai (Self Review and Documentation)
Jaco Broodryk (Principal)
Richard Lloyd (Staff Rep)

School Uniform

Please note a correction to the Whakarongo School Uniform Guide that was distributed in the newsletter last week. The Navy Track Pant price is actually \$34.99, not \$29.99 as shown. If anyone did not receive the letter outlining changes to the uniform along with the updated Uniform Guide then please collect a copy from the office.

LOST PROPERTY

Can all parents please check the items in the lost property in the atrium before the end of this term. Any un-claimed and un-named items will be given to the PTA.

Welcome ...

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

Room 2
Luke Radford

Room 13
Alex Brunton

SPORT

HOCKEY – Friday 25th June

Whakarongo Intermediate A v's Ruahine Dannevirke on Turf 2 at 4.30pm

HOCKEY – Saturday 26th June

Whakarongo Intermediate B v's PNINS Blue Chicks on Turf 2 at 10.30am

Gold Sticks v's Cornerstone Bullets on 7A at 9.00am

Blue sticks v's Tiritea Tyros on 6B at 10.00am

Red Sticks v's Carncot 2 on 4A at 10.00am

NETBALL – Saturday 26th June

Whakarongo Pulse v's Te Kawau Future 4 on B & M Centre Ct 5 at 11.00am

Whakarongo Magic v's St James Flyer on B & M Centre Ct 5 at 10.00 am

Whakarongo Mystics v's Hokowhitu Kereru on B & M Centre Ct 2 at 10.00am

Whakarongo Steel v's Somerset Shooters on Vautier Park Ct 13 at 12.00pm

NETBALL – Monday 28th June

Whakarongo Tactix v's PNINS 7C1on Vautier Park Ct 6 at 5.30pm

Whakarongo Swifts v's North Street B on Vautier Park Ct 5 at 4.45pm

Hockey U11/U13 boys & girls representative trial – Details are in the atrium window for both U11 and U13 girls and boys rep trials being held June 20th and 27th.

HOLIDAY SPORTS - Any holiday sports programmes or activities held over the holidays will be displayed on the atrium window.

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

HOUSE T-SHIRTS

Thank you for buying the house T-Shirts. It has given a lot of people the chance to support their house.

At the start of next term the house T – Shirts will be delivered to your child's class room and they will bring them home.

Thank you for supporting the Room 17 and 16's ski trip fundraiser. We look forward to seeing all those shirts at next term's Winter House Sports competition

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

A Special Winter Sale brochure has been sent out to classes.

Closeoff for this is **tomorrow 25th June**.

Due to the holidays this is a quick turn around.

Cheques to be made out to Scholastic NZ Ltd.

BUS STUDENTS

For those parents who have children who are travelling on the bus and are using the Go card, please remember to get the cards topped up with funds. These cards can be topped up on the bus or at Tranzit.

FRIDAY SCHOOL LUNCHES

Week 11 – 1st 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

FROM YOUR PTA...

Senior Disco:

We had a great Senior Disco the other night thanks for a great night.

Pie fundraiser:

Well done to those that put pie orders in. Your huge effort meant that we have over 1300 pies on the way! Collect your orders from Room 3, after school, next Wednesday 30 June. If you can't make it please arrange for someone else to pick them up for you.

NOTE: we are after some more adults to help bag up the pies at 11am on Wed. If you can help please ring Jane 3535227 or Kathy 3560036. Also plastic bags are needed, please drop to office or room 3.

Money for the school:

I would like to thank everyone for their help with fundraising this year and also for their help with events like the discos.

We are half way through the year and we have raised a lot of money for the school.

To date we have given \$200 to each of the 15 classrooms for winter games and fun things for the kids on the wet and cold winter days.

We have also given \$8000 to the school to help with new books, library shelving, musical instruments and classroom equipment.

Again thanks to everyone we couldn't do this without your support.

Nigel Rook
Chairperson
Whakarongo PTA

OTHER NOTICES

Help Needed - Would appreciate if anyone lives in the vicinity of Lyndale Place, Kelvin Grove to drop daughter off 3x a week (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays) after school for working Mum. Please phone Wendy on 06 3552370 – thank you.

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy – for children aged 5 – 17 years. For more information contact Sophia parker on 3546323 or www.helenogradey.co.nz

Girl Guiding - Is about preparing girls for making the most of life ahead, with friendship and fun, and stimulating programmes. Pippins age 5-6yrs, Brownies age 7 – 10yrs, Guides age 9.5 – Year 9, Rangers Year 9 – 18years. For more information contact Kat 3555201.

BUZZ Holiday Programme – Holiday Programme (OSCAR approved) for primary school age years 1–6. An exciting full day programme (9am – 3pm). 5th – 16th July. Cost \$20 per child per day all food included (WINZ subsidies available). For more information contact Alessia on: T. (06)3579411 E. thebuzz@stalbins.org.nz or check out the website at www.thebuzz.org.nz

Makino Aquatic Centre – Every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday through the school holiday's there will be an inflatable up at the Makino Pool between 1 – 3pm for only \$1 extra. See the poster in the atrium to view the cool inflatables.

Tattoo – Massed pipe & brass bands, highland dancers, RNZAF Kapa Haka, Celtic Spirit, Vintage Military Vehicle displays and much more. Manfield Stadium, Sunday 27th June starts 2pm. See poster in the atrium for more details.

Holiday Fun @ Te Manawa – Fun holiday activities for children 6 – 12 years. Sessions include Model mania, fun with clay, kites – planes & flying things, sensational sounds, Chocolate As...morning and afternoon session from Monday 5 July – Friday 16 July.

See the atrium window for further community notices and information.

ATTACHMENTS

- YAMS 4 YOU flyer