



**WHĪTAU  
SCHOOL**

# WHĪTAU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**NEWSLETTER NO 34: Thursday 29 October 2020**

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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!

<b>Weekly</b> All students must wear Summer uniform	<b>Everyday</b> <b>Mondays</b> <b>Wednesdays</b>  <b>Fridays</b>	School grounds open at 8.30am. No students onsite before 8.30am <b>9.00am: Whānau Assembly</b> <b>8.30am: Te Mapua Breakfast Club in the sKids Room</b> <b>Subway Lunch Online Orders (orders need to be in by 9.00am)</b> <b>Orders due in for Pie Day Friday by 9.00am Wednesday</b> <b>8.30am: St Chad’s Breakfast Club in the sKids Room</b> <b>PIE DAY FRIDAY</b>
<b>Special Dates Coming Up</b>	<b>Tuesday 3 November</b> <b>Wednesday 4 November</b> <b>Thursday 5 November</b> <b>Friday 6 November</b> <b>Monday 9 November</b> <b>Thursday 12 November</b> <b>Friday 13 November</b> <b>Wed 18 - Thurs 25 Nov</b> <b>Friday 20 November</b> <b>Friday 27 November</b>  <b>Thursday 3 December</b> <b>Tuesday 8 December</b> <b>Friday 11 December</b>	<b>5.30pm 2021 Year 5&amp;6 Living Springs Camp Parent Meeting. School Hall</b> <b>Heritage School Photos (Class &amp; Individual photos will be taken)</b> <b>Senior Athletic Sports - Rooms 10-15</b> <b>9.15am Book Week Character Parade. Parents welcome!</b> <b>Gold Awards Learning Celebration</b> <b>Staff Only MoE Learning Day No 2. No school for students</b> <b>Canterbury Anniversary Day (School Closed)</b> <b>Team BEACH EDUCATION Days</b> <b>Optional Trip to the Royal New Zealand Ballet - Sleeping Beauty</b> <b>Junior Athletics Sports - Rooms TKW - R9</b> <b>Year 6 Leavers Big Day Out</b> <b>9.30am Talent Quest Finals</b> <b>School Christmas Picnic Concert 5.30pm</b> <b>Final Day of 2020 for all students - Leavers Assembly, Senior and Junior Prizegivings</b>

## Whakatauki of the Week:

**‘Mā tini mā mano ka rapa te whai’**  
**‘Many hands make light work’**

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Board of Trustees Chairperson: Alexandra Davids - [botchair@whitau.school.nz](mailto:botchair@whitau.school.nz)

Whitau School Bank Account: 12-3240-0083654-01

Text School Absences to 027 758 1467



**We value Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner**

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



### **School Photographs**

Next Wednesday 4th November, Heritage Photographers will be taking our annual class and individual student photographs, starting at 9am. Please have your children at school on time at 9am, smartly dressed in clean uniform and with tidy hair. We will be starting with Te Kura Waka and then Room 2, Room 3 and moving through the school. **ALL CHILDREN MUST WEAR THEIR RED SWEATSHIRT OR RED POLAR FLEECE IN THE PHOTOS PLEASE, because class photos taken in the the green polo shirts are very dark and we need to ensure all children are wearing the same colour to make the photos look awesome for you!** Samples and orders will be sent home by Heritage Photos following the photographs being taken.

### **2021 Year 5 and 6 Living Springs Camp Meeting**

Mr Wood and I would like to meet with all parents of students who will be in Year 5 and Year 6 in 2021 to discuss our plans for the proposed 2021 Year 5 and 6 Outdoor Education Camp at Living Springs in May. For the proposed camp to go ahead we require 100% support from our whānau so please do come along for 30 minutes. Children may play in the playground.



### **School Talent Quest**

Our children are getting excited about the talent quest auditions starting next week on Wednesday! Thanks for your support and patience with helping the children practise at home.

### **Book Week**

Next week is Book Week at Whītāu School! The Library Team and Librarians have planned an exciting week of activities that will coincide with a dress up day on Friday. Please can your child wear a book character costume and know which book it is from or wear their school uniform to school next Friday.

### **Weekly Crest Cleanest Classroom Award** **Well done to Rooms 5 and 11!**

Kind regards everyone  
Sandra Smith, JP  
Principal - Tumuaki

Whītāu School is having...

# BOOK WEEK NEXT WEEK!

Your child can dress up as a book character for Friday 6 November. There is a prize for each team for the best costume!

Whānau are welcome to join us for the book parade on Friday 6 November at 9.15am!





