Vol 33/26 Friday 30 October 2026.

Nau mai ano, whānau.

We're not going to mention the weather… at all… are we? Meanwhile, the year continues to roll by at what seems to be an ever-quickening rate of knots. In teacher-speak, we have just finished "week three" of a ten-week term. Given that week 10 finishes on a Tuesday, the reality is that there are six weeks to go; and there's still quite a lot to happen.

The next major event for our year six troops happens Friday 13 November: the day they all attend their respective high schools' "new entrants day" - the instructions for which will come to you directly from the school your child is enrolled at.

You may wish to mark that date on your whanau calendar / diary / organizer / digital device / fridge magnet. Check out the list below- there are others you may wish to add too. Thanks!

The calendar…

November
02 Board of Trustees - 7.30pm
06 Assembly - Kia Manawanui - 10.10am
Photo orders close
13 High schools new entrants day
20 Assembly - Kia Maia - 10.10am
26 Ngā Putangitangi competition

December
01 End of year celebration Oreti Beach, 5-7pm TBC
03 End of year celebration back-up date
04 Assembly - Kia Kaha - 10.10am
Hui Whakapumau - year 6 Māori graduation
11 Waverley's Got Talent
14 Year 6 Graduation
15 Last day of school for 2026 noon

January
28 Teachers Only Day
29 Teachers Only Day

February
01 First day of school
06 Waitangi Day
08 Day off for Waitangi Day
23 Phoenix Zone athletics

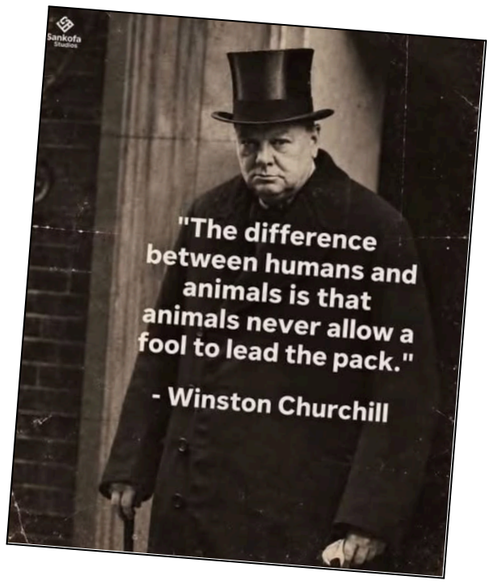
School Photos…

Individual and sibling proof photos along with photo order forms went home this week. Classroom photos are now on display in the entrance of the office area. Cash can be accepted at the office otherwise payments are made directly to *Izhotz Photography*. All order forms to be handed into the office please. Orders are open until **Friday 6th November.**

Nau mai haere mai ki te kura!

For the next few weeks, we have the pleasure of hosting student teachers **Liana Marie, Michelle Tait**, and **Aaliyah Bartlett**; in rooms 1, 2, and 10 respectively. Welcome to the school and the teaching profession, ladies - it is a pleasure to have you here.

'Tis the season - make sure you vote!

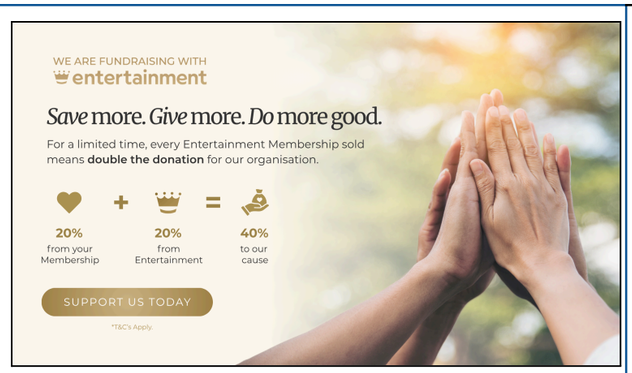




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His wife insisted that he buy "*organic vegetables only!*" from the supermarket. When he went in and looked around, he couldn't see any, so he approached an older, tired-looking employee and said, "These vegetables are for my wife. Have they been sprayed with any poisonous chemicals?" The old guy looked him right in the eye: "No, sir - you'll have to do that yourself."

Kā mihi tatou.
Kerry Hawkins & team





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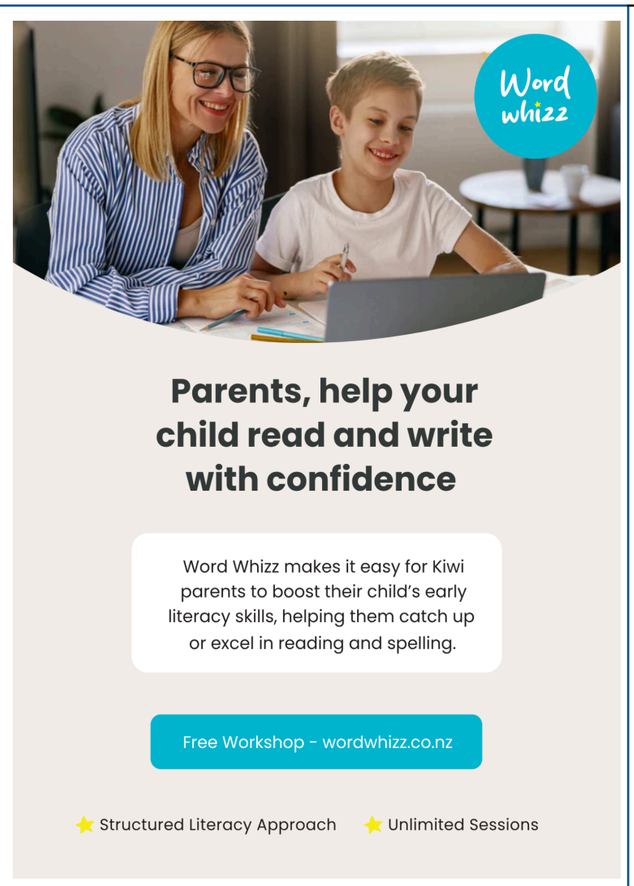
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1:15PM - 2:30PM
SESSION 3
ADULTS : NO DIG GARDEN
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