

Newsletter

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Principal



Welcome back to term four which brings with it a number of exciting events that take advantage of the improving weather and our amazing natural environment. From camps to Kapa Haka, swimming, surfing, surf lifesaving, tennis, athletics, and even some pre season basketball training, the number of opportunities out there are endless. Many of these summer activities have registration events in the coming weeks. We are advertising as many as possible on our Facebook Page and through the newsletter. Read on, or check out our Facebook Page for details.

Whilst we look forward it is also worthwhile to look back. The final week of last term saw the showcase of a range of talents within our school. The syndicate two production was outstanding and like any good show, the students left the audience wanting more. Syndicate three displayed some fantastic sustainability projects in conjunction with their hotly contested speech finals. Congratulations to Taya Davie and Pippa Leach who took out the year 7 and 8 competitions respectively. Syndicate One also shared the work they had produced in their workshops in a grand sharing assembly.

Also worth mentioning is the talent quest. An event such as this is unique in an area school with such a wide age range represented in the final. The combination of students made for an amazing mix of performances and a brilliant community atmosphere. Reuben Fleetwood's winning performance left us all spellbound. A big congratulations to all who took part and across all of these events, a huge thank you to all the adults and senior students who made them possible.

Looking forward, next Wednesday evening we have a Whanau Evening in the school gym from 6-8pm. As well as being an opportunity to come together and share kai and cultural learning, it is also a chance to see our Kapa Haka group perform.

I had the pleasure of spending the morning with them at their Noho Marae at the end of last term and their progress over the two days was highly impressive. We look forward to seeing as many whanau as possible next Wednesday. Details of the evening are contained in this newsletter.

Another event for the calendar is our year 11-13 Prizegiving. This will take place on Monday November 6th at 7pm at the Memorial Hall. Monday the 6th is also the last day for formal timetabled lessons for years 11-13. Students will, of course still be coming into school for tutorials with teachers as they prepare for examinations. The first examination involving our students is on the 9th of November. NCEA examinations are held at the Memorial Hall and students are required to report to their exam 15 minutes before the scheduled start time. On Friday this week, all NCEA students will be issued with their examination admission form. This form acts as proof of identity at the exam venue and must be brought to each examination. Please store these admission slips in a safe place as misplaced admission forms can cause significant stress at an already stressful time for students.

Finally, a big shout out to Pia Rogers who is currently competing in the World Fitness and Hip Hop Championships in Holland. What a fantastic experience for one of our talented young students and we look forward to hearing of Pia's experience on her return. Have a great fortnight.

Nga Mihi

School Notices

Second Hand Uniforms

If your child has outgrown their school uniform, our PTA run a second hand uniform shop. This has proven to be very successful so all uniform donations to the shop would be very much appreciated.

Year 1-8 basketball

Resumes week 3 1st November 3:15 - 4pm = 5-8yr olds and 4 - 5pm = 9-13yr olds



Thames Valley Cross Country Whitianga

Our apologies to **Jayda Williamson** for being omitted from the list of students for positions of note. Jayda finished a well ran 8th place.

Free Ear Clinic Service



Thames Tuesday 24 October

Thames South School

Tuesday 5 December

Rolleston Street

9.45—2pm

Waihi Thursday 9 November

Waihi Central School

Friday 15 December

Morseby Ave

9.45—2pm

Kia Ora Koutou

Welcome back to school - Week 1 of Term 4

- Tuesday-Thursday: Year 7 & 8 girls self defense course
- Wednesday: Level 1 Arts Folio Boards due

PLEASE NOTE: The new cellphone policy starts on Monday - This means that all cellphones need to be **Invisible-Inaudible-Unattached**. All students have been informed of this policy and are aware of the consequences of not following the guidelines.

Some important dates:

- 6th November: NCEA students last day of formal lessons
- 6th November 7pm: Year 11-13 Prizegiving at the Memorial Hall
- 11th December: Last day of school for Year 7-10
- 11th December 7pm: Year 7-10 Prizegiving in the school hall
- 12th December 9.30am: Year 1-6 Prizegiving and end of school for the year
- 1st February 2018: First day of school for 2018



Junior Touch Rugby

Junior Touch Rugby will start next Thursday the 26th October @ 4pm at the Rugby Grounds. Thank you.

