



# Whakamaru School

14 May 2012



## STARS OF THE WEEK



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



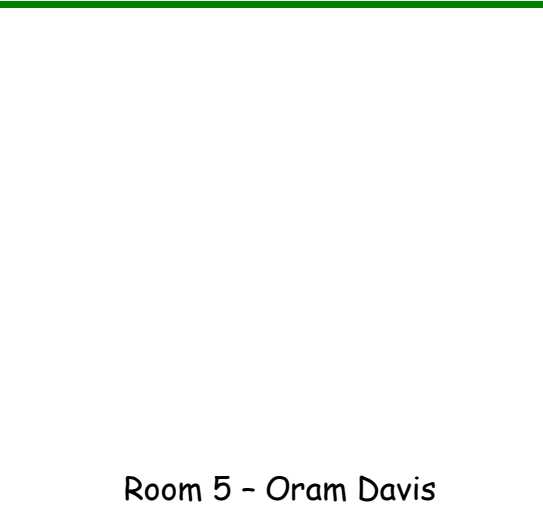
Room 1 - Jodie Hines



Room 2 - Quanita Gent-Standen



Room 3 - Makaia Trueman



Room 5 - Oram Davis



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**CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 11 May**  
*Ms Whatarau's Supreme Award went to Stacia Storer-Tilby.*

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Class Certificates	Jodie Hines and Jake Durbin	Sarah Parry and Tawhaki Webber	Sulize Osborne and Joshua Allen	Teramarama Follas and Pieter Osborne
Duffy Award	Fiona Bishell	Angelle Kingi	Deja Petch	Oram Davis



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

This week looks as though it is going to be cold and wet so winter ills will be just around the corner. If your child is sick please keep them at home so they can recover faster. Remember to notify the school by phone or text. We also need updated contact phone numbers in case we need to get hold of you during the day if your child falls ill.

**WELCOME**

Whakamaru School welcomes New Entrant Alavina Latu and welcomes back Lincoln and Ateasha Campbell.

**BOARD of TRUSTEES**

Monthly meeting tomorrow (Tuesday), 5:00pm. All welcome.

**NETBALL FUNDRAISER**

An order form for pies / pizzas from Pizza Plus has been sent home with all children. We are fundraising for the junior netball team for their new uniforms and also the purchase of new netballs.

The return date for orders is Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May and delivery date is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May. We have extra order forms at the office.

The netball team appreciate your support.

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## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The uniforms that had been ordered have all been distributed - we apologise for the delay for some of them, but they are on the way.

We have 2 size 8 sweatshirts for sale at \$45.50 each - if you would like to purchase one or both please contact Elva.

## WINTER SPORTS RESULTS

### *Junior Netball - Whakamaru Stars*

1<sup>st</sup> game - won against North Fantails 5-1

2<sup>nd</sup> game - won against Strathmore Magic 5-1

3<sup>rd</sup> game - won against North Keas 2-1

Player of the Day - Sarah Parry

### *Senior Netball - Whakamaru Phoenix*

1<sup>st</sup> game - won against Forest View High School 6-5

2<sup>nd</sup> game - won by default

Player of the Day - Grace Vanner

### *Rugby*

Kristian and Regan play rugby in Taupo. Kristian's team won against Taumarunui Barlow 49-36 and Regan's team lost against Barbarians 1-5.

### *Soccer*

Sam plays soccer for Marotiri. His team lost 3-4 against Newcastle.

We look forward to receiving and publishing the sports results every Monday. If your child is in a sports team and you would like us to publish the results, please let the office know.

## KEA, CUBS and SCOUTS

This is held on Sunday afternoons from 4:00pm - session times 1 ½ hours - at the Mangakino Area School.

Fees for 2012 are \$25.00 per child per term. These fees do not include camps or trips.

For more information contact Kirsty or John Truman 8828 663

## HOUSE to RENT

A school parent is looking for a house / flat to rent, close to the school.

