



Our School Targets 2025

Attendance and Engagement

Development of systems to improve attendance and develop programmes that support engagement in learning.
Me mahi tahi tātou mo te oranga o te katoa. We work together for the well-being of everyone.

Literacy and Numeracy

Structured programmes set up to accelerate learning to improve Reading, Writing and Maths according to the Ministry's Curriculum phases and progressions. We have support for professional development and teacher observations to improve our practice.

Term 1, 2025 Overview

Week	Date	Our Values	Key Comps	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
1	Feb 3 Feb 7	K I N D N E S S	R E L A T I N G T O O T H E R S / M A N A G I N G S E L F	Start Of Year information Fire Drill practice 10.30am		Syndicate and class Newsletters out	Waitangi Day			
2	Feb 10 Feb 14								Year 7 & 8 students to Technology	
3	Feb 17 Feb 21					Health Nurse and vaccination talk		Learning Journey Catch Up.		
4	Feb 24 Feb 28					Earthquake drill 2.30pm		Board Of Trustees BOT Meeting 3.15 pm		ART ESCAPE Opening Community Dinner
5	March 3 March 7						Junior Swimming Demonstration	Country Schools Senior Swimming Sports	Junior Swimming Demonstration P.P. Day	
6	March 10 March 14					Country Schools Senior Swimming Sports P.P. Day? Vaccination day		Thames Hockey Festival		
7	March 17 March 21							Thames Valley Ripa Rugby (Te Aroha)		
8	March 24 March 28					Kayaking skills Senior school		BOT Meeting 3.15pm		
9	March 31 April 4					House Group Challenges				
10	April 7 April 11								Attendance and House Rewards	Last day of the term

Please Note: These dates may change over time and other activities are to be confirmed. More information will be sent out closer to the event. We will need volunteers to help take transport and help with activities. If you would like to be involved please ensure your police vet forms and details are up to date.

* If you know of any magnificent events happening, please let us know, so they can be considered for each term.

"Te akonga o te Kura whenuakite"

"We will endeavour for all round personal Hauora and success."

	<p style="text-align: center;">Whakatauki/proverb "Ma te huruhuru ka rere te manu: Adorn a bird with feathers and it will soar"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Our overarching theme – " Put on the Korowai of identity to understand more about ourselves and others"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kaitiakitanga: Environment and Sustainability – Personal and Social Responsibility to care for our planet.</p>
	<p>Whenuakite Kids love KFC! Keys For Competencies - There are 5 Key Competencies and we will focus on some of these each term. (1) Relating to Others, (2) Managing Self, (3) Using Language Symbols and Texts, (4) Thinking, and (5) Participating and Contributing.</p>
	<p>K.I.T.E Way - School Shared Values - Please talk to your child about what these values mean and demonstrate the importance of these.</p> <p>We are proud of each KITE Kid and the uniqueness they bring to our kura / school. We aim to support each child to strive to achieve Our Motto: 'Takakawe i ngā wā katoa - At all times we will endeavour' – "Mauri Mahi, Mauri Ora"</p> <p>Kind – manaakitanga: The Whenuakite Learner will show kindness and support. they show respect, generosity, aroha and care for others. Innovative – auaha: The Whenuakite Learner will be innovative, creative, inventive, self-driven and be a problem solver. Trustworthy – takohanga: The Whenuakite Learner will be responsible, respectful, show mana and lead by example. Enthusiastic – ngakaunui: The Whenuakite Learner will be enthusiastic in all endeavours. They will show dedication and commitment.</p>
1	<p>Start of Year Information – Welcome back information and Term Overview of events, Earthquake Drill - Practicing drills for emergencies Start of term updates - Class and syndicate newsletters Waitangi Day – A day we celebrate as all New Zealanders.</p>
2	<p>Year 7/8 Technolgy – This is on Fridays and the students take the bus to Mercury Bay Area School for technology</p>
3	<p>Child/Parent/Teacher Learning Journey Catch Up – A chance to discuss aspirations for your child's learning this year. We encourage you to bring your child along with you for this meeting and children will be marked present for the day but are not expected to be at school for the remainder of the day. The school will still be open with activities running until 2.55 pm for families that are unable to find childcare for their children. This is an opportunity for students, parents and teachers to work together to set goals for the start of the year.</p>
4	<p>Fire Drill - Practicing drills for emergencies Board of Trustees Meeting – This is in Room 7, starting at 3.15pm. Anyone is welcome to attend these meetings and an Agenda is in the newsletter or up in the office or the notice board Art Escape - As part of the wider Art Escape in Whitianga the school will be opening its doors in weekends to visitors. We will be getting all students to create their own masterpieces that will be displayed in the Activity Room. We will have some fun competitions and prizes for students and families to be involved. More information will be out soon on how you can be involved.</p>
5	<p>Board of Trustees Meeting – This is at school, starting at 3.15pm, in Room 7. Country Schools Swimming – An opportunity for our swimmers to compete against others</p>
6	<p>Thames Hockey – Information will come out to selected students. We will be taking students to give hockey a go.</p>
7	<p>Thames Ripa Rugby – Information will come out to the selected students for this event</p>
8	<p>Board of Trustees Meeting – This is in Room 6, starting at 3.15pm. Anyone is welcome to attend these meetings and an Agenda is in the newsletter or up in the office or the notice board Kayaking Skills – This is part of the Waterwise Sailing Programme and is Module 3 – Kayaking. We will be working with the senior school, classrooms 5,6,7 on the basics and aiming for a trip to practice.</p>
9	<p>House Challenges - As part of our House groups we will be completing some challenges for House Points.</p>
10	<p>Attendance/House Rewards - For students with at least 92% attendance and for the winning House for the term. Last Day – Holidays!</p>

Newsletters – Each week. Please have any community information to Donna in the office by the Thursday morning
Friday Assembly - 9.05 - 9.30am

For more information please check our website - www.whenuakite.school.nz or contact 07 866 3860

From the Wonderful Whenuakite Whanau