



WHĪTAU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**WHĪTAU
SCHOOL**

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*Take care of our children. Take care of what they hear,
Take care of what they see, take care of what they feel.
For how the children grow, so will be the shape of Aotearoa’.*

Dame Whina Cooper

KEY DATES - PLEASE KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE!

Next Week	Monday 1 June Tuesday 2 June Wednesday 3 June	Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday - School is closed Teacher Only Day CANCELLED - School is open Fruit in School recommences Term 2 School SWIMMING has been cancelled Subway Lunch Online Orders
Coming Up	Wednesday 10 June Friday 03 July Monday 20 July Tues 21-Thurs 23 July	Subway Lunch Online Orders End of Term 2 Mid Year Student Reports and Self Assessments issued Term 3 commences Student - Parent - Teacher learning conferences will held

Whakatauki of the Week:

*‘He Moana pukepuke e ekengia e te waka’ -
‘A choppy sea can be navigated’*

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ANY VISITORS IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS BETWEEN 8AM AND 4PM

MUST SIGN THE PARENT CONTACT TRACING REGISTER

Text School Absences to **027 758 1467**

We value Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner

From the Principal's Desk....

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Wh Itau School

Kia ora koutou katoa! Talofa lava! Mālō e lelei! Greetings everyone!



We are very proud of how settled our school is and how well our students have settled back into school. This week we have increased numbers of children at school with over 90% of our students having returned to school. They are especially enjoying having the extra playground space with the separate Junior and Senior morning tea and lunchtime playtimes. Our recorder and ukulele tutors have recommenced their weekly lessons this week but our schoolwide group activities such as Choir, Kapahaka and Pasifika will not be recommencing in Level 2. We also will not be holding Breakfast Clubs or Sausage Sizzle Lunches in Level 2.

Next week all classes will recommence daily Reading, Writing and Maths group teaching and all children will be bringing home daily Home Learning, including a reading book. Please support us to accelerate your child's learning by ensuring they complete their daily Home Learning and enjoy completing Reading and Spelling together.

Friendly Updates and Reminders

- **Our Staff Only Day** for next Tuesday has been postponed to support our families.
- **Term 2 Swimming** for all classes has been cancelled.
- **Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser** - ***Please phone the School Office asap to arrange a time to collect your refunds.***
- **School Uniform**
 - **Winter uniform** must now be worn
 - All students require a **sweatshirt** to wear in class and a polar fleece to wear in the playground
 - All children must have their **KidsCan Rain Jacket**
 - **Polo Shirt issues** - we are currently waiting on Schooltex and will update you asap
- **School Carparks - CAUTION - Be safe, be respectful, be responsible!**
 - Use the footpaths!
 - Do not stand in the car park area waiting for your child, when cars are moving in and out
 - Back into car parks for a safe exit

Lunch Online - Order Subway Lunch Online on Wednesdays

It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started

1. Register an account
2. Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
3. Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
4. Select your lunch and place an order

We warmly welcome the following new students who have enrolled at our school this week.

We trust you and your whānau will find our school an awesome, caring school where you will be 'learning to take us places...!'

Room 2: Hunter Gourley-Stewart, William Latu and Ashwyrā Nath

Ngā mihi

Sandra Smith JP

PRINCIPAL

WHĪTAU SCHOOL WHEELIE DAYS

One day a week for each Learning Team
where they can bring their scooter,
skateboard, rollerblades or roller skates
to school with a helmet.

MONDAY = KĀKANO

TUESDAY = KEHAKAI

WEDNESDAY = KĀRAWHA

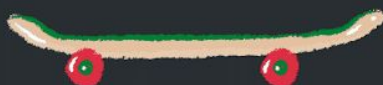
THURSDAY = KŌRARI

NO HELMET = NO WHEELS

The School will take all care possible but
recommends that each item is well named and if
bringing a scooter that it is locked in the Cycle
Stands.

