



Whareorino School Newsletter



Term 1 - 2022 - 28 March

- Stand Tall
- Grow Strong
- Reach High

Our Values: The 3 R's

- Relationships
- Resilience
- Reflection

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Week 9

Week 9 already and we only have 3 weeks of the term left. This term has just flown by. All is going well at school and the kids are doing just great. It continues to be fantastic to see how they are all stepping up on their learning journey, and that they are continuing to grow and building upon what they already know. Well done kids. In this newsletter, you will read and see a number of different things the kids have been doing, as well as some information on changes for Term 2. As always, if there is anything you are unsure of, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Have a fantastic last few weeks of the term, a great two week holiday, and most of us will see you next term.

Mōkau Trip

Last week we decided to finally get the kids out and head to the big smoke of Mōkau, (we'll it's big compared to Waikawau). We went to the Mōkau Museum where we learnt about a lot of things from the past, and the way things used to be. On one hand for me it was nice as a lot of it brought back memories, although on the other hand, it reminded me of how old I am! It was great to be able to get the kids out and to be able to get in a discussion with them about things that use to be. We were also able to see and talk to the staff about what they will be doing with our Poppies that the kids have been making at school, which along with other schools in our cluster, will be part of a display for Anzac Day at the museum. We then shot over to Whitebait Inn where we all sat down in the restaurant for a shared lunch together. The kids all ate their vegetables too, (although the vegetable was in the form of chips-haha). We did plan to go to the beach as well, but typical, we had great weather for so long, and then the one time we go out, it decides to pour down, so we never made that part. On our way out of the restaurant, a couple asked if they were all my kids. When I said they were from Whareorino School, they said, "which class?", They were quite surprised when I said they were from the one and only class we had. After lunch we headed back home. The plan was the kids were to fall asleep on the way home to have a quiet drive home. I didn't really achieve that goal on this trip-haha. The day was great, and so were the kids.



Whitebait Inn - Mōkau

For café meals (sit down and takeaway), groceries, cabins and campground, and selected postal services, in the heart of Mōkau. Phone: 06-7529713.

Email: info@whitebaitinn.co.nz Website: www.whitebaitinn.co.nz

Wanted: Home to Rent for a Whareorino School Family of 3.

Will, and his two boys who currently go to Whareorino School, are still looking for a place in the area to rent. If you have a property coming up or know someone who could have a place to rent coming up, then please get in touch. As we all know, there is no cellphone coverage out here, so if you have something available or coming up, feel free to phone or email me at school, and we'll make sure Will gets the message. Alternatively, if you know Will, feel free to go and have a kōrero with him. Many thanks for helping Will out in finding a new home for him and the boys.

Rapley Photography

Please see the attached flyer for further information if you are interested in having any individual or group photos taken.

Fundraiser: Pinecones For Sale

As you can see by some of the included images, we have been lucky enough to be able to get up on Maxwell's Farm to get pinecones. It was great to be able to get out of the school and do something different, and the kids had a great time. I was really impressed with how hard they worked, and Delas was a great gate opener. As a result of the kids' efforts, we currently have onion bags of pinecones for sale as a fundraiser. We are selling these bags for \$8.00 each. If you are wanting to buy some bags, please contact the office (email or phone), or have a yak to us in person at school. These can then be picked up from school. When you make your order, we'll give you our bank account which you can pay that way, (don't forget to write your name and 'pinecones' in as a reference so we know who you are). This is on a first come, first served basis. If you are buying some, the kids and I thank you for your support with this fundraiser, which funds will be used for the kids of Whareorino School. Thanks again kids, for a great job done on your part with this fundraiser.

2022 Parents Handbook

Our parent's handbook has now been updated for 2022. A copy of this can be viewed on our 'School Documents' page on our website. Alternatively, if you would like a hard copy, you can either print one off from the website or contact Jacqui in the office.

ANZAC Day

During Term 1, the kids and Lou have been making Poppies, which have been part of a cluster effort to have a display at Mōkau Museum. If you get a chance to pop up to the museum in the holidays, pop in and see the great work the kids have done from all the schools in our cluster. Many thanks to Lou and the kids for doing a great job with this Cluster Collaborative Project for Anzac Day 2022.



The Naki Butcher - Taranaki Mad Butcher

For all your butchery needs, Beef, Lamb, Pork and Wild Game, in the heart of New Plymouth Central at 215 Courtenay Street. Phone KJ on: 06-7575868.

