



**WHĪTAU
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WHĪTAU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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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!

Weekly All students must wear Summer uniform	Everyday Mondays Wednesdays Fridays	School grounds open at 8.30am. No students onsite before 8.30am 9.00am: Whānau Assembly 8.30am: Te Mapua Breakfast Club in the sKids Room Subway Lunch Online Orders (orders need to be in by 9.00am) Orders due in for Pie Day Friday by 9.00am Wednesday 8.30am: St Chad’s Breakfast Club in the sKids Room PIE DAY FRIDAY
Special Dates Coming Up	Monday 26 October Tuesday 3 November Wednesday 4 November Friday 6 November Monday 9 November Thursday 12 November Friday 13 November Wed 18 - Thurs 25 Nov Friday 20 November Friday 27 November Tuesday 8 December Friday 11 December	Labour Day (School Closed) 5.30pm 2021 Year 5&6 Living Springs Camp parent meeting. School Hall Heritage School Photos (Class & Individual photos will be taken) Senior Athletic Sports - Rooms 10-15 Gold Awards Learning Celebration Staff Only MoE Learning Day No 2. No school for students Canterbury Anniversary Day (School Closed) Team BEACH EDUCATION Days Optional Trip to the Royal New Zealand Ballet - Sleeping Beauty Junior Athletics Sports - Rooms TKW - R9 Year 6 Leaver’s Big Day Out School Christmas Picnic Concert 5.30pm Final Day of 2020 for all students- Leavers Assembly, Senior and Junior Prizegivings

Whakatauki of the Week:

*‘Aroha ki te tangata, ahakoa ko wai te tangata’
‘Love people in spite of who they are’*

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We value Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Wh Itau School
Kia ora koutou katoa! Talofa lava! Mālō e lelei!
Greetings everyone!



It is hard to believe that it is already coming up to Labour Weekend this weekend. The first two weeks of term have been very busy with our daily Swimming Lessons at Taiora Pool. Thanks for your great support with this. The children tell me they are loving their lessons and the teachers are enjoying being in the larger modern environment and having their daily lessons in the afternoon so they can complete their Literacy and Numeracy lessons.

I am looking forward to going to all the swimming lessons today, to get in the pool and encourage all the children trying so hard to earn the Principal's Swim Challenge Badge. We award certificates for students who complete either 25m, 50m or 100m freestyle and children who are able to swim 200m freestyle for the first time will earn a Principal's Swim Challenge Badge. These awards will be presented at our next Gold Awards Learning Celebration on Monday 9th November.

All children need to bring old clothes or pyjamas to swim in for their water safety lesson tomorrow please.

Finally, the 100 tickets for Sleeping Beauty are now all sold, so no more orders now please.

Out of Zone Enrolment Ballot

Our ballot for out of zone enrolments for Term 1, 2021 was completed last week. We had very limited space at the New Entrant level and accepted 8 enrolments. Our school roll is now closed for all out of zone enrolments for Term 1, 2021.

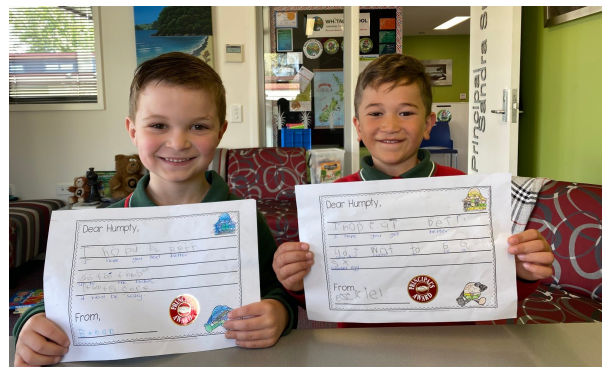
Out of Zone Siblings - If you currently do not live in our school zone and you have preschoolers, you must complete the pre-enrolment out of zone ballot process as soon as possible. Applications for enrolment of siblings are given second priority in the ballot process.

Proposed 2021 Year 5 and 6 Outdoor Education Camp at Living Springs

A parent meeting will be held in the School Hall on Tuesday 3rd November from 5.30 - 6.30pm for the parents and caregivers of all Year 5 and 6 students in 2021 to discuss the proposed camp. Mr Wood and I would like as many parents as possible to come along to the meeting so we can discuss funding and supporting the camp.

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to Ezekiel Linstead and Ethan Sheriff from Room 2 for their amazing letters they wrote to 'Humpty Dumpty'. They were so kind and caring to Humpty and their letters were very well written!



Congratulations to Judah Hobson in Room 15 who has been awarded a Music Scholarship to Chisnallwood Intermediate School. Judah has an exceptional singing voice and we are very proud of her achievement.

We warmly welcome the following new student who has 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 14: Lita Frings

Kind regards everyone

Sandra Smith, JP

Principal - Tumuaki



Weekly Crest Cleanest Classroom Award

Well done to Rooms 13 and 14!