Other wheels will be safely stored in Cloak Bays
or the Learning Centre.

Students will use their own wheels only and only
on the Court Area.



Weekly Principal's Class Awards

Class Awards for 'Caught Being Good as Gold' using our School Values of Respect, Responsibility and Learning:

Jayce Skinner	Room 2	For being so enthusiastic about your first week of school
Awanui Brown	Room 3	For being a tidy and responsible Kiwi this week
Michelle Masaga	Room 4	For being kind to others and having a fabulous attitude to her class learning
Ethan Lavaiamat	Room 5	For settling back into class well and coming back ready to learn
Ashton Lewis	Room 8	For settling into school well and always having a positive attitude to his learning
Adel Famie	Room 9	For being a great role model in Room 9 and looking out for others
Kyrel J-M	Room 10	For listening to instructions and completing his tasks positively
Avea Masaga	Room 11	For listening beautifully to instructions and doing the right thing
Dylan Chesmar	Room 12	For being a positive role model to those around him
Jaxon Judd	Room 13	For always being inclusive of others
Cody H-L	Room 14	For having a positive attitude towards his learning
Tukaha Hingano	Room 15	For being a good role model in the playground and using his WITS

Class Awards for progress in Literacy and Numeracy:

Dantē Samuel	Room 2	For amazing counting numbers up to 10
Tyson Simms	Room 3	For his effort in making the coolest bear for his Literacy Art activity
Olivia Williams	Room 4	For putting awesome effort into her classwork and listening closely to instructions
Luane Tauati	Room 5	For her enjoyment of reading and her great retell of Pete the Cat
Elaynah W-M	Room 8	For working hard on her work and supporting others in their learning
Christian Tuima	Room 9	For working hard in writing and finding words on the word card and thinking about sounds
Lucian R-C	Room 10	For his excellent comics and story writing
Kaylilah Ah Tong	Room 11	For putting a huge effort into her writing
Shanelle T-K	Room 12	For her stunning super sentence writing
Daklin Cameron	Room 13	For putting an excellent effort into all his school work
Navallo-Jane Renton	Room 14	For successfully sharing her ideas during Writing
Lilly M-B	Room 15	For her hard work and dedication to her Lockdown Learning

Taha Maori Focus

Each week we have a Maori phrase to learn that we try to incorporate into our daily teaching and learning.

He aha tēnei? - What is this?



PB4L-SW@LNS – Week 6

This week our focus is:

Be a Learner - Play fair and follow the rules

What does this look like at home?

- Include everyone in the team
- Communicate with each other
- Play by the rules



Mathletics Results from Week 6

At Whītau School the Board of Trustees fund Mathletics for each child to access online in class and at home. This means that learning can be ubiquitous as learning can happen at home, at school or anywhere.

If your child does not have access to Mathletics, please see your child's teacher for their login details.

The top Mathletics Classes were:

Kākano/Kehakai: Room 5

Karawha: Room 8

Kōrari: Room 13

The top Mathletics students were:

Kākano/Kehakai: Jason Smith (Room 3)

Karawha: Sadore Alemeneh (Room 8)

Kōrari: Adin Kumar (Room 13)

News from the Karawha Learning Team and Mr Turner

Talofa lava! We have had a really great start back to school and it is so nice to be together again! We have been getting back into routines and also learning a few extra ones to remind us about hygiene! We are easing back into learning with shared reading, creative writing and some maths activities. This week, we have been celebrating Samoan Language week by doing some singing, learning how to count to ten, looking at Samoan art styles and looking at some Samoan Myths and Legends!



We have also been enjoying some fun art and construction projects. We used parts of magazine pictures to create our own magazine scenes, used bubble mixture and dye to do some great bubble art and writing, created our own tapa cloth squares to turn into a class tapa cloth, and built our own letterboxes to help us with learning our addresses!



The Kārawha students are managing themselves really well and we are super proud of them!



