

Congratulations



At the last assembly the following students were awarded certificates for a variety of achievements such as showing leadership, always making an outstanding effort, for hard work and demonstrating our PRIDE values.

Pride Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe R1: Bonnie and Sophie
Te Whaanau Mokokoko R2: Oscar and Nina
Te Whaanau Honu R3: Joshua and Melody
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Arlo and Lochlan
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Caio and Nika

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe R1: Jasper and Sean
Te Whaanau Mokokoko R2: Juno and Kiara
Te Whaanau Honu R3: Maisy and Treyboy
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Bo, Molly, Annabelle, Marlo
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Aesha and Stanley

Principal's Award

Koda (Te Whaanau Honu) and **Stevie** (Te Whaanau Toroa)

The next whole school assembly is on Friday 8th March at 1.40pm.

Our school app is : The Skool Loop App. It is important to download this to be kept informed of school information and events.

The free school app you will love! Communicate immediately and effectively with your school smartphone app. Streamlines all of your school communications to your school community.

Send newsletters, instant messages, notices, school events etc to the school parents in one quick convenient, easy way! The Skool Loop App is fully functional and absolutely free to schools. Please make sure you turn the app on when you download it onto your phone.



If there is a change to the usual way your child goes home in the afternoon, please contact the school office before 2pm, by phone or text. Please do not email a notification of change after 1pm, as the email may not be read in time. If the school is not informed, the student will be sent home as normal.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school office by phone, txt or use the free school app. If we aren't notified of an absence, the student is marked as being truant by the Ministry of Education.

If you need to contact the office, phone 09 2351005, txt 0275247338 or email: admin@awhitu.school.nz Please inform the school of any changes to your emergency contact number, email address and home address.



Planning for the Annual Easter Auction is underway. ***This will be held on Easter Saturday 30th March 2024.*** If you are able to offer your help in any way, please contact Cheney McGlynn: 021 0780606.

School Lunches: Available on Monday and Fridays only.

PIES - Steak&Cheese, Mince&Cheese, \$3.50

GLUTEN FREE Pie - \$7.00

Ham Salad Bun - \$4.50

Large Cookie \$3.40

Snack Pack \$4.00

Yoghurt Pouch - Choc OR Strawberry \$1.80

SAUSAGE ROLLS - Original OR Cheese \$3.50

Mouse Trap - Spaghetti, Ham, Cheese \$2.00

Chicken Salad Bun - \$4.80

Small Cookie \$1.80

Fruit \$1.20

FRIDAY LUNCH ONLY - Fish & Chips \$5.00, Nuggets & Chips \$4.00, Hot Dog \$3.00, Hot Chips \$3.00, Lasagne Topper \$3.20, Chicken Burger - \$4.50.

Dates to remember		
Week 4	Monday 26th February	Supakidz/Topz after school programmes begin
Week 4	Tuesday 27th February	Senior School Swimming Sports Day
Week 5	Thursday 7th March	Waiuku Group Day Swimming Competitions
Week 6	To Be Confirmed	Franklin Zone Swimming Competitions
Week 6	Tuesday 12th March	Junior School Swimming Sports Day
Week 8	Friday 29th March	Good Friday
	Saturday 30th March	EASTER AUCTION
Week 9/10	Monday 1st April and Tuesday 2nd April	Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday holidays
Week 10	Friday 12th April	End of Term 1
Week 1 (Term 2)	Monday 29th April	Term 2 Starts
Yr 7/8 Term 1 Technology Dates		Friday: 16/2/24, 1/3/24, 15/3/23, 12/4/24

Nga mihi nui from the team at Awhitu District School

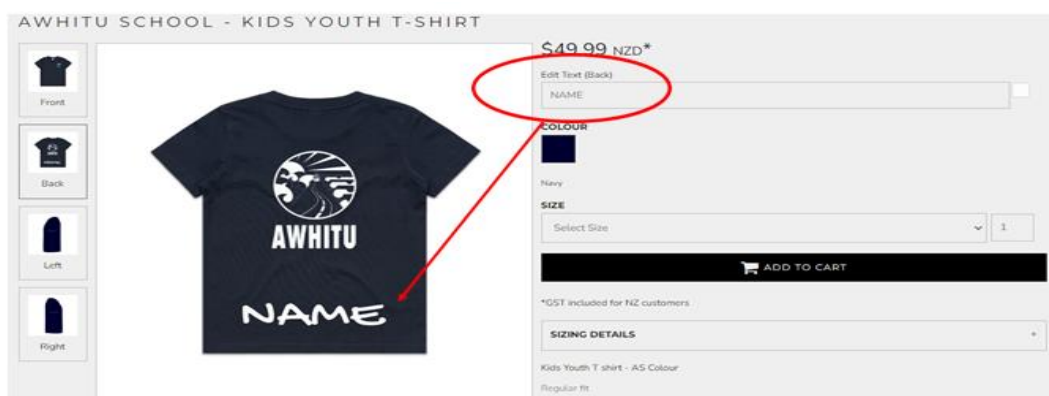
AWHITU DISTRICT SCHOOL MERCHANDISE *is now available.*

<https://awhitudistrictschool.digitees.co.nz/>

Sweatshirts, hoodies and t-shirts are now available with our school logo printed on them!