# Welcome to Whitau School!

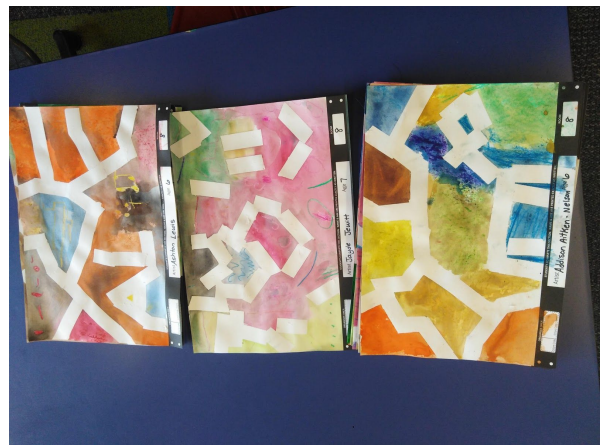
## LILLY, HUNTER AND THOMAS

WE WARMLY WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW STUDENTS WHO HAVE ENROLLED AT OUR SCHOOL THIS WEEK. WE TRUST YOU AND YOUR WHANAU WILL FIND OUR SCHOOL AN AWESOME, CARING SCHOOL WHERE YOU WILL BE 'LEARNING TO TAKE US PLACES...!'

### *News from the Kārawha Team and Mr Turner*

In the Kārawha team we have started Term 4 with a splash! It has been a busy, fun first two weeks with our Swimming Lessons at Taiora pool. We have really enjoyed learning about Water Safety and managing ourselves around boats and lifejackets. Maths this term is all about measurement. It has been great to measure and compare our heights and work out who really is the tallest! It will be interesting to see how much they grow over the term too.

The Kārawha teachers have been busy also helping the students create some vibrant pieces of art that will be used for our 'Calendar Art'. This has been a very creative project and the efforts that children have put in have been outstanding. We are looking forward to practising and getting ready for the Athletics day coming up this term too. Athletics ties in so well for our focus of being a 'Healthy Hero' and thinking about food, sleep, exercise and positive attitudes.





# Rā Whānau Ki A Koe!

LAKYN – 8      JONTY – 9      THOMAS – 5  
 SIATIU – 10      SOPHIA – 7      BRIANNA – 7  
 TOBIAS – 8      THOMAS – 5



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

Thomas CW	TKW	For being a good friend to play with
Monti Masiu	Room 2	For being a kindness role model in class and in the playground
Riley Mason	Room 3	For being brave and getting straight in the pool at swimming
Georgia Yeomans	Room 4	For showing that she was an awesome learner at QE2 as well as at school
Manaia Te Are	Room 5	For her brave jump into the big pool at swimming
Elaynah W-M	Room 8	For working hard at following directions
Maia Hiku	Room 9	For being kind and always noticing others doing kind deeds
Lakyn Davies	Room 10	For his 'Good as Gold' behaviour in class and in the playground
Amelia Lee	Room 11	For being a wonderful role model with her friends
Michelle Prasad	Room 12	For being a class leader in her creative homework
Misty Rochford	Room 13	For taking on leadership roles in the classroom
Peyton Mihaere	Room 14	For being a Responsible learner
Daisy Snowdon	Room 15	For her resilience and tenacity in the pool



## **PB4L-SW@LNS – Week 3**

This week our focus is:

**Be Responsible - Be Positive**

**What does this look like at home?**

- Tell the truth
- Act in a way that is truthful and doesn't hide the truth
- Only do things that are morally right



## ***Class Awards for progress in Literacy and Numeracy***

Grace MacDowall	TKW	For completing her maths sheet well independently
Suriah Matau	Room 2	For following through and completing her work everytime
Tyson Simms	Room 3	For being a learner and getting 2/2 in his spelling
Leukan Kennedy	Room 4	For fabulous work in patterning for Maths
Jade Allan	Room 5	For her great measuring skills using blocks
Lily Wilton	Room 8	For her improvement in her spelling
Olivia Houben	Room 9	For her amazing job of publishing her writing
Jackson Whitworth	Room 10	For his improvement in his reading and spelling
Levi Stothers	Room 11	For his great results in Reading
Amelia Campbell	Room 12	For her hard work and concentration in Reading
Benson Waikato	Room 13	For his thoughtful contributions to reading discussions
Alexis Gregory	Room 14	For great recall of basic facts
Tiu Matau	Room 15	For his improvement in both Literacy and Numeracy



## ***Mathletics Results from Week 2***

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 8  
Kōrari: Room 14

### **The top Mathletics students were:**

Kākano/Kehakai: James Daligdig (Room 5)  
Kārawha: Sadore Alemeneh (Room 8)  
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

### KIDS FOUNDATION – RAZZAMATAZZ NZ

**RAZZAMATAZZ** is our present to YOU, YOUR CLIENTS & THEIR FAMILIES!  
Our Kids can't get out much, so thought we'd share a little fun & laughter with You!

