

17th June 2010

From the Principal's Desk

Tena Koutou Parents/Caregivers

Bill Gates gave a speech at a High School about 11 things they did not and will not learn in school. He talks about how feel-good, politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

Here are a few of the 11 things:

Rule 1 : Life is not fair - get used to it!

Rule 2 : The world doesn't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3 : You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4 : If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss

Rule 5 : Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6 : If you mess up, (it's not your parents' fault), so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Best wishes

Jaco Broodryk
(Principal)

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 18 Jun	Yr 6-8 Disco
Mon 21 Jun	ERO visit starts
Tue 22	ICAS Writing
Fri 25	House Genl Knowledge Comp
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

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Issue 4 **closes this Friday 18th June**. Cheques to be made out to Scholastic NZ Ltd.

Value of the Week EMPATHY

Value of the Week Certificates went to:

Room 1:
Room 2: Toryah Skerrett
Room 4: Oliver Martelletti
Room 5: Tyler Bennett
Room 6: Gabby Nealon
Room 7: Ryley Speers
Room 8: Trent Shailer
Room 9: Alexis McKenzie
Room 12: Selina Halcox
Room 13: Zoe Giddens
Room 14: Kadie Wilson
Room 15: Kayla Te Are
Room 16: Joanna Horne
Room 17: Nic Jolly

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>

ICAS Computer and Science

The 2009 ICAS Computer and Science test books that were sent home for students to practice ICAS test questions, can now be returned to the office – thanks

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)

LET'S GET BUILDING!

As part of our Discovery Time, the Ruahine & Kapua Team students will soon have the opportunity to build their own wooden creations – thanks to the construction talents of our caretaker, Andrew Signal. We are desperately seeking donations of off cuts suitable for children to bang nails into or saw in half. If you have any tools or nails you would be willing to donate, that would be fantastic as well. Thanks heaps.

HOUSE T-SHIRTS

Thank you to all people who have brought back orders. All orders need to be back on the 24th of June. If you have any questions come and ask Nic or Brittany in Room 17. Thanks and remember the money goes to Room 16 & 17, for their ski trip.

40 Hour Famine 2010 **"Go Without For Those Without"**

A huge thank you to all those who have contributed towards this year 40 hour famine.

WOW ! We have now banked \$3180.00

Welcome ...

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

Room 2
Brianna Adkins

Room 13
Cassie Parrott
Anika McRobbie

RESULTS FROM ASHHURST / WHAKARONGO SPORTS EXCHANGE

Junior Hockey – Lost 5-6
Senior Hockey – Lost 11-3
Junior Football – Lost 8-0
Senior Football – Lost 6-1
Junior Netball – Draw 12 all
Senior Netball Lost 78 - 0
Junior Rugby – Lost 45- 26
Senior Rugby – Lost 62 – 17

Even though there were no wins, everybody had a good time participating.

SPORT

HOCKEY – Friday 18th June

Whakarongo Intermediate A v's PNINS Boys 1st on Turf 2 at 4.30pm

HOCKEY – Saturday 19th June

Whakarongo Intermediate B v's Huntley C on Grass 8 at 10.00am
Gold Sticks v's Cloverlea Silver on 11B at 9.00am
Blue sticks v's Roslyn Pirates on 5B at 10.00am
Red Sticks v's CSNS Mini 3 on 3B at 10.00am

NETBALL – Saturday 19th June

Whakarongo Pulse v's St Mary's Mystics on B & M Centre Ct 5 at 11.00am
Whakarongo Magic v's Hokowhitu Kereru on B & M Centre Ct 2 at 10.00 am
Whakarongo Mystics v's Milson C on B & M Centre Ct 3 at 10.00am
Whakarongo Steel v's West End Tuis on Vautier Park Ct 12 at 12.00pm

NETBALL – Monday 21st June

Whakarongo Tactix v's Feilding Int 7B on Vautier Park Ct 6 at 4.00pm
Whakarongo Swifts v's Carnot B on Vautier Park Ct 4 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.

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

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 9 – 18th June – Hotdogs
Week 10 – 24th June – Subway
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 have our Senior Disco on tomorrow night Friday the 18th of June 7 – 9pm. We have a Colour theme so get dressed up and get funky. There will be a \$2 door donation and supper will be provided. See you there.

Pie orders: Thank you to those that have already put their pie order in. Collect orders from neighbours, family and friends. Put your money and order into an envelope and drop it to the office by next Monday 21 June.

*we need plastic bags to pack the pies into. Please drop to the office.
*we also need adult helpers to pack the orders up on Wed 30 June. 11.30am in Room 3. If you can help, please leave your name in the PTA box at the office or contact Jane 3535227

Nigel Rook, Chairperson
Whakarongo PTA

OTHER NOTICES

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@stalbans.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 – a room 16 & 17 fundraising event.
- Kidactive – Holiday Programme Flyer

- School Uniform Information Sheet.