

Whakamaru School

18 February 2013



STARS OF THE WEEK



Here are our fantastic students who worked hard last week!



Room 1 - Maia Doig



Room 2 - Isabella Simmons



Room 3 - Xavier Jamieson

Sorry, no photo available

Room 5 - Loni Brindle

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ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES FOR 15 FEBRUARY

	<u>Room 1</u>	Room 2	Room 3	<u>Room 5</u>
<u>Class</u>	Maia Doig and	Kayd Martin and	Mike Vanner and	Nadine Gibbons
<u>Certificates</u>	Philip de Thierry	Defin Akmal	Ocean Gulde	and Loni Brindle
Duffy Books	Daniel Gilchrist	Reef Gulde	Paige Aylwin	Alavina Latu

MRS MCARTHUR'S SUPREME AWARD - given to a child who I think has made a difference to the school during the week:-

Week 1 - Grace Vanner. Week 2 - JessieRose Lockley Week 3 - Erik Pu and Henry T-Laban.

<u>Tēnā Koutou ngā whānau o Te Kura o Whakamaru</u> Greetings to the Whakamaru School Community

TOMORROW - SCHOOL EVENING BBQ - TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 5 - 7pm.



We are holding our annual evening bbq for everyone to come to TOMORROW. Children may bring their togs and their wheels. You are invited to come and have a relaxing evening meeting other parents, staff, and Board of Trustees members.

Sausages will be for sale for \$1 each - juice will be provided. Bring your own everything else.

There is no formal agenda - just come along and mix and mingle. See you there.

TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 15 MARCH

A reminder to keep this day free to look after your children as we won't be here. Please double-check dates as the dates/days in February and March are the same - we did have some of our students absent last Friday (15 February!)

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IRONMAN VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to Julie Gordon, who on behalf of the PTA, will be ringing round parents to ask for volunteers for this event. You don't have to run it - just 'man' the course. The school receives a donation for doing so.

STATE INSURANCE SWIMMING PROGRAMME



A reminder that we have swimming instructors from the AC Baths coming in THIS week to work with every child teaching them swimming skills. Please make sure that your

child has their togs every day - as they should, anyway©

MANGAKINO CAR POOL

If you are enrolled with us and are interested in a car pool from Mangakino to here and return then please contact the school. We will also need a volunteer to co-ordinate this for us.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS FOR SALE

We have some school shirts and sweatshirts for sale - \$5-00. These are mostly the old style. We also have one size 12 sweatshirt that may be for sale from next week. If it is your child's you will need to pick it up before then - it has been lost property since last year.

STAFF CHANGES

Just so you know (or are reminded)!

- Mrs Mel Isaacson has resigned and will be full time caring for her gorgeous daughter.
- Mrs Mel Pasco has been appointed permanent full time teacher in Room 1.
- Mrs Kareena Sneddon is away from 4 March until the beginning of Term 2 on long term leave as she is travelling overseas.
- Mrs Irene Dowdle will be relieving in Room 2 from the 4 March until the end of Term 1.

BUYING FERT FROM PGG WRIGHTSON?

The 2013 PGG Wrightson Cash for Communities is now underway. Any farmer who purchases Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser or selected agrichemicals or seed on their PGG Wrightson account, between 4^{th} February and 31^{st} May 2013 can earn cash for the school.

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Last year we were donated \$3500 from this scheme so it is well worthwhile for us.

The school can be nominated, go to the website www.pggwrightson.co.nz.

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

A reminder that this Wednesday 20 February is the first day of Technology classes for our Year 7 and 8s. They need to wear closed shoes for these classes and travel on the bus to Forest View High School for the day. Please make sure that their Tech fees are paid and they have returned their bus permission slip.

SOCCER COACH

One of our parents is interested in setting up a soccer team. Is there a parent out there who would be interested in coaching? Please ring and let us know.

PTA MEETING

There is a PTA meeting this Friday at 3:30pm at 421 Sandel Road (Hines family home). All welcome.

YEAR 7 and 8 VACCINATIONS

Next Monday at 1:30 Shona Pook, our Public Health Nurse, will be talking to the Year 7 students regarding their vaccinations.

On Wednesday 27 February she will be meeting the Year 8 girls regarding their vaccinations.

Feel free to come along. They will be bringing home information for you to read.

PARENT INTERVIEWS - NEXT WEEK

Next Tuesday 26 February we will be holding parent interviews. For Seniors this is a chance to meet their teacher and discuss goals for your child/ren for 2013.

For Junior students it will be a chance to discuss their progress. The Junior class teachers will be sending invitations to those students who are having a birthday or it is their 6 month anniversary of their birthday. Request slips will be sent out later this week.

SWIMMING SPORTS - keep this date free

Friday 1 March - Whakamaru School Swimming Sports.

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