

#### **NEWSLETTER**

TERM 2, WEEK 8 23 June 2022

### WEEK 8

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Matariki celebration on Thursday, and to those who have supported our fundraising through the hangi or the raffle. An extra thank you to Mrs Abraham who organised our Matariki celebration, Cara and the MOMS for organising the raffle, all our raffle sponsors (listed below), and Patrick's coffee van and MGK GAS who helped to promote and sell raffle tickets. Our calendar art orders are on sale now! Orders are available online via Kindo (preferred), or manual order forms are available from the office. The artwork is available to view in the library - come to the office and one of the team will take you over to view.

#### Matariki Celebration:

A huge thank you to all the parents who came and supported our afternoon. We had a great time with our powhiri and all the amazing activities put on by class teachers.













## THANK YOU

- -Delphi who did an amazing job leading our kapahaka
- -The Kapahaka group who performed for the first time today in our powhiri
- -Siera and Abby who were our student representatives at the powhiri
  - -Dr Lisa Watson for her support and guidance of the powhiri
- -All our tamariki for the amazing art that was on display.
  - Our very generous raffle sponsors:
    - Bunnings Warehouse
    - Turanga Homestead
      - V-Oliva
      - the MOMs
- -To all our staff: teachers, teacher aides, office staff for all the extra work that is involved in a day like this.











Congratulations Miss Condon who celebrated her Bachelor of Education graduation last week. You are already an amazing teacher, and we are so pleased to have you at our School.

## People of the Week

-The class teachers for all the extra work that has gone into preparing for Matariki, including organising the powhiri, all the amazing artwork and the classroom activities.



#### **CALENDAR ART IS BACK!!**

We are once again running our popular calendar art fundraiser, where you can get your child's artwork made into unique products!

Artwork went on display at our Matariki event this afternoon. If you weren't able to make it to the event, come to the office between now and the end of term, and we'll take you over to view.

Orders due Friday, 8th July (end of Term 2).

Orders are available on Kindo (preferred), or hard copy order forms are available at the office. Prices: Calendars \$15.95 / Pack of 8 cards \$13.95 / Diaries \$15.95 / Mouse Mats \$15.95 / Sketch Pads \$14.99





#### SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS ARE COMING UP

#### What is a school board of trustees?

Our school board includes parent representatives, a staff representative, and the principal.

#### Who can become a trustee?

Parents, caregivers and people from the wider community can put their name forward to be on a school board during the board of trustee elections.

#### What do trustees do?

The board is accountable to its parents and community and for student progress and achievement. Here are some specific things a board does:

• Sets the strategic direction and plans for the school and monitors the

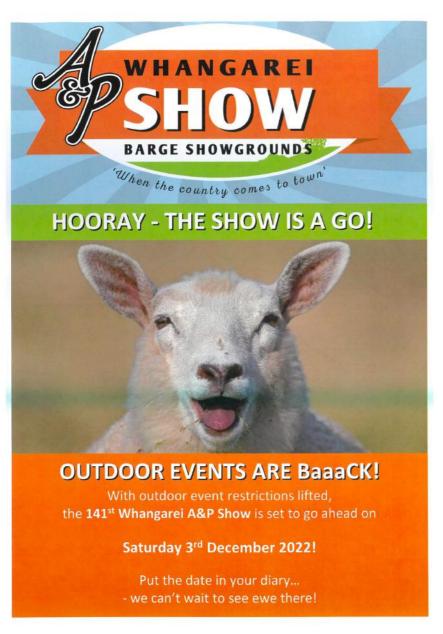
- school's progress against them.
- Monitors and evaluates student progress.
  Oversees the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.
- Ensures that the educational needs and aspirations of Maori learners, Pasifika learners and learners with special learning and behaviour needs are identified, planned for and met.
  - Fulfils the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.
    - Appoints and supports the principal and assesses their performance.

#### What skills do trustees need?

Trustees are active leaders in their schools and need to work well in a team, ask challenging questions and have good communications skills. Boards need a balance of skills and experiences around the table to ensure effective processes for planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing of the school's performance are in place.

#### What help do school trustees get?

New Zealand School Trustees Association provides free advice around employment and governance, support and resources. NZSTA also provides a variety of professional development opportunities for trustees.



#### **RURU BAKE SALE**

Lyn and Barb would like to thank our amazing Ruru parents who always come through trumps when asked to bake for a very worthwhile cause. The cake, cup cakes (amazing icing) and brownies went down a real treat. You are very welcome to follow our puppy on the web and see what he gets up to.

All your generosity makes an amazing life changing difference to a very special person at the end of the rigorous training of these puppies. Thank you so much. We raised over \$130.



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FUTSAL FOCUSED - BUT SO MUCH MORE!

For kids aged 6 - 16yrs

Monday 11th - Friday 15th July 8:30 -4:00pm

For details and registration visit our website northland futsal academy.co.nz



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#### June:

Tuesdays - Small sticks hockey sessions 24th- Matariki holiday (school closed) 27th- Teacher Only Day (school closed) 30th- Jump Rope Challenge

#### July:

4th & 5th- POSTPONED to Term 3: Parent teacher interviews

8th- End of Term 2

#### **Ongoing:**

Wednesdays 6th July - Assembly @ 2.30pm Thursdays from 19th May - Rocket Challenge Fridays - Lunch Orders



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS:

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#### Mid Year Reporting to parents/Interviews:

As you are aware this has been a busy year dealing with the ongoing impact of COVID. This term in particular has hit staff hard with both COVID and the stronger than usual winter bugs. As a result I have decided to move our interviews and report schedule until next term. The new dates are:

- ePortfolios: Friday Week 2 Term 3 (5th August)
- Triadic Interviews: Monday and Tuesday Week 3 Term 3 (8th and 9th August)
- Mid Year Snapshot (Report): Handed out at Interviews

This decision will support the wellbeing of staff, but also the wellbeing of students, who have been working hard all term.

#### Winter Illness:

As I have just said, the Winter bugs are here and in force. Please keep a close eye on your children as we have a lot of illness at present and keep them home if they are not well enough to be at school. Don't forget to give your child a RAT test if they are symptomatic to rule out COVID.

#### A Wellbeing quote:

"A calm mind brings inner strength and self-confidence, so that's very important for good health."

- Dalai Lama

Ngā Mihi, Simon Schuster Tumuaki/Principal

