

Whakamaru School

4 July 2011



STARS OF THE WEEK



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





Room 2 - Fiona Bishell



Room 3 - Brandon Marino

Room 5 - Lincoln Campbell



<u>CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 1 JULY</u> <u>Mrs McArthur's Supreme Award: SARAH PARRY</u>

Room 2 Room 1 Room 3 Room 5 Cody Durbin Zoe Brindle Class Brandon Petch Mint Certificates and Isabelle Elih Joshua Lambert and and and Noble Jayden Taylor Brindle Allen Fletcher de | Lincoln Sydney Hines Sam Totoro Duffy Award Campbell Thierry

Tēnā Koutou ngā whānau o Te Kura o Whakamaru

Greetings to the Whakamaru School Community

Welcome to Maori Language Week - use Te Reo this week (as with every other week)! We encourage this around the school and in classrooms as it is a required language for us to teach anyway.

KAPA HAKA

It has been great to have the Waka Ama experience every Tuesday as we have made lots of contacts - as well as all the other positives. Therefore, we are hoping Kapa Haka can start next term in time for the Polyfest at the end of Term 3 in September. Please let us know if you would like to help. Don't be whakama - we have such a depth of talent out there.

NEW STUDENT COUNCILLORS

As some of our Student Councillors left due to the farm changeover we have been able to select two new student councillors. These people were chosen from Room 3 as nobody from that class offered at the beginning of the year. We welcome TOM GORDON and WAIANA CLAIR-CAIRNS who are going to be on Student Council for Term 3. SULIZE OSBORNE and SEAN CONNOLLY are going to have a turn in Term 4. Thanks for offering and get ready for some hard work!!

WELCOME

We welcome Ihaia Ngatai and Leo Vermeulen who are new entrants in Room 5. We wish you happy school days!!

These two new enrolments bring our roll back up to 72. As you know we had quite a drop with the 1 June changeover. The good news is this means with our 1 July roll return to Ministry of Education our roll is sufficient for our staffing to stay the same for 2012.

LEADERSHIP AFTERNOONS

On a Friday afternoon we continue to have Jodi Manuel our local Youth Worker come and provide leadership experiences with our senior children. Last Friday she brought some other helpers and the Room 1 children took part in team building exercises.

These days education is so much more than reading, writing, and maths and we need to provide these different social relationship skills as well.



HEALTHY SCHOOLS HUI

As we are Health Promoting School we will be taking a group of eight Student Council representatives to this hui to be held at Selwyn School in Rotorua this Wednesday. We will have a chance to share what we have been doing as a school as well as hearing from other schools.

If you are an interested parent and would like to attend then please let us know. We don't need transport as both Ms Collins (teacher in charge) and Mrs McArthur will be going.

Your child will be bringing home a notice today if they are part of the team attending.

STUDENT COUNCIL

This is a fantastic group of motivated students in the school who are shaping the future of our school. So far they have developed School Lunches and are responsible for the ordering, collating, warming, and delivering the lunches each Monday and Friday. Thanks for that, Councillors!

Apart from that they have a School Disco planned for Thursday 14 July and we are just starting to talk about sponsoring a child through World Vision. This is with the aim of thinking of others less fortunate than us. More details later

SCHOOL BUS

On Friday we had a flat tyre on the farm bus However, it was also good as it showed what teamwork was all about. As the bus was stuck in the Vanner's driveway, Sophie took responsibility and rang the school and helped Grahame supervise the children who were already on the bus - thanks for that! Not only that but



parents offered to bring their own children, and others to school so nobody missed out. Mrs Isaacson and I drove the children who were already on the bus to school.

Just goes to show what community is all about!

PTA MEETING

Tomorrow afternoon, 4pm, in Room 4. The more the merrier, and the easier the jobs get done!

SPORTS REPORTS

NETBALL: - The girls played Cargill School and won 11 - 5. Player of the Day was Shearl-Lee Te Paea.

RUGBY LEAGUE:- The older boys played against the Ngongotaha Chiefs and won 50 - 8.

RUGBY: - Played against the Sharks and the score was 45 - 5 with a win to our team.

SOCCER - They played against Reporoa and the score was 3 - 1 to our team.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Kristian Gent-Standen who has been selected for a Taupo Rugby Representative Team. For those of us who have seen him play there is no surprises with that news!! Go, Kristian.

SCHOOL DISCO

Next Thursday 14 July the Student Council are organising a disco to be held in the Whare Manaaki (School Hall) for Whakamaru School students. This will be from 6:00 - 8:00 - tickets are \$2 each or \$6 for a family of three or more - please bring a plate of food to share for supper. Optional - dress-up in your own design and win a prize!!

We would love parents to come and help - just don't embarrass us!

SCHOOL SWEATSHIRTS

We have a quantity of the **old** sweatshirts left - we will be selling these for \$10.00 each. Sizes / quantity left include - 1 size 6, 4 size 8, 7 size 10, 9 size 14. If you would like one, please send in the money and we will provide your child with a sweatshirt.

RIPPA RUGBY PHOTOS

We always take cameras with us on outings and have great collections up on the wall of the office. If you would like any of these photos don't hesitate to let us know.

Our latest collection is of the Rippa Rugby kids and we have some fantastic moments captured. If you would like photos of your child then please send along to school a named memory stick and we will load them on for you. There are about 200 photos to choose from - just for Rugby!

CALVING HAS STARTED!!!!!!! CASH FOR SCHOOLS - AFFCO

If you haven't registered for AFFCO's Cash for Schools Bobby calf fund raising programme - don't panic. This year there are extra calf collections as well to make things easier for farmers. Phone 0800 722 422 today. Remember the donations are over and above what AFFCO pays you for your bobby calves but you need to register before the school can benefit. Last year this was a successful fundraiser for the school for minimal effort so please, please, please sign up!

LUCKY BOOKS

These were distributed last week - both issues close on 12th July and will be available at the beginning of Term 3.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 13^{th} July at 5pm in the staffroom.

CONTACT DETAILS

We would like to update the details we have at school eg addresses, phone numbers, medical information.

A notice for each school family will be sent home during Week 1 of Term 3.

PIZZA PARTY

There will be a Pizza Party, to be held at school next Thursday (14th), for those children who have earned 20 vouchers.

SCHOOL FINISHES

Term 2 will finish at 2:45pm on Friday 15th July and recommence for Term 3 at 8:45am on Monday 1st August.

Mangakino Community Agency July 2011 School Holiday Programme

The July School Holidays are fast approaching; the Mangakino Community Agency is very pleased to be able to bring another holiday programme for your children. This will run from Monday 18^{th} – Friday 29^{th} from our Youth Club Base, 10.00am – 3.00pm daily. Like most things however we need helpers/supervisors to enable this programme to run smoothly and safely for all.

We do our best to put together a comprehensive programme with the aim of having activities that will suit all age groups.

Please note: this is not a babysitting service; this is a structured programme which is designed for school aged children.

Unfortunately if we can't get sufficient help this programme will not go ahead, so please call Nan at the Community Agency on 8828555 if you are able to help in way shape or form, will wait for your call.

Keep an eye out for further updates in our next Dam City Advertiser.