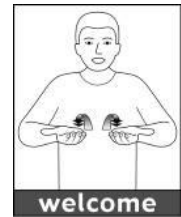


Whānau News

Term 1: Monday 18 February / Rāhina 18 Hui-Tangaru / Aso Gafua 18 Fepuali /
Lunes 18 Pebrero 2019

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 Aalaikum, Salam, Ayo Bowan, Annyeong- hasimnikka Kamusta, Namastē, Fakaalofa atu, Hola, Bula Vinaka.



Last week City Care started on the building of two more classrooms. We can't wait for the building phase to be over. We have been in this phase for three years. It is great to have our school hall back. Completion is supposed to be May.

Please make sure your child has a bucket sun hat or similar. In all New Zealand preschools and primary schools sun hats are compulsory in Terms 1 and 4. Any colour bucket hat is fine. No caps as they don't protect the back of your child's necks.



This year is election year for Boards of Trustees. The commitment is monthly meetings in the staffroom at 6pm and reading emails and correspondence in between. Trustees are paid a small fee. We would love to have more representation from our school.



Back row: Gretchen Smith, David Woods (Chair), Rosalie Dyksma (Staff rep)

Front Row: Helen Tuuta (Secretary) Keri Reid and Janet Ackerley (Deputy Principal)

Mark Wednesday 27 February on your calendar. We are having a "Fish and Chip" Night. Bring your takeaway dinner or picnic to school for your family /whānau/ pamilya/aiga. You can meet other families /whānau/ pamilya/aiga, meet the teachers and have a look in the classrooms. We have three new classrooms that you might like to see.



You may be aware that there has been a review of school in New Zealand last year by an independent task force. On Thursday I am attending a hui to give feedback on this review. Anyone is invited to have their say. This is really important. You can have your say by participating in online survey <https://consultation.education.govt.nz/tsr/survey2019/> and will remain open until 31 March 2019. Formal written submissions about the report can be sent to: tomorrows.schools@education.govt.nz

Have a great week!

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 **Responsibility/Kawenga/ Responsibilidad**. This means . . .

- Keeping ourselves and others safe
- Having reasons for the right things you do
- Keeping our school environment tidy
- Being a positive role model by making strong decisions
- Being my own boss
- Being prepared for learning every day (lunch, books, reading folders)
- Doing the right thing
- Asking for help
- Telling the truth and knowing it is ok to make a mistake

The Golden Rule: Treat others how you want to be treated



NAU MAI /HAÈRE MAI / AFIO MAI/ MALIGAYUNG PAGDATING/ WELCOME to . . .

Jordyn to Kahikatea
Betty to Kauri
Ra to Koromiko
Smayan to Matai iti

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

WHO'S CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY?

Ngā mihi nui i tō rā whānau/ la manuia lou aso fanau/ Maligayang bati/ Happy Birthday and best wishes to. . . .

Maher of Matai iti who is 7 years old today
Sajjad of Matai iti who will be 8 years old on Wednesday
Chloe of Kowhai who will be 9 years old on Wednesday
Lili of Kauri who will be 11 years old on Sunday

PTA

Please order lunches between 8:30 and 8:50 am. No buying lunches at lunchtime.

Sushi available Tuesdays/Subway Thursdays

Stationery will still be available at the canteen if you still have to purchase it.

Second hand uniforms will be available for a few more days . Everything is \$2 each. Stock up for the winter months.



SCHOOL POLICIES UP FOR REVIEW

The Wharenui School Board of Trustees uses "Schooldocs" for its policies. We review our policies on a three-year cycle. This term the policy up for review is

Alcohol/Drugs and Other Harmful Substances. Follow this link to read how we do things at Wharenui and comment.



- Visit the website <http://wharenui.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
- Enter the username (wharenui) and password (school). Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- Read the policy
- Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page
- Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- Enter your name (optional). Submit your ratings and comments.
- If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide a copy.

KAHUI AKO: CULTURAL FESTIVAL FROM RICCARTON HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY 8 MARCH

The Culture Fest is on the horizon and shaping up to be another great night of cultural performances and food from all over the globe. It is all about celebrating our wonderful high school and community.

So far the line-up includes - Kapahaka, Polyfest, Dutch clog dancing, Filipino choir and dancing, RHS Snr dance students, Chinese dancing, the Lion dance, and much more. Food will be from the Philippines, India, China plus a sausage sizzle and coffee wagon. And this is just for starters, there are more performances and foodie trucks.



Attached is the poster and here is the link to the facebook event, <https://www.facebook.com/events/619598321804977/>

Do share with your friends and whanau and do come along yourselves. The evening starts at 4.30 and is over by 8pm, so that is your tea sorted with entertainment.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER

You will received the first issue of the year for the Scholastic Book Club orders. Inside the back covers are the order forms. **This year we would like all orders to be made and paid for online.**

Visit scholastic.co.nz/LOOP or download the app. If you spend more than \$10 and order on LOOP, you will receive a free 'All About Me' activity journal



KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE . . .



We have a variety of ways of keeping you informed - our school web site www.wharenui.school.nz, Wharenui Facebook Official, Wharenui PTA facebook, Whānau news our weekly newsletter and Skool loop,

(a free phone app which has an absence function, newsletter and our school calendar.) If you would like to receive texts from **Wharenui School Official** about happenings at school text **whareps** to **89 87** and you will receive free updates.



NITBUSTERS

Our Nitbuster programme, will be up and running again on Mondays and Fridays. Our Nitbuster Champion is Shelley. If you would like your children/ tamariki checked for kutu regularly, put your name down at the office.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

NZSTA is working very hard to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children. We have attached the following resources and ask that you share these widely in your community.

1. **Korari:** a programme (workshop) that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.
2. **Korari form:** NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops but also providing access to our Learning Management System where online modules re. school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed.
3. **Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees:** This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee.

Important Dates

Feb 27: Fish and Chip night 6-7pm at school

Mar 6: Walk to School day

Mar 8: Riccarton High School Cultural Festival

End of Term : Friday 12 April

Term 2 : Monday 29 April-Friday 5 July

Term 3 : Monday 23 July – Friday 27 September

Term 4 : Monday 14 October – Wednesday 18 December