Please phone / text Anna 027 918 7705

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MANGAKINO COMMUNITY AGENCY      After School Programme 2012  
Our after School programme is in its 2<sup>nd</sup> week which is run every Tuesday & Thursday 3.30 - 5.30pm at the Youth Centre (rugby clubrooms). This programme is available for all children 5 years and over and attending school. They can come do their homework in a safe and welcoming environment, have a little something to eat and take part in some fun activities. Tuia Pedersen is our supervisor, but she **NEEDS ASSISTANCE!!** To date we have had no offers of help, the children enjoy this programme, but it could be loss if we don't get help. **Parents/caregivers** if you want these types of programmes to continue for your children then please put your hand up. You can contact Nan at the Community Agency a call on 8828555. The more volunteers we have the less time each will need to give.

### TEACHING KIDS to SAY THEY are SORRY - AND MEAN IT

Leading by example in your own life is vitally important, but there are several other ways we can teach our children how to empathise and accept roles in hurtful words or actions, even when they are unintentional.

- Don't force your child to say sorry. It doesn't teach them empathy. Instead, focus on *why* an apology is needed.
- Don't allow your child to think that "Sorry" is a free pass for misbehaviours. Kids who learn to apologise and get it over with aren't learning to accept responsibility for their behaviours. Actions do speak louder than words.
- Teach your child to do an apologetic action when he or she is sorry. This can be a hug, an offer to share a toy, or another action appropriate response.
- Be careful of the blame game, especially between siblings. You may have been witness to several disagreements between your children and cannot tell with certainty who is the responsible party for the behaviour, even though you may have your suspicions. Encourage them to take ownership for their individual contributions.
- Ask them to put themselves in the other person's shoes, and ask questions about how they would feel. Encourage them to use words that reflect emotions - frustration, anger, sadness, uncertainty - as well as words that clearly state the reality. "I hit Sam with my block

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on the head because I was mad he took my doll. His head got hurt and he is angry and sad." This is a great opportunity to demonstrate empathy.

Apologies are never easy, no matter how old we get. It is most important, however, to teach our kids to do more than just say "Sorry" for their wrongs. They need to learn from us as we set examples, and they need to learn the actions that support the words.

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#### INFORMATION for PARENTS

A common cause of sore throats is a bacteria called group A streptococcus, which should be treated with antibiotics. In New Zealand, a small number of children with this bacteria, if not treated with antibiotics, can go on to develop a serious disease called **Rheumatic Fever**. Māori and Pacific children aged 5-14 years are most at risk from this disease.

#### **What is Rheumatic Fever?**

Rheumatic Fever starts with a bacterial streptococcal infection causing a sore throat. The sore throat may disappear, but a few weeks later the following symptoms may develop:

- sore or swollen joints
- jerky movements
- a rash
- fever
- shortness of breath

Rheumatic Fever can cause permanent heart damage, which may mean stays in hospital, surgery, and sometimes a shorter life. Someone with Rheumatic Fever needs ten years of antibiotic injections to protect their heart. Fortunately, if a streptococcal sore throat is treated correctly with antibiotics your child should not get Rheumatic Fever.

#### **What do I need to do if my child has a sore throat?**

If a child gets a sore throat, please make sure they are checked by a doctor or nurse. If they fall into a "high risk" group - Māori or Pacific people aged

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3 - 45 years of age, they should have a throat swab taken. If they have a streptococcal bacterial infection they will need antibiotics to treat the infection. It is important that all of the ten days of antibiotics are taken exactly as prescribed so the streptococcal bacteria are killed and Rheumatic Fever is prevented.

By taking all sore throats seriously, we can help prevent life-long illness and suffering for our children.

**Sore throats matter - get them checked!!**

**Whakamaru School PTA**  
are holding a fun

**Quiz Night**

On: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

At: Whare Manaaki, Whakamaru School

Doors Open : 6.00pm

Quiz Starts: 7.00pm sharp

4 people per Team: \$40.00/team Early Bird registration  
\$50.00/team On the Night registration  
*Maximum 16 teams -  
get your registration form in fast ...*

Registration Forms available from

& to be returned to: **Whakamaru School Office - 8828 8872**

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