



Whakamaru School

29 October 2012

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Here are our students who worked hard in their classes last week



Room 1 - Erik Pu



Room 2 - Reef Gulde



Room 3 - Summer Radermacher



Room 5 - Ocean Gulde



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CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 26 October

Mrs McArthur's Supreme Award: Zoe Brindle

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Class Certificates	Grace Vanner and Sam Totoro	Arden Bentley and Tom Gordon	Kayd Martin and Varun Deo	Lovey Te Paea and Calais Ihaia
Duffy Award	Daniel Gilchrist	Reef Gulde	Makaia Trueman	Havana Kingi

Tēnā Koutou ngā whānau o Te Kura o Whakamaru
Greetings to the Whakamaru School Community

HOT NEWS!!!!!!!
FOR THIS WEEK!
PET DAY - THIS FRIDAY - 2 NOVEMBER
SEE NOTICE BELOW

Today we welcome Francesca Biros, a Student Teacher on placement in Room 3. She will be with us for the next two weeks, before returning to our school later in the year for the last 3 weeks of term. We hope you enjoy your time with us and our special school.



A reminder that the weather is warming up and hats are expected to be worn for this term (and term 1 - according to our School Procedures). Please make sure that your child has a sunhat to wear.

PET DAY/FLOWER SHOW - THIS FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER - SCHOOL
THIS IS THE SAME NOTICE THAT APPEARED IN LAST WEEK'S NEWSLETTER.



This is going to be held at Whakamaru School on 2 November. This is an opportunity for children to show off their pets - it is not an Ag Day and will largely not be judged competitively. There will be two prizes for the most obvious pet - one Junior, one Senior.

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TIMETABLE:-

9:00 - 9:30 - Pets arrive at school and Pet Parade - Junior then Senior. After the presentation of Junior and Senior Most Obvious Pet Prize - the pets can be taken home by parents.

9:30 - 11:00 - Flower Show preparation - each class are preparing exhibits for the Flower Show. **If you can come along and help then please offer your services to your child's teacher☺**

11:00 - 11:30 - Morning tea.

11:30 - 12:30 - Judging taking place while students in class.

12:30 - 1:15 - Lunchtime - come along and share a *picnic lunch* with your child/ren. School lunches will still be available on the day.

1:15 - Presentation of Flower Show winners.

1:30 - 2:45 - Exhibits open for viewing.

RULES:-

- Animals can include farm animals, dogs, cats, horses, goldfish, guinea pigs, chickens, rabbits, pigs, etc.
- Inside animals will be kept safe in Room 4 - please make sure they are housed appropriately - i.e. if you have a cat it must be in a cage.
- Dogs must be with an adult and on a lead at all times and kept within the dog area.
- Animals must be up to date with vaccinations as appropriate to type.
- This event is meant to be fun - not a competition - and a chance for children to show off their pet.
- You must have pre-registered your animal by returning the slip below.

FLOWER SHOW EXHIBITS

Please send your child to school with everything they need but it is to be their creation - not yours!! The more flowers, greenery, etc...the merrier. If you have some to share please send it along as some children will struggle to have any otherwise.



ROOM 1 EXHIBITS

Buttonholes, Vegetable Creations, and Miniature Gardens.

ROOM 2 EXHIBITS

Vaseline/sand saucers, Unusual Containers and Vegetable Creations.

ROOM 3 EXHIBITS

Flower/petal Collage and Sand Saucers.

ROOM 5 EXHIBITS

Miniature Gardens.

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Every child is expected to take part and to make as many of their class' chosen exhibits as they can.

Please complete the pet form included in the newsletter and return to school as soon as possible.

ADVANCE NOTICE

PAID UNION MEETING FOR TEACHERS - TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER - 1PM

The school has been advised by the NZEI Te Riu Roa that it is holding a Paid Union Meeting for teachers at Tokoroa on Tuesday 13 November. Accordingly, the majority of the school's teaching staff will be unavailable after 1pm on that date.

NZEI is the union that represents primary teachers, primary principals and support staff. Under the Employment Relations Act, paid union meetings are a legal entitlement to discuss union business.

The meetings are part of a national initiative to seek feedback from teachers about their employment agreement and the Government's public education policies which NZEI believes will have a negative effect on teaching and learning.

I encourage you to either keep your child at home or make some other arrangements for the duration of the meeting. However, if you are sending your child to school at this time an alternative programme will be provided for her / him for the duration of the meeting. We apologise for any potential disruption to you and your child's routine on the day of the meeting.

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TARGA RALLY

Thanks to the parents and community members who helped out at the Targa Rally last Wednesday night. The school receives a donation for your help in marshalling the event.

Thanks also to Elva Lorenz, Claire Hamilton, Kareena Sneddon, and Jill McArthur, and Desmond Hamilton for collecting money from the drivers for Whakamaru School. \$205.50 was raised which will go towards the fun day at the end of the year.

I am always grateful for people for giving up their time to help the learning of our tamariki.

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ROOM 2 SLEEPOVER

We have had a great response to our Room 2 Sleepover being held in December. Thanks, Mrs Sneddon, for organising this for the children.

HELP - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

We have been offered some voluntary work at the end of the Taniwha Event to be held on the River Trails on Saturday 10 November. This is a running event finishing at the Whakamaru Christian Camp.

Volunteers are needed from 10 - 4pm on the day - I am hoping to set up a roster system so we don't all need to be there all day.

We will be ringing around so have your answer ready - it would be great if you have done nothing for the school all year for you to contribute something as we receive a donation again for this work.

Otherwise ring the school if you are keen.

FUN FERNS

It was fantastic to see a good number of children both from Whakamaru and Mangakino at the first session of Fun Ferns which was held last Friday afternoon. If you would like your child to join the Fun Ferns, the next session will be held at the Mangakino Area School gym next Friday (2nd November) starting at 4:15pm.

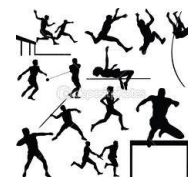
THURSDAY TOUCH TOURNAMENT

The first game of touch was held last Thursday - this was against Tainui Wild and Whakamaru won 7-4. The entire team displayed sportsmanship and team work. Tries were scored by Neitana (3) and Philip, Maia and Reef.

Player of the Day - Neitana Trueman

PINELANDS JUNIOR ATHLETIC SPORTS

We have received notice from Tirohanga School this morning that this event has been cancelled as it clashes with the Paid Union Meetings for Taupo. This is unfortunate but out of our control.



Pinelands Senior Athletics will still go ahead on Friday 16 November. We are also planning on holding our own School Athletics on Friday 9 November.

SMELLY PENCILS

We have smelly pencils for sale again - cost \$2.50.

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LAKE WHAKAMARU CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

To all who have had a connection with the Lake Whakamaru Christian Youth Camp since its commencement in 1962. You are invited to a special

Thanksgiving Service

On Sunday 4th November commencing at 1:30pm.

Programme:

Powerpoint presentation of developments

Displays

Reminiscing of highlights

Walk-a-bout

Afternoon tea - contributions appreciated

Further information - contact Tom and Mavis Lind 8828 651

PARENT INTERVIEWS - Rooms 3 & 5

The times allocated for the interviews to be held tomorrow (Tuesday) have been sent home with the children concerned. Please let the office know if you are unable to attend the time given.

PET DAY - Friday 2nd November

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My childis planning on bringing a pet to pet day.

Pet's Name.....

Type of Animal.....

Up to date with vaccinations:- Yes/No

I understand that dogs must be kept on a leash and with an adult at all times.

Signed.....

Parent signature.

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