

# **Whakamaru School**

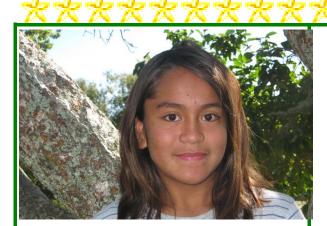
8 April 2013



# STARS OF THE WEEK



Here are our fantastic students who worked hard in the last weeks



Room 1 - Fiona Bishell



Room 2 - Isabella Simmons



Room 3 - Varun Deo



Room 5 - Jaimee Martin



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Room 1 - Grace Vanner



Room 2 - Reef Gulde



Room 3 - Hunter Gray



Room 5 - Loni Brindle



Room 1 - Jodie Hines



Room 2 - Deja Petch

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Room 3 - Teramarama Follas

Room 5 - Tiarra Meszaros

# ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES FOR FRIDAY 5 APRIL

	<u>Room 1</u>	Room 2	<u>Room 3</u>	<u>Room 5</u>
<u>Class</u> <u>Certificates</u>	Dylan Beets and JessieRose Lockley	Sean Connolly and Tom Gordon	Zahra Fadhilah and Leo Vermeulen	Mya Pink and Riley Watson
<u>Duffy Books</u>	Kayla Blackmore	Elih Brindle	Ateasha Campbell	Sonny Bergersen

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

Sam Totoro

A reminder that school morning. Please make sure



photos are on tomorrow your child/ren is dressed appropriately as every child will have their photo taken, plus a class and

school photo.

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

Phew - lots of catching up to do in this newsletter. I have put all the Star Students in for the last few weeks - I haven't caught up on the assembly certificates but hopefully you have managed that as parents/caregivers!! We, as staff, are a lot happier with behaviour at present. We have had a lot of new enrolments over the first part of the year and have been busy Whakamaru School Vision: At Whakamaru School we develop skills and attitudes for life-long learning

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# SICKNESSES

We have had the tummy bug doing the rounds lately. Thanks for keeping



your children at home if they are unwell. Friday, in particular, was a high absence day with a lot of students not well.

Please remember to contact the office and let us know if your children are away - we must also legally be given a reason for their absence. Thanks.



On Friday was Ateasha Campbell's last day as she has moved out of the area. This week we also sadly farewell Brook and Cheyanne Hirst who are moving farms all the way down to Timaru. Good luck, girls.

This Friday we also say goodbye to Teramarama Follas who is going to go to school in Tokoroa due to her mother's work commitments. We know you will enjoy your new school, Teramarama.

#### WFLCOMF.

We warmly welcome Shadyn Grewal who joins us from Mangakino in Room 2. We know you will enjoy your schooling with us - welcome!

#### **GOLF**

This week we are lucky enough to have Sport Waikato come with their golfing specialist to introduce the sport to the children. They will take part in this programme on Wednesday. Last week's session was rained off! This is for Year 3 and up.

# SCHOOL'S BIG WALK - NEXT TUESDAY 16 APRIL



We are taking part in the Schools Big Walk as part of our Kiwi Can programme. We will be bussing to Tokoroa to Lake Moana-nui and walking around the lake followed by a feed and items from the schools.

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Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the day - including shoes!

# JUNIOR PARENT INTERVIEWS - TUESDAY 16 APRIL

Also next Tuesday there are the parent interviews for the Junior class' children who have had their birthday recently, or their 6 month anniversary of their birthday.

Your invitations will be sent home shortly.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING - NEXT TUESDAY

Next Tuesday, 16 April, is the date for the next Board of Trustees meeting at 5pm in the staffroom. Those of you who are thinking of standing for the next elections coming up in May could choose to come along and see what our Board meetings are all about.

# WORD ON THE STREET

Last Friday was rumoured to be a teacher only day here at school - it wasn't. If it's not in the newsletter then it's not happening - hopefully! Please ring the school if you're not sure.

# WILLIAM PIKE CHALLENGE UPDATE



Next Thursday 18 April Room 1 are up for their next challenge - Challenge 2 - The Tihoi High Ropes! A notice will go home for those students in the next couple of days.

# RASH VEST

A size 6 Wavetribe (green) rash vest has been handed in. If this belongs to your child, it can be collected from the office.

# SWIMMING POOL KEYS

The swimming pool is closed for the season - please return keys to the office as soon as possible.

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# JUNIOR SOCCER

There will be a soccer musta on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 3:30pm at the Mangakino Area School fields. All interested please attend.

# WHAKAMARU SCHOOL - Board of Trustees Elections 2013

The electoral roll for the Board of Trustees Parent Election is now open for inspection at the school office during school hours.

The main roll closes : Noon 30th April 2013

The supplementary roll closes : Noon 14th May 2013

A nomination form will be posted to all eligible parents / caregivers on 15th April 2013.

Further nomination forms can be picked up from the school office during school hours.

Nominations close: Noon, 16th May 2013 Voting Poll closes: Noon, 30th May 2013

Elva Lorenz

Returning Officer

# Who is an eligible voter

Eligible voters are defined as Mum, Dad and a person who has day-to-day responsibility of the child (ie Caregiver).

Therefore to ensure that eligible voters are sent communications, I would appreciate receiving any changes as soon as possible to your address / circumstances.

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Included with the newsletter is information concerning the BOT elections and a fridge magnet (kindly supplied by the PTA)

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