At the school office

This scooter has been in the school office for many weeks. If it's yours please come to the



Hats

Years 1—6



Plain Black or navy hats are to be worn when playing outside the classroom in term 4 and again next year in term 1.

Whangamata Amateur Swim Club

Whangamata Amateur Swim Club 2017

Registration day

Come along to the pool on Saturday 28th October between 9-11am to register for the 2017/18 season.

Lessons kick off on Mon 6th November.

NB: All swimmers (new and existing) are required to attend registration day. Assessments will be carried out in the pool for all swimmers so please bring your togs.



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Emil is a new German student here for the term in room 6 and shares what it feels like to be away and in a new place. "Nach vier Wochen haben wir schon ein paar Abenteuer erlebt. Das größte Abenteuer ist aber die Schule! Es ist ganz anders als in Deutschland, viel unkomplizierter. Es ist eigentlich ganz cool.

After four weeks of travelling we have already gone through some adventures. But the biggest adventure already is school! It is completely different than in Germany, much more uncomplicated. Actually it is really cool."

Board of Trustees

Scholarship fund

Open to students in years 11, 12 and 13 who will be leaving school this year.

For further information please come to the office and ask for the information form.

Olympian

Mike Dawson

visited our school to share his Kayak experiences and learning with us. Perseverance was a key skill he has developed in order to succeed at Elite level



Whangamata Tennis Club

Barrowclough Road

Junior Coaching

with Shannon Paki

SATURDAYS in TERM 4

Starting Saturday 28 October & excluding 11 November

1-2pm: 7 yrs & under

2-4pm: 8yrs & older

\$25 in total

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

\$150, includes free Junior Coaching & 3 free sessions for parents with Rita Paczian

**Racquets provided
Bring water & sport shoes**

Please pay Whangamata Combined Sports Centre Inc.
Acct: 02-1254-0027793-00

Please email or text Rita
rita.paczian@worldnet.co.nz or 021 0250 1480

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RAINBOW'S END
FUN ON DEMAND

**OCTOBER
28TH 10AM-5PM**

IT'S LITTLE TERRORS DAY!
AT RAINBOW'S END!!!

COME AND HAVE A TERROR-IFIC DAY WITH YOUR KIDS!



- SPOT PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED
- RAINBOW TRICK OR TREAT SHOW
- THE LITTLE TERROR'S DISCO
- FREE FACE PAINTING

THIS IS OUR NOT SO SCARY OCTOBER EVENT FOR THE YOUNGER ONES! GET THE KIDS TO DRESS UP IN THEIR FAVOURITE COSTUMES AND BE IN TO WIN SOME AWESOME SPOT PRIZES. AS WELL AS THE TRICK OR TREAT SHOW THERE WILL BE HEAPS OF FUN AT THE LITTLE TERROR'S DISCO AND FREE FACE PAINTING ALL DAY!

JOIN IN THE FUN FROM 10AM AT RAINBOW'S END. GET YOUR KIDZ KINGDOM OR SUPERPASS ENTRY FROM THE GATE OR ONLINE TODAY.



www.RAINBOWSEND.CO.NZ

Student of the Month— September

Congratulations to the following students for their fantastic achievement



Mia Mullholland

Year 1—3



Max Mills

Year 4—6



Alice Webb

Year 7-8



Chrissy Stubbs

Year 9—10



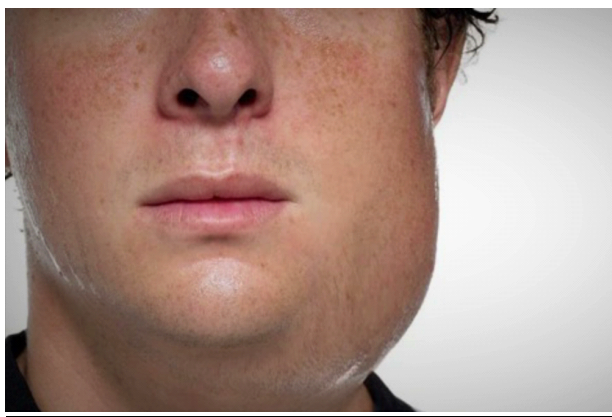
Katerina Anderson

Year 11-13



The Year 13's have done a great job at promoting *Spirit Day:* International theme for 2017. There were some amazing costumes.





