



Whakamaru School

11 July 2011



STARS OF THE WEEK



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



Room 1 - Sydney Hines



Room 2 - Angelle Kingi



Room 3 - Tom Gordon



Room 5 - Ella Hines



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CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 8 JULY

Mrs McArthur's Supreme Award: JODIE HINES

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Class Certificates	Steele McMeekin and Jodie Hines	Desmond Hamilton and Fiona Bishell	Tom Gordon and Brandon Marino	Ella Hines and Sahmara Tauri
Duffy Award	Rihari Bishell	Jayders Whatuira-Young	Nature Davis	Hamish Cannons

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

Thankfully, we are in the last week of what has been a very long second term. No doubt you are aware of your children becoming tired as we are certainly noticing it ourselves. Having said that we can be proud of Whakamaru School as a community. We have had very little troubles in the playground or classrooms and the students are practising the skills and attitudes we expect at Whakamaru School.

We hope you enjoy your time with your children in the holidays and we will welcome them back on 1 August for the start of a 10 week third term.

SCHOOL DANCE



This is for all students from 6 - 8pm on this Thursday (14th). Please bring a plate of food to share for supper. Cost - \$2 per child or no more than \$6 per family.

There is an option to wear an outfit your child has designed. This will be judged with a prize awarded.



Please, please, please - we need parents to come along, help out with supper, and share in the dance with us!

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PIZZA PARTY



This Thursday we will be celebrating those children who have gained 20 vouchers and who haven't attended our Pizza Party yet this year. This is held at school and is all organised.

Congratulations to Jayden Taylor, Philip de Thierry, Shearl-Lee Te Paea, Angelle Kingi, Hinewai Ngatai, Marshall Cannons, Waiana Clair-Cairns, Sam Totoro, Desmond Hamilton, Sahmara Tauri, Erik Pu, Brandon Marino, Daniel Gilchrist, Rihari Bishell, Mikayla Sharp, Regan Gent-Standen, Jessie-Rose Lockley, Lateesha Nathan, Steele McMeekin, Trinity Davis, Stacia Storer-Tilby, Lincoln Campbell, Sarah Parry, Shania Turuwhenua, Quanita Gent-Standen, Tom Gordon, Fletcher de Thierry, and Antonie Taylor.

POOL PARTY

For those children who have gained 40 vouchers we will be going to Taupo AC Baths on Friday 5 August - the first Friday of next term.



Congratulations to Sydney Hines, Jodie Hines, Isabelle Noble, Grace Vanner, Kristian Gent-Standen, and Brandon Marino.

PTA

Thanks to the hard work and community support from this group the school has received from them a donation of \$5000. This money is all dedicated to going towards Technology in the school - including computers, cameras, etc. Thanks if you had a part to play in this by selling raffle tickets, attending the Dance, or being on the PTA and helping to organise these events.

CALF CLUB

This year we have had the offer to take part in the Tokoroa Schools Calf Club Day. We have had falling numbers taking part in the school Ag Day for the last few years so we are gratefully taking up this opportunity to give our students more competition.



Miss Coombe is organising this for us (being involved in animal judging as she is). The event will be held in Tokoroa on Friday 30 September. She has already asked who is interested. Can you please return the form below if your children think they will be taking part with a calf or a lamb this year.

WAKA AMA

This will continue next term. The last two sessions have had to be cancelled due to the weather.

SPORTS RESULTS

NETBALL - Last week was the girls last game which they lost 7 - 5. They played Tokoroa North School.

Overall in the competition they came 2nd equal which was a great result. We would like to acknowledge all the girls for showing 'sportswomanship' through the season.

We would also like to thank Miss Coombe who coached the team and supported them in rain, hail, or shine on Saturdays☺

WHAKAMARU SCHOOL CHARITY TRAIL RIDE

Off -road/Trail Ride

When Sunday 31 July 2011

Where Ropiha Rd, Mangakino.

Directly off State Highway 30 which runs between Benneydale and Whakamaru.

Classes 35km main loop with expert sections.

Natural terrain kids track.

2km novice loop.

Terrain Forested singletrack, wide open crop paddocks and freshly bulldozed fencelines. All on Taupo's world famous free-draining pumice soils.

Contact Ben - 021 846 091

Sign in From 8am.

Starts at 9am.

MNZ permitted event.

Track opens at 9am.



Other details

Helmets and sturdy footwear compulsory.

Food and refreshments available onsite.

This ride has been organised by riders and will be well marked and great fun. Please come and support our local country school and see if we can make this an annual event.

Cost \$30 for adults, \$15 for under 12s.

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ABSENTEEISM

I will be sending out letters this week to those parents of students who have an unacceptable rate of attendance. Thanks to those of you - the vast majority - who send their children to school regularly. This is reflected in their learning.

As parents you have an important role in ensuring that your child attends school whenever it is open, unless there is a good reason for his/her absence. Acceptable reasons for absence include sickness or serious family circumstances, such as bereavement. Where there is a good reason for absences please contact the school to let us know as soon as possible.

Your role in ensuring your child's regular attendance is so important that if you allow your child to miss school without a valid reason, you can be prosecuted under the Education Act 1989. While we don't want to prosecute we do take regular attendance seriously. We will be monitoring all unexplained absences and parents may face prosecution in cases where their child's unexplained absences are persistent.

Attendance is important and every day counts to your child's learning.

LAKES DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

Does your child or teenager need **dental care these school holidays?**

If your child or teenager (age 2 to 18 years) needs to see a dental therapist over the coming school holidays, please **ring for an appointment** at the following clinics:

Taupo Hospital Campus, ph 378 9470

Mon 18th July, Tues 19th July, Wed 20th July and Wed 27th July

Taupo Primary Dental Clinic, ph 378 7473

Mon 18th July, Tues 19th July, Wed 20th July

Waipahihi Dental Clinic, ph 378 8721

Mon 18th July

Hilltop Dental Clinic, ph 378 8722

Mon 18th July

Tongariro Area Dental Clinic, ph 386 8690

Mon 18th July, Tues 19th July, Wed 20th July

LAKE WHAKAMARU CHRISTIAN CAMP

'Whakamaru Winter Holiday Camp for 10 - 14 year olds

This year it includes a midweek trip to Ruapehu and De Brett's hot pools in Taupo. Registrations can be downloaded through www.lwccamp.com or phone 027 343 2352.

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MILLENNIUM HOTEL, ROTORUA - School Holiday Special



Stay and Luge ... with us - 2 free luge ride passes per booking. \$159.00 per room per night. Includes breakfast and GST. Kids stay free. Valid till 31 August 2011. Does not apply to existing bookings. All bookings are subject to availability. Maximum occupancy 2 adults and 2 children under 14.

Contact www.millenniumrotorua.co.nz or phone 0800 654 685 for more details

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TOKOROA CALF CLUB DAY

Please return this slip if your child is interested in taking part in Tokoroa Calf Club Day. It is just an expression of interest at the moment rather than a definite commitment.

My Child/ren.....would like to bring a lamb/calf
(please circle which one) for Tokoroa Calf Club Day.

Signed.....

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