

Whānau News

Term 1 : Wednesday 11 April / Rāapa 11 Paenga whāwhā / Aso Lulu 11 Aperila /
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Together we learn and grow.
Me akotahi hei oranga mo te katoa.

Kia ora, Talofa, Ni hao, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Sawatdee Sua s'dei, Ahn nyeong, Salam Alaikum, Salam, Ayo Bowan, Annyeong-hasimnikka Kamusta, Namastē, Fakaalofa atu, Hola, Bula Vinaka.



Wow! It's hard to believe it is the last week of term and so cold already.

Today we welcome Conna Thackwell-Rush to our staff as Martha Davenport is returning to England. We will miss Martha but we know we are lucky to have Conna.



Over the Christmas break Dawn Baker, a long serving staff member resigned to take up a new position. She popped in for morning tea so we could farewell her.

Recently, we held a raffle to raise money for Matai's trip to Spencer Park. The winner and a friend got to have morning tea with the staff. Lucky Candice and Jedar of Akeake.



A couple of weeks ago the Year 7 & 8's competed in the "Amazing Race" across Christchurch. This was an opportunity for our students to work as a team, plot their way around Christchurch gaining as many points as they could by visiting local places. Photos were evidence of visiting landmarks and more points were scored if you went to Orana Park or the Waimakariri River. The final destination for lunch and some exercise was the Margaret Mahy playground. It was a great day out!



Friday May 4 will be my last day for Term 2 as I have been seconded to the Ministry of Education. I will be back for Term 3. Whilst I am away, Janet Ackerley will be Acting Principal and we will welcome Jon Ng to Kahikatea for the term.

School finishes on Friday at 3pm. Term 2 starts on Monday 30 April!

Keep warm and have a fabulous break!

Noho ora mai ra

Gretchen

TE ARA TIKA O WHARENUI- THE RIGHT WAY FOR WHARENUI



The School value we are promoting for the next fortnight is . . .

Being Fair/Matatika/Pagiging patas.

At Wharenui Being Fair is . . .helping others to learn, being brave

and telling the truth, being a positive learner and following school and classroom procedures so we can all learn and be safe.

What does being fair/matatika/pagiging patas mean to your family/ whānau/ aiga/pamilya?

WELCOME / NAU MAI HAĒRE MAI / AFIO MAI . . .



Welcome to. Mohammed of Pohutukawa, Aisha of Rata, Mischa of Matai, Rumana to Kowhai iti, Khadeeja to Kauri.

We are delighted to have you and your family / whānau/ aiga/ pamilya at Wharenui.

WHO'S CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY?

Ngā mihi nui i tō rā whānau/ la manuia lou aso fanau/ Happy Birthday and best wishes to . . . Jay of Kauri who was 11 years old on Wednesday 4 April, **Kaninga** of Kowhai who was 11 years old Wednesday 4 April, **Amelia** of Kahikatea who was 12 years old on Friday 6 April **William** of Kauri who was 12 years old on Friday 6 April, **Tawhiri** of Kahikatea who was 11 years old on Friday, 6 April, **Ali** of Kowhai iti who was 9 years old on Sunday, **Mohammed** of Pohutukawa who was 5 years old on Tuesday, **Hayden** of Kowhai iti will be 11 years old tomorrow, **Parnet** of Kotuku Cottage will be 8 years old tomorrow, **Jann** of Kahikatea will be 11 years old on Friday, **Kaloni** of Rata will be 7 years old on Sunday, **Kavish** of Totara iti will be 7 years old on Monday, **Seunga** of Akeake will be 6 years old on 20 April, **Khadeeja** of Kauri will be 11 years old on 22 April, **Litesha** of Kauri will be 12 years old on 22 April, **Kapeliele** of Rata who will be 7 years old on 27 April **Nethan** of Matai will be 9 years old on 29 April, **Helena** of Matai will be 9 years old on 30 April and **Summer** of Matai will be 9 years old on 30 April.



Happy Birthday and best wishes!

POPPIES FOR SALE

The red poppy has become a symbol of war remembrance the world over. People in many countries wear the poppy to remember those who died in war or who still serve. In New Zealand we wear the poppy around Anzac Day, 25 April.

Helen has poppies for sale in the office for a coin donation until Friday.



SCHOOL DONATION

The Board of Trustees has agreed to keep the school donation at \$40 for one child and \$60 per family. This donation is tax deductible and helps with the running of our school. Please pay Helen at the office.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees met on Monday night. We are now in a position to get the old Dental clinic renovated to be a teaching space. This will happen during the next term. We are still waiting on the Ministry of Education for a start date for our new building. Next meeting May 14. All welcome.