



**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

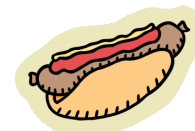
KEY DATES - PLEASE KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE!

This Week	Friday 22 February	Please return School Newsletter slip to Class Teachers 8.30am: St Chad's Breakfast Club in the Kidsbase Room Sausage Sizzle Lunch - fortnightly, even weeks 2,4,6,8 & 10
Next Week	Monday 25 February Wednesday 27 February Friday 1 March	9am School Assembly - All welcome 5.00pm - 7.00pm FUN FAMILY NIGHT. Picnic Tea, Games and Spot Prizes, Raffles Come along and meet staff, parents and join in the fun! 5.30pm Year 5 and 6 Parent Camp Meeting in Room 11 8.30am Te Mapua Wednesday Breakfast Club 8.30am: St Chad's Breakfast Club in the Kidsbase Room 9am: Official Opening of WhTtau School and Gold Awards Learning Celebration in School Hall followed by morning tea
Coming Up	Monday 11 - Wednesday 13 March	Year 5 and 6 Outdoor Education Camp at Living Springs Korari Year 4's will keep learning in Room 8 with Mrs Geal Mr Turner is planning a day of sports activities for all our Year 4 students



Tomorrow is Student Council Sausage Sizzle Lunch Day

Only \$2.00 for a delicious hot sausage
with tomato sauce wrapped in wholemeal bread.
Please have your orders to class by 9.00am.



OUR WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER IS ISSUED EVERY THURSDAY. PLEASE READ IT!

Whakatauki of the Week:

Naku te rourou nau to rourou ka ora ai te iwi- With your basket and my basket the people will live



We value Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Wh Ttau School

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



Staffing News

Recently we welcomed Miss Raewyn Raynel to our teaching team as our Literacy Intervention and ESoL Teacher. Raewyn is a highly experienced ex Reading Recovery Teacher who has returned to Christchurch from teaching ESoL in Hong Kong. Our children are enjoying getting to know her as she tests our 5 ½ and 6 year olds and meets our ESoL students in their classes.

House Captains

Hearty congratulations to the following Year 6 students who have been selected to be House Captains for 2019. They will join our Head Boy Isaiah Ramsay and our Head Girl Atiria Tutaki-Phillips to form our Student Council and meet weekly with Mr Turner to help make our school a safe, happy and fun place of learning for everyone.

Porrit House	Danica Pickles and Kolby Tucker
Ngarimu House	Kassidy Shannon and Yisrael Gillett
Wilding	Constance Taitoko and Filipo Siumu
Woodham	Zoe Tenorio and Aston Hardy



Class Whanau Award

The Class Whanau Award is a beautiful new award for 2019 that is awarded to the class which has the highest percentage of return slips for the newsletter each week. Please remember to support your child by signing the return slip and ensuring that it comes back to class on Friday morning.



Well done to Room 2 who were the winners of the Whanau Award this week!

Parent Comments from Return Slips from Our Last Newsletter

'Thank you for the free weekly bread. Also big thanks to New World Stanmore for the free drink bottles, muchly appreciated'

'Lovely new teacher, my child is very happy'

'Love that you include the awards each week'

A very warm welcome to Wh Ttau School.....

We warmly welcome the following new students who have enrolled at our school. We trust you and your whānau will find our school an awesome, caring school where you will be 'learning to take us places...!'

Room 1: Alphonzio Fidow-Aualii and Tunisia Moana

Kind regards

Sandra Smith, JP

Principal - Tumuaki

Weekly Principal's Class Awards

These awards are presented at Team Whānau Time on Monday mornings at 9am. Families are most welcome to attend.

Class Awards for 'Caught Being Good as Gold' using our School Values.

Mark Ogilvie	TKW	For showing responsibility in class by tidying up his work area when he has finished his task
Alexander Straker	Room 1	For always setting a good example for the other children and keeping the classroom tidy
Clay O'Grady	Room 2	For being a respectful member of class by listening to others and always trying hard to do the right thing
Karley Williams	Room 3	For being an amazing helper in Room 3. Always looking out for others and classroom property
Aroha Doherty	Room 4	For always trying to be a good friend by showing encouragement to others
Kailani Clough	Room 5	For listening well and showing enthusiasm at KiwiCan
Tyler Williams	Room 6	For his kindness, respect to others and school property and hard work. A very valuable member of Room 6!
Annabelle Profit	Room 7	For showing the school value of responsibility and help keep Room 7 looking very clean. Thank you.
Mikalah Cate	Room 8	For showing positive behaviour and choosing to do the right thing at the right time!
Siavao Manuleleua	Room 9	For always showing kindness and consideration to others
Kolby Tucker	Room 10	For an amazing themed "Who rides in my Waka" homework. It showed a great imagination and a creative presentation
Sarahfina Leuma Gali	Room 11	For always thinking of others before herself. Oe e Manaia!

