

# **NEWSLETTER**

TERM 4, WEEK 8 7 December 2022

# **WEEK 8**

What an amazing couple of weeks with our whanau fun day, Kiwi's Poor Knights and R Tucker Thompson trips, and Piwakawaka's trip to the Playcentre Christmas party. Next week is our last week of school, with Prizegiving to look forward to on Wednesday at 12.30pm. Please join us at the Maungakaramea Hall. Thursday is our last day for the year, with School finishing at 12pm, and no Ruru or buses on this afternoon. School starts back on 2 February 2023, with the office open on 31st January and 1st February for any uniform purchases or other queries. Stationery will be available to buy online this year through Qizzle - details will be sent out with school reports, and there is further info later in this newsletter.

# WHANAU FUN DAY





# THANK YOU

- -To the staff who organised and ran the Whānau Fun Day
- -Miss B for all the extra work that has gone into running the William Pike Challenge award
- -Lyn Moase for all the hard work and support she puts into providing music tuition for our tamariki. Make sure you watch out for Lyn's end of year demonstration on Facebook.

# People of the Week

- All our certificate winners from last weeks assembly
- All our tamariki for their efforts on Whanau Fun Day
- Mrs Abraham and
  Piwakawaka for
  welcoming all our 4 year
  old visitors who have been
  preparing to start at our
  school in 2023



# **POOL KEYS**

We still have a few pool keys available. Cash at the office or Kindo.



# LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return any school library books before the end of the year.

Cost: \$100 and you will receive a refund of \$30 upon returning your key by the end of Term 1 2023.



# **RURU PUPPY**

Lyn, Barb and the Ruru children would like to thank the very generous donations and support given to this worthy cause this past year. It would not have be possible without your participation.

Ruru raised a total of \$428.00 of which \$120..00 paid for Marleys upkeep and the balance of \$308.00 is being sent to Blind and Low Vision to be used where it is most needed. Thank you once again and have a great Christmas and New Year.

# STATIONERY LISTS

This year we are using Qizzle's school packs service for our stationery lists.

All details can be found at www.schoolpacks.co.nz.

All packs are pre-populated with every item on the class list, however you are able to adjust this for items that you either already have or would prefer to purchase elsewhere (e.g. headphones, book bags, pencil cases etc).

We will continue to hold stocks of stationery at school for items that students do not have or use up through the year.



# KIWI POOR KNIGHTS & R TUCKER THOMPSON TRIPS

Our year 7-8 students took on their 4th William Pike challenge last Monday, The Poor Knights. Learning lots about the local area and history of The Poor Knights, we were so lucky with spectacular weather, dolphins, whales and loads of fun through dive tutukaka.

An epic day for epic kids! A few pictures of their adventure.

On Friday, they finally got their R Tucker Thompson trip (postponed twice!). The day started out grey, but was amazing! Dolphins were out again, this time closer! Close enough that we've been swimming with them. The R Tucker Thompson is AH-MAY-ZING! Highly recommended!



# PIWAKAWAKA VISIT PLAYCENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY



















## Tenā koutou i ngā āhuatanga o te wā, Greetings to you all at this time

This is the last newsletter for the year. Like every year, I sit here and wonder where the year went.

2022 has been a year with much to celebrate:

-The opening of our 5th class

-Our amazing William Pike Challenge award in our Intermediate programme

-Some excellent camps

-A successful Matariki Day

-Some great sporting opportunities, both in and out of the school

-and so much more!

One thing we are really looking forward to is that we will be beginning 2023 with a roll of 100! This is something to truly celebrate as the school has not had this number for many years. A real credit to the Board, staff and the amazing support of the community!

We will be celebrating this milestone early in Term 1.

Other things to look forward to in 2023 are:
-Whole School Production
-In class Te Reo tutoring by Delphi
-Intermediate ski trip
-Many sports opportunities
-STEAM focus

-Property works around the school -and much more!

Please stay safe and have a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday!

A Wellbeing quote:

"The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot."

— Michael Altshuler

THE FINAL WORD

I roto i ngā mihi, With greetings

Simon Schuster Tumuaki/Principal



# IMPORTANT DATES:

14 December: Prizegiving @ 12.30pm

15 December: Last Day of School

- school finishes at 12pm.

No buses running in the afternoon.

31st January & 1st February: Office open for

queries & uniform purchases 2 February 2023: First Day of 2023





# **School Holiday Tennis Camp**

### **Pete Stenberg Tennis**

I will be running a school holiday tennis camp catering for all ages and abilities of young players, 5yrs – 17yrs.

### December 20/21/22nd 2022

Tuesday / Wednesday/ Thursday

Children will be separated into groups organised around their ability and will work on both technical and tactical parts of their game using game-based drills and ball machines etc. There will be mini tournaments run each day designed around their abilities to give them some match play to test their skills:

WHEN:

9am - 12.30pm each day

WHERE:

Tennis Northland Headquarters, Thomas Neal Memorial Park, Winger

Crescent, Kamo, Whangarei.

What to bring: Tennis Racket, shoes, drink bottle, morning nibbles, good attitudes, spare rackets will be provided.

COST:

\$120 per person for the 3 day camp

Please contact Pete Stenberg- email pa.stenberg@xtra.co.nz or phone 021 2700 229 to make any inquiries and confirm reservations for the camp.

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# Aqua Cat

Swim school



School holiday swimming lessons with fully trained instructors in the heated pool at Tauraroa Area School.

We will have a maximum of 5 students per class

20 minute classes every day for one week.

From beginners through to advanced swimmers

One full week of lessons for just \$85



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