Email: taranakimadbutcher@gmail.com Website: www.thenakibutcher.com



GB & DL Calvert Partnership Waikawau Whopper Trail Ride



A message from your new permanent Teaching Principal...

Kia Ora. My name is Caley Plinston and I'm thrilled to have been appointed your new Teaching Principal at Whareorino School. I've been teaching since 2015 at an Auckland school called Mairangi Bay School. During my time there, I've taught over 200 children and been a Team Leader, In-School Leader, teacher mentor and leader of a professional learning group. I'm dedicated to helping children be who they are, develop life skills and find their own passions for life. My core values are respect, relationships and kindness. I have a love for teaching all curriculum subjects, but especially Te Ao Maori, Technologies and Literacy. In my practice, I firmly believe that learning should be hands on, fun and memorable! I love incorporating technology into all areas of the curriculum, which makes learning exciting! I'm also a classically trained singer, ukulele, piano and guitar player.

I am very excited to be working alongside the Whareorino School tamariki and community. My husband, Andrew and I have been married for 15 years and we have two children, Abigail (9) and Harrison (7). My family is excited for the journey ahead and settling out in the country, a dream we've wanted for a long time. We'll be finding our feet for the first little while, so please feel free to offer any advice to help us settle in. Regardless of the challenges, we are counting down the weeks until we can join you and start this new chapter in our lives. Until then, take care and stay safe. Ka kite ano, Caley.



Last Day of Term 1

Just a reminder that the last day of school this term will be Thursday 14 April. School will end early on this day at 1.30pm, so the kids can be picked up then. Then they are all yours for a fortnight 😊.

Lucky Books due Monday 4 April 2022

For those of you who wanted to make an order through the Lucky Book Club catalogue that went home a few weeks ago, the deadline to get your orders back to the office is Monday 4 April, 2022.

Targa Rally

This is planned to come through our area on Wednesday 25 May 2022 between 7.25am-11.55am. Details of the proposed road closures in our area are listed under the 'Local Community Events' page on our school website.



Mōkau School Mighty Mōkau Bike Trail Bike Ride

For details on the next upcoming trail ride, please contact us. Mark & Wendy Smyth (Piri Piri Station). Ph: 06-7529015.

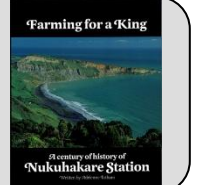
Email: mightymokau@gmail.com Website: www.mightymokau.com





Nukuhakari Station - Waikawau

Author of 'Farming for a King - A century of history of Nukuhakare Station', available from Mōkau Museum.



Thank You

Many thanks to the following people. My apologies if I have forgotten anyone...


Sonia and Paul, for allowing us the opportunity to go up to the farm to pick pinecones to use as a fundraiser. The kids loved it, and it was a great chance to get the kids out to do something a bit

different. Also many thanks for the use of the bags and bins to collect them in. On a personal note, thank you both so much for loaning me a washing machine during my time here.

BOT and Community, for coming along and having a clean-up during our recent Working Bee. As they say, many hands make light work, and the things we were able to get through, has made a big difference. Thank you all so much for taking the time out of your busy days to come along to help out. Thank you also for putting up a washing line at the schoolhouse, (don't worry I only use it for clothes, and not to air out the kids-haha).

Bryan and Shelley, for loaning me a fridge/freezer during my time here. Compared to what I was using, I have felt like a king having so much room, so many thanks to you both.

Tyler and Haylee, for giving us onion bags to bag the pinecones that we had collected. Having these made bagging the pinecones so much easier not having to worry about twine to tie the bags. Thank you both for your donation as well, which will be used on the kids on our trip to New Plymouth on the last week of this term. To you all, thank you all so much for your support of Whareorino.


 Until next time, stay safe and thanks for your continued support in making Whareorino School a great place to be. Take care.
The Whareorino School Children, Staff and Board.
 ▶ End Term 1: Thursday 14 April. ▶ Start Term 2: Mon 2 May.

The Kids

Delas,
Charlotte,
Bradlee,
Ruby, Tai,
Piyper

Roll: 6

Caley (Mrs Plinston), Jacqui, Lou (Mrs Wycherley), Shelley and Bryan, all look forward to seeing everyone refreshed for a great start in Term 2, on 2nd May.