**RAZZAMATAZZ** is Fantastic Family oriented Comedy with a Wow Factor!

**RAZZAMATAZZ** is wickedly wonderful, full of laughs, puppetry, magic, acrobatics, dancing and so much more!



The 2020 production of our Family Comedy Show is online and proudly hosted by the Kids Foundation NZ.

Kids Foundation Children are immune deficient, organ transplant or "medically fragile" children, so to play it safe this year we're NOW ONLINE!!

**Kids Foundation Razzamatazz – Pt 1**

<https://vimeo.com/467178926>

**Kids Foundation Razzamatazz – Pt 2**

<https://vimeo.com/469610070>

(the password is Razz!)

**PLEASE ENJOY & SHARE WITH EVERYONE!**

**More Info – Visit Us!**

Kids Foundation - <https://www.facebook.com/IDFNZKidsFoundation>

Razzamatazz NZ - <https://www.facebook.com/RazzamatazzNZ>

**Don't Forget to Like Us too!**

Saturday 31st October  
1-2pm Waipuna - St John of God  
349 Woodham Rd Linwood

# ANIMAL ADVENTURE

FREE  
concert

ALBUM RELEASE



DRESS UP LIKE YOUR FAVORITE  
ANIMAL IF YOU WANT TO!

FLY LIKE A  
KAHU

SWIM LIKE  
AN EEL



## ANGELFISH KIDS



This project was made possible with support from the ABA Foundation





Safe Kids In Daily Supervision

**Whitau**

221 Woodham Road, Linwood  
Christchurch 8062

# Term 4 Activities

October 12<sup>th</sup> 2020 – December 11<sup>th</sup> 2020

After School Care | 3:00pm to 6:00pm

## Week 1 Multi Sports



Play Rugby, Netball, Basketball, Dodgeball and so much more this super sporty week!

## Week 2 Star Wars



A week full of acting, dancing and making your very own light saver!

## Week 3 Tik Tok



Learn a new dance, and skit or complete a Tik Tok challenge this week!

## Week 4 Wearable Arts



Get creative and design your own wearable art costume!

## Week 5 Rainbow Week



Use puffy paint, pastels, clay and more to create colourful rainbow creations this week!

## Week 6 Letter P



This week we're doing anything and everything to do with the letter P!

## Week 7 Carnival Week



Go carnival crazy this week with a bunch of games and activities

## Week 8 Rock N' Roll



Get ready to rock out this week! Have fun with a week full of creative art and music!

## Week 9 LEGO



Lego is fun to play with, but did you know its also good for science...? Come found out how this week!

**Remember to  
get your  
bookings in  
for our term 4  
Holiday  
Programme!**

Email: [whitau@skids.co.nz](mailto:whitau@skids.co.nz) | Onsite Mobile: 027 303 0247 | Office Phone: 0800 274 172

Register now at [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz) click on **Parent Login**

MSD-Approved  
Work & Income NZ OSCAR Subsidy available!

Community

Hugs

# Winz Subsidy

Have your circumstances  
changed due to COVID-19?

**Could this be you?** Since re-opening after the Level 4 lockdown, we are finding that due to changes in circumstances many families now qualify for the Work and Income Out of School Care Subsidy who may not have previously qualified.

If you are eligible, you can claim up to 20 hours per week for Before and After School Care and up to 50 hours per week for School Holiday Programmes.

**We can make the process Stress-free** - We would love to work with you and your local Work and Income office to make sure that the process of applying for and receiving an OSCAR subsidy is straightforward and stress-free.

**Let's catch up and work though this together**

Contact your Local skids Centre Manager

**N** 027 303 0247

**E** [whitau@location.co.nz](mailto:whitau@location.co.nz)

We got this!  
Much Aroha

Aroha  
Whanau

Tamariki

We are  
here





## 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.

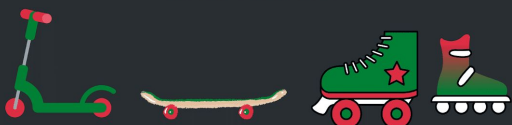
**MONDAY = KĀKANO**  
**TUESDAY = KEHAKAI**  
**WEDNESDAY = KĀRAWHA**  
**THURSDAY = KŌRARI**

### 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](http://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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