News from the Kehakai Team and Mrs Cox and Mrs Anglesey

In Kehakai, we have started our Topic 'Healthy Heroes'. In Term 4, we will be looking at eating well, exercising, getting enough sleep, stretching minds and helping others.

We have planted vegetables in pots and are growing a 'Spud in a Bucket' to help us see where healthy food comes from.

In Maths, we have been looking at measurement and have been comparing the lengths of different objects such as playdough worms, paper gingerbread men and teddy bears. We are hoping once our plants start to grow that we will be able to measure these also.

And on top of all of this we have had our swimming lessons, practising for Athletics and creating our Calendar Art which is coming to a wall near you!

To keep up to date with all the Room 4 and 5 happenings please scan the below QR codes that will take you to our class blogs.



Room 5 Blog:



Room 4 Blog:



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

Israel Tupou	TKW	For being a great role model at mat time and 'showing 5'
Makal Shakari	Room 2	For an outstanding attitude in class
Tamania Riritahi	Room 3	For showing our School Values of Being a Learner and taking charge of her learning
Olivia Williams	Room 4	For always showing others how to be kind and thoughtful
Mark Ogilvie	Room 5	For showing the School Value of Responsibility by keeping the classroom clean
Katie Nicol	Room 8	For working hard at being a positive role model at mat times
Adel Famie	Room 9	For always coming to school with a positive attitude and readiness to learn
McKenna MacLarn	Room 10	For showing Responsibility in class and working independently
Lilly Chesmar	Room 11	For her effort to solve problems with her friends independently
Krystal Shaw	Room 12	For being as 'Good as Gold' by focusing on her learning
Damion Hillman	Room 13	For being a kind and caring friend to others
Noah Wilkinson	Room 14	For being a great friend to others
Micheal Hotter	Room 15	For being resilient at swimming



Class Awards for progress in Literacy and Numeracy

Declan Jordan	TKW	For his mathematics knowledge in Geometry
Amelia S-R	Room 2	For a much improved effort during writing time
Lucas Bates	Room 3	For giving his reading activities one hundred and ten percent effort this week
Michelle Masaga	Room 4	For practising her Reading every night
Rose Smith	Room 5	For moving up ANOTHER level in Reading
Ashton Lewis	Room 8	For working hard in his reading and writing
Samuel Cave	Room 9	For being focused in all learning areas and making great contributions
Manaia Suliafu	Room 10	For his improvement in his reading and spelling
Francis O'Neill	Room 11	For improving in his spelling
Mason Morgan	Room 12	For his great learning in Maths - telling the time
Rhys Nevard	Room 13	For his passion and enthusiasm in Writing
Cody Hart-Lee	Room 14	For great recall of basic facts
Drake Chesmar	Room 15	For outstanding writing

PB4L-SW@LNS – Week 2

This week our focus is:

Be a Learner - Make use of resources and learning opportunities



What does this look like at home?

- Plan what you need to use to complete an activity
- Choose an appropriate resource eg. a book at your level
- Ask questions to gather more information

Mathletics Results from Week 1

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

Kārawha: Room 11

Kōrari: Room 14

The top Mathletics students were:

Kākano/Kehakai: James Daligdig (Room 5)

Kārawha: Tāne Norton (Room 11)

Kōrari: Elshadaye Alemeneh (Room 14)

Taha Maori Focus

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

Kei hea to pukapuka? - Where is your book?



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Tell us what you want for 2050

We want to hear from everyone that has an interest in Greater Christchurch as we develop this exciting plan for our sub-region's future. Greater Christchurch 2050 will describe the kind of place we want for our future generations, and the actions we need to take over the next 30 years to make it happen.

[Tell us what you want to see by answering a few quick questions](#)

It should take around 5 minutes to give us your feedback. You can give feedback until 8 November 2020. To find out more about the greater Christchurch

Partnership and the plan visit

greaterchristchurch.org.nz/greater-christchurch-2050



Richmond Community Garden's

SPRING FAIR

24 October, 9:00am - 2:00pm

News From Shirley Intermediate About 2021 Enrolments

The closing date for 2021 enrolments is **Friday 23rd October 2020**. This allows us to make Meet the Principal interview times / transition students / and class placements for 2021. If you intend on enrolling at Shirley Intermediate, please visit the website at <http://www.sis.school.nz/Web/12/> or collect an enrolment pack from the Shirley Intermediate School Office.



PIE DAY FRIDAY FOR TERM 3!

Meat Pies - \$2.00

Sausage Roll \$2.00

Spinach & Feta Roll \$3.00

Please send your child's money to school and the class teacher will complete an order form **BEFORE WEDNESDAY 9.00AM** so we can put orders in for the pies.

The money made from the pies will go towards a School Sandpit.



REMEMBER ALL PIE
ORDERS MUST BE IN BY
WEDNESDAY 9.00AM

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.



WOW

Subway to deliver to Whitau School in 2020, every Wed

First Wednesday delivery date is
Wed 12th Feb !!

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



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