You can even have your name printed on the back, no more losing clothing at school! They will be great to wear to school every day or to other combined school events, or just proudly representing our school while out and about! These are available in child, youth, women and men sizes. All the school merchandise is **Dark Navy** (with one grey marle option). Some of the pictures on the website may look black, but they are all navy.

IMPORTANT: When ordering, it is important to remember to change the 'NAME' to the name you want printed (shown below in red). If you don't want your name on the back of your merch, delete the word "NAME". (The company printing the merch has advised that they usually pick it up if it still says "NAME" and will contact the purchaser to double-check whether they missed changing it, but if they get busy, they can't guarantee it – and you won't get a refund if done wrong). This is on-going fundraising for our school, as with each order the school receives a small monetary return.



This is the link for the website to order your clothing: <https://awhitudistrictschool.digitees.co.nz/>

Here is a link to show you the ordering process: [Click link here for video.](#)

Disclaimer: *If you have any issues with products, please contact Digitees direct, not the school.*



AWHITU DISTRICT SCHOOL

2024 EASTER AUCTION - IMPORTANT NOTICE! HOW YOU CAN HELP...

Every year a group of parents organises and runs the Annual Easter Auction. The proceeds from the Auction goes straight back to the school to help pay for things for your kids. It pays for things like school camps, new bark for our playgrounds, extra provisions for the teachers in their classrooms and bus travel for the kids so they can attend events in and around the Peninsula and the adjoining local areas.

We ask that each family Help in the following four ways:

- 1. Raffle items:** each child needs to bring in at least one grocery item and one non-grocery item that will be combined into baskets for our raffles. Non grocery items could include things from the \$2 shop such as cooking utensils, tea towels, bathroom items, little gift sets, candles, or toys. Please ensure grocery items are not past their expiry or use-by date. **Items need to be brought to school by Friday 15 March.**
- 2. Supply Goods for the Auction:** Please support our amazing school and students by donating any second-hand goods (furniture, machinery, garden equipment, sporting equipment, artwork, toys, clothing etc. almost anything in good condition). Ask your friends, family and neighbours. Please remember that we cannot accept unusable or unsellable items. Pick up or drop off donated items is on Easter Friday 29th of March. Please call/text Chéney on 021 078 06062 organise a pickup in the local area.
- 3. Café Food:** Get baking! All families are asked to provide a plate of baking for us to sell in the café, (muffins, cakes, biscuits, slices, and savouries). Please bring plates to school on Easter Friday or first thing on the morning of the auction.
- 4. Helping on Easter Weekend:** We would like to see at least one person per family offering to assist on Easter Friday and slash or auction day! Please complete the form below (one per family) and return it to the school ASAP. Chéney will be in touch with you regarding how you can help.

Thank you from the Awhitu District School Auction Committee!

Call or text Chéney on 021 0780606 or Awhitu School on 09 235-1005.

FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/AwhituSchoolFundraising/> - check it out and stay up-to-date!

EASTER AUCTION HELPERS 2024 – EACH FAMILY TO PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN (tick)	
Name:	Phone:
AUCTION TENTS: set up and dismantle tents Friday and Saturday.	CLEAN UP: I can help on Saturday with the clean up.
FRIDAY SORTING HELPERS: Help with unloading trailers, sorting and boxing items or help where needed.	BAKERS: I can assist baking a THANK YOU cakes for our Auctioneers and non-parent helpers.
SATURDAY HELP: Help Saturday in either Box lots, field auction, electrical tent, furniture tent, raffle table, Registrations, barbecue tent or, brick a brick rooms, art auction, kids’ fun corner (circle).	FRIDAY COLLECTING: I can help collecting goods from the local area with a truck and/or trailer, or vehicle.

Please note: please supervise your children on Friday and Saturday. There is a lot of traffic coming in and out of the school grounds. Please ensure they stay off the field and the auction items on Friday. As these are not school days there will be no teacher on duty. We ask that you remind your children that the back of the school forests and court area are out of bounds on these days. **Thanks.**



Violin lessons Kia ora everyone,

My name is Phoebe. I am a violinist and music tutor who has recently moved to Āwhitu from the UK. I am very pleased to offer violin and music theory lessons to the students at Āwhitu school. I have a BMus Music degree and experience teaching all ages and abilities, from beginner to Grade 8, and firmly believe no child is too old to start learning! Lesson pricing (per lesson): One trial lesson – FREE
Individual lesson 20 mins - \$30
Individual lesson 30 mins - \$35
Group lesson (two students) - \$25 each
If you think your child may be interested or would like to find out more please contact: 021024 40922
phoebe.hewitt@yahoo.com

Sue Coulston is an itinerant music teacher that comes to Awhitu District School every Monday morning. If you would like your child to have guitar, ukulele, singing lessons or music therapy, please phone her on 0210321081, or email: singularity.voice.coach@gmail.com Website: www.nzmsmcounties.co.nz
These are private lessons and not funded by the school.