



Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 4 - Week 7 - November 29, 2024

KIA ORA E TE WHĀNAU,

Teachers are all getting ready for the end of year, finishing up writing the student reports. These will come out to you on Monday 15th December, and will include your child's class placement for next year and a stationery list. Can you please ensure you have ordered your stationery ready to come to school with them on the 3rd of February.

We are also preparing to host Te Whanga, a kapa haka festival, next Tuesday 3rd December. Raurimu Ave School, Onerahi School and Parua Bay School will all be performing. Thanks to those whanau who have already responded our to our request for support; manning food stalls, providing baking, helping our children get dressed, setting up or packing down afterwards. We are going to need an army of helpers to make this day a success, so thanks in advance.

We have a couple of special events to help celebrate the end of year that we are also busy planning. The first is the Leaver's Dinner for the Year 8 students and their whanau. This event gives us the chance to honour the immense contribution these students and whanau have given our kura in their time here at Whangārei Heads School. Details for this event have been sent out via dojo to the Karearea Year 8s. Please make sure you RSVP.

The Christmas Tree Evening on Tuesday the 17th of December is our Final Prizegiving. All whanau are invited to this event. We will begin at 5.30 with a karakia and presentation of the Year 8 leaver's gift at the front entrance to the school, then move down to the undercover area for the prize giving. There will be performances by our Kapa Haka group, some students from Sam Benge's music programme, the Teina (Junior Classes). Each class will present awards for; Kaitiakitanga (Enviro), Nga Matapono (Values), Vision. There will also be a visit from a very special guest who just manages to make the time to pop in, even though he is very busy at the North Pole. (Ho ho ho) ;)

Thank you,
Kelly

Coming Events:

Week 8 - Dec 2-6

Dec 3 - Te Whanga

Dec 4 - WPSSA Yr 5&6 Athletics



Week 9 - Dec 9-13

Dec 10 - Junior Athletics

& Board Meeting 6PM

Dec 11 - Dryland Swim Sessions
(in class)

Dec 12 - Yr 8 Leavers Dinner



Week 10 - Dec 16-18

Dec 16 - Music Concert

Dec 17 - Christmas Tree Evening

Dec 18 - Last Day of Term

~ Early finish at 12PM ~

Our Place to Grow and Learn together
Ko tātou kura, kia tipu, kia ako ngātahi



Give
a little
joy this
Christmas



Bake Sale Results!

Korora and Kotare's Bake Sale fundraiser for the Salvation Army Christmas appeal was a huge success! The final tally is in and thanks to our generous baking donations, and enthusiastic purchasing of the baked goods we have raised **\$1035!** This money will be used to purchase items for the Salvation Army to distribute as gifts to deserving families this Christmas. Well done everyone and thanks for your support!



FREE

CHRISTMAS FAMILY EVENT



Date: 5th December 2024 **Time:** 5pm- 7:30pm

Details

Come along and enjoy market stalls, kids DIY, adult DIY, supplier demos, games, free sausage sizzle, popcorn, Mr Whippy, coffee cart, Santa visit/photos, door prizes, spot prizes, performances from a variety of groups, Magician and Balloon animals, face painting and Fire Engines. Also come and look at a selection of hot rods, classic cars, speedway cars and Ulysses motorbikes. And more to come!!!!

Book your spot today, limited spaces



**BUNNINGS
warehouse**



2025 Term Dates:

29th January: Staff only day
30th January: Staff only day
3rd February: **First day for all children**
6th February: Closed for Waitangi Day
7th February: Closed
(this day has been added to end of year)
8th February: Back to school
11th March: Last day of Term 1

Term 2: Monday 28 April - Friday 27 June

Term 3: Monday 14 July - Friday 19 September

Term 4: Monday 6 October - Wednesday 17 December (12pm close)

2025 Stationery Packs

Office Products Depot will be pre-packing class stationery packs, ready to collect in store for 2025. You do not need to pre-order. Just head to the OPD store on Commerce Street, look for the "Whangarei Heads School" packs, and pick up the pack for your child's class. You can still order online as well, and adjust the list to your liking. Online orders will be sent directly to your home.



*Christmas Carols
by Candlelight on Heritage Park*

WITH MEMBERS OF WHANGĀREI CHORAL

FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER, 2024 AT 6PM

📍 Glorat Homestead Grounds at Heritage Park, Gate 2, 500 SH14, Maunu Whangārei
For enquiries contact 09 4389630 or programmes@kiwinorth.co.nz

WHANGĀREI HEADS SCHOOL IS PROUD TO HOST

Te Whanga 2024



TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER
RATŪ 3 O HAKIHEA

10AM - 2PM

**KAPA HAKA, KAI &
WHANAUNGATANGA**

Please BYO chair or mat to sit on
Cash event only

AT WHANGĀREI HEADS SCHOOL

28 Whangarei Heads School
Road, Whangārei 0174

KURA PERFORMING:

- Onerahi School
- Raurimu Avenue School
- Parua Bay School
- Whangārei Heads School

Te Manawa Tahī

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahī sign or flag.

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz. Hubs are open from 9am to 12pm unless otherwise stated.

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated.

| Date | Hub Locations | Term 4 2024, Weeks 6 to 10 |
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| Wednesday 20 Nov | Bream Bay Community Trust (10.00 am to 12.30 pm) 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā | |
| Thursday 21 Nov | Te Kura o Otangarei School, William Jones Drive, Otangarei | |
| Thursday 28 Nov | Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Hikurangi | |
| Wednesday 4 Dec | St John Ōtamatea Ambulance Hall 172 Hurndall Street East, Maungaturoto | |
| Thursday 5 Dec | Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside | |
| Wednesday 11 Dec | Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville | |



Happy Birthday

**Florrie, Kasper,
Ella & Thomas**



Community CAROL SERVICE

SUN 15th DEC
from 6pm - 8pm
at McLeod Bay Hall

Organised by Local Christian Churches

15th DECEMBER
Christmas CAROLS
with
Fun Activities for kids!

6pm-7pm BYO Picnic (Bring rugs/chairs).
6pm-7pm Free sausage sizzle, drinks & baking.
Children's activities/games.
7pm Outdoor Carol Service.