



Whakamaru School

3 December 2012

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

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



Room 1 - Zoe Brindle



Room 2 - Brad Lambert



Room 3 - Ella Hines



Room 5 - Ocean Gulde



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CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Mrs McArthur's Supreme Award: Isabelle Noble

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Class Certificates	Atarau Doig and Shearl-Lee Te Paea	Dylan Beets and Arden Bentley	Deja Petch and Brooklyn Webber	Piata Doig and Ruben du Plessis
Duffy Award	Jodie Hines	JessieRose Lockley	Skye Hale	Riley Watson

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

HOT NEWS!!!!!!!

- ✓ **FUN DAY - NEXT TUESDAY AT WHAKAMARU CHRISTIAN CAMP**
- WHOLE SCHOOL + PARENTS!!
 - ✓ **THURSDAY/FRIDAY - Room 2 Camp.**
 - ✓ **LAST DAY - FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER**
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Two weeks to go! We had a fun day on Friday with Wheels and the Pool time. Some of the students were brave enough to stay in the pool for a whole hour - not me - I didn't want to get even my feet wet!

There is lots more on - make sure you keep up with the play and keep your children bringing to school what they need to. Read on below!

Our end of year data is now all collated and once I have presented it to the Board tomorrow night I will be letting you know how we have progressed through the year. It's a pity that Ministry don't want to know how much progress is being made but rather ask for simple information of how many students we have meeting the standard, etc. I still don't like labelling the children as 'below' and 'well below' - it mustn't do much for their ego - but it is a legislated requirement now.

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Reports for most children (excepting the Juniors who have already had theirs) and Portfolios are out next week. Make sure you read them and celebrate where your child has progressed and/or succeeded.

Jill McArthur
Principal

ROOM 2 SLEEPOVER

Good luck to Room 2 for their sleepover and activities this Thursday and Friday. I'm there with you!

YEAR 8 FOREST VIEW HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION DAY

A reminder that this is on Wednesday. The High School van is picking the students up - after their 100km challenge walk - at 1pm and returning them in time for the end of the day.

100 km CHALLENGE



The *FINAL* walk is here! This Wednesday - even in the rain - Room 1 will be walking our final distance from Tram Road to SH 1 at Atiamuri. Please bring raincoats and don't rely on our supply!!

If you are in Year 8 you may wish to bring a change of clothes ready for the Forest View High School Orientation Day in the afternoon. You have been warned!!

Prizegiving will be part of the Final Assembly on the 13 December.

DATES COMING UP...

Board Meeting	4 December 5pm.
Room 2 Sleepover	6 - 7 December.
Final School Assembly	10 December.
Junior Parent Interviews	10 December.
Reports and Portfolios home	10 December.
School Fun Day	11 December - Whakamaru Christian Camp.
Room 2 Party	12 December.
Year 8 Outing	12 December.
Final Prizegiving	13 December.
Water slide day and last day	14 December.
Last day 2012	14 December - school finishes at 12:30pm. Buses leaving at this time.

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MORNING TEA

You are warmly invited to morning tea on Thursday 13 December before our Final Assembly. This is held in the staffroom before we go up to the Whare Manaaki for the Prizegiving. This is to show our appreciation for the time you have spent transporting, helping out around the school, and generally doing what parents do!!

POOL PARTY

I am desperately trying to fit everything in ever decreasing days. However, for my own sanity I will be giving the Pool Party students vouchers to use in their own time. These vouchers are from the AC Baths in Taupo and can be used for a free child swim. They will be given out in the last week to those students who have earned 40 vouchers and who haven't been to the pools yet.

LUCKY BOOKS

The final brochures for the 2012 school year have been distributed - closing date is 5th December, the books will be available at school before the end of the term.

JUNIOR PARENT INTERVIEWS

These will be held next Monday 10 December for those students who have a birthday or their six month anniversary. Notices will be going home shortly for these students.

FOR SALE

Owner going overseas. Nissan Micra 2006. Excellent condition \$4,000.00. Contact 021 207 9652 for further information.

WORLD FESTIVAL OF MAGIC

A large number of free tickets have been given to the school. These are for general admission (child or adult) Thursday 13th December, 4:30pm and 7:00pm in Taupo. Please contact the school if you would like tickets.

Thanks to the Taupo Lions Club for their generous sponsorship.

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Whakamaru School Fun Day.



*WHEN TUESDAY 11 DECEMBER.
Leaving school at 9:15 - all day.*

WHERE WHAKAMARU CHRISTIAN CAMP.

WHY TO HAVE FUN!!

Like 2 years ago we will all be going to the Whakamaru Christian Camp to enjoy our Fun Day on 11 December - next Tuesday.

We need parent transport - PLEASE!! We also would love to have you join us on the day. Some help with the activities would be good but you won't be stuck on one thing all day - don't panic.

A sausage sizzle is being provided by PGG WRIGHTSON - FREE!!

So come along, spend some time with the kids, go down the flying fox, practise that archery, do a stand on the BMX bikes - and then move over and give the kids a turn!

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Please return the form below if you can help.

Yahoo, I can't wait. I can transport.....children.

My car has its WOF, Rego, and I am fully licensed.

Signed.....

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'IT'S IN THE BAG' SHOW - with the support of
Maori Television.

The show 'It's in the Bag' starring Pio Terei and Stacey Morrison will be coming to the Mangakino Area School on Thursday 13th December.

Doors open at 5:30pm for a 6:00pm show.

Koha at door for local charity.

To book your seats visit www.itsinthebag.co.nz or call 022 695 5311

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