

Whakamaru School

27 February 2012



STARS OF THE WEEK



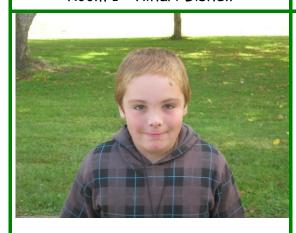
Here are our students who worked hard in their classes last week.



Room 1 - Rihari Bishell



Room 2 - Bella Simmons



Room 3 - Sean Connolly



Room 5 - Ocean Gulde

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CERTIFICATES - ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY

Mrs McArthur's Supreme Award: Sulize Osborne

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	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 5
Class	Grace	Angelle Kingi	Skye Hale	Teramarama
Certificates	Vanner and	and Desmond	and Sulize	Follas and Ihaia
	Isabelle	Hamilton	Osborne	Ngatai
	Noble			
Duffy	Shearl-Lee	Reef Gulde	Sahmara	Pieter Osborne
Award	Te Paea		Tauri	

HOT NEWS!!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT - TOMORROW NIGHT - FREE FEED!!

<u>Tuesday 28 February - 5 - 7pm</u>. Come along. Children may bring their 'wheels' (non-motorised) and their togs for the pool which will be open. A reminder that you are expected to supervise your own children, please.

We had a great time at this function last year - a chance to meet new people or old friends!

Once again, the Board of Trustees will be providing sausages from the BBQ and juices.





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

We had a very busy week last week with staff out at Professional Development. Ms Collins and Ms Whatarau went to the first in a series on Positive Behaviour for Learning/Incredible Years. This deals with behaviour management strategies and is being rolled out in schools throughout New Zealand.

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On Thursday I attended computer training so we can enter all student data on computer more effectively. This will be passed onto staff in this afternoon's meeting.

On Friday Ms Collins, Mrs Isaacson, and myself went to a training course using our Interactive Whiteboards. There is so much to learn - it was a great starting point. Ms Whatarau and Mrs Sneddon are going on the same course in a couple of weeks.

Through this period we are lucky enough to employ quality relievers who offer challenging programmes to our children. The class teacher usually leaves a plan for the reliever to follow so their learning is not disrupted. Most of the children react really well.

YEAR 7 AND 8 VACCINATIONS

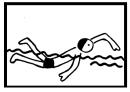
All vaccination forms have been given out. Please return your child's form whether you are consenting or not.

SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS - NEXT MONDAY!

SENIORS FIRST - 11:00 - till lunch.

JUNIORS - 1pm.

Come along and watch - if you have both Junior and Senior children you can stay with us and have lunch with your children.



WORKING BEE - 31 MARCH



There is such a lot to do around the school so we thought we'd have a working bee. This is a chance for those of you who aren't available to help us during the week to come along and get involved with your school.

Bring your gardening tools, hedgetrimmers, chainsaws, etc. There's a lot to do!

More details later.

ROOM 1 TEACHER

Just to keep you informed that the job closes this Friday. After this we will be short-listing candidates and then interviewing the following weekend.

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ROOM 1 CAMP

The Year 7 and 8s are away on camp NEXT WEEK. If you are a parent of a child/ren in this class please make sure all the necessary paperwork and money is returned before the end of this week. We are grateful for Mrs I giving up her time to lead this camp - especially as she is pregnant!



TECHNICAL ARTS

Students in Year 7/8 have been reminded they may not go to Tech Arts next time unless permission forms are returned. They have been told if they have not brought theirs back.

You have until the end of the term to pay tech fees - this is not a donation but we are invoiced for this from the high school to cover the cost of materials.

ABSENCES

Just a friendly reminder that if your child is away, please ring the office to let us know. We also need a reason for our attendance records.

FORMS

We have sent home two forms recently - bus contract and a health form. Could you please complete these forms and return to school as soon as possible. Please contact the office if you require copies.

PGG WRIGHTSON Cash for Communities

Any farmer who purchases Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser or selected agri-chemicals or seed on their PGG Wrightson account, between 7^{th} February and 31^{st} May 2012, can earn cash for the school.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact 0508 276 556.

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