Class Awards for Literacy and Numeracy:

Kieran Partridge	TKW	For writing the first line of alphabets and recognising the letters
Sophia Conaghan	Room 1	For writing an interesting story about where Louie the Caterpillar went
Manaia Suliafu	Room 2	For being focused when reading with the teacher and giving learning a go
Alin Tamang	Room 3	For striving to produce work to a high standard. You never give up and are always willing to take on new learning experiences. Well done!
Ryan Mcnicoll	Room 4	For showing great skills in solving addition and subtraction maths problems
Bellah Lamositele	Room 5	For consistently producing writing to a high standard with beautiful illustrations
Aaliyah Benns-Upston	Room 6	For her time management in writing and completing this work to a high standard. Ka Pai!
Amelia Campbell	Room 7	For her hard work with reading and making great progress
Arnika-Rose G-R	Room 8	For focusing on her maths tasks and completing them to a high standard
Seema Verma	Room 9	For always completing her work to a high standard
Zoe Tenorio	Room 10	For excellent poetry writing and presentation. Always stunning work that blows the Teachers mind
Abraham Vaoga	Room 11	For clear presentation and a strong work ethic in Maths



Taha Maori Focus

Each week we have Maori phrases which we try to incorporate into our daily teaching and learning.

E oma!- Run, **E Peke!**- Jump, **Oma atu!** Run away, **Oma Mai!** Run back!, **Waewae Takahia!** Stamp your feet!, **E huri!** Turn around, **HTkoti!** Hop!, **Ringa ki Runga!** Heads up!, **Ngaoki!** Crawl, **Kanikani!** Dance



PB4L-SW@LNS – Week 4



This week our focus is: **Be Responsible - Use your WITS and being mindful**

What does this look like at home?

- ⇒ Talking out any problems that have occurred
- ⇒ Seeking help or advice on how to resolve the problem

⇒ Encouraging students to walk away from conflict

Mathletics Results from Week 3

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: Room 3

Karawha: Room 6

Kōrari: Room 11

The top Mathletics students were:

Kākano: Karley Williams (R3)

Karawha: Naeema Ali (R6)

Kōrari: Govind Sharma (R11)

News from Miss Victoria Bernard and Room 3

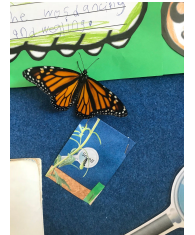
The Room 3 team have had a great start to the year getting to know each other and the rest of the Kākano whānau. Our syndicate read the book Rainbow Fish and came up with ways we can be good friends to one another, making everyone feel like they belong. Room 3 has had lots of exciting things to write about, including our caterpillars as we watch them go through their life cycle and become beautiful butterflies. We were even lucky enough to see Larry create his chrysalis. In mathematics, we have explored what makes a number of number as well as making graphs to gather information about our class. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know my lovely class as individuals and as learners and can not wait to see them grow throughout 2019.

The caterpillar was changing green, but he still had his stripes - Zayden

The caterpillar's face fell down - Christian

The caterpillar was wiggling and dancing into his chrysalis - Mackenzie

He was wiggling and jigging - Chelsea



News from the Kōrari Learning Team and Mr Wood

Wow! What a busy start we have had in Kōrari. After spending time getting to know one another, we are now busy getting on with our core business of learning. For Numeracy we are focusing on Statistics. We are making graphs and find out information about each other. We are finding out things like; how people are in our families and our favourite things. For Literacy we are focusing on Recounts and Reports. We will be writing letters, postcards, and writing across the curriculum. Shortly we will be able to share your children's work with you online with an app called Seesaw. Watch this space! On Friday Rooms 10 & 11 will be attending an event commemorating how the eastern suburbs were affected after the 6.3 earthquake. They have been invited to sing a waiata after the Shirley Boys perform their haka. The classrooms have been learning the waiata Pūrea Nei. Considering they have only been learning for such a short time they sound amazing. If you would like to come and watch, we will be at Retreat Reserve, on the corner of Patten Street and Retreat Road at 11am. In Kōrari, we have been focusing on being responsible. This is our PB4L focus this term. We have been thinking about why we have a school uniform and how to deal with situations by using our WITS. We are learning to take pride in what we look like and focusing on being respectful. Our School Rippa Rugby team had its first game last Friday. Sadly we lost both games, but the only way is up for us. We play at South Hagley, with our first game starting at 1:15. Come along and cheer for us!



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER RETURN SLIP: Newsletter No 4



Please sign and ask your child to return this section to their class teacher. There will be a class weekly treat for the class who has the most returns. Your child will receive 5 house points and enter their slip in the class box for their class lucky book draw at our monthly Gold Awards Learning Celebration.

I have received and read the Whītau Newsletter 4

Student's Name: _____ Room: _____ Signed: _____

We welcome your ideas, comments and any feedback...

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