Mumps

Hi there, I hope you all had happy and safe holidays, welcome back to Term 4!

My "Natter" to you this newsletter is to inform you that there has been an increasing amount of people catching MUMPS in the Waikato Region. NZ wide there has been an outbreak with over 400 people affected so far this year. Here is some information from the Ministry of Health website for you....

- Mumps is a serious viral illness which spreads easily through the air by breathing, coughing and sneezing and through contact with infected saliva.
- People are infectious one week prior to the symptoms occurring which is, pain in the jaw, fever, headache and swelling of the glands around the face.
- About 1 in 10 people it causes a mild case of meningitis, Mumps can also cause encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) nerve deafness, testicle and ovary inflammation and in rare cases can cause infertility and death.
- Mumps is a vaccine preventable illness which is prevalent worldwide. Everyone in NZ who was born from 1 January 1969 is eligible for free MMR vaccinations. For more information about the vaccine Childhood Immunisation (<https://www.health.govt.nz/resource/childhood-immunisation>)

If your child has mumps they should be kept home from school for 5 days after swelling has developed, until well again, to prevent the spread of the disease in the community. Please ensure the school have up to date immunisation records for your children.

For this and more information please see the websites below and you can contact the Immunisation advisory free helpline 0800IMMUNE (0800 466 863)

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/mumps>

<http://www.waikatodhbnewsroom.co.nz/2017/07/06/mumps-in-the-waikato-urges-parents-to-ensure-their-childrens-vaccines-are-up-to-date/>

Thankyou, Tracey Hilt Public Health Nurse Mobile 0212417800

YOUTH

IN TANGT

He Taiohi Angitu

- *Do you or someone you know have issues with alcohol or drugs?*

Appointments available via school office or simply pop in for a chat.

Look for the flag 

- *Want help?*

Open every Monday 9.30 – 2.30

**Free confidential information
and support**

COME AND ENJOY OUR

WHANAU EVENING

WEDNESDAY
25TH
OCTOBER
2017

WHANGAMATA
AREA SCHOOL
GYMNASIUM
6 - 8PM

KAPA HAKA PERFORMANCES / FAMILY FUN /
SHARED KAI / GAMES / FULL SCHOOL EVENT

NAU MAI - HAERE MAI

PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FINGER FOOD TO SHARE

This calendar was correct at time of printing. For confirmation for any item please contact the teacher involved or the school office.

Wk	TERM 4 CALENDAR	
1	16 Oct	
	17	Yrs 7/8 girls self-defence / Kapa haka
	18	Yrs 7/8 girls self-defence/L1 Airt Folios
	19	Yrs 7/8 girls self-defence
	20	Full school assembly 12.15pm
2	23	LABOUR DAY – No school
	24	Kapa haka
	25	Level 2 Art Folios/Parent Teacher Kapa haka
	26	
	27	Year 7-13 Assembly / Level 1,2,3 Outdoor Education assessments
3	30	Barista Course
	31	Barista Course/ Kapa haka
	1 Nov	
	2	Level 3 Art Folios
	3	Full School Assembly / Level 1,2,3, Outdoor Ed assessments
4	6	Year 11-13 Prize giving
	7	Barista Assessment / Kapa haka
	8	
	9	
	10	Level 7/8 Outdoor Education day
5	13	
	14	Kapa haka
	15	
	16	Year 9/10 Exams
	17	Year 9/10 Exams
6	20	
	21	Year 10 Camp/ Kapa haka/ Year 9 Grass Roots
	22	Year 10 Camp
	23	Year 10 Camp
	24	Year 10 Camp
7	27	
	28	Kapa haka
	29	
	30	
	1 Dec	
8	4	
	5	Kapa haka
	6	Christmas picnic
	7	
	8	
9	11	Year 7 – 10 Prize giving
	12	Year 1 – 6 Prize giving – END OF TERM 4
<i>School reopens 1st February 2018</i>		