Just Remember...

BIG
JOURNEYS
BEGIN
WITH
Small
STEPS

Mōkau Boys' & Girls' Brigade

Held in the Mōkau Community Hall. For further details, please contact one of us below.

For the Boys' Brigade: Contact Shane Lowry on 06-7529124.
For the Girls' Brigade. Contact Dorothy Lowry on 06-7529123.

The logo for Onetai, featuring the word "onetai" in a lowercase, sans-serif font, followed by a stylized graphic of three clusters of grapes or berries.

Onetai - Milk and Manuka Honey

Website: www.onetai.co.nz

Email: admin@onetai.co.nz Ph: 07-3765631

Created by nature, blended by Onetai.



Drills

During the last couple of weeks, we have all discussed and practiced emergency drills for Earthquakes (inside and outside), Fire, Lockdown as well as for Tsunami and Floods. The kids have all done extremely well and not only did we take these seriously and discuss in-depth scenarios, but we also got a couple of laughs in there as well. Don't worry Lou, I won't mention the good laugh we had with our first Lockdown drill. Shhhhhh, your secret is safe with me....NOT 😊. Thanks to all the kids for your maturity and sensibility when it came to practicing and discussing these emergency procedures.

Parents Assembly

This is coming up at in a couple of weeks. It will be held on Friday 8 April at school. The confirmed start time is now 1.00pm. If possible, it would great if we could get all parents along. It will be our only assembly this term, so it would be great to see both Mums and Dads/Caregivers and make this a nice occasion for families and kids combined. The children bring their play lunch and lunch as normal, and we will have an early lunch. As mentioned last time, we will not be having a shared lunch at this assembly. Please also remember that although things have changed re Covid since the last newsletter, hand sanitiser will still need to be used, and masks are still compulsory when inside the school. We have spare masks here, so don't panic if you don't have one. Just grab one by the office door on your way in. We will all be meeting outside around the back of the classroom, (tennis court side). At the conclusion of the assembly, you will be able to take your child/ren home then, even if we finish earlier than expected. We all look forward to seeing you on this day, and fingers crossed the weather pays ball.

New Plymouth Trip

Although this is the last newsletter, all parents will get further information as we get closer to this date. This day will be Wednesday 13 April, the day before the final day of Term 1. Although final information is yet to be finalised, here is a bit of information for your information. -We will likely leave around 8am and won't be back until around 6pm on the day. -Parents (including their pre-schoolers) are welcome to come along, (it will be great to have you along). -There will be no cost for any of our school children for anything done on the day (including lunch), although adults will need to pay their own entry/activity fees at the places we are going to. -If staying on in NP afterwards, parents will be allowed to take their children after the last activity. - No Police Vets will be needed for this trip. -It is envisaged that the last activity will finish around 3pmish. -At this stage I am unsure if we will go by car or van. -With the changes to the Vaccine Passes, I assume these will not now be needed, but I'll confirm this in the next update to parents. Only parent families will get the next update notice with information in relation to this whole school trip.

Maxwell's Farm - Waikawau



Waikawau / Whareorino Horse Treks



Last Newsletter for Term 1

This is the last newsletter for Term 1. The next newsletter will come out at the start of Term 2. Term 2 starts for the kids on Monday 2 May. Have a great holiday kids, you have all deserved a good break. Stay safe, have fun, and don't stress your parents out too much, (well ok then, just a little bit 😊). Parents and Community members, have a great next few weeks and enjoy the extra time with the kids over the holidays.

Although this is the last full newsletter from me, there will be a short mini note that I will also give at the end of the term. This will not be given out in hard copy, but it will be listed on the website (Newsletter page) and on the School FB page at some stage over the holiday break.

Photos of Kids in Action

It seems I have waffled on too much, and don't have much room left for the things that are the most important, images of the kids. As a result, this newsletter has two extra pages which shows a few things of what the kids have been doing since the last newsletter. Please also note, that images of the kids can also be viewed on the 'Photo Gallery' page on the website. As I won't be able to put in photos of our NP trip in the next newsletter, (as this is the last one this term), I will also ensure that any images taken between now and the end of the term, I will also put up on the photo gallery page. Remember that in the Photo Gallery, the most recent images are always added at the end.



Mangapapa Farms

Jeff Littin - Waikawau